



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
No. 2024-025

PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES OF A CONSULTING FIRM TO DEVELOP THE NATIONAL ACTION PLAN ON ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION AND SPECIES EXTINCTION PREVENTION (NAPERSEP)

The Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) intends to engage the services of a Consultancy Firm to Develop the National Action Plan on Ecosystem Restoration and Species Extinction Prevention (NAPERSEP).

The BMB-Bids and Awards Committee calls for the submission of documents for qualified consultancy firm interested to bid for the requirement below, to wit:

<u>Requirement</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Consulting Firm	Ten (10) months	P800,000.00 (Inclusive of tax)

The documents for submission are:

1. Letter of Intent
2. Profile of the Firm to include on-going and completed projects related or similar in nature to the scope of work of this consultancy;
3. Curriculum Vitae of the Project Lead of the Consulting Firm, to include the following:
 - a. Basic information including current e-mail address, telephone or mobile number, educational background, work experience, membership in organization /society/, and relevant accomplishments; and,
 - b. Supporting documents and means of verification that would support qualifications reflected in the TOR (i.e. sample works, technical reports, research publications, certificates of work/project engagements, etc.)

4. PhilGEPS Certificate of Registration of the Firm
5. BIR Certification of Registration
6. Omnibus Sworn Statement

**notarization of the OSS should be complied with after the award of the contract but before payment pursuant to Item 6.3 of GPPB 09-2020.*

Incomplete/non-submission of these requirements shall be grounds for disqualification from the procurement process.



For inquiries, please contact Ms. Katherine E. Soriano at Telephone No. 8924-6031 local 224 .
Interested applicants must submit the documents on or before 5:00pm, _____ to

The Chairperson

Bids and Awards Committee

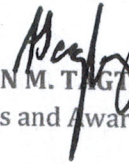
Biodiversity Management Bureau

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TERMS OF REFERENCE

Procurement of Services of a Consulting Firm to Develop the National Action Plan on Ecosystem Restoration and Species Extinction Prevention (NAPERSEP)

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources – Biodiversity Management Bureau (DENR-BMB) intends to engage the services of a Consulting Firm to assist the BMB in the development of the “National Action Plan on Ecosystem Restoration and Species Extinction Prevention” (NAPERSEP). The Plan aims to provide a holistic framework of management interventions on habitat restoration and species conservation for the guidance of the DENR and its biodiversity conservation partners.

Job Title	:	Technical Consultant (Consultancy Firm)
Duration	:	Ten (10) months
Approved Budget	:	PhP 800,000.00

I. Background / Rationale

Wildlife researchers and experts, through multi-model projections and careful analysis of available data, have reached a consensus that the earth is already in the midst of a sixth mass extinction (Ceballos et al., 2017). Unfortunately, this may prove to be the most serious environmental crisis being faced by mankind as it is primarily human-induced and is accelerating at an alarming rate. In the Philippines, the state of biodiversity has undergone significant degradation over the past several decades, causing negative impacts at the ecosystem and species levels, affecting the livelihoods of millions of Filipinos, particularly those who are directly dependent on the country’s natural resources for their day-to-day subsistence (BMB-DENR, 2016)¹.

The pressures of increasing human populations and unsustainable use of natural resources, coupled with the impacts of climate change have increased the risk of ecosystem degradation and species extinction. This is further exacerbated by the widespread proliferation of invasive alien species and the global challenge on environmental pollution. Island nations like the Philippines are most vulnerable to species extinction since these areas generally exhibit high rates of endemism and island species populations tend to be small, localized and highly specialized because of their restricted range (DENR, 2016)².

