Request for Expression of Interest (EoI) for Suitable Technological options under Solid & Liquid Waste Management (in Gram Panchayats) under Swachh Bharat Mission – Gramin being implemented by the Rural Development Department in Himachal Pradesh

Director Rural Development Department invites expression of interest for submission of suitable technological options from interested, reputed and eligible Companies/Firm/Organization/Institution/Consultants /NGO having sound Technical and Financial capability for the treatment of Solid & Liquid Waste and Technology Options for treatment of Sanitary Pads keeping in view the topography of the state having 3226 Gram Panchayats (mostly Rural area) consisting of Rural, Semi Urban, Tourist centric, National Highway around & Industrial area etc.

The Rural Development Department is desirous of setting up of Solid Waste Management Plants /Technology for scientific remediation/ recycling/ treatment of Solid waste (both Bio- Degradable & Non Bio-Degradable Waste including Hazardous Waste & Animal dung also) with an objective of sustainable functioning of these plants at Gram Panchayat/Cluster level. It is required to have an end to end solution starting from collection, segregation, transportation, treatment till its final disposal.

The interested agencies may submit EoI including details of their profile, experience and complete contact information etc. along with the detail of mechanism/technology and model of operations, supporting documents in a sealed envelope clearly mentioning on the envelope “Expression of Interest for suitable technological options under Solid & Liquid Waste Management ” through which they wish to provide a feasible and sustainable solution on the basis of their understanding and experience within 15 days from publication of the advertisement in the newspaper on working days between 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM on the following address:

Director, Rural Development Department
Block No. 27, SDA Complex, Kasumpti, Shimla – 171009

EoI shall be submitted in hard copy. Applicants shortlisted will be invited for the presentation of proposals before the selection committee of the Department. EoI document and terms and conditions can be downloaded from the website www.hprural.nic.in from next day of publication of the advertisement in the newspaper at 10:00 Hrs. onwards.

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Note: The Department reserves the right to initiate or cancel this request for EoI and/or invite a fresh one with or without amendments, without liability or any obligation for such request for EoI and without assigning any specific reasons at any stage. The information provided at this stage is indicative and the department reserves the right to amend/ add further details in the EoI.
Terms and Conditions for respondents

1. The purpose of this EoI is to serve as the first step in that process as it solicits information on waste management technology. At the same time this EoI provides the opportunity for companies/agencies to assist Director, Rural Development Department in gathering technical information pertaining to setting up of Plants/Set-up for disposal of Solid & Liquid Waste in environment friendly manner.

2. This EoI process is undertaken by Director, Rural Development Department for the purpose of receiving data and information for planning purposes and is not a request for competitive proposals; therefore, responses to this notice are not considered offers and can not be accepted by Director Rural Development Department to form a binding contract.

3. This EoI does not constitute a solicitation or a promise of a solicitation in the future and shall not be construed under any circumstances as a pre-requisite or pre-qualification procedure. As such, this EoI is not to be considered as a request for proposals or as a tender or any procurement action. This EoI shall not, under any circumstances constitute any commitment on Director, Rural Development Department part to negotiate with any or all interested parties nor to enter into any agreement for provision of services.

4. Moreover to preclude any doubt, it is emphasized that Director, Rural Development Department shall have the right to reject, in whole or in part, any opinion, conclusion or information delivered to it through this EoI. Director, Rural Development Department shall also have the right to use the information presented and/or submitted to it for the purpose of planning and preparing a tender or any other procedure, should Director Rural Development Department decide to implement one.

5. Director, Rural Development Department shall not be bound to accept and/or consider any response and it does not undertake herein any commitment whatsoever towards any of the interested parties. Director, Rural Development Department may ignore any response which lacks information or has unclear details.

6. It does not create any obligation on Director, Rural Development Department’s part to commence, continue or complete any purchase procedure and/or to act in any other method of acquisition, and Director Rural Development Department shall act at its sole and absolute discretion in this respect. This EoI does not commit Director, Rural Development Department to contract for any supply or service or to publish any tenders or any other further procedure. Director, Rural Development will not be obligated to pursue any particular acquisition alternative as a result of this EoI.

