

WEST BENGAL FOREST & BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION PROJECT

INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

The Wildlife (HQ) Divisional Management Unit invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from qualified Institution/Individual for conducting Biodiversity Research in six different topics under West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project. For details please visit www.wbfbc.org and www.wildbengal.com.

The hard copies of the EOIs should reach by name to **Dr. S. Kulandaivel, Head, Wildlife (HQ) Divisional Management Unit**, in the Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of West Bengal, Bikash Bhawan, North Block, 3rd Floor, Salt Lake City, Kolkata - 700 091 on or before 13.10.2014 by 4.00 pm.

**Dr. S. Kulandaivel,
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Invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI)

Wildlife (HQ) Divisional Management Unit invites Expression of Interest (EOI) for conducting biodiversity research in specified topics as mentioned below:

1. *Objective and scope of work:* The overall objective is to generate data on critical wildlife issues, in the form of high quality scientific reports, in order to be able to improve wildlife management. The research projects are expected to provide sound and feasible recommendations for the improvement of wildlife management based on the data gathered. The research topics (projects) are mentioned below.

Sl	Biodiversity Research projects (topics)
1	Ecology of Gaur in North Bengal including population dynamics, distribution, habitat use patterns, PA wise carrying capacity estimation and human Gaur conflict.
2	Leopard ecology in North Bengal including population estimation, population dynamics, distribution, habitat use pattern and human leopard conflict
3	The impact of habitat management practices, especially Canopy manipulation and grass land restoration, on the habitat use pattern of Herbivores and the Herbivores- carrying capacity in Jaldapara, Gorumara and Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuaries
4	Elephant ecology in North Bengal including population dynamics, migratory pattern, feeding habits and human elephant conflicts including elephant- railway collisions
5	Ecology of elephants in South West Bengal including population dynamics, migratory pattern, feeding habits and human elephant conflict
6	Ecology of tigers including population assessment, population dynamics, breeding behaviour, prey-predator relationships of tiger in Protected Areas of North Bengal

Research topics 1 to 5 are to be carried out in three years and topic no 6 in four years.

2. *Eligibility:* The intending institutions/individuals should have a record of outstanding achievements in wildlife researches evidenced by past publications and conservation research experience and should have a core team of researchers with excellent credentials. One institution/individual may bid for more than one research topic, but should have a dedicated research team for each of the research topic it intends to take up. No institution/individual black-listed or placed under funding

restriction by any ministry of the Govt. of India/state Govts. and Govt. Organizations.

3. **Selection process:** On the basis of past achievements in biodiversity research, institution/individual (not more than five for each of the six research topics) will be short listed. The Request for Proposal (RFP) along with the Terms of Reference (ToR) will be sent to the short listed institution/individual only. In addition to the submission of written proposals based on RFP, the shortlisted consultants are to give presentations of their proposals on a prescribed date and venue, at their own cost. The selection shall be based on the quality and cost based selection (QCBS) method, with eighty per cent weightage for the technical proposal and twenty percent weightage for financial proposal. The final selection shall be done by an evaluation committee of experts set up for this purpose.
4. **Application Fee:** Non-refundable application fee of Rs.2500 (Two thousand five hundred) only for each Research topic in the form of Banker's Cheque or Demand Draft issued by any Nationalized Bank drawn in favour of Wild life (HQ) Divisional Management Unit and payable at Kolkata should be submitted with the EOI.
5. The EOI may be prepared as per the format appended below. The EOI and enclosures for each Research topics has to be submitted in separate envelopes each containing three sets, one original and two copies. The notice number and the Research topic should be written on the top of the envelope and addressed by name to

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6. The EOIs should reach at above address through registered post, courier or by hand on or before **13.10.2014 by 4.00 pm.**


(Dr. S. Kulandaivel)

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Format for submission of EOI

1. Title of research topic applied for:
2. Name of institution/individual:
3. Address, phone/fax, e-mail of the institution/individual:
4. Name and contact details of the contact person:
5. Key areas of work:
6. Details of the application fees (cheque/DD no., Bank, Branch):
7. Brief description of the achievements in biodiversity research (500 words) (Attach evidence of past publications and conservation research experience):
8. Awards and recognitions if any received:
9. Research projects in biodiversity research undertaken by the institution/individual

Year	Title of the project	Donor/client	Geographical area of study and period	Total financial cost	Key researchers involved	Outputs/publications produced

10. Details of the proposed research team :

Name of researcher	Education and professional qualifications	Research experience related to the current project	Total years of research experience	No of papers on the subject in peer-reviewed journals

Date:

Signature of the Authorised person with name & designation