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**WORLD BANK/IFAD PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION UNIT  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA  
SMALLHOLDER AGRICULTURE TRANSFORMATION AND AGRIBUSINESS  
REVITALIZATION PROJECT (STAR-P)**

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Monrovia, Liberia**

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**IDA 63600, PROJECT NO. 160945**

**Consulting Services for TA for the Establishment of Kitchen Gardens to Improve  
Household Food and Nutrition Security**

**REOI Reference No.: LR-PMU-MOA-346672-CS-CQS**

**Request for Expression of Interest**

The Government of Liberia received a US\$25 million loan from the World Bank for the Smallholder Agriculture Transformation and Agribusiness Revitalization Project (STAR-P). Additional financing, US\$23 million, is expected to be contributed by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase agricultural productivity and commercialization of smallholder farmers for selected value chains in selected counties.

The STAR-P is seeking the services of a Consultancy firm to facilitate targeted households to establish home gardens to ensure adequate food consumption at household level. The promotion of vegetable gardens to improve diverse food production, primarily vegetables for income and consumption at household level, will be encouraged. The integrated homestead food production will integrate nutrition sensitization to ensure that the increased food production and income rise is complemented with the actions for adequate consumption. This activity will be supported by extension workers in collaboration with the MoA and other relevant stakeholders.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: [www.moa.gov.lr](http://www.moa.gov.lr) or [www.emansion.gov.lr](http://www.emansion.gov.lr) or can be obtained at the address given below.

The Ministry of Agriculture through the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.)

The shortlisting criteria are:

- i. Detailed company profile indicating the Core Business of the firm and Number of Years in Business
- ii. Technical and Managerial Organization of the Firm
- iii. At least two (2) years of relevant experience working with food security or agriculture development programs in developing countries, with emphasis on human nutrition or food security programs.

- iv. At least two (2) years of prior experience working with smallholder crop producers and processors providing agriculture development services, extension education, or technical training in the development of community and household gardens.
- v. Experience related to food security and nutrition for the identification, preparation, development and transfer of technologies and recommendations for improving availability and access to nutritious food is an added advantage.
- vi. Additionally, interested firm(s) must demonstrate capabilities in providing technical assistance, especially relating to implementation of nutrition-sensitive agriculture extension and education programs. They must also show detailed track record of implementing similar programs in sub-Saharan Africa, including case studies and outcomes of similar assignments implemented with contacts for reference.
- vii. Availability of Appropriate Skills among Staff or within the firm

The attention of interested individual Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016, revised November 2017, August 2018 and January 2020, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. Please refer to paragraph 3.17 of the Procurement Regulations on conflict of interest related to this assignment which is available on the Bank's website at <http://projects-beta.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/products-and-services/brief/procurement-new-framework>.

A consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the Consultants Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below or by e-mail to [starp-bids@moa.gov.lr](mailto:starp-bids@moa.gov.lr) with a copy to [gtoto@moa.gov.lr](mailto:gtoto@moa.gov.lr) and [rglaydor@moa.gov.lr](mailto:rglaydor@moa.gov.lr) by 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 @ 16:00 hours local time.

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