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Ministry of Public Works and Transport
Department of Waterways

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Lao PDR Southeast Asia Disaster Risk Management Project II (SEADRM II)
(Project No: P510690; IDA-8027-LA)
Component 1: Integrated Urban Flood Risk Management

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)
For
Financial Management Consultant (Full Time)
For Financial Management Support to Component 1, SEADRM-II Project
Reference No. DOW-CS-08

1. BACKGROUND: The Government of the Lao PDR has received financing from the International Development Association (IDA) of the World Bank for the Southeast Asia Disaster Risk Management Project II (SEA DRM-II). Building on the achievements of the first phase, SEA DRM-II aims to further strengthen the Lao PDR's resilience to climate-related hazards. The project's objective is to improve the country's capacity to manage flood risks in target areas and enhance the efficiency of disaster risk financing and meteorological services. A total project cost of approximately US$60 million, of which US$46 million is specifically allocated to Component 1.

Component 1: Integrated Urban Flood Risk Management (US$46.0 million): Implemented by the Department of Waterways (DOW), MPWT, this component finances structural and non-structural investments to strengthen flood protection and reduce the exposure of communities, assets and livelihoods to fluvial and pluvial flooding in key urban areas in Laos, and comprises three sub-components: SC1.1 riverbank protection and flood risk management (US$40.0 million); SC1.2 strengthening urban resilience (US$4.0 million); and SC1.3 project management (US$2.0 million).

The Lao PDR SEA DRM-II Project, DOW is seeking a Financial Management Consultant to oversee the financial management of the project, implement the project's financial management system, and ensure that day-to-day financial management functions are carried out effectively in line with the rules and regulations of the Government and the financiers.

2. OBJECTIVE OF THE ASSIGNMENT: The objective of the Financial Management Consultant is to oversee the financial management for the project, implement the project's financial management system and ensure that day-to-day financial management functions are carried out effectively to facilitate effective management of financial resources in line with the Government's rules and regulations and those of the financiers. The Consultant is also expected to assist with capacity building of finance staff in central and provinces, working under CMU1-DOW and closely with the Department of Planning and Finance (DPF).

3. DURATION OF THE ASSIGNMENT AND TIME FRAME: The assignment will require a Full-time contract for 24 months, with possibility of renewal based on satisfactory performance review and Project requirements. The assignment is expected to start from January 2027 to December 2028. The Consultant will be based in DOW's project office in Vientiane Capital, Lao PDR.

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4. BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND TASKS TO BE PERFORMED BY CONSULTANT:

- Prepare the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWPB) for Component 1, consolidated with the project's annual work plan;
- Manage project funds, expenditures and receipts, and supervise withdrawal applications and fund replenishment between the Designated Account and Operating Accounts;
- Supervise preparation, authorization and payment of project expenses and maintain systems and controls for transaction approval and allocation;
- Prepare quarterly and semi-annual financial reports, including the Interim Unaudited Financial Report (IFR), and perform monthly bank reconciliations;
- Support the arrangement of annual project audits and coordinate with internal audit, external audit and World Bank supervision missions; and
- Provide formal and on-the-job training on accounting and financial management to relevant staff of implementing agencies.

5. EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS: The Financial Management Consultant should have, at minimum criteria:

- At least a Bachelor's degree in accounting, Finance, Economics, Business Administration, or a related field. A Local or international recognized professional qualification e.g international or Lao certified practicing accountants (CPA) will be an advantage. Additional certifications in financial management, public finance, or project management would be a valuable asset.
- At least 10 years of professional experience in accounting or finance in public or private sector;
- A least 5 years of experience in development project accounting/finances of major development partners (such as the World Bank, Asian Development Bank and other major development partners).
- Experience in financial reporting and budgeting within donor-funded projects, preferably in a governmental or multilateral development project setting.
- Experience in the Lao public financial management (PFM) systems and knowledge of financial regulations in Lao PDR.
- Knowledge and experience in computerized accounting software and Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint; and Excellent report-writing skills and good command of both spoken and written English and Lao.

6. THE DETAILED SERVICES AND QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS is provided in Terms of Reference (TOR) that can be obtained from the point of contact below, and can be downloaded on www.mpwt.gov.la

A National Consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures of Individual Consultants (IC) method set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for Investment Project Financing Borrowers dated February 2025.

Interested Consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours; from 8:30 AM - 16:30 PM, on working days.

7. EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST MUST BE DELIVERED:

No later than **4:00 PM** on **November 5, 2026** on the address below (in person, or by fax, or by e-mail).

Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MPWT), Department of Waterways (DOW),

Project Manager, Tel: +856-21-452423 ; moukmany.not@gmail.com, cc: marypdmv@gmail.com;

Attention: Ms. Moukmany Vannasy, Project Manager, Department of Waterways.

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