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asily have several elements such as the engine, automatic braking system, airbags, automatic parking system and the infotainment system.

The main manufacturers are located in Asia, such as TSMC in Taiwan and Samsung and SK Hynix in South Korea, although there are still some factories in the United States and Europe.

The surge in demand for electronic devices during the pandemic is the main cause of today's shortage of chips.

A fire in a Japanese factory didn't help and now a drought in Taiwan may force a reduction in output.

Automakers say they are managing the situation on a day by day basis and are trying to avoid shutting down production lines completely.

Due to the chip shortage, "GM is building some vehicles without certain modules when necessary," the US carmaker said in a statement.

"They will be completed as soon as more semiconductors become available," it added.

Stellantis was able to resume production of the new Peugeot 308 at half the normal pace after a three-week halt. It went back to a dashboard console that uses an analogue speedometer.

Most automakers say they hope to make up lost production during the second half of the year.



Government of Nepal Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport Department of Roads Development Cooperation Implementation Division Strategic Road Connectivity and Trade Improvement Project Jwagal, Lalitpur

Request for Expression of Interest (REOI)

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The ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport, Department of Roads (DoR), Strategic Road Connectivity and Trade Improvement Project, Jwagal, Lalitpur invites eligible individual Consultants for the posts mentioned below to indicate their interest in providing the Services indicating the contract number.

S.N.	Contract Identification No.	Post	Duration of Total Service
1	SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-13	Financial Management Consultant (FMC)	252 days input over 3 years period
2	SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-15	Social Development Advisor (SDA)	360 days input over 2 years period
3	SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-16	Environmental Advisor (EA)	360 days input over 2 years period

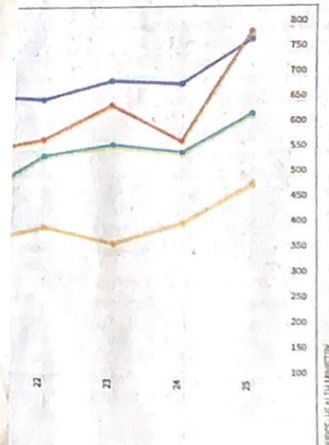
Interested Consultant may obtain Terms of Reference (TOR) for the mentioned assignment title and further detail relevant information from <https://dor.gov.np/home/notices>.

Expression of Interest must be delivered in written form to the address below (in Person or by email) by 16th May 2021 office hours.

Project Director

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cases and 28 deaths.



Infections among children and senior

Tropical and Infectious Disease Hospital, told the Post.

Moreover, there is another reason for worry during the current second wave as younger people too are requiring hospitalization.



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Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport
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Jwagal, Lalitpur
Procurement of Individual Specialist

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Date of first publication: **April 26, 2021**

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NAME OF PROJECT: Strategic Road Connectivity and Trade Improvement Project

Credit No.: 6673-NP

Assignment Title: Individual Consultants- Financial Management Consultant (FMC), Social Development Advisor & Environment Advisor

Reference No. SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-13 , SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-15 & SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-16

The Government of Nepal has received financing from the International Development Association (IDA) toward the cost of **Strategic Road Connectivity and Trade Improvement Project** and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services. The consulting services (“the Services”) includes **hiring 3 (Three) Individual Consultants as indicated in the table below in order to implement the project efficiently.**

Anticipated date for commencement of the services is **June 2021** and the tentative duration of the assignment of each individual consultants are depicted in the same table.

The Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport, Department of Roads (DoR), now invites eligible individual Consultants for the posts mentioned below to indicate their interest in providing the Services indicating the contract number. Interested Individual Consultants should provide latest Curriculum Vitae (CV) and any other information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The consulting firms can also propose individual consultants. While evaluation, only the experience and qualifications of the individual shall be considered and the experience of the firm will not be taken into consideration.