The adoption of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF) in December 2022 during the 15th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity reaffirmed the commitment of countries to catalyze, enable and galvanize urgent and transformative actions to halt and reverse biodiversity loss. A critical target (Goal 4) of the KMGBF is to “*ensure urgent management actions to halt human induced extinction of known threatened species and for the recovery and conservation of species, in particular threatened species, to significantly reduce extinction risk...*” (CBD, 2022). While multiple conservation initiatives have been implemented at various levels, only a few have been directed at the species level and most of these have been focused on highly charismatic vertebrate species. On the other hand, specific actions to protect every living species individually may simply prove unfeasible because of the “*tyranny of*

numbers". Cognizant of this dilemma, balancing the country's limited resources with the urgency of implementing concrete actions to arrest biodiversity loss can be achieved through the crafting of a holistic and overarching framework to address species extinction.

The development of the "National Action Plan on Ecosystem Restoration and Species Extinction Prevention" or NAPERSEP shall serve as the response of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to the long-standing need for a blueprint of management actions for addressing species extinction. The DENR through the Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB), in collaboration and with financial support of the Biodiversity Corridor Project, shall lead the conduct of a series of consultations/workshops and focus group discussions for the development of the NAPERSEP in line with the updating of the PBSAP and in consideration of the KMGBF targets. The development process will be undertaken in a participatory manner with key stakeholders, i.e., NGAs, academe, LGUs, NGOs.

II. Objective and Scope of Work

A. Objective

To develop a holistic framework of management interventions on habitat restoration and species conservation for the guidance of the DENR and its biodiversity conservation partners.

To attain this objective, the following specific activities shall be undertaken:

1. Gather and review existing species conservation and management plans and other relevant documents on biodiversity;
2. Solicit inputs from key stakeholders from the NGAs, academe, LGUs, and CSUs (stock taking) including challenges, issues and concerns in implementing programs, project and activities on the conservation of both flora and fauna; and,
3. Subject the draft Action Plan to several rounds of review with the DENR offices, DENR technical and advisory Committees, conservation partners and wildlife experts.

B. Scope of Work

The scope of work of this Terms of Reference is beyond the optimum in-house capability of the procuring entity and is consistent with the Government's policy not to compete with the private sector as integrated in Item 2 of Annex "B" of the 2016 Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 9184. Quality-based evaluation will be used as criteria for choosing the Consulting Firm.

III. Job Description / Duties and Responsibilities

As the Consulting Firm for the undertaking, it is expected to:

1. Take the lead in facilitating the consultation-workshops and focused experts' group meetings to be organized by the BMB;
2. Capture and document all the discussions during the stakeholders' consultation-workshops and focus group meetings;

VIII. Terms of Payment

The Consulting Firm shall receive remuneration amounting to Php800,000.00, to be paid in tranches as follows:

Tranche	Schedule	Percentage of Contract Price	Budget Breakdown
1 st	Upon signing of contract	10%	Php 80,000.00
2 nd	After submission of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Documentation report on the preliminary meeting and 1st and 2nd Consultation-Workshops• Templates for species assessment / ecosystem restoration plans; and• Initial draft NAPERSEP.	25%	Php 200,000.00
3 rd	After submission of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Documentation report of the 3rd and 4th Consultation-Workshops and focused group meetings; and• Revised draft NAPERSEP	20%	Php 160,000.00
4 th	After submission of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Documentation report on solicited comments/recommendations upon presentation of draft Plan with BMB and Wildlife Advisory Committees• Revised draft NAPERSEP (2nd revision)	20%	Php 160,000.00
5 th	After submission of the printed and editable electronic copy of the finalized draft NAPERSEP (ready for printing)	25%	Php 200,000.00

IX. Requirements for Application

Interested groups are requested to submit the following:

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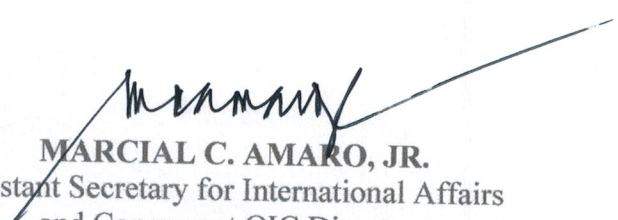
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Kindly send the application not later than _____ to:

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