

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR CONSULTING SERVICES
FOR THE

**SIKKIM BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND FOREST MANAGEMENT
PROJECT (SBFP)**

**Forest, Environment and Wildlife Management Department, Government of Sikkim, Forest
Secretariat, Deorali, Gangtok, 737101**

The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) is providing assistance of Japanese Yen 6,347 million (Rs 330.57 crores) for the Sikkim Biodiversity Conservation and Forest Management Project. Expressions of Interest are invited from eligible and qualified consulting firms to provide project management consultancy services for the project.

The consultancy assignment will be of ten years duration commencing end of 2010 over the project period and is expected to provide assistance and guidance to the Project Management Unit (PMU) for (i) effective and efficient implementation of the activities (ii) improvement of processes and procedures for project implementation at state, division and field levels, and (iii) provide overall consulting services to PMU on technical and managerial aspects as well as policy initiatives related to the project implementation.

Eligible consulting firms are invited to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested firms 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 among staff, etc). The firm must have

1. extensive experience in the field of Forestry and/or Biodiversity Conservation/ Watershed Management in general and Project Management during the last ten years.
2. experience in working with Government organizations and of working on Donor funded Projects.
3. experience of working preferably in India or similar countries,

The detailed Expression of Interest for the project can be viewed at website <http://www.sikenvis.nic.in/>. which includes a preferred application format.

Interested consulting firms should forward their Expression of Interest to the APCCF cum Project Director, (JICA Project), Forest, Environment and Wildlife Management Department, Government of Sikkim, Forest Secretariat, Deorali, GANGTOK, SIKKIM, 737101, INDIA, on or before 3.00 P.M. on 19th June, 2010.