### GOVERNMENT OF GILGIT BALTISTAN

#### OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR FORESTS

# **Project Manager NTFP**

GILGIT-BALTISTAN, GILGIT

Gilgit dated 20th, June 2025

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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Baseline Survey to assess the potential of significant species of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants and other Potential NTFPs for commercial harvesting in Astore, Gilgit and Ghizar districts of GB

### **Assignment Brief:**

The Forest, Parks & Wildlife Department, Gilgit-Baltistan, a government entity responsible for forest and EOI documents, including the Terms of Reference (TORs) and evaluation criteria, are available at: conservation and wildlife management, invites Expressions of Interest (EOI) from consultancy firms/consultants to conduct a baseline survey to assess the potential of significant species of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants and other potential NTFPs for commercial harvesting in Astore, Gilgit and Ghizar districts of GB. The propose baseline survey will assess the potential and carrying capacity of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants and NTFPs for sustainable commercial harvesting. The planned survey will recommend the protocols, framework, mechanism and guidelines for sustainable extraction and management of MAPs in Astore, Gilgit and Ghizar districts of GB. This will help us in mitigating the adverse impact of ruthless and unscientific harvesting on population of key Species of MAPs and NTFPs. The selection process will follow the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method under the GB Public Procurement Rules.

#### **Scope of Services:**

- 1. Conduct a detailed baseline survey/study to assess the potential of significant species of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants and other potential NTFPs for commercial harvesting in Astore, Gilgit and Ghizar districts of GB focusing on following.
- a. A complete inventory of all Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (MAPs) and NTFPs of three districts including Astore, Ghizar and Gilgit
- b. Provide good quality pictures, local name, vernacular name and botanical name and their ethnobotanical uses.
- c. Determine the biological threshold of each species having commercial value (medicinal, cosmetic, aromatic and economic)
- d. Habitat Mapping and Assessment of key species of MAPS and NTFPs
- e. Assess the annual volume of production of key species of MAPs and NTFPs for sustainable extraction of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants and NTFPs
- f. Determine the carrying capacity and potential of Extraction of different Species of MAPs and NTFPs
- g. Printing of survey report through any publisher (Copy rights rest with Department)
- h. Development of a research paper and publish in two scientific journals (One national, one international)
- i. Printing of 20 copies of high quality
- Preparation of Herbarium sheets of at least 50 Species of MAPs and NTFP.
- k. Collection of Seeds and Rhizomes and vegetative parts of twenty species from source
- 1. Preparation of s short documentary of all the process.

# **Expression of Interest (EOI) Documents:**

Forest, Parks & Wildlife Department Office, Gilgit-Baltistan, Office of the PM NTFP, Forest and Wildlife Department, Near C.M Secretariat Chinar Bagh Gilgit

Alternatively, EOI documents can be downloaded free of cost from the department's website: https://fwegb.gov.pk/ however, Rs. 4000/- per RFP shall be charged before submission to the procuring agency (PM NTFP) as per GB Finance Act.

### **Submission & Deadline:**

The EOI, prepared according to the instructions in the EOI documents, must be submitted to the address below by 8th July, 2025, no later than 12:00 pm. The EOIs will be opened on the same day at 01:00 pm. in the presence of the applicants who wish to attend.

# **Address for Submission:**

Office of the PM-NTFP Cell, Riverview Road near CM Secretariat Chinar Bagh Gilgit

## Note:

All the Bids shall remain valid for ninety (90) Days effective from the Bids Submission Deadline and must be accompanied by a corresponding Bid Security equivalent to 2% of the Bid Price in the shape of a pay order/demand draft/ bank guarantee, valid for twenty-eight (28) Days beyond the bid validity period, issued by a scheduled bank of Pakistan in favor of 'Secretary, Forest & Wildlife Department, Government of Gilgit-Baltistan and must be enclosed in original with the Financial Proposal in accordance with the requirements set out in the RFP Document.

The Procuring Agency reserves its right to reject any or all Bids or cancel the Bidding Process, in whole or in part, at any time prior to accepting a Bid(s), subject to the relevant provisions of the SPP Rules.

# **Eligibility Criteria:**

The prospective Bidders must qualify the eligibility, technical evaluation criteria, and other terms & conditions with supporting documents, where required, as set out in the RFP Document.

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