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Assam Agri-Business and Rural Transformation Project (APART)

Assam Rural Infrastructure and Agricultural Services (ARIAS) Society

(An Autonomous Body of the Government of Assam)

CORRIGENDUM No. 3

TO THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) No. ARIAS-13012/7/2022-APART-ARIAS/I/53345/2022 dated 6th October, 2022 For Technology based yield demonstration at village level in 12 districts of 6 Agro climatic zones of Assam for Paddy crop under APART.

In partial modification to the RFP issued vide this office no. ARIAS-13012/7/2022-APART-ARIAS/I/53345/2022, dated October 6th, 2022 for hiring of consultancy services for technology based yield demonstration at village level in 12 districts of 6 Agro climatic zones of Assam for Paddy crop under the World Bank financed APART, the following amendments are hereby issued:

Sl.	RFQ Section No No. with ITC	Original Provision	Amendment	
1	ToR	Crop health monitoring at village level: The agency must put in place a crop health monitoring system, which will help farmers to identify any visible disease, pest attack, physiological disorders in the crop fields and help to limit the spread of the disease, pest, disorder throughout the field.	Crop health monitoring is deleted from the ToR of this RFP.	
2	E. Data Sheet	The total estimated time input of the Key Experts' would be for a period 25.5 months.	The total estimated time input of the Key Experts' would be for a period 29 months.	
3	17.7 and 17.9 of ITC E. Data Sheet	The Proposals must be submitted no later than: Date: 9th November 2022; Time: 2.00 PM (IST)	The Proposals must be submitted no later than: Date: 15th December 2022; Time: 2.00 PM (IST)	
4	19.1 of ITC E. Data Sheet	The opening time for proposals: Date 9th November 2022;Time: 2.30 PM (IST	The opening time for proposals: Date 15 th December 2022;Time: 2.30 PM (IST)	
5	28.1 of ITC E. Data Sheet	Expected date and address for contract negotiations: Date: 4 th Week of November 2022.	Expected date and address for contract negotiations: Date: 2 nd Week of January 2023.	
6	30.2 of ITC	Expected date for the	Expected date for the	

	E. Data Sheet	commencement of the Services:	commencement of the Services:	
		Date: 4 th Week of November 2022 in Assam	Date: 4th Week of January 2023 in Assam	
7	Para 13 of ToR Page 39 of RFP	Soil moisture maps of the study area	Soil moisture maps of the selected districts under the assignment, must be at the same resolution as paddy area maps. Soil moisture for a minimum depth of up to 10-15 cm is required.	
8	Para A.6 & E.23 of ToR, Page 40 of RFP	Duration of the assignment & payments to be made	The duration of the assignment is 15 months. Please refer the note* below for payments to be made against the deliverables.	
9	Para B.7 of the ToR Page 38 of RFP	Remote Sensing, GIS, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning. After the success of the pilot in 12 Districts, the initiative may be scaled up to other districts of Assam	The overall objective is yield estimation at village level in 12 districts of 6 Agro climatic zones of Assam for Paddy crop for three seasons i.e. Boro, Ahu and Sali with use of advanced technology of Remote Sensing, GIS, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning. After the success of the pilot in 12 Districts, the initiative may be scaled up to other districts of Assam	
10	Para C.16 of ToR, Page 40 of RFP	Minimum 300 Crop Cutting Experiments (CCEs) per district per season to be done for Model calibration	Minimum 300 Crop Cutting Experiments (CCEs) per district per season to be done for Model calibration i.e 300* 3 season (Boro, Ahu, Sali)=900	
11		Time input of key experts K-2: 2.5 months each K-3 2 months each	Time input of key experts K-2: <u>3</u> months each K-3: <u>3</u> months each	
12	Para-1 of ToR, Page 37 of RFP	The targeted districts (undivided as of 1stApril, 2016) are Nagaon, Sonitpur, Barpeta, Karbi Anglong, Kamrup, Dhubri, Golaghat, Kokrajhar, Lakhimpur, Darrang, Cachar, Sivasagar, Jorhat, Goalpara, Morigaon, hailakandi, Dhemaji, Bongaigaon and Nalbari.	The latest district boundaries i.e divided districts to be used.	
13	Evaluation Criteria on	(i) Specific experience of the Consultant (as a firm) relevant to the Assignment :[10] (The relevant assignment includes Organization's experience in	(i) Specific experience of the Consultant (as a firm) relevant to the Assignment: [10] (The relevant assignment includes Organization's experience in technology based yield estimation in paddy crop.	

*Note: Revised timelines for deliverables and payments to be made:

Sl	Deliverable	Timeline from contract signing (Months)	% payment
1	Inception report (covering methodology, workplan, teams to be mobilized etc)	01	10
2	First season (Boro) harvest report	06	20
3	Second season (Ahu) harvest report	9	20
4	Third season (Sali) harvest report	12	20
5	Final report	15 months	30
	Total		100

All other terms & conditions remain unchanged.

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State Project Director ARIAS Society