The Project
Karachi Water and Sewerage Board (KW&SB), a public sector organization responsible for provision of water and sewerage services in Karachi under Karachi Water & Sewerage Board Act 1996, intends to engage a private party to design, finance, build, rehabilitate, operate, maintain and transfer the infrastructure and associated facilities of Karachi Hub Canal in the public private partnership (PPP) mode to ensure long term water supply of 100 MGD to Karachi (the “Project”).

The Project is being implemented as part of the KW&SB’s overall development pipeline to increase water availability and improve water and sewerage services in Karachi through PPP. Notably, the Project is the first water supply project being developed in Pakistan in PPP mode.

KW&SB has engaged International Finance Corporation, a member of the World Bank Group, acting through its Public Private Partnerships Transaction Advisory Services division, to act as lead transaction advisor in relation to the Project.

Eligible Applicants
KW&SB invites prequalification applications from reputable entities (including financial investors and developers), having the requisite capabilities, competence and resources, as per the Prequalification Document.

Project Scope
Project scope of work shall include, inter alia, the following:

a) rehabilitation of the Karachi Hub Canal and the water filtration plant;
b) construction of a water transmission pipeline, a pump station and new rising mains;
c) detailed design of the Project in consultation with KW&SB;
d) operations and maintenance of the Project; and
e) transfer of Project assets to KW&SB on expiry of the concession period.

Concession Period: 15–20 years, with an additional 2 years period for construction.

For more specific details of the Project, please refer to the prequalification document.

1. Issuance of Pre-qualification Documents: Interested private parties can obtain the prequalification document with effect from 15th September to 22nd October 2021 either: (a) physically, by submitting a written application at the address given below; or (b) electronically, through email (by sending an email to the email address given below) or by downloading it from the websites of Sindh Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (https://ppms.pprasindh.gov.pk/PPMS/) or PPP Unit Sindh (https://www.pppunitsindh.gov.pk). In each case specifying in writing full name, address and contact details of the private party.

2. Deadline of Submission: Prequalification applications (1 original and signed, 3 copies and 1 soft copy) must be submitted no later than 11:00 AM (PST) on Friday, 22 October 2021 (“Submission Deadline”) at Committee Room, Planning & Development Board, 2nd Floor, Tughlaq House, Sindh Secretariat, Shahrah-e-Kamal Atta-Turk Road, Karachi, Pakistan.

3. Opening of Prequalification Applications: The prequalification applications will be opened on the same day of Submission Deadline at 12:00 PM (PST), at the Committee Room, Planning & Development Board, 2nd Floor, Tughlaq House, Sindh Secretariat, Shahrah-e-Kamal Atta-Turk Road, Karachi, Pakistan.

4. KW&SB may reject any or all applications subject to the relevant provisions of Sindh Public Procurement Rules 2010 and Sindh PPP Act, 2010 (each as amended).

5. Applicants will be informed of the prequalification results in due course.

6. Only prequalified applicants shall be invited to participate in the bidding process to be conducted for the Project.

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