The details of contract and duration for each specialist position are indicated below:

S.N.	Contract no.	Post	Duration of Total service
1	SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-13	Financial Management Consultant (FMC)	252 days input over 3 years period
2	SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-15	Social Development Advisor (SDA) for Planning and Implementation of Social Safeguard Activities as Capacity Enhancement of GESU, DoR	360 days input over 2 years period
3	SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-16	Environmental Advisor (EA) for Planning and Implementation of Environmental Safeguard Activities as Capacity Enhancement of GESU, DoR	360 days input over 2 years period



A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Methods for Individual Consultant set out in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers", July 2016, Revised August 2018.

Interested Consultant may obtain Terms of Reference (ToR) for the mentioned assignment title and relevant information from <https://dor.gov.np/home/notices>.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours.

Expression of interest must be delivered in written form to the address below (in Person or by email) by **16 May 2021 office hours**.

Attention: Project Director

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Government of Nepal
Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport
Department of Roads
Development Cooperation Implementation Division (DCID)
Strategic Road Connectivity & Trade Improvement Project (SRCTIP)

Terms of Reference (ToR)
For
Procurement of Individual Consultant; Environmental Advisor
(EA)

Contract Identification No:-SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-16

April, 2021



1. INTRODUCTION

Government of Nepal (GoN) has received financing from the International Development Association ("World Bank") toward the cost of Strategic Road Connectivity and Trade Improvement Project (SRCTIP). The Department of Roads (DoR), Development Cooperation Implementation Division under the Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport (MOPIT) is the implementing agency for the Component 2 & 3 of this project, and responsible for implementation, management, supervision and coordination.

Component 2: Regional Road Connectivity

The support will consist of three sub-components:

- i. Improvement of the existing Nagdhunga-Naubise-Mugling road to 2-lane with 1 m paved shoulders;
- ii. Upgrading of the Kamala-Dhalkebar-Pathlaiya road from 2-lane to 4-lane; and, and
- iii. A safe corridor demonstration program (SCDP), covering a length of about 250 km.

Component 3: Institutional Strengthening

(a) Support for the National Road Safety Council through, inter alia:

- (i) establishment of an interim secretariat with seed funding for staffing and equipment; and
- (ii) support for prioritized activities from the National Road Safety Action Plan (RSAP), including coordinating, monitoring and evaluating measures under the SCDP; monitoring the working of Management Information Systems and equipment service providers; supporting nation-wide roll-out of the web-based Road Accident Information Management System (RAIMS); and supporting training and peer-exchange programs.

(b) **Capacity enhancement of DoR for improved management of SRN through:**

- (i) **development and mainstreaming of road asset management system;**
- (ii) support for training facilities and training in selected priority areas, including network-level safety assessments, quality, Advanced procurement including certification, design of advanced structures, and management of environmental and social risks and impacts; and
- (iii) support for training to local women to find skilled employment and livelihood opportunities.

(c) **Support for periodic maintenance of the Core Road Network (CRN).**

A Project Coordination Unit (PCU) has been established under the Development Cooperation Implementation Division (DCID) of DoR for carrying out activities related



to the project which is responsible for coordination and implementation of the respective project activities.

The Department of Roads intends to hire the Environmental Advisor (EA) to support and assist Geo-Environment and Social Unit (GESU) in regards of Planning and Implementation of environmental safeguards activities as Capacity Enhancement of DoR under the component Institutional Strengthening.

The EA will be responsible for high level technical inputs for environmental safeguards, sensitizing and orienting the project technical and non-technical staffs with environmental issues, supporting in formulation of environmental policies and guidelines, developing training manuals and organizing trainings as per approved environmental reports and project documents of SRCTIP. The EA will work at Project coordination Unit (PCU) based in Kathmandu with travel to the project sites as per requirements. The EA will be directly responsible to the GESU for reporting.

2. OBJECTIVES

The main objective of this individual consulting service of EA is to provide expert service in streamlining policies, plans and programs for strengthening the capacity of GESU on environmental safeguards activities.

