

**GUYANA**  
**AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT SERVICES PROGRAMME**  
**Consulting Services**  
**DESIGN OF RICE SEED FACILITY**  
**Loan N° 1558/SF-GY**  
**Expressions of Interest N° ASSP/08/2006**

This invitation for expressions of interest for consulting services follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in *UN Development Business* No. 639 of 30 September 2004.

The Cooperative Republic of Guyana has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) toward the cost of the Agricultural Support Services Programme, and it intends to apply part of the loan proceeds to payments under the contract for consulting services for the design of a rice seed facility in Guyana.

The objective of the consultancy is to design and prepare bidding documents for the construction of a rice seed production facility and the preparation of tender documents for management of the facility, which should produce a minimum of 20,000 bags (64 kilos each) of paddy seed per year (two cropping seasons).

The Government of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana now invites consulting firms and specialized agencies from IDB's eligible countries with experience in the design of rice seed production facilities to express interest in providing the services described above. The estimated duration of the consulting services is four months.

Expressions of interest should have a maximum of five pages and must provide the following information to establish that the consultant is qualified to perform the services:

- Experience of the firm or specialized agency in the design of rice seed production facilities and in the management options for rice seed production facilities
- Experience of the firm or specialized agency in Guyana
- Experience of the firm or specialized agency in Latin America or the Caribbean
- Experience of the firm or specialized agency in the preparation of bidding documents for projects funded by the IDB and similar organizations

Interested eligible applicants may obtain further information from the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, at the first address below from the date of publication of this notice and during normal working hours.

Expressions of interest must be deposited in the tender box located at the National Procurement and Tender Administration Board (second address below) at or before 0900 hours on Tuesday, 23 May 2006. Late applications shall not be considered. It is not necessary to submit expressions of interest in person as they may be sent by mail. Nevertheless, the Ministry of Agriculture will not be responsible if these are not received before the date and time indicated for reception.

The expressions of interest will be opened in a public act at the National Procurement and Tender Administration Board as shortly as possible after 0900 hours on the same date.

The Government of Guyana will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by applicants in connection with the preparation or delivery of the expressions of interest.

Applicants will be advised in due course of the result of their applications. Only applicants shortlisted under this process will be invited to submit proposals.

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