

April 1, 2025

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Republic of Tajikistan

State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development"

Project Management Unit (SI AED PMU)

Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project (SRASP)

IDA (International Development Association) Grant No: E145-TJ

Title of the consulting assignment: for consultant to conduct a comprehensive study of the condition of subdivisions of MART, TAU, TAAS to identify the presence of hazardous chemicals, including pesticides, expired reagents or other chemicals recognized as hazardous.

Reference Number: **SRASP-CS-INDV-2025-01**

The project aims to support the GoT in successfully transitioning to a sustainable, more productive, climate resilient, and inclusive model of agricultural sector growth.

The purpose of this request

The main purpose of this assignment is to conduct a study aimed at assessing the subdivisions of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Tajik Agrarian University named after Shirinshokh Shotemur and the Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences to identify the presence and volume of hazardous chemicals, including pesticides, expired reagents or other chemicals recognized as hazardous in their warehouses and laboratories. In order to achieve the intention, the following activities need to be implemented:

- **Identification and assessment of potentially hazardous waste storage facilities**

The first stage involves identifying facilities and chemical storage locations that require detailed investigation.

It is necessary to collect and analyze data on places of storage of chemicals and other hazardous substances in all subdivisions of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan, Tajik Agrarian University named after Shirinshokh Shotemur and Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences to study the reporting documentation. On the basis of the obtained data, form a list of objects that may require further detailed inspection.

- **Assessment of the storage status of identified hazardous wastes**

Once the target facilities have been identified, an inspection should be conducted to establish the current storage status of hazardous waste and expired reagents. The conditions of their storage, the degree of their potential risk, and the compliance of these conditions with regulatory requirements are analyzed.

- **Analise of existing infrastructure and identification of infrastructure changes needs**

To study the technical condition of facilities and equipment designed for storage, processing and utilization of hazardous waste. Analyze their compliance with modern safety standards, and identify needs for repair, modernization or construction of new facilities

- **Evaluation of the effectiveness of previously conducted activities**

To analyze the previously performed works aimed at accounting, storage, neutralization and disposal of hazardous waste and expired reagents. Examine reports, results of previous inspections and activities, and assess their compliance with the regulatory framework

- **Development of recommendations and reporting**

Formulate recommendations as well as a preliminary **financial**

plan to improve conditions of storage, handling and utilization of hazardous waste. Develop proposals for the introduction of modern technologies to minimize environmental and other risks. Prepare an analytical report including the results of all stages of the study, conclusions and reasonable proposals.

Qualification requirements

- Minimum of 5 years of experience related to hazardous waste identification, neutralization and disposal.
- Practical experience of 3 years in implementation of environmental safety and waste management projects
- Participation in projects of similar focus and scope, including studies, recommendations and activities to improve waste management infrastructure.
- Experience in developing analytical and reporting documentation, including conclusions, proposals and recommendations.
- Skill to use modern methods of data analysis in accordance with international standards.
- Ability to organize field surveys, collect data promptly and interact with representatives of the objects under study.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following link):

https://aedpmu.tj/en/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/tor_ind.-cons.-for-assesment.pdf

The consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016; revised in September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest."

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours i.e. 08:00 to 17:00 local time.

Interested candidates shall submit their Expressions of interest along with the CV as well as a copy(s):

- diploma/certificates confirming education/training;
- work book/references/other document confirming work experience,

to the e-mail address below on or before **17:00 hours local time on April 14, 2025**. Questions (or requests for clarifications) can be sent to the below email address **on or before April 10, 2025**.

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