**Republic of Malawi**

 

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| **Ministry of Water and Sanitation**  |  **Central Region Water Board** |

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES- FIRMS SELECTION)**

**Country : MALAWI**

**Project Name : Ntchisi Town Water Supply and Sanitation Project.**

**Assignment Title :** **Consultancy Services for Environmental and Social Impact Assessment of Rehabilitation, Upgrading and Expansion of Ntchisi Water Supply Scheme and Construction of Sanitation Facilities**

**Procurement Reference No: CRWB/GoM/C/NS/2024/02**

**Procurement Method : National Competitive Bidding (NCB)**

**Date of Issue : 14th March 2025**

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1. **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Central Region Water Board (CRWB) through the Government of Malawi has received funding under the Public Sector Investment Program (PSIP) toward the cost of the Ntchisi Town Water Supply and Sanitation Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for consultancy services.

The objective of this project is to improve water supply and sanitation status to over 40,000 people of Ntchisi Town and surrounding areas so that water borne diseases and those that are associated with hygiene related to water supply and sanitation are prevented. Among other specific objectives, the project will seek to improve water supply to 24 hours a day, increase coverage to 100%, improve water quality and reduce non-revenue water to 25%. This will be achieved through upgrading of the whole water supply system including intake, transmission mains, water treatment plant, water storage reservoirs and the distribution network. The CRWB would therefore like to engage a consultant to undertake Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) of the Rehabilitation, Upgrading and Expansion of Ntchisi Water Supply Scheme and Construction of Sanitation Facilities.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include scoping and full ESIA of the Rehabilitation, Upgrading and Expansion of Ntchisi Water Supply Scheme and Construction of Sanitation Facilities. The assignment shall be completed within a period of five (5) calendar months.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found accessed from the Procurement and Disposal Section of Central Region Water Board by contacting through this email: *tnyalapa@crwb.org.mw*

The Central Region Water Board now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

1. Core business area in Engineering or Architectural consulting.
2. Relevant similar experience, which should specifically include the below:
	1. Experience in preparation of ESIA for projects of similar nature and magnitude;
	2. Experience in preparation of Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMPs).
3. Technical and Managerial capability of the firm. (Provide only the structure of the organization, general qualifications and number of key staff. Do not provide CVs of the staff as experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.)
4. Experience in the Sub-Saharan Africa region.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-Based Selection method set out in the Procurement and Disposal of Asset Act No 27of 2017 and Public Procurement regulations 2020 of the Republic of Malawi under National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Procedures.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e. 08:00 to 16:30 hours*.

Expressions of interest clearly marked: **“*Consultancy Services for Environmental and Social Impact Assessment of Rehabilitation, Upgrading and Expansion of Ntchisi Water Supply Scheme and Construction of Sanitation Facilities*”** must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, by **Thursday 03rd April 2025**.

**Chief Executive Officer**

**Attn: Chairperson – Internal Procurement and Disposal Committee**

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