

SELECTION OF INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Bay of Bengal Programme Inter-Governmental Organisation

Preparation of Project Completion Report of the Ocean Partnership for Sustainable Fisheries and Biodiversity Conservation – Models for Innovation and Reform

CONSULTING SERVICES

TRUST FUND #: TF 018233

Expressions of Interest

The Bay of Bengal Programme Inter-Governmental Organisation (BOBP-IGO) intends to finance the assignment described below under a trust fund from the *World Bank*.

The details of the services include is given in the Annex

The *BOBP-IGO* now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills, etc.).

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the current edition of the World Bank's [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers](#).

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below via email.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 15 December 2018.

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Terms of Reference

#CT 9. Preparation of Project Completion Report

Section A. Project Background

The Bay of Bengal Programme Inter-Governmental Organisation (BOBP-IGO) is a regional fisheries advisory body with headquarters in Chennai, India (for details see www.bobpigo.org). The Organisation was established in 2003 through an agreement amongst Governments of Bangladesh, India, Maldives and Sri Lanka. The Organisation works closely with the member-governments, communities, trade bodies and international organisations to develop sustainable marine fisheries solutions in the Bay of Bengal region. Presently, BOBP-IGO is executing the World Bank/Global Environmental Facility (GEF) Project on “Ocean Partnership for Sustainable Fisheries and Biodiversity Conservation – Models for Innovation and Reform”, a Regional Project for the Bay of Bengal (‘OPP’). The Project, under implementation from early 2015 and until 31 December 2018, works with a wide range of national stakeholders and partners in India and in the member-countries. Technical support to the Project is provided by a range of inputs, from both national and international experts.

The Project Development Objective (PDO) of the OPP is “to identify potential investors and develop business cases that promote the sustainable management of shared highly migratory fish stocks spanning areas within and/or beyond national jurisdiction.” In this regard, four Business Cases (BC) are currently under development, with a final delivery date of 31 December 2018.

BC 1: Fish Quality Business Case for Yellowfin Tuna (YFT)

Increasing the supply of consistent high quality longline and handline caught YFT will provide a solid framework to support the sustainable development of existing and future YFT processing operations to meet current and future domestic and export market needs. Investments will result in strengthening the current value chains. The increased supply of high quality YFT will originate from the existing small-scale fishing vessels and will be supported through fishermen/processor coalitions and driven by training programmes for improved onboard handling and fish preservation practices, accompanied by price premiums paid for high quality fish. Options for investment will be provided.

BC 2: Co-Management for Yellowfin Tuna (YFT) fisheries in the Union Territory of Puducherry

Investment in a co-management mechanism for longline/handline-caught fisheries for YFT in Puducherry will establish means for local actors in the YFT value chain to manage their fishery in close consultation with concerned institutions, researchers and local co-management committees. Supported by the other related business cases, this investment will establish an example of functioning co-management where the benefits from improved fishing activities are captured by harvestors and local processors, as well as other actors further up the value chain. The sustainability of these fisheries activities will be ensured through a combination of incentives for quality production and traceability of product. This will provide an example of co-management in practice to support both the Government of India’s National Policy on Marine Fisheries, 2017 and the Government of the Union Territory of Puducherry in their efforts to establish co-management of fisheries. A positive example of alternative approaches to fisheries management could be extended to adjacent coastal states in India where there are similar conditions and opportunities.

BC 3: MCS for Yellowfin Tuna (YFT) fisheries for the EEZ of India in the Bay of Bengal

The Monitoring Control and Surveillance (MCS) investment will increase sustainable economic returns recovered from YFT fishing in the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of the Bay of Bengal to 50 percent of their estimated potential value within ten years [to USD220 million]. The dedicated MCS investment in the YFT fishery will provide a stable investment and operating environment for the profitable and sustainable use of YFT and implement measures to improve fisher economic opportunities and resilience against environmental and economic shocks. The MCS investment will be designed to support value chain development and co-management initiatives. Building on the Government of India's National Policy on Marine Fisheries, 2017, the investment will enhance new policy initiatives in MCS directly and through integration with value chain development programmes. Options for investment in the development of MCS systems for sub-regional application will also be provided. Target investors will encompass international and national government agencies as well as private sector interests. An investment of [USD 25 million] over 10 years will provide a high Return on Investment of [over 200%]. (*Figures in brackets may change based on the on-going work on development of the BC.*)

