Terms of Reference Hiring of Third-Party Agency (TPA) / Individual for Quality Inspection & Certification

Bihar Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (BRLPS) is an initiative of Government of Bihar with an object to provide livelihoods opportunities to rural communities with special focus on poor. Bihar Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (BRLPS) also called JEEViKA through support from the World Bank/NRETP/NRLM aims to scale up the JEEViKA model of poverty alleviation in all the 534 blocks of 38 districts.

Bihar Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (BRLPS) aims to improve the rural livelihoods option and work towards social and economic empowerment of the rural poor and women by promoting selfmanaged community institutions. In the process, BRLPS provides various types of Books of Records and goods to the community as well as to different district and blocks offices. These Books of Records and goods are procured through various procurement process following the World Bank/NRETP/BFR guidelines from the vendors located throughout India. These procurements are made either by the State Project Management Unit (SPMU) or District Project Coordination Units (DPCUs). Quality Inspection and certification of printing materials/other materials will be done on man-day basis. Total man-days required in a year will be around 60-70 in a year.

For quality inspection and certification of procured items, a Thirty Party Agency (TPA)/Individual is to be hired who could provide services in accordance with nationally recognized rules, regulation, code, standards, design specification and specific technical requirement applicable to the project. TPA/Individual has to verify whether ordered product, equipment materials or printing materials have been manufactured in accordance with the client's specification and other applicable quality system requirements. TPA/Individual deliverables should reflect unbiased statement of fact reporting, confirmation, certification of deviation in percentage, verification and inspection status as per nationally recognized rule, regulation, codes and standards etc. **The Individual should preferably be B.Tech/BE in Printing Technology/Diploma in Printing Technology/B. Tech in Mechanical Engineering with 3 years' experience in quality verification works. The individual should clearly mention their qualification and experience in quality verification works.**

Interested agencies/individuals have to submit their/his proposal in a sealed envelope duly superscribed as "Proposal for Hiring of Quality Verification Agency/individual" with complete address of their office. Agency has to submit their credentials in support of their experience in carrying out the Inspection and Certification works. The agency/individual should clearly mention the quality verification services being provided by the agency/individual throughout India. The agency has to quote their per man-days rate including taxes for inspection and certification throughout Bihar and Outside Bihar.