

## GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA MINISTRY OF FINANCE, PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING, AGRICULTURE & LANDS, FORESTRY. MARINE RESOURCES & CO-OPERATIVES

## CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE & RURAL ENTERPRISE PROGRAMME

## CONSULTING SERVICES FOR DESIGN, BUILD AND INSTALLATION OF 15 HYDROPONIC SYSTEMS TO SCHOOLS

## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

The Rural Development Unit (RDU) serves to initiate, facilitate, co-ordinate and act as a catalyst for the implementation of rural development programme leading to sustainable and improved standard of living in rural communities. It comprises of two entities, the Climate Smart Agriculture and Rural Enterprise Programme (SAEP) and the Basic Needs Trust Fund (BNTF). The Climate Smart Agriculture and Rural Enterprise Programme (SAEP) is a seven year (2018-2025) rural development programme co-financed by the Government of Grenada (GOG), the International Fund for Agriculture Development (IFAD) and the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) to the amount of US \$14 million. The overall goal of the SAEP is to contribute to the reduction of poverty and vulnerability of men and women in rural communities in the tri-island state of Grenada. The development objective of SAEP is for project beneficiaries to improve their livelihoods and resilience by accessing new jobs starting up/ consolidating businesses and adopting CSA (Climate Smart Agriculture) practices.

The Rural Development Unit (RDU), the Executing Agency, now wishes to procure consultancy services for the design and installation of 15 hydroponics systems in schools throughout Grenada.

The objectives of the consultancy are to:

(a) Design, build and install as well as provide training and technical support for hydroponic system for 15 schools. Consultants must have the ability to provide the requested services in a timely manner with the required technical capacity and resources.

(b) Introduce innovations in agriculture at an early age through the introduction of the hydroponic system to fifteen (15) schools in Grenada and Carriacou in an effort to promote food and nutrition security whilst promoting sustainable agriculture through climate smart agriculture (CSA).

The duration of the assignment is expected to be for a period of two (2) months to commence from November 30, 2024 to January 31, 2025. RDU now invites interested eligible Consulting firms to submit their Expressions of Interest for the provision of these consultancy services.

In the assessment of submissions, consideration will be given to technical competence, qualifications and experience, local and regional experience on similar assignments, financial capability and existing commitments.

All information must be submitted in English. One hard copy of the Expressions of Interest must be received at the address below no later than 3:00 p.m. local time on November 22, 2024. The sealed envelope containing each submission should include the name and address of the applicant and shall be clearly marked "Expression of Interest – Consultancy Services for Design, build and Installation of 15 Hydroponics Systems in Schools". The Expression of Interest will be deemed to have been received at the time that it is received by the Programme Manager. The burden of proving receipt of the e-mail will be on the applicant and will not be met solely by a read receipt or sent items report generated by the applicant's computer.

GOGR reserves the right to accept or reject late applications or to cancel the present invitation partially or in its entirety. It will not be bound to assign any reason for not selecting any applicant and will not defray any costs incurred by any applicant in the preparation and submission of Expressions of Interest.

Further information may be obtained from the first address below between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. local time Monday to Friday.

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