3. SCOPE OF WORKS

The Consultant will support for the capacity development of GESU in Environment safeguards/ environmental risk management related activities and strengthening environmental management system in DoR , and streamlining policies and programs, but not limited to the following:

Review GoN relevant legal legislation and recommend for policies revision for the preparation and execution of project's Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP), environmental study ToRs, Reports and Templates;

- i. Review and recommend for the planning and implementation of Environment and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA)/Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), Initial Environmental Examination (IEE), Brief Environmental Study (BES) Environmental Social Management Plans (ESMP) and Site-Specific Environment Management Plans (SSEMP);
- ii. Support in developing or updating DoR's Safeguards Policy/Strategy Paper as well as process and procedures on environmental safeguards and environmental risk management and maintain reference manual/guidelines with standards and criteria;



- iii. Develop guidelines for integrating the environmental safeguards and environmental risk management into the standard bidding documents including standard clauses, standards, items etc.;
- iv. Prepare construction and operation stage environmental indicators and parameters for monitoring in the road and bridge sectors, related standards and guidelines, and prepare project specific monitoring framework for project under DoR;
- v. Prepare training modules, training manuals and guidelines reflecting national and international practices and organize/conduct training/workshops to the targeted policy level and project level stakeholders for wider environmental awareness in implementation of World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF), DoR's Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF), OHS policy and guidelines of DoR;
- vi. Prepare and develop stakeholder engagement guideline and standard format for public hearing and stakeholder consultation meetings and conduct orientation/sensitization program on Environmental Safeguards/ environmental risk management;
- vii. Review of policy documents like Environment Protection Act 2076, Environment Protection Rule 2077, other environmental laws of Government of Nepal related to environmental safeguards/ environmental risk management, suggest in developing supporting documents/ instrument for the road and bridge sector and provide necessary feedbacks for the improvement;
- viii. Review engineering/ technical planning and design approach, process, procedures, steps, and standards being used in DoR for planning and design of road and bridges from environmental perspective and suggest ways to mainstream environmental risk management in the engineering planning and design;
- ix. Analyze and advise GESU and DoR management that the projects of DoR comply with the current environmental regulations of GoN and Bank Policies;
- x. Prepare environmental safeguard/ environmental risk management Strategic Action Plans/Business Plans for GESU, including capacity development of GESU and coordinate with within DoR including Bridge Branch, DCID and external agencies including National Safety Council for bridging gaps in implementation of Strategic Action Plans and environmental safeguard aspects;
- xi. Support GESU for the review and updates of ESMF, environmental Policies, Guidelines and standards, process and procedures including various checklists, protocols, formats etc.;



- xii. Advise GESU in streamlining of Gate Review Process/Checklist in Bridge sector projects and further improving the same;
- xiii. Advice and Support GESU in enhancement of environmental compliance monitoring in DoR projects taking into account of the learning from various projects as well as from Bridge Site Monitoring System (BSMS) and Road Accident Information Management System (RAIMS) available with DOR;
- xiv. Support GESU and DCID in all other matter in regards of Environmental Safeguards aspects as and when directed by the Project Director;
- xv. Support DoR (GESU and other units of DoR) in addressing biodiversity aspects as well as in Cumulative Impact Assessments related activities in relation to road and bridges within DoR;
- xvi. Support DoR and GESU in collecting and making aware of in Good International Industry Practice (GIIP) related to mainstreaming environmental considerations in the life cycle of road and bridge planning, construction and operation.

4. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENT AND EXPERIENCE

The Consultant for the post of EA should have following necessary expertise and academic qualification:

Domains	Requirements
Academic Qualification	Minimum: Master's Degree in Environmental Science or Environmental Engineering or Environmental Planning or Environmental Management or Equivalent; Preferable: Post Masters in the above subject areas
Experiences	A. General Minimum: 10 years' experience in Environmental Safeguard and Policies including environmental risk management (studies/ assessment such as EA, EMP, and in implementation such as supervision, monitoring, compliance , auditing etc. of environmental measures/ actions)r Preferable: 15 Years' experience in the above areas B. Specific i Policy/Planning Related Activities Minimum: 5 years' experience in Policy / Planning or related Advisory role in Environmental safeguard sector Preferable: 15 years' experience in Policy / Planning or related Advisory role in Environmental safeguard sector



Domains	Requirements
	<p>ii Planning/Implementation of Road Transport Related Activities</p> <p>Minimum: 3 years' experience in Road Transport Planning/Implementation or related activities in Environmental safeguard sector</p> <p>Preferable: 7 years' experience in Road Transport Planning/Implementation or related activities in Environmental safeguard sector</p>
Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training in Environmental and Social Management Framework of World Bank, 2018 <p>Any other trainings specific to EIA, environmental planning, environmental management, and Transport sector environment management/ assessment/ audit/ monitoring/ supervision or related Environmental Safeguard Activities</p>
Language	Fluency in written and spoken English and Nepali
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Able to deal, and coordinate with officials, technical personnel, labors and local people at construction site• Able to travel the project sites as per the requirements• Able to work with various Road Divisions / Project teams• Able to coordinate with the field level team and central support team for specific issues <p>Familiarity with environmental risk management policies, approach, requirements and instruments (including ESF) of various international agencies, such as WB, ADB, AIIB, EU, UNDP, UNEP, EIB, etc.</p>

5. PAYMENT

The remuneration to the individual Environmental Advisor shall be on the monthly basis, as a time based contract. Reimbursable expenses are paid as per contract.

6. DURATION OF CONSULTANT'S SERVICE

The duration of engagement of the Consultant shall be for twenty-four (24) months from the commencement date and shall be renewed annually upon satisfactory performance of Consultant, business need and availability of budget. The input of the Consultant shall be in an intermittent basis; basically the input per year will be 180



days (i.e. 15 days input per month) and /or as agreed with the Client during the performance of the service.

7. WORKING DAYS

The working days and office holidays will be as per Government rules and practice. The Consultant should submit the monthly work plan at the start of each month.

8. TAX

The Consultant shall be fully responsible for all taxes imposed by Government of Nepal. The Consultant must be registered in VAT after signing the contract agreement, if not registered. The consultant will be responsible for the costs of the premium of any insurance plan including accidental insurance he/she takes up.

9. LOGISTIC AND OTHER ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY THE CLIENT

The following shall be provided to the Consultant by the Client:

- Related reports available in DoR
- Access to other necessary documents and data available in DoR required for the performance of the consultant's services.
- Office space with furniture
- Email and internet access
- Required office stationery

The Consultant will be provided an office space in premises of the Department of Roads, Geo-Environment and Social Unit. Transportation shall have to be arranged by consultant himself/herself for within Kathmandu valley however Transport expenditures incurred during visiting outside of Kathmandu valley shall be reimbursed as per actual bill, if any.

10. CONSULTANT'S RESPONSIBILITY

The Consultants shall not, during the term of this Contract and after its expiration, disclose any proprietary or confidential information relating to the Services, this Contract or the Client's business or operations without the prior written consent of the Client. The Consultant shall keep full records relating to all aspects of the work covered by his service contract. All original drawings, work sheets, field notes, computer programs, reports and other documents relating to the study shall become the property of the Government.



In addition to the above, the Consultant shall submit the reports not limited to following during the course of services:

- The EA shall prepare monthly, quarterly and special highlighted reports and submit to DoR, GESU and DCID
- Completion Report at the end of Service period

11. AGREEMENT

The Consultant shall be required to enter into an agreement with Development Cooperation Implementation Division, Department of Roads on time based Contract as per the Provision of Procurement Regulation for IPF Borrowers, July 2016, Revised August 2018. An agreement shall be signed by both parties before the commencement of the work.