



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

NIGERIA

ACCELERATING NUTRITION RESULTS IN NIGERIA (ANRiN) PROJECT

CREDIT NO.: 62690 – NG

GRANT NO.: TF0A7516

ASSIGNMENT TITLE: NON-STATE ACTOR TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY-BASED BASIC PACKAGE OF NUTRITION SERVICES IN A PARTICIPATING STATE, OF THE ACCELERATING NUTRITION RESULTS IN NIGERIA (ANRiN) PROJECT

REFERENCE NOS.

<i>Packages</i>	<i>States</i>	<i>Reference Nos. from Procurement Plans of the States</i>
<i>Package 1</i>	<i>Katsina</i>	<i>1. NG-ANRiN KATSINA- 259536- CS- QCBS 2. NG-ANRiN KATSINA- 259535- CS- QCBS</i>

The *Federal Government of Nigeria* has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the *Accelerating Nutrition Results in Nigeria (ANRiN) Project*, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include *recruitment of a Non-State Actor (NSA) to increase access to and utilization of a Community-Based Basic Package of Nutrition Services (BPNS) in packages of half-states (refer to contracting plan) according to established and agreed targets (for quality and coverage) to reduce the level of malnutrition in Nigeria. The contract will be for a period lasting till current project closing date of December 31, 2023, with a possibility of extension to a cumulative contract period of five years following a project extension, subject to satisfactory quality and quantity of implementation performance, as verified by an independent verification agency, once every six months. The NSA should be able to start delivering services within the community within 12 weeks from signing of the contract.*

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment and *the Contracting Plans Basic Package of Nutrition Services (BPNS) can be obtained at the weblink:*

The *Project Management Unit* now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide

information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

1. *Legal authorization from Government of Nigeria to operate within the country. This mandatory qualification will not be part of the EOI evaluated criteria.*
2. *Technical and management skills of over a period of at least 8-10 years, with demonstrated experience of having delivered the range of basic package of quality nutrition services for at least 100,000 women of reproductive age and 350,000 children under 5 years of age over a period of 5 years subsequent years.*
3. *Demonstrated experience of having undertaken at least three assignments of similar nature, geographical scope and scale in the last five years in developing nations. Experience in African countries will be considered an advantage. Evidence must be provided of such contracts having been completed in last five years. For an ongoing contract to be considered in the evaluation, at least 80 percent of the contract scope should have been completed.*
4. *Demonstrated experience of either having undertaken procurement, drug logistics and supply chain management of nutrition-related products, supplies and pharmaceuticals or having legally binding collaboration with qualified firm engaged in procurement, drug logistics and supply chain management of nutrition-related products, supplies and pharmaceuticals.*
5. *Operational experience in fragile, conflict and violence (FCV) affected countries will be considered an advantage.*
6. *Demonstrated ability for financial management of projects (with audited accounts) of a cumulative value of at least the amount mentioned for each package in the appended Table 1, in the last three financial years:*

Table 1

State combination	Number of contracts	Financial Management capability (US\$ million)
<i>Katsina</i>	2	4.0

7. *Turnover of at least the amount mentioned for each package in the appended Table 2, in last three financial years on similar assignments*

Table 2

State combination	Number of contracts	Turnover in last three FYs (US\$ million)
<i>Katsina</i>	2	2.8

8. *Confirmed availability of skill set required for the assignment on the permanent rolls of the firm. This mandatory qualification will not be part of the EOI evaluation criteria.*

Note: A firm/JV/Consortia may express interest in a half state. For example, a firm/JV/Consortia may express interest for Katsina 1 or 2.

A firm/JV/Consortia may express interest in one contract in the (one contract per state) at a minimum.

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 Revised November, 2017 and August 2018 and November, 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the *Quality and Cost Based Selection* method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours of *0900 to 1500 hours*.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **28 February, 2022**.

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