

GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA
MINISTRY OF WORKS

ANTIGUA ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE REHABILITATION PROJECT

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CONSULTANCY SERVICES –
ASSESSMENT OF IMPACTS ON LIVELIHOODS OF SPECIFIED PROJECT AFFECTED
PERSONS

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Government of Antigua and Barbuda (GOAB) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) – United Kingdom Caribbean Infrastructure Partnership Fund (UKCIF) towards the cost of Road Infrastructural Rehabilitation and Institutional Capacity Building and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under a contract for which this invitation is issued. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GOAB and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOAB shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

This Project is being implemented by the Ministry of Works (MoW), Road Division. The Project Implementation Management Unit (PIMU) within the MoW shall be responsible for the day-to-day management of activities.

MoW (hereinafter referred to as “the Employer”) intends to engage the services of an individual consultant to undertake an assessment of the Antigua Road Infrastructure Rehabilitation Project (ARIRP) on the livelihoods of an estimated 24 roadside vendors who operated along Friars Hill Road prior to commencement of the work.

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The objective of the assignment is to identify and assess the social and economic impact of the ARIRP on roadside vendors and, if necessary, develop a Livelihoods Restoration Action Plan (LRAP) to, *inter alia*, adequately compensate Project Affected Persons (PAPs).

The Consultant shall, but not be limited to,

- (i) Undertake an assessment, including gender analysis, of the impact of the ARIRP on the estimated 24 roadside vendors who were operating along Friars Hill Road when the project commenced.

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- (ii) Prepare a LRAP for engagement and compensation frameworks for PAPs in the event that economic dislocation is determined to have occurred. The consultant shall employ a mixed-methods approach including secondary data review and primary data collection using quantitative and qualitative methods.

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The prospective Consultant must possess the following:

Master's level degree in gender and development studies, development studies, women's studies, sociology, international development, anthropology, public policy or other related field, and a minimum of five (5) years' working experience in social assessment, socio-economic analysis, participatory research, gender analysis, stakeholder engagement, involuntary resettlement or other relevant fields.

The Consultant should have experience working with vulnerable groups. Experience working in the Eastern Caribbean/Antigua and Barbuda will be an asset. Knowledge of safeguard policies as well as experience in similar operations is vital. It is desirable that the Consultant has experience working with development institutions like the World Bank and Caribbean Development Bank (CDB).

The duration of the assignment is expected to be for a period of 30 person-days over three months.

GOAB now invites interested eligible individuals to submit Expressions of Interest indicating qualification and experience required to provide these services.

Individual Consultants shall be eligible to participate if:

- (a) the persons are citizens or *bona fide* residents of an eligible country and;
- (b) in all cases, the consultant has no arrangement and undertakes not to make any arrangements, whereby any substantial part of the net profits or other tangible benefits of the contract will accrue or be paid to a person not a citizen or *bona fide* resident of an eligible country.

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of CDB's Guidelines for the Selection and Engagement of Consultants (2011), setting forth CDB's policy on conflict of interest.

In the assessment of submissions, consideration will be given to qualifications and experience on similar assignments. All information must be submitted in English. Further information may be obtained from the third address below between 0800 and 1600 hours, Mondays to Fridays.

Electronic copies of the Expressions of Interest must be received at the first address below no later than 1500 hours (3:00pm) local time on September 15, 2022 and must be emailed simultaneously to CDB at the second address below. The email subject line should state, "**Expression of Interest – Assessment of Impacts on Livelihoods – ARIRP**". The Expression of Interest will be deemed to have been received at the time that it is received by the receiving office named in the first address below. The burden of proving

receipt of the e-mail will be on the applicant and will not be met solely by a read receipt or sent items report generated by the applicant's computer.

Following the assessment of submissions, the most technically capable and appropriately experienced applicant will be invited to negotiate a contract to provide the consultancy services. GOAB reserves the right to accept or reject late applications or to cancel the present invitation partially or in its entirety. It will not be bound to assign any reason for not selecting any applicant and will not defray any costs incurred by any applicant in the preparation and submission of Expressions of Interest.

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