

Gas Transmission Company Limited
Bakhrabad-Siddhirganj Gas Transmission Pipeline Project
Red Crescent Borak Tower (Level-6)
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Invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI)

For

“Voluntary Organization Services for
Implementation of Resettlement Action Plan (RAP)
and Assisting in Land Acquisition & Requisition”

Under

Bakhrabad-Siddhirganj Gas Transmission Pipeline Project
Executed by the Gas Transmission Company Limited (A Company of Petrobangla)

The Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the International Development Association(IDA) in an amount of USD 81.2971 million toward the Foreign Exchange cost of implementation of Bakhrabad-Siddhirganj Gas Transmission Pipeline Project as part of the Siddhirganj Peaking Power Project, and it is intended that part of the proceeds of this credit will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for Voluntary Organization Services for implementation of Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) and assist in land acquisition & requisition.

The Gas Transmission Company Limited (GTCL), a Company of Bangladesh Oil, Gas & Mineral Corporation (Petrobangla) under the Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources, (hereinafter referred to as the “Executing Agency” (EA)) now invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from eligible Voluntary Organization(s) of Bangladesh for the purpose of short listing for the captioned services.

The Voluntary Organization Services will be required for reviewing, finalization and implementation of Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) and assisting in land acquisition & requisition for the proposed Bakhrabad-Siddhirganj Gas Transmission Pipeline Project. The Project is designed to construct around 60 km gas transmission pipeline from Bakhrabad to Siddhirganj including five river crossings and above ground installations along the Right-of-Way (ROW). The pipeline will pass through Muradnagar & Daudkandi Upazilas of Comilla district, Gajaria Upazila of Munshiganj district, and Sonargaon & Bandar Upazilas of Narayanganj district.

The qualified Voluntary Organizations must be non-profit human welfare organization and have experience in land acquisition, requisition, resettlement/rehabilitation and relocation related activities under development projects of Govt. of Bangladesh/ADB/IDA as per guidelines related to gas infrastructure or similar other projects (roads & highway/railway/power transmission grid/river or water way embankments).

The Voluntary Organization will be required to update related data and information required for implementation of Resettlement Action Plan (RAP); assist in land acquisition & requisition; assist in preparing estimates; update information of project affected person(s) (PAP); prepare ID cards and distribute the same; review and update information of the full socio-economic survey to assess the overall impact previously prepared by EA; assist the PAPs in obtaining compensation; participate in the Joint Verification Team (JVT), Grievance Redress Committee (GRC) and Compensation Determination Committee (CDC); assist in tree plantation; maintain close liaison with LGED, R&HD, BIWTA, Railway and with other government/semi-government/autonomous/private agencies or departments concerned with implementation of the RAP and land acquisition & requisition; data entry to software package for Computerized Management Information System

(CMIS); assist in monthly & periodic co-ordination meeting and consultation meeting; assist vulnerable groups (female-headed households, women, landless and others) in their physical and economic rehabilitation; assist in all land acquisition, requisition and resettlement related activities and preparing progress reports; assist in maintaining of records of compensation and disbursement; and prepare and submit RAP implementation reports.

The interested organization must provide the information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services in Land Acquisition, Requisition and Resettlement in gas infrastructure or similar other projects (roads & highways/railway/power transmission grid/river or water way embankments) over the last 12 (twelve) years including those currently in hand. The EOIs would be reviewed on the basis of the following:

- Registration of firm with Social Welfare and NGO Affairs Bureau of Bangladesh
- Age of firm
- Availability of key professionals
- Availability of resources
- Experience of the firm in similar task
- Support services of the firm

Voluntary Organization may associate to enhance their qualifications, but should mention whether the association is in the form of a “joint venture” or ‘subconsultancy’. In the case of an association, all members of such “association” should have real and well defined inputs to the assignment and it is preferable to limit the total number of firms including their associates to maximum of four.

A Voluntary Organization will be selected following Public Procurement Regulation 2008.

Expression of Interest shall be submitted by 11 May 2009 marked as “Expression of Interest for Voluntary Organization Services for Implementation of Resettlement Action Plan and Assisting in Land Acquisition & Requisition under Bakhrabad-Siddhirganj Gas Transmission Pipeline Project of Gas Transmission Company Ltd. (GTCL)” to the address below.

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