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“Engagement of Individual Consultant by Forum of Regulators” [LAST DATE: 30.12.2016]

1. Background

1.1 The Electricity Regulatory Commissions Act, 1998 paved way for creation of the Regulatory Commissions at the Centre and in the States. Since the enactment of Electricity Act 2003 the power sector has undergone major structural changes.

1.2 The Act is based on the philosophy that consumers benefit from growth of competitive markets. The Act has de-licensed generation, encouraged captive power. Multiple players are required for competitive markets. For coordinated growth of the sector, the Act has also provided for a framework of Forum of Regulators (FOR) inter alia for harmonization of regulation in the electricity sector.

1.3 The Forum of Regulators (FOR) was constituted vide Notification dated 16th February, 2005 in pursuance of the provision under section 166(2) of the Electricity Act, 2003. The Forum consists of Chairperson of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) and Chairpersons of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions (SERCs). The Chairperson of CERC is the Chairperson of the Forum. The Forum consists of the Chairperson of the Central Commission and Chairpersons of the State Commissions. The Chairperson of the Central Commission is the Chairperson of the Forum of Regulators. The Secretary to the Central Commission is the ex-officio Secretary to the Forum. Secretarial assistance to the Forum is provided by the Central Commission. The headquarters of the Forum is located at New Delhi.

1.4 The following are the functions of the Forum of Regulators (FOR):

- a. Analysis of the tariff orders and other orders of Central Commission and State Commissions and compilation of data arising out of the said orders, highlighting, especially the efficiency improvements of the utilities;
- b. Harmonization of regulation in power sector;
- c. Laying of standards of performance of licensees as required under the Act;
- d. Sharing of information among the members of the Forum on various issues of common interest and also of common approach;
- e. Undertaking research work in-house or through outsourcing on issues relevant to power sector regulation;
- f. Evolving measures for protection of interest of consumers and promotion of efficiency, economy and competition in power sector; and
- g. Such other functions as the Central Government may assign to it, from time to time.

1.5 The Forum has been contributing significantly to the process of regulatory reforms in the electricity sector in India. It has conducted studies on wide ranging issues. The activities of FOR and consequently of FOR Secretariat have been increasing over the period and include inter alia conducting in-house research. The Forum gives impetus to bringing in harmony of regulation in power sector encompassing CERC /

SERCs / JERCs, laying standards of performance, sharing of information, promotion of efficiency, economy and competition in power sector etc.

1.6 The Forum in the recent past deliberated upon the intermittent, uncertain and variable nature of Renewable Energy and the aspects related to facilitate seamless integration of RE generation in the grid. In this context, it has been felt that coordinated development of the sector is possible only when the frameworks at inter-State and intra-State level are harmonized. It is important, therefore, that the framework for Forecasting and Scheduling Mechanism for Wind and Solar technologies, Deviation Settlement Mechanism, Ancillary Services Operations, Measures for Electricity Market Development, as available at inter-State level are also replicated at the State level. Towards, this end, the FOR has constituted a Technical Committee consisting of Member, CERC as Chairman and Member (Technical) of various SERCs as its Members.

1.7 In recognition of the need for harmonization of practices in power system operation, the Forum had also approved in 2008, the formulation of Forum of Load Despatchers (FOLD). The objective included inter alia documentation and sharing of best practices in load dispatch centres, facilitating development of ancillary services, providing capacity building in power system / market operation etc.

1.8 In view of the above mandate and to assist the Forum in its efforts towards achieving the above specific objectives, the Forum proposes to engage a consultant at a senior position, namely at Senior Adviser level.

2. Scope of work for the Staff Consultant

2.1 The scope of work for the Staff Consultant will include the following:-

- a. Identifying the areas for harmonization of regulatory practices involving power system / market operation;
- b. Analysis of the practices as identified above and suggesting way forward for seamless operation of market in power;
- c. Assisting the Forum and its committees in discharging its mandate around the issues involving electricity system / market operation, renewable energy integration, capacity building etc;
- d. Assisting the Forum in evolving model guidelines and handholding in rolling out such guidelines / regulations at the State level;
- e. Collating and analyzing international best practices on the areas highlighted above;
- f. Any other work assigned from time to time.

3. Qualification of the candidates for Individual Consultant:

3.1. Educational:

- (a) Essential: Bachelor's Degree in Science or Engineering.
- (b) Desirable: Research experience or Masters Degree in Management or Public Policy or Engineering or Economics or Finance.

3.2. Experience:

(a) Essential:

- i. Working experience of not less than Ten years in techno-economic aspects of market operation / renewable energy integration / power systems. Knowledge of Indian / Global

Scenario of electricity systems, concept of regulations, various legislations and Government policies eg. the Electricity Act, 2003, Tariff policy, National Electricity Policy, etc.