7. Director, Rural Development Department shall not be charged in any manner for the submission of information in accordance with this procedure. Respondents are advised that Director, Rural Development Department will not pay for any information or administrative costs incurred in response to this EoI. All costs associated with responding to this EoI are solely at the responding parties' expense. Every respondent shall bear its own costs with respect to this EoI and any information presented and/or submitted to Director, Rural Development Department through this EoI is provided voluntarily.

8. Depending upon the submissions received, Director, Rural Development Department may, as a result of this EoI, approach at its sole discretion, one or more of the respondents and/or any other party, in order to obtain additional information. Director, Rural Development Department may also decide to set aside a period of time to meet with particularly some submitters to gain such further information and visit their facilities. If this is so required, Director, Rural Development Department will initiate contact within 3 months of submission. If submitters are not contacted within 3 months, they can assume that Director, Rural Development Department has been provided with sufficient information to understand the submission.
9. Director, Rural Development Department may wish to share submitted information with outside technical experts for evaluation assistance. However, if a submitter wishes their information to be made available only to Director, Rural Development Department, a prominent label/watermark stating "for Director, Rural Development Department only" must be placed on each such page.

10. Respondents are solely responsible for properly marking and clearly identifying any proprietary information or trade secrets contained within their response. Director, Rural Development Department will not be liable for, or suffer any consequential damages for any proprietary information not properly marked and clearly identified. Proprietary information received in response to this EoI will be safeguarded and handled in accordance with applicable regulations.

11. Director, Rural Development Department reserves the right to accept as it shall deem fit in future stages information and/or any commercial proposals from entities which did not participate in this EoI process.

12. Director, Rural Development Department reserve the right, at any time and at its sole discretion, to amend this EoI or any aspect thereof, as well as to extend the date for submission of the responses. In addition, Director, Rural Development Department reserves the right to cancel this EoI in its entirety at its sole discretion, without providing the respondent(s) any (or no) reason or explanation.

13. Accordingly, Director Rural Development Department hereby requests following information from potential companies/entity operating in Solid & Liquid Waste Management sector:

Respondent General Information

Please provide following details of the entity(s) which is/are submitting an Expression of Interest for the project:

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<td>1</td>
<td>Name of the Company/ Entity and address of registered office along with copy of registration certificate</td>
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Project proposal with technical details:

Please provide the following details to help us understand your project and technology management plan.
1. Project proposal
   a. Description of the technology with Machinery / Equipments Manpower etc.
   b. Procedure of handling of by-product generated & details of its quality. Plan for monetizing the by products from waste including estimated value at current Indian standard value stipulated by GoI.
   c. Equipment manufacturing/sourcing.
   d. Model of Operations (Revenue to Director, Rural Development Department/Expenditure /Zero - Cost to Director, Rural Development Department) (Director, Rural Development Department will supply un-segregated waste to the vendor. The plant has to be operated and maintained by vendor).
   e. Certification of the suggestive Technology from Central/ State Pollution Control Board
   f. Waste segregation method.
   g. Land, power and water requirements.
   h. Safety compliance.
   i. Additional equipment required & their full details (functional & site requirements)
   j. The respondent should submit following documents manadatorily:
      1. Copy of Registration Certificate of the Firm/Company
      2. Details of Branch Offices/ Sub Offices in Himachal Pradesh & other States
      3. Balance sheet copies of the last 3 Years
      4. Number of similar projects successfully undertaken with details during last 5 years
      5. Description of the technology with Machinery/ Equipments & Manpower etc.
      6. Any other supporting documents which enhances the clarity of the project and technology management strategy

2. O&M Plan for the project
   a. Manpower staffing for the project including details of manpower requirements (skilled and unskilled separately)

The Respondent may at their discretion provide any supporting documents which enhances the clarity of the project and technology management strategy

Submission of Response

Responses are to be submitted in writing (Single envelope mentioning EoI for suitable Technological Options under Solid & Liquid Waste Management) within 15 days from publication of the EoI in the newspaper on working days between 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM on the following address:

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