

Request for Expression of Interest (REoI)

Engagement of Consultant for detailed planning, designing, detailed drawing & estimation and supervision of construction of an underwater fresh water tunnel aquarium to be located at North Bengal Wild Animals Park (Bengal Safari), Jalpaiguri, West Bengal Zoo Authority (WBZA)

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The North Bengal Wild Animals Park (Bengal Safari), is located on outskirts of Siliguri town. It aims to provide a glimpse of wild animals and birds of the North Bengal plains to the general public for developing a healthy relationship between animals and human beings and to promote conservation of our faunal resources through display, care and awareness. A professionally run park will serve a great variety of roles to benefit both the animals it displays and the visiting public. Conservation breeding programmes can help conserve endangered species. Educational programmes can help foster the respect that wild animals deserve and familiarize the visitors with the important role these animals play in the ecosystem.

It is intended to develop the park in conformity with the National Zoo Policy, 1998 with the following objectives:-

1. To conserve the rich biodiversity of the region i.e. North Bengal plains.
2. To reduce the tourist pressure on the National Parks/Protected Areas around Siliguri.
3. To create amongst the visitors empathy towards wild animals.
4. To collect and collate the scientific data on the biology, behaviour and health care of wild animals displayed and use them for betterment of management.
5. Recreation by providing wholesome and healthy educational activity by utilizing the outdoor natural setting.

The park is under development and has already created infrastructure and facilities for Tiger safari, leopard safari, bear safari herbivores safari, display enclosures for lesser cats, birds, reptile (Mugger and Gharial) etc. The park has developed public facilities like Nature Interpretation Centre, Cafeteria, Souvenir shop, toilets, parking etc. The park is expecting in excess of three lakhs visitors in the current year.

Scope of the services to be provided by the consultant-The consultant will be required to develop a plan including detailed designing, drawings & estimation for the construction of a world class underwater fresh water tunnel aquarium at North Bengal Wild Animals Park to the satisfaction of WBZA. It is intended to have different sections for different class of species. A section on ornamental fishes will also be required. The plan shall also include viability analysis. The consultant will also be required to supervise the construction of aquarium. The outcome of the consultancy will be a plan and a Detailed Project Report.

The duration of the consultancy assignment is **6 months** for plan and DPR.

Eligibility and shortlisting criteria-

The consultant for the assigned work will be short listed on the following:-

- Experience of the organization in similar consultancy like planning and designing of large zoo, safari parks, amusement parks or similar assignment (broachers, description of minimum one assignment undertaken by the Consultant and manpower/Infrastructure/Instruments/ Laboratory facilities available with them which are essential to carry out such assignment).
- Financial capability of last three years. (audited balance sheet of last three years)
- General Qualification, experience and number of key personnel appropriate for the assignment.

Consultants may associate with other firms/consultants to meet the necessary qualification criteria. The EOI submitted by consultants in association or consortium should clearly indicate the name of the lead firm [The “Association” or “Consortium” may take the form of a joint venture (with joint and several liability) or of a sub-consultancy] and nature of association or consortium. The shortlisted consultants will be invited for submission of detailed proposals.

Expression of Interest must be delivered to the below mentioned address **by no later than 5 PM** on or before **25th March 2019**.

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