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REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR DISASTER AND RISK REDUCTION MANAGEMENT

MOZAMBIQUE DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT AND RESILIENCE PROGRAM (P166437)

### REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

**Assignment Title: Independent verification agent for the validation of results for the Disbursement-Linked Indicator (DLI) 6**

**Loan No. IDA-D4360**

**Reference No. MZ-INGC-126779-CS-QCBS**

###### **Date: 10-02-2022**

The Government of Mozambique (GoM), through National Institute for Disaster Risk Management and Reduction (INGD), has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Mozambique Disaster Risk Management and Resilience Program, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the services”) include, but not limited to:

1. Review and understanding of the DLI's Technical Notes and the validation protocols proposed therein. If necessary, the Independent Verification Agent may discuss the details of the assessment procedures and products with INGD and MINEDH;
2. Review and understanding of the Program Document (PAD) and Financing Agreement of the Disaster Risk Management and Resilience Program;
3. Analysis of the technical standards for climate resilience officially approved by the Ministry of Education and Human Development (MINEDH);
4. Analysis and understanding of the Terms of Reference for the Vulnerability Assessment of school infrastructure and preparation of detailed drawings;
5. Critical analysis of the Tender Documents for the contracting of works for the reinforcement and reconstruction of classrooms in areas prone to cyclones and strong winds;
6. Critical evaluation of the contents of the Vulnerability Assessment of school infrastructure and preparation of detailed drawings, in the light of the respective Terms of Reference;
7. Quality assessment of classrooms reinforced (rehabilitated) or reconstructed by MINEDH through the Program, in cyclone and high wind risk zones, based on MINEDH approved technical construction standards and Tender Documents. The total number of classrooms retrofitted at the end of the Program (June 2024) shall be 3,000. The classrooms are located in all the provinces of Mozambique. The target number of classrooms to be retrofitted for each year is shown on tables 1 and 3.
8. Preparation and updating, in the case of years 4 to 5, of the methodology, work plan, timetable and resources (human, technical and material) and budget required for the validation of Year 1 results for DLI 6;
9. Preparation or update, each year, of a representative sample, taking into account the regional distribution of schools and other relevant aspects, including the methodology for the selection of schools located in cyclone and windstorm risk areas, to be covered in the resilience assessment of cyclone-reinforced or reconstructed classrooms
10. Conduct interviews, workshops and information gathering meetings with contractors and inspectors involved in the retrofitting and reconstruction of resilient classrooms under the Program;
11. Organize interviews and meetings to discuss the results with technical teams from MINEDH at central and provincial level and UN-Habitat ,[[1]](#footnote-1)involved in the implementation of DLI 6 activities;
12. Prepare the Preliminary and Final Reports on the validation of the results of the DLI 6, whenever requested by INGD, and in light of the Verification Protocol described in the Technical Note, attached to these Terms of Reference.

Estimated level of effort of twenty-seven staff-months with expected implementation period of one year, renewable based on satisfactory performance. Expected start date of the assignment is August, 2022.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: [**www.ingd.gov.mz/anuncios**](http://www.ingd.gov.mz/anuncios)**.**

The INGD 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. Demonstrated international experience of architectural and engineering project design in the field of construction and rehabilitation of public infrastructures, including feasibility studies and/or implementation of architectural solutions adapted to natural and climatic disasters. Experience in the education sector is highly desirable;
2. Demonstrated experience in the design, implementation or evaluation of resilient construction standards for public infrastructure, including education sector, in the World and Africa in particular;
3. Experience in supervision of construction works and rehabilitation of public infrastructure in particular education in the context of post disasters in the world and Africa in particular;
4. Mastery of the principles of resilient reconstruction, infrastructure disaster risk reduction and management;
5. Experience working in the education infrastructure construction sector in Mozambique.

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for Borrowers under Investment Project Financing”, dated July 1, 2016, revised August 2018, (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

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 (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (07:30 to 15:30 hours).

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail by February 28, 2022; 02:00PM - Mozambique time. **Attention to Mr. António Queface, Programme Coordinator**.

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1. UN Habitat is responsible for providing Technical Assistance to the MINEDH under the Program. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)