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**GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
PROGRAM SUPPORT UNIT
SINDH CITIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (SCIP)
SCIP-03**

INVITATION FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES OF QUALIFIED FIRMS TO CONDUCT BASELINE HOUSEHOLD, COMMERCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL SURVEYS IN TOWNS OF NORTH AND CENTRAL SINDH

The Government of Sindh, with assistance from the Asian Development Bank, embarked 2009 on the Sindh Cities Improvement Program (SCIP), a 10-year, \$400 million multi-tranche program to improve basic urban infrastructure and municipal services of Sindh's secondary towns. This will be achieved through (a) establishing local government-owned, professionally managed, urban services corporations (USCs); (b) urban sector reforms and capacity development; and (c) priority investments in water supply, wastewater management and solid waste management infrastructure.

The Program Support Unit, SCIP, P&DD, Government of Sindh is now seeking to identify suitably qualified firms to conduct baseline surveys in North & Central Sindh (12 Towns). Firms which qualify will be eligible to receive bid documents in due course.

Terms of Reference in the bid documents will include the following:

- Socio-economic household survey / quantitative baseline poverty assessments
- Scope and quality of urban municipal services for non-household customers
- Status of institutional capacity of town administrations

The tasks of the assignment will include:-

- Data Collection for three baseline surveys in participating towns in North and Central Sindh
- Encoding, entry, analysis and inference of baseline survey data
- Preparation and submission of baseline survey reports for each surveyed town

Interested firms are requested to submit an Expression of Interest (EoI) on the standardised ADB form, which can be collected at the address mentioned below. The EoI will include: (a) Eligibility (b) Management Competence (c) Technical Competence (d) Geographical Competence (e) Project Sheets and (f) any additional information which may further assist the firm in submitting their bid concerning this assignment.

Firms will be procured using the CQS method in accordance with ADB guidelines. The criterion for selection of firms is as follows: (a) Management Competency: 20% (b) Technical Competency: 60% (c) Geographical Competency: 20%. On selection of suitable firms, bid documents and detailed Terms of Reference for the assignment will be issued to the shortlisted firms.

Expressions of Interest (EoI) forms, complete in all respect, are to be submitted at the following address not later than 17th January, 2012

Office of the Program Director
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D-45, Block # 1, KDA Scheme 5, Clifton, Karachi, Pakistan.