



GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

MINISTRY OF WOMEN, CHILD AFFAIRS AND SOCIAL EMPOWERMENT

DEPARTMENT OF SAMURDHI DEVELOPMENT

**ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FINANCED
FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOOD RECOVERY EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROJECT
(L4205)**

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR RECRUITMENT OF
LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST**

Deadline for Submission: 15 February 2023 (14.00 Hrs. Sri Lanka Standard Time)

1. In response to a food insecurity crisis, Asian Development Bank (ADB) supports Government of Sri Lanka (GOSL) to ensure access to food and protect livelihoods for the poor and vulnerable through the Food Security and Livelihood Recovery Emergency Assistance Project. The project aims to improve food security and protect the livelihoods of the poor and vulnerable nationwide, especially women and children, by temporarily expanding direct financial support to compensate for food price increases, supporting livelihood development activities to counteract food shortages and income losses, and enhancing social protection systems to ensure that the project reaches its intended beneficiaries and strengthen resilience to future emergencies. Part of the project is to support the development and piloting of upgraded livelihood development programs for low-income families to develop sustainable livelihoods and enhance food security.
2. The objective of the assignment is to assist the design, piloting, and implementation of the livelihood development program for low-income families as part of the graduation strategy.

Under the guidance of the Secretary/Project Director of the Ministry of Women, Child Affairs and Social Empowerment (MWCASE) and the Director General of the Department of Samurdhi Development (DSD), and in collaboration with the project implementation unit (PIU) and graduation specialists (international and national), the specialist will assist MWCASE and DSD in identifying set of sequenced interventions, including technical, financial literacy, and business skills training, business development support, coaching and mentoring, savings promotion, and access to small loans coupled with livelihood assistance grants to support productive asset creation. Specialist will also train managers and field level officers of the DSD, Samurdhi Banks and other relevant officers of MWCASE to provide improved support to low-income families.

3. It is estimated that the consulting services will require about 140 days intermittent input for a period of 12 months from a national person. The estimated cost is about USD 13,500 including contingency. A detailed description of the requirements is provided in the terms of reference available on ADB website (<http://csr.n.adb.org>).
4. The assignment location will be in Colombo, Sri Lanka with frequent travelling to project area. Eligible individual consultant is invited to indicate their interest in providing the required services. The Expression of Interest may be submitted either online through ADB's website or in hardcopy to the address indicated below.
5. **For online submission:** (1) register with ADB's Consultant Management System at ADB website <http://www.adb.org> (2) go to <http://csr.n.adb.org> , (3) click on "Sri Lanka", (4) find captioned project name and click on "View CSRN", (5) click on "Express Interest", and (6) follow the instructions. Important: All requested information must be filled-in completely.

6. **For hardcopy submission:** interested consultants must prepare and submit the “Expression of Interest (EOI)” in a standard form available on ADB website <https://www.adb.org/documents/recruitment-firms-individual-consultants-executing-agencies> Prepare and submit to the address indicated below with the envelope labelled as: **“Expression of Interest for Livelihood Development Specialist for Food Security and Livelihood Recovery Emergency Assistance Project”**.
7. The Expression of Interest must be submitted online or received at the address indicated below before **15 February 2023 (14.00 Hrs Sri Lanka Standard Time)**. An individual consultant will be selected in accordance with the consultant qualification procedures set out in the ADB Guidelines on the Use of Consultants by the Asian Development Bank and Its Borrowers.

Hardcopy should be delivered to the following address:

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