

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Request for proposal (RFP) for engagement of Consultant for undertaking a Critical Evaluation of Industrial Infrastructure Upgradation Scheme (IIUS).

Background

Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP), Government of India introduced the Industrial Infrastructure Upgradation Scheme (IIUS) in December, 2003. The Scheme aims to enhance competitiveness of domestic industry by providing quality infrastructure in select industrial clusters through public-private partnership. The projects under the Scheme are implemented by Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) which are independent legal entities registered under Companies Act./ Registration of Societies Act. The SPVs are promoted by the concerned Industry Associations. A copy of the Guidelines is as at **Annexure-I**.

The DIPP has approved 26 projects across various locations in the country and is now interested in getting a critical evaluation of the Scheme conducted to assess its effectiveness and give recommendations, if any, for continuance of the extant Scheme in the 11th Five Year Plan with appropriate modifications.

Objective

The basic objective of the critical evaluation is to study the entire gamut of issues from conception, sanctioning, implementation, monitoring and impact of the Scheme which shall include the following and any other issues incidental thereto:-

- (i) To study the criteria and appropriateness of selection of sanctioned projects including the appraisal mechanism adopted.
- (ii) To appraise management structure, financial capacity and governance system of the implementing agencies (SPVs).
- (iii) To assess the reasons for delay in implementation of projects.
- (iv) To identify suitable benchmarks against which the success of the projects can be quantified and measured.
- (v) To assess outcome of the projects based on selected benchmarks.
- (vi) To suggest appropriate modifications in the structure of the Scheme to make it more effective including possibility of recasting the Scheme in viability gap funding mode.
- (vii) To study social and environmental impact of the projects under the Scheme.

Coverage of evaluation

The critical evaluation study shall cover all sanctioned 26 projects with special emphasis on following 10 projects:-

S.No.	Project	Location
1.	Auto Cluster	Pune
2.	Chemical Cluster	Ankleshwar
3.	Textile cluster	Ludhiana
4.	Chemical cluster	Vapi
5.	Pump, Motor & Foundry Cluster	Coimbatore
6.	Auto Ancillary cluster	Chennai
7.	Rubber cluster	Kolkata
8.	Foundry cluster	Howrah
9.	Gems & Jewellery Cluster	Surat
10	Coir Cluster	Alappuzha

Methodology

A two pronged strategies would be adopted to undertake the critical evaluation in the first phase exhaustive desk research will be undertaken. This will involve study of relevant background material on the rational of initiating the Scheme, various proposals received and sanctioned, process and parameters applied for sanctioning the projects and other such material published from different sources pertaining to infrastructure upgradation under other Schemes, if any, being administered for the same purpose.

In the second phase, field study at all the ten locations will be carried out. The field study will involve in-depth interviews, interactions and discussions with all the players and stakeholders. These stakeholders shall include official of Central and the State Governments, functionaries of the SPVs, industrial units/ associations, financial institutions, other allied organizations etc.

Finally, data analysis and report writing shall be done.

Pre-requisite

The Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion will provide access to all files along with appraisal note, minutes of the sanctioning Committee and related documents. DIPP will also ensure that all the related documents are provided by the other stakeholders.

Timelines

The evaluation study will have to be completed within fifteen weeks from the date of awarding the work.

The draft report will have to be submitted within ten weeks from the date of awarding evaluation work to the agency.

Terms of payment of fee

No advance payment of fee shall be made. 40% of the fee shall be paid after the acceptance of draft report by the Department and the balance 60% after acceptance of the final report..

Submission of Proposal

The “Technical Proposal” and “Financial Proposal” should be submitted by the interested parties in separate sealed covers **on or before 22nd October, 2007 by 4:00 pm (Monday)** at the following address:-

**Shri Shashi Ranjan Kumar, Director,
Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion,
Ministry of Commerce & Industry,
Udyog Bhawan (Room No.257-A),
New Delhi – 110 011.
Tele. 011 - 2306 2318. FAX No. 011 – 2306 2626.**

Each proposal should be accompanied by a bank draft for Rs.20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only), as the earnest money, payable at New Delhi issued in favour of the DDO, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, New Delhi.

Technical Proposal

The “Technical Proposal” should give the following information:-

1. Brief profile of the organization
2. Relevant experience of conducting similar evaluation.
3. Brief CVs of the professionals to be involved for carrying out the evaluation.

The suitability of the consultant for undertaking this work will be decided on the basis of the overall capacity of the organization, relevant experience in similar field and capabilities of professionals selected for taking up this task.

Financial Proposal

The financial proposal should contain lump sum professional fees inclusive of all expenses and taxes. Financial bids of only those consultant shall be opened whose technical proposals fulfill the requirements stipulated in the TOR and are assessed to be capable of taking up such critical evaluation study.

Deliverables

Draft evaluation and final evaluation reports along with appropriately modified Scheme for the 11th Plan.