

Under an IDRC/DFID funded project, Collaborative Adaptation Research in Africa and Asia (CARIAA), Indian Institute for Human Settlements (IIHS), Bangalore is part of The Adaptation at Scale in Semi-Arid Regions (ASSAR) research programme which aims to enhance the capacity of people in semi-arid regions to adapt to climate change across rural and urban areas. One of the research sites for the project is Bangalore where the aim is to understand the kind of climatic and non-climatic stressors slum dwellers face in their everyday lives. IIHS intends to carry out a household survey in selected slum settlements of Bangalore.

Expressions of Interest are invited from research firms/survey agencies to partner in conducting primary data collection. Survey data will be collected on:

1. Households Socio-economic characteristics
2. Livelihood strategies
3. Infrastructure and public amenities
4. Income and expenditures
5. Perceptions of well-being and food insecurity

The Agency conducting the household survey will be responsible for doing a house-listing in the settlements, pre-testing the survey questionnaire, implementing the survey, data-processing and also ensuring quality checks. The Survey Agency will work closely with the IIHS Team.

About 1,200 households spread across the city (urban and peri-urban areas) would be surveyed. The IIHS Team will, along with the partner agency, conduct participatory exercises and qualitative studies in the relevant neighborhoods.

Organizations interested in submitting expressions of interest for carrying out the above survey and facilitation tasks, are required to have previous **experience in conducting similar studies and exercises, especially with urban poor and slum communities.**

The Agency will need to provide:

1. A covering letter summarizing the firm's skills and profile, previous experience in similar studies. The firm should provide indication of their field presence across India and quality systems.
2. Provide a brief description of the background and organization of your firm/entity. The brief description should include
 - a. Registration and incorporation details
 - b. Availability of appropriate skills among staff
 - c. Turnover of the agency on the basis of the audited accounts of the previous three financial years
3. Please provide details of up to 10 assignments which shows experience of conducting baseline surveys. This should include:
 - a. Name of the Project Services
 - b. Name of the Client
 - c. Duration of the Assignment
 - d. Value of the Contract (INR)
4. Brief CV and bio of the experts in the organization who will be assigned to this work. The staff should ideally comprise Economists, research managers and trained field staff with prior experience in collecting primary data.

Expressions of Interest must be sent to the undersigned email address by 15th May, 2016. Applications or queries would be entertained only through emails.

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