

**Request for Proposal (RFP)  
to Develop a Forest Stack for Registration of Projects with Carbon Credit Accrual**

**Corrigendum 1**

Sr. No.	Addition / Deletion / Modification / Clarification	RFP Clause No. / Annexure No. & Page No.	Old Requirement / Clause / Attachment	New Requirement / Clause / Attachment
1.	Modification	Section 3.2: Selection timelines (page 5)  Section 11: Method of submission	Section 3.2: Closing date of submission: June 14, 2024  Section 11: Electronic submission must be received at <a href="mailto:JICADXLab@bcg.com">JICADXLab@bcg.com</a> by the latest 23:59 Indian Standard Time on June 14, 2024	Section 3.2: Closing date of submission: <b>June 28, 2024</b>  Section 11: Electronic submission must be received at <a href="mailto:JICADXLab@bcg.com">JICADXLab@bcg.com</a> by the latest 23:59 Indian Standard Time on <b>June 28, 2024</b>
2.	Addition	Attachment 7: Consortium Bidders (page 33)	1. N/A	<b>Attachment 7: Consortium Bidders</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consortium bids are allowed for this RFP. The list of Consortium Partners needs to be declared in the bid. Any change in the Consortium during the bidding process will lead to disqualification of the Consortium.</li> <li>• For consortium bids, the contract will be executed with the lead bidder.</li> <li>• In case of a Consortium bid, the "Lead Bidder" will be responsible for meeting all obligations of the Consortium and the delivery of goods and services mentioned in this RFP, including in the event that the Consortium is dissolved during the contract period.</li> </ul>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internal arrangement between the Consortium Partners is left to the bidders. It is the responsibility of the Lead Bidder to ensure that the other Consortium Partners in the bid are compliant to all the clauses as mentioned in the bid, failing which bid can be disqualified. If, during the bidding process, the Consortium as proposed in the bid is dissolved or the Consortium Partners change, then the Bid is liable to be disqualified.</li> <li>• Bidders will need to submit following documents for consortium bids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Citation of Memorandum of articles OR</li> <li>○ Certificate from Chartered Accountant stating the relationship between the Consortium partners OR</li> <li>○ Any similar documentary evidence</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
3.	Modification	Section 4: Eligibility Criteria (page 6)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Digital Partner must have significant expertise in developing and implementing digital analytics and reporting.</li> <li>• The Digital Partner must have substantial experience in building data exchanges (APIs) to pull data from multiple registries.</li> </ul>	<p>Applicants will be screened based on the following eligibility criteria, and only qualified applicants will move on to the shortlisting and evaluation based on Section 12.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The management members of the Digital Partner (and all management members in case of consortium bidders) do not include individuals with a history of corruption, arrest records, or affiliations with criminal organizations.</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous work experience in deploying GIS solutions in the agriculture, forestry and other land use (AFOLU) sector is not required, but preferred.</li> <li>• Previous experience working with high-resolution satellite imagery will be preferred.</li> <li>• Prior experience working with Central/State/Local governments in India will be preferable.</li> <li>• The management members of the Digital Partner do not include individuals with a history of corruption, arrest records, or affiliations with criminal organizations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The bidders must have minimum annual revenue of USD 0.5 Mn in the past 2 fiscal years. For consortium bidders, the lead bidder must satisfy this criterion.</li> <li>• The bidders must have a minimum of 30 FTEs. For consortium bidders, the lead member must have a minimum of 30 FTEs, while each consortium member must have a minimum of 15 FTEs.</li> </ul>
4.	Addition	Attachment 1: Form for the Overview of General Information; Point 2 - Documentations (a copy to be included in the PDF file) (page 15)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Company/Organization registration certificate or equivalent</li> <li>2. At least 2 years of audited financial statements</li> <li>3. Tax certificate</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Company/Organization registration certificate or equivalent</li> <li>2. At least 2 years of audited financial statements</li> <li>3. Tax certificate.</li> <li>4. <b>Self-certification declaring that the company /organization employs a minimum of 30 full-time employees. For consortium bidders, self-certification that the Lead Bidder has a</b></li> </ol>

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				<p><b>minimum of 30 FTEs and each Consortium Partner has a minimum of 15 FTEs.</b></p> <p><b>5. Self-certification stating that Digital Partner's or consortium's management and proposed team members do not include members who have a history of corruption, arrest records, or involvement with criminal organizations.</b></p> <p><b>6. Documentation for consortium bidders</b></p> <p>For consortium bids, Lead Bidder and each Consortium Partner must provide the required documents individually.</p>
5.	Modification	Section 12.1: Initial shortlisting (page 13)	<p>Organizational Expertise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Company profile and credentials</b></li> <li>• Experience in development and build of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Open-source APIs for data exchange</li> <li>b. Digital solutions in AFOLU sector (including GIS-related applications, solutions in carbon crediting)</li> <li>c. Digital reporting solutions</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Relevance and impact of submitted case studies</li> </ul>	<p>Organizational Expertise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience in development and build of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Open-source APIs for data exchange</li> <li>b. Digital solutions in AFOLU sector (including GIS-related applications, solutions in carbon crediting)</li> <li>c. Digital reporting solutions</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Relevance and impact of submitted case studies.</li> </ul> <p>Proposed approach and implementation plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding of the requirements and the key aspects of the PoC</li> <li>• Robustness of the approach and methodology outlined in the proposal pitch deck.</li> <li>• Detailed implementation plan by the Digital Partner in terms of</li> </ul>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Prior experience of working in Odisha or working with Central/State/Local governments in India would be an added advantage.</b></li> </ul> <p>Proposed approach and implementation plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding of the requirements and the key aspects of the PoC</li> <li>• Robustness of the approach and methodology outlined in the proposal pitch deck</li> <li>• Detailed implementation plan by the Digital Partner in terms of delivering outcomes and meeting timelines of the PoC</li> <li>• <b>Quality of business presentation/ interview and interaction with experts</b></li> </ul> <p>Proposed team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical competence of the core team, including their education and employment history</li> <li>• Willingness and team flexibility: The Digital Partner's</li> </ul>	<p>delivering outcomes and meeting timelines of the PoC.</p> <p>Proposed team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical competence of the core team, including their education and employment history</li> <li>• Willingness and team flexibility: The Digital Partner's team should be willing and able to engage with the OFSDS officials on a regular basis.</li> </ul> <p>The parameters for evaluation in the shortlisting remains the same for single bids as well as consortium bids.</p>

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6.	Addition	Section 12.2: Interview and detailed discussion (page 14)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shortlisted potential partners would be invited for interviews in the presence of representatives from JICA and OFSDS, where they will dive deeper into their organization's expertise, team credentials and their proposed approach.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shortlisted potential partners would be invited for interviews in the presence of representatives from JICA and OFSDS, where they will dive deeper into their organization's expertise, team credentials and their proposed approach.</li> <li><b>The evaluation process will utilize the same criteria as initial shortlisting, with an additional criterion on "Quality of business presentation /interview and interaction with experts."</b></li> </ul> <p>The parameters for evaluation in the finalization stage remains the same for single bids as well as consortium bids.</p>

**Note:** All other terms and conditions, forms of the RFP document remain unchanged. In case of any ambiguity, the RFP document will stand.

**Date:** 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024