



No.4(24-A)PO(CONS) P&D/2023
Government of the Punjab
Planning & Development Board

Dated Lahore the 08th May, 2023

To,

1. Senior Member, Board of Revenue, Lahore.
2. All Administrative Secretaries to Govt. of the Punjab, Lahore.
3. Registrar, Lahore High Court, Lahore.
4. All Heads of Autonomous Bodies in the Punjab.
5. All Heads of Attached Departments in the Punjab.
6. All Vice Chancellors of Universities in the Punjab.
7. All Commissioners in the Punjab.
8. All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab.

Subject: **FRAMEWORK FOR FEASIBILITY STUDIES, DETAILED DESIGN, DESIGN REVIEW, RESIDENT SUPERVISION, THIRD PARTY VALIDATION (TPV) AND OWNER'S ENGINEER**

In supersession of this Department's letters No. 4(24) R.O (Cons) P&D/97-Vol-III dated 27-07-2017 on the subject cited above and letter No. 35(231)PO(COORD-II)P&D/2019 dated 02-09-2019 regarding feasibility studies of development projects. I am directed to inform that threshold amounts have been revised.

In order to ensure quality of works and optimal use of resources, it has now been decided to make it mandatory to engage services of consultants for Feasibility Studies, Detailed Engineering Design, Design Review, Resident Supervision, TPV and Owner's Engineer as per threshold cost levels of the projects in the respective category as indicated below:

A. FRAMEWORK FOR ENGAGING CONSULTANTS FOR FEASIBILITY STUDIES:

| Sr. No. | Sector | Cost (Rs. in Million) |
|---------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Water Supply and Sanitation | 750 and above |
| 2 | Bridges | 1500 and above |
| 3 | Roads | 2500 and above |
| 4 | Buildings | 750 and above |

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| 5 | Irrigation | Dams | All new dams projects irrespective of their cost. |
| | | Other Irrigation Projects | 1500 and above |
| 6 | Energy (Power Plant, Hydro Power, Solar, Wind, Thermal Projects & Bio Mass) | | 1000 and above |
| 7 | Information Technology (IT) | | 500 and above |
| 8 | Education, Literacy, Social Welfare & Production etc. (Projects without Civil Work Component) | | 500 and above |

B. FRAMEWORK FOR DETAILED ENGINEERING DESIGN / REVIEW OF ENGINEERING/ SYSTEM DESIGN:

| Sr. No. | Sector | | Cost (Rs. in Million) |
|---------|---|---------------------------|--|
| 1 | Water Supply and Sanitation | | 750 and above |
| 2 | Bridges | | 1500 and above |
| 3 | Roads | | 2500 and above |
| 4 | Buildings | | 750 and above |
| 5 | Irrigation | Dams | All new Dams projects irrespective of their cost |
| | | Other Irrigation Projects | 1500 and above |
| 6 | Energy (Power Plant, Hydro Power, Solar, Wind, Thermal Projects & Bio Mass) | | 500 and above |
| 7 | Information Technology (IT) | | 400 and above |

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C. FRAMEWORK FOR RESIDENT SUPERVISION OF PROJECTS:

| Sr. No. | Sector | Cost (Rs. in Million) |
|---------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Water Supply and Sanitation | 300 and above |

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| 2 | Bridges | 1500 and above | |
| 3 | Roads | 750 and above | |
| 4 | Buildings | 300 and above | |
| 5 | Irrigation | Dams | 450 and above |
| | | Other Irrigation Projects | 450 and above |
| 6 | Energy (Power Plant, Hydro Power, Solar, Wind, Thermal Projects & Bio Mass) | 1000 and above | |
| 7 | Information Technology (IT) | 500 and above | |

D. FRAMEWORK FOR THIRD PARTY VALIDATION (TPV) (AT VARIOUS STAGES / CLOSURE)

| Sr. No. | Sector | Cost (Rs. in Million) |
|---------|---|-----------------------|
| 1 | Education, Literacy, Social Welfare & Production etc. (Projects without Civil Work Component) | 500 and above |

E. FRAMEWORK FOR OWNER'S ENGINEER / PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

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| 1 | Owner's Engineer (OE) or Project Management Consultant (PMC) shall be appointed in all EPC, BOT, PPP Projects and Projects of Unique and Complex Nature. |
| 1.1 | For EPC contracts, there will be no provision for Resident Supervision or TPV and OE / PMC will serve as Consultant from start to end as Client Representative OE / PMC will validate the performance and output / outcome of the project. EPC Contractor would essentially comprised engineering consultants besides contracting team from its own budget, provision of which is usually made in the estimates. |
| 1.2 | However, for both afore mentioned cases, Factory Acceptance tests, Pre-shipment tests etc., services will be outsourced by OE / PMC to specific service providers. |

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3. For the works component of public sector schemes costing below the proposed threshold limits, Executing Agencies / Sponsoring Departments can engage consultancy services on need basis with the approval of the relevant competent forum.

4. In-house feasibility study covering preliminary technical details leading to preparation of rough cost estimates / PC-Is may be undertaken by the sponsoring departments /

agencies on need basis in cases where required for the schemes / projects costing below the indicated threshold limits.

5. As a principle, the development schemes which are being supervised by the Resident Consultants would not require validation by another consultant. However, if in selected cases, the sponsoring departments / executing agencies intend to engage consultancy services for TPV, they may proceed with the approval of the competent forum.

6. In order to avoid conflict of interest, consultancy for the Design Review tasks (in cases where applicable) shall be outsourced to the Consultants not involved at the Feasibility / Detailed Design stages for the same project.

7. Client Departments / Procuring Agencies would prepare Terms of Reference for the proposed consultancy assignments clearly defining the role, duties and responsibilities of the consultants, obtain necessary approval for funding from the competent forum and proceed for the selection of consultant under Punjab Procurement Rules 2014.

8. Resident Supervision / TPV arrangements through the consultants would not absolve the department concerned of their responsibility of proper utilization of public funds and ensuring qualitative / quantitative execution of the work.



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