



**GoI-UNDP Project “Strengthening Institutional Structures to Implement the Biological Diversity Act”**

**EXTENSION OF TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION**

The last date for submission of applications for the position “**Consultant (Documentation)**” stands extended as “on or before 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2009”. The advertisement is available in the website in the next page.



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## Terms of Reference

Date of Issue: 03<sup>rd</sup> December 2009  
Closing Date: 18<sup>th</sup> December 2009

Post Title	: Consultant (Documentation)
Organization	: Gol-UNDP Project “Strengthening Institutional Structures to Implement the Biological Diversity Act”
Duty Station	: Bhopal&Ranchi
Supervisor	: Project Manager
Type of Contract	: Special Service Agreement (SSA)
Duration	: Four months (1 <sup>st</sup> January 2010-30 <sup>th</sup> April 2010)

### **Background**

#### **Strengthening Institutional Structures to Implement the Biological Diversity Act**

As a Party to the UN Convention on Biological Diversity, India has formulated the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 which provides that the authority to determine access to genetic resources rests with the national governments and is subject to national legislation. At present, information available on India’s biodiversity is inadequate, including their potential use and value. Similarly, there is limited capacity and awareness regarding the implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.

The project seeks to address implementation challenges by supporting strengthening and, if necessary, establishment of the institutional structures at the national, state and local levels. UNDP will work with the National Biodiversity Authority as well state biodiversity boards of Madhya Pradesh and Jharkhand. The project duration is 2009-2012.

### **Functions / Key Results Expected**

**Duties and responsibilities:** The Consultant will work under the direct supervision of the National Project Director. S/he will work in close consultation with the Project Manager and officials of NBA, SBB and BMCs. S/he will travel to Madhya Pradesh and Jharkhand, and if

necessary, to other states, as directed by the NPD, and consult relevant department and agencies to prepare a detailed documentation on the following:

- Invasive Alien Species, the areas invaded and documentation of Biodiversity Heritage Sites
- Land races, wild relatives, folk varieties, medicinal plants, breeds of domesticated animals, native fish species, heritage species, habitat, ecosystem and biodiversity heritage sites.
- Inventory of local level conservation efforts, including *vaids* and *hakims*, and documentation of the role of women in conservation.
- Inventory of local, national, MNCs level industries utilising bio-resources.
- Inventory of bio-resources being used for commercial purposes and their status.
- Documentation of the information pertaining to bio-resources as elaborated in (a) above.
- Documentation/inventory of local level conservation efforts, including *vaids* and *hakims*, and documentation of the role of women in conservation.
- Inventory of local, national, MNCs level industries utilising bio-resources.
- Inventory of bio-resources which are being used for commercial purposes and their status.
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The synergy should be attained between other consultants in order to achieve the overall success of the programme.

#### **Key deliverables**

- Collection and collation of secondary information on Invasive alien species, land races, wild relatives, folk varieties, medicinal plants, breeds of domesticated animals, native fish species, heritage species, habitat, ecosystem and biodiversity heritage sites prepared by last week of March 2010.
- Presentation of draft report on key findings to PSC/PMC by first week April 2010
- Final revised report that incorporates relevant comments and feedback prepared clearly outlining current national initiatives and programmes, more specifically in the project states of Jharkhand and Madhya Pradesh by third week of April 2010
- Report submitted to the PMU and UNDP by fourth week April 2010

#### **Qualifications and skills:**

1. Masters' degree in the field of life sciences, with experience in natural resources management.
2. Outstanding communication, project management and organizational skills.
3. At least 7 years experience with in working with public, private and NGO sectors in the related field.
4. Proficiency in English and Hindi.
5. Computer literacy.

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**Interested candidates should apply for the vacancy by sending email to [secretary@nbaindia.in](mailto:secretary@nbaindia.in) addressed to the National Biodiversity authority, TICEL Bio-park ltd, 5th Floor, Taramani Link Road, Taramani, Chennai 600 113.**

**Last date to receive applications: 18th December, 2009.**