(b) Desirable:

- i. Having published papers to his / her credit in the area of power market operation, Renewable energy, Government policies on these areas.

(c) Should have understanding of:

- i. Aspects related to electricity markets, market development, renewable energy etc.
- ii. Framework for connectivity to the grid for renewable source based power plants,
- iii. Ancillary / Balancing power requirements
- iv. Framework for inter-State exchange of renewable energy,
- v. Present status of Regulations / guidelines / policies related to power system operation / electricity markets / market development / renewable energy in India and other countries.

4. Consolidated Salary:

Individual consultant shall be engaged in the category of "Senior Adviser" with a maximum consolidated fee of Rs. 2,25,000/- (Excluding service tax, if applicable) per month. In deserving cases, additional fee not exceeding 10% of the fees indicated above may be granted at the time of initial engagement on the basis of the recommendations of the Selection Committee and after approval by the Chairperson. The remuneration shall be paid lump sum on monthly basis (the agreed amount) within seven days after completion of the month. Applicable taxes shall be deducted (TDS) as per Income Tax rules.

5.0 General terms and conditions:

5.1. Normal working hours would be 9.30 A.M to 6.00 P.M (Five days week) including half an hour lunch break. The official may be called on Saturdays, Sundays and other gazetted holidays, and directed to work beyond normal working hours in case of exigencies.

5.2 There will be a provision of 15 days leave (including 8 days casual leave and seven days on the pattern of earned leave but not encashable) in a calendar year (in addition to the gazetted holidays applicable in FOR Secretariat) subject to prior sanction.

5.3 In case of official tour outside Delhi, the Forum will reimburse the expenses for journey undertaken for official work by the Consultant as per the following entitlement:-

- i. By air-Economy class / By train (AC-II).
- ii. Other facilities as per entitlements of officers of CERC at Chief / Joint Chief level.

6. Duration of contract:

The contract will be initially for a period of two years which can be extended for up to one year on each occasion, limited to a total period of four years. In deserving cases an annual escalation upto 10% on the fee may be given with the approval of the competent authority based on the performance during preceding year. The Forum and the Consultant would both have option to terminate the contract by giving a notice of three months or the equivalent remuneration in lieu thereof. Provided, in case of disciplinary action, the notice period shall not apply to FOR.

7. Submission of Applications:

Applications are to be submitted in prescribed format only. Otherwise, the applications which are not in prescribed format are liable to be rejected. Incomplete applications or those received after due date will not be entertained and will be summarily rejected without any communication. The candidature of such candidates who are subsequently found ineligible according to the terms and conditions laid down in this tender notice will be cancelled. The decision of the Consultancy Evaluation Committee regarding eligibility of the candidate shall be final.

8. Evaluation Criteria:

8.1 The Consultants will be engaged in accordance with the terms and conditions laid down in CERC (Appointment of Consultants) Regulations, 2008 and its amendment from time to time (copies available in CERC's website www.cercind.gov.in).

8.2 The Forum reserves the right to reject or accept any application without assigning any reason, or what so ever.

9. Other Terms & Conditions:

- i. Appointment under this assignment shall be on purely contract basis for a limited period only. Such appointment shall not bestow any rights what so ever to claim for regular appointment or continued contractual appointment in Forum of Regulators (FOR).
- ii. Relaxation in essential qualifications/experience can be considered in deserving cases at the discretion of FOR.
- iii. FOR reserves the right not to fill up all or any of the above-mentioned positions.
- iv. Only short-listed candidates will be called for an interaction with the Selection Committee.

Interested and eligible candidates may kindly send their applications, in the prescribed format to the Assistant Secretary (FOR), Forum of Regulators, C/o Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, Upper Ground Floor, Chanderlok Building, 36, Janpath, New Delhi-110 001 by 3.00 P.M. on day, the 30th December, 2016.

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Dated : 30.11.2016

BIO-DATA**POST APPLIED FOR:** _____**I. GENERAL INFORMATION:**

01. Name of the Candidate
02. Date of Birth
03. Father's Name
04. Permanent Address
05. Contact address
06. Tel No.
Mobile No.
Email id

II. DETAILED RESUME:**(a) Academic/Professional Qualifications:-**

Degree	University	Institute	Field/Specialization	Year of Passing

(Attested photocopies of all Degrees/Certificates must be attached)

(b) Experience:-

Details of employment, in chronological order. Enclose a separate sheet, duly authenticated by your signature, if the space below is insufficient

Office/Institute/ Organization	Post held	From (dd/mm/yy)	To (dd/mm/yy)	Nature of duties in brief

Enclosures:

- a. Statement of Purpose.
- b. Copies of research publications or published writings. (if any)
- c. Letters of recommendation. (if any)
- d. Additional information, (if any) which you would like to mention in support of your suitability for the post
- e. Separate sheets for Education/Experience, if the space is insufficient

Date:

Signature of the Candidate