

Republic of Malawi



**Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and
Water Development**

Central Region Water Board

Invitation for Expression of Interest For

SALIMA TOWN WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION PROJECT

**Consultancy Services for Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA)
and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) for Upgrading and Integration of Salima
Lakeshore and Salima Town Water Supply Schemes**

Procurement Reference No: CRWB/GoM/C/SA/2027/01

Date of Issue: 12th August, 2026

Procurement Method: National Competitive Bidding (NCB)

1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Government of Malawi (GoM) through the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development continues to place high priority on increased provision of potable water supply and improved sanitation services provision to both urban and rural communities. This is part of the effort to improve the health and living standards of the people and to meet the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 6 of providing universal access to sustainable clean water and sanitation by 2030. To accelerate the attainment of the SDG 6, the GoM is engaging all players in the water sector including Water Boards.

Central Region Water Board through the Government of Malawi has received funding under the Public Sector Investment Program (PSIP) toward the cost of the Upgrading and Integration of Salima Lakeshore and Salima Town Water Supply Schemes, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Upgrading and Integration of Salima Lakeshore and Salima Town Water Supply Schemes.

In light of the above, the GoM has allocated funds in the 2026/27 budget to hire a Consultant in order to conduct a detailed independent ESIA and resettlement Action Plan of the Upgrading and Integration Works to ensure that requisite environmental mitigation measures commensurate with national and international standards are recommended.

Central Region Water Board invites suitably qualified firms to submit expression of interest for the independent Environmental & Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Resettlement Plan (RAP) for the Upgrading and Integration of Salima Lakeshore and Salima Town Water Supply Schemes.

2. SCOPE OF WORK

The key task of the Consultant is to undertake ESIA Studies for the design, construction, operation and decommissioning activities of the proposed project and prepare a Resettlement Action Plan for the Project affected persons. For the ESIA studies strong emphasis will be placed on developing a comprehensive environmental and social management plan where mitigation measures for the anticipated negative impacts will be proposed including enhancement measures for the identified positive impacts. In addition, an environmental and social monitoring plan will be prepared to track the implementation of the proposed management measures. For the RAP emphasis will be identifying the project affected persons, valuation of property to be affected, preparations of compensation schedule and Grievance Redress Mechanism.

The details of the work for this assignment shall comprise, but not limited to the following;

- a) Environmental and social scoping
- b) Environmental, climate and social risk vulnerability assessment
- c) Potential impacts on biodiversity and ecosystem assessment
- d) Detailed Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP)
- e) Review other previous studies related to the Project that include;
 - i. Environmental and Social Screening report for Salima Town Water Supply and Sanitation project
 - ii. Preliminary Detailed Designs for Salima Town Water Supply and Sanitation project

3. LOCATION AND DURATION OF THE PROJECT

The Project will be carried in Salima Lake Shore and Salima main town including areas along M5 road to Kaphatenga Trading Centre and towards Lilongwe City on the M14 Road in Salima District over a period of 30 months.

4. QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE OF THE CONSULTANT

The firm should demonstrate its core business and a number of years in business.

5. SHORTLISTING OF CONSULTANTS

Expression of Interest (EOI) will be evaluated or selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Public Procurement and Disposal of Asset Act No 7 of 2025 and Public Procurement regulations 2020 of the Republic of Malawi under National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Procedures.

Participation is open to all eligible bidders

6. SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Interested eligible firms may submit expression of Interest to Central Region Water Board stating their interest, attach the following documents;

- i. Copy of Certificate of Incorporation
- ii. Copy of Valid Tax Clearance Certificate (TCC) from Malawi Revenue Authority (MRA)
- iii. Copy of Valid PPDA Certificate
- iv. Company profile
- v. Company Brochures

- vi. List of previous similar assignments done in the past five years
- vii. Key personnel including Curriculum Vitae (CVs)
- viii. Audited Financial statements for the past three years

Joint ventures and/or association with local consultants are encouraged. Further information can be obtained at the address below during Office hours from 08;00 hours to 12;00, 13;00 to 16;30 hours, Monday to Friday, except national Public holidays.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found accessed from the Procurement and Disposal Section of Central Region Water Board during Office hours Monday to Friday 07:30 to 16:30 hours local time or by contacting through these emails: crwb@crwb.mw or tnyalapa@crwb.mw

Expressions of interest clearly marked: “*Consultancy Services for Environmental & Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) for Upgrading & Integration for Salima Lakeshore & Salima Town Water Supply Schemes*” must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail before 10:00 hours by **Wednesday 26th August 2026**

Sealed expression of interest must be submitted to the Office of;

**The Chief Executive Officer
Attn: Chairperson – Internal Procurement and Disposal Committee
Central Region Water Board
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