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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

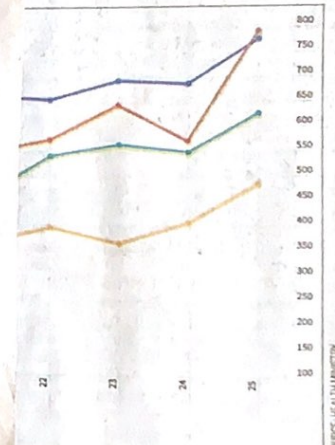
Interested Consultant may obtain Terms of Reference (TOR) for the mentioned assignment title and further detail relevant information from <https://dor.gov.np/home/notices>.

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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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	360 days input over 2 years period



S.N.	Contract no.	Post	Duration of Total service
		as Capacity Enhancement of GESU, DoR	

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 - Social Development
Advisor (SDA)

Contract Identification No:-SRCTIP-DOR-CS-IND-15

April 2021



1. INTRODUCTION

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

Component 2: Regional Road Connectivity

The support consists of three sub-components:

- i. Improvement of the existing Nagdhunga-Naubise-Mugling (NNM) road to 2-lane with 1m paved shoulders.
- ii. Upgrading of the Kamala-Dhalkebar-Pathlaiya (KDP) road from 2-lane to 4-lane; 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 DCID of DoR for carrying out activities related to the project which is responsible for coordination and implementation of the respective project activities.

DoR intends to hire a Social Development Advisor (SDA) to support and assist its Geo-Environment and Social Unit (GESU) in planning and implementing social safeguards activities to enhance the capacity of DoR under the component on institutional strengthening.

The SDA will be responsible for high level technical advice and inputs on social aspects of projects (resettlement and compensation, stakeholder engagement, indigenous people issues, community health and safety, gender and social inclusion, grievance redress, etc.), sensitizing, orientating and training the project's technical and non-technical staffs on social safeguard issues, developing training manuals, and helping to formulate DoR's environmental and social policy and guidelines based on relevant legal legislation. The Advisor will work at GESU, in coordination with an Environmental Advisor to be hired, and will support capacity development activities of DoR, GESU in social-related activities planning and implementation and based in Kathmandu/Lalitpur with frequent travel to the project sites as required.

2. OBJECTIVES

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

3. SCOPE OF WORKS

The SDA will support the capacity development of GESU on social aspects of DoR's projects including, but not limited to the following:

- i. Review relevant GoN legislation and policies and support the implementation and tracking of project's Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) and related environmental and social measures;
- ii. Review and support the planning, preparation and implementation of environmental and social management plans such as Environmental and Social



- Impact Assessment (ESIA), Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), Initial Environmental Examination(IEE), Brief Environmental Study (BES), Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMP), Resettlement Action Plan (RAP), Resettlement Framework (RF), Indigenous Peoples Development Plan (IPDP), Indigenous Peoples Planning Framework (IPPF), Labor Management Procedures (LMP), Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP), Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and Sexual Assault (SEA/SH) Prevention and Response Action Plan
- iii. Co-lead the development of DoR's environment and social policy and guidelines, oversee orientation on the policy for staff and consultants, and ensure that the requirements of the policy are mainstreamed into DOR's standard bidding documents;
 - iv. Prepare project specific monitoring framework for social aspects and monitor the projects under DoR;
 - v. Prepare and develop standard format for undertaking public hearings and stakeholder consultation meetings and for conducting orientation/sensitization program on Social Safeguards;
 - vi. Prepare manuals/guidelines for conducting training on the Environmental and Social standards of the World Bank and other development agencies and DoR's Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF), OHS Policy/Manual and GESI Guidelines;
 - vii. Conduct trainings on the ESF and DoR's ESMF, OHS Policy/Manual and GESI guidelines, using the manuals/guidelines prepared above;
 - viii. Review legislation such as the Land Acquisitions Act, 2034 with amendment in 2075, Land Acquisition Resettlement and Rehabilitation Policy for Infrastructure Development Projects 2071, Public Road Act, 2031, Public Road Directives..., other relevant laws of Government of Nepal related to social safeguards and provide necessary feedbacks for the improvement;
 - ix. Support GESU to coordinate with other agencies, raise the awareness, disseminate information on social aspects of infrastructure development and work towards enhancing linkages between the DoR and related agencies.
 - x. Prepare and maintain social audit checklist and protocols.
 - xi. Support supervision, monitoring and reporting on the environmental and social performance of project activities;
 - xii. Support documentation, investigation and resolution of project-related complaints and grievances



- xiii. Support GESU to prepare its Business plan.
- xiv. Provide overall support to GESU and DCID to implement social safeguards measures as directed by the Project Director.

4. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENT AND EXPERIENCE

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

Domains	Requirements
Academic Qualification	<p>Minimum: Master’s Degree in Sociology/Anthropology or Equivalent; Preferable: Post Masters in Sociology/Anthropology or Equivalent;</p>
Experiences	<p>A. General Minimum: 10 years’ experience in Social Safeguard Sector Preferable: 20 Years’ experience in Social Safeguard Sector</p> <p>B. Specific</p> <p>i Policy/Planning Related Activities Minimum: 5 years’ experience in Policy / Planning or related Advisory activities in Social Safeguard sector Preferable: 15 years’ experience in Policy / Planning or related advisory activities in Social Safeguard sector Experience in implementing Environmental and social policies of the World Bank and other funding agencies will be an added advantage.</p> <p>ii Planning/Implementation of Road Transport Related Activities Minimum: 3 years’ experience in Road Transport Planning/Implementation or related activities in Social Safeguard sector Preferable: 7 years’ experience in Road Transport Planning/Implementation or related activities in Social Safeguard sector</p>
Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training in Environmental and Social Management Framework of World Bank, 2018 • Any other trainings specific to RAP, SAP, IPDP or related Social Safeguard Activities
Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Able to coordinate with the field level team and central support team for specific issues
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5. PAYMENT

The remuneration to the individual SDA 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 SDA 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.