



Republic of Kenya

**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, FISHERIES AND COOPERATIVES
(MoALFC)**

State Department of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Blue Economy (SDFA&BE)

Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)

Credit No: 6540-KE: Project ID. No. 163980

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

CONSULTANCY SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL

REOI Consultancy Services to Provide Technical Assistance On Stock Assessment of Priority Marine Fisheries in The Coastal Region of Kenya Contract No. KE-MOALF-C1-2021-004-ICS

The Government of Kenya, through the State Department for Fisheries, Aquaculture, and Blue Economy (SDFA&BE) and with support from the World Bank, is implementing the Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development (KEMFSED) project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for this consulting service.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include:

Brief description: The project has invested in improving capacity to produce updated and timely scientific information for decision-making on the management of selected priority fisheries stocks (octopus, small scale purse seine fishery (ring net), deep water snappers (in the North Kenya Banks), shallow water prawns, small-scale tuna fishery and the inshore basket trap fishery). The project seeks to engage the services of a fisheries stock assessment specialist to assist in defining reference points for monitoring stock status, forecasting of likely harvest levels against scenarios of fishing effort and making recommendations on sustainable harvest strategies to enhance sustainability. The related activities will be spearheaded by the Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute (KMFRI) in collaboration with the Kenya Fisheries Service (KeFS) with participation of local universities and relevant NGOs.

Objective of Assignment: The objective of this assignment is to provide expert guidance to technical working groups responsible for undertaking stock assessment of six priority marine fisheries in coastal Kenya under the KEMFSED Project.

Component 1 aims to support improvement of management of marine fisheries in Kenya Fisheries waters including enhancing governance of marine fisheries and blue economy, improving management of nearshore fisheries and support infrastructure development.

1. Scope of Service

The Consultant will work closely with the Component 1.1 Coordinator and Subcomponent Task Team leader to implement the following tasks:

1. Hold a virtual inception meeting with the Component 1.1 Coordinator and Subcomponent Task Team leader to present an inception report indicating the implementation strategy for the TOR.
2. Conduct a review of the baseline reports prepared during the KEMFSED project preparation phase on selected priority fisheries/species (State of Stocks of Priority Fisheries and the baseline assessment on governance and management effectiveness) and any other related reports to identify data gaps and needs for each fishery and make recommendations on minimum data requirements and sampling protocols.
3. Hold a planning meeting with technical working group leaders for each priority fisheries working group to present findings and the development of research strategies for each fishery including a 3 year phased work plan.
4. Conduct a training workshop for task teams and working groups with emphasis on fisheries stock assessment methodology including data-limited approaches and related software tools
5. Provide professional assistance to the technical working groups on fisheries stock assessment techniques that might apply to the framework of the project work plan and specific priority fisheries including (but not exclusively) :
 - i. Undertake a review of the stock assessment reports developed by the technical working groups.
 - ii. Develop harvest strategy recommendations and guidelines for each of the six priority fisheries.
 - iii. Review the bi-annual stock status reports of the six selected fisheries.
 - iv. Assist with the drafting of scientific and technical reports as well as develop policy briefs related to each fishery, provide oversight and scientific support and peer review for each of the 6 priority fisheries
6. Provide expert advice to the scientific and management working group (SMWG) and the Advisory Working Group (AWG) during scheduled meetings or as need arises

2. Qualifications

The Consultant should have the following minimum qualifications and competencies:

- A master's degree in aquatic, fisheries, marine sciences or related fields from a recognized and reputable institution
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- At least 10 years of relevant professional experience in marine fisheries stock assessment
- Demonstration of experience in the use of data-limited fisheries stock assessment methods and software
- Donor projects experience also required
- Teaching experience in related fields will be an added advantage

Key competencies:

- Strong analytical and research writing skills
- Good leadership, networking, teamwork and interpersonal skills.
- Good command in English

3. Selection method

Terms of References: Detailed TOR for the assignment can be: a) found on the following website: www.kilimo.go.ke b) requested by sending an email to: kemfsed@kilimo.go.ke obtained at the address given below.

The Ministry through the SDFA&BE now invites eligible individual consultants to express their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services. Shortlisting criteria include at least 10 years, experience in similar assignments, planning, fisheries assessment.

The attention of interested consultants is drawn to Section III paragraph 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank’s Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers July 2016 and revised in November 2017 and August 2018 (Procurement Regulations) setting forth the World Bank ‘s policy on conflict of interest.

The consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant Selection – ICS method set out in the World Bank’s Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below Monday to Friday during office hours 0800 to 1700 hours.

Expressions of Interest clearly marked on top (*REOI Consultancy Services to provide Technical Assistance on Stock Assessment of Priority Marine Fisheries in the Coastal Region of Kenya* Contract No. **KE-MOALF-C1-2021-004-ICS must be delivered in written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail or placed in the tender box located at Maji House 3rd floor **on or before 26th February, 2021 by 10.00AM (EAT).****

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