BC 4: Centre of Excellence for regional cooperation in sustainable management of Shared Highly Migratory Fish Stocks (SHMFS)

This final business case will draw upon project outputs and business cases (above) to propose the establishment of a new Centre of Excellence for Fisheries Management and Development (CoE-FMD) in the BoB region under the *aegis* of the BOBP-IGO. The business case will be underpinned by three key elements – the opportunity to build upon the high quality work of the OPP-BOB project, the strong and wide-ranging links forged by the Project at all levels (local-national-regional-international) concerning SHMFS, and the solid and well-respected reputation and institutional base provided by the BOBP-IGO in the Bay of Bengal region. A focus on 'capacity-building for future fisheries management and development' and 'knowledge management' will be the key themes of the CoE-FMD. The target investors, in the first instance, will be the government and associated partners.

Section B. Activity Overview & Objective

This proposal is for 'Preparation of Project Completion Report'. The overarching objective of the proposed consultancy is to supporting finalization of OPP-BOB, the independent consultant shall, with support from the Project Manager, BOBP-IGO staff and other Consultants, will prepare the Project Completion Report in accordance with the format given by the World Bank.

Section C. Scope of Work

C.1 Methodology

The proposed consultancy will include desktop analysis of activities carried out under the project, one-to-one meeting with consultants, prospective beneficiaries and prospective investors and visit to the pilot sites.

C.2 Description of Deliverables

Specific Tasks:

1. Thoroughly review documents produced by the project to assess these outputs and their relevance and impacts in terms of pursued development outcomes (10 working days)
2. Review and determine the extent to which the stated objectives of each component were achieved. Liaise with partner organizations, consultants and stakeholders to review project

D.6 Assess quality of cooperation with other relevant donors, partners, and institutions linked to the project														
D.7 Identify and document how effectively key project implementation issues were addressed and risks were managed														
D.8 Providing a lessons learnt report with support from the PMU, project partners and consultants														
D.9 Make recommendations based on the review findings to assess overall performance, achievement of the project development objectives and the suitability of project outputs														
D.10 Report and simple PowerPoint presentation provided to the PMU for informing donors and other relevant parties of review outcomes and lessons learnt through project implementation														

Section D. Overall Schedule

The Expected start date of the assignment is 15 December 2018 and expected completion date is 28 February 2019.

Section E. Support from BOBP-IGO

The BOBP-IGO will provide at least the following contributions:

- (a) Experienced and qualified counterparts in the area of consultancy including fisheries and technical;
- (b) Contacting key officials within the relevant Ministries and other relevant official entities and private houses as possible, including operator companies as applicable;
- (c) Access to information within the context of work;
- (d) Office space and facilities for the consultant and the local counterparts.
- (e) Free access to telecommunications services; and
- (f) Other logistical support including travel arrangements.

The BOBP-IGO will supervise the performance of the work and will give guidance and advice to the consultant, particularly with respect to the governmental processes.

Section F. Desired Qualification

F.1. Academic qualifications:

- Minimum Master degree or equivalent in fisheries, fisheries management, natural resource management, economics or development.

F.2. Knowledge and skills:

- At least 5 years of professional experience in fisheries management, development projects, project design, management, monitoring and evaluation
- A sound understanding and knowledge of international and regional fisheries instruments, including the background in sustainable economic and community development and institutional capacity development
- Experience in working with fisheries managers, the private sector, community based management and sustainable tourism development with small business and value chain knowledge
- Proven experience in project monitoring and evaluation
- Demonstrated analytical capacity, well-developed technical writing and editorial skills, proficient computer skills and proven capacity to work independently and under pressure to meet deadlines.

F.3 Languages: Good working knowledge (speaking, reading and writing) in English

F.4 Organizational skills: Good organizational skills, set priorities and meet deadlines

F.5. Personal qualities: Flexibility, team spirit, trustworthiness and courtesy