Expression of interest

for

Operation and Maintenance of a small-scale Fish Feed Manufacturing Plant

National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency of Sri Lanka (NARA) is the apex government organization with a mandate for carrying out research and development activities related to fisheries and aquatic resources in Sri Lanka.

NARA received technical assistance through a project from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) towards improving fish feed and aquaculture in Sri Lanka.

As part of the project, NARA installed a small-scale feed manufacturing unit for producing fish feed in order to fulfill local fish feed requirement. The whole fish feed manufacturing unit consisted twin screw extruder with capacity 250-400 kg per hour and other allied machineries. The ultimate requirement is to manufacture cost effective locally producing fish feed.

Therefore, NARA is calling for Expression of Interest (EOI) from credible private sector companies who have been engaged in commercial aquaculture in particular grow out farming, for hosting/housing and manufacturing of feed.

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The Expression of Interest (EOI) shall include comprehensive details on the following.

- a. General information of the company
- b. Legal Status
- c. Amount of capital assets or net worth
- d. Copies of audited financial statements for last three years
- e. Experience in aquaculture operations, and
- f. Not having pending actions against the company in any court of law.

The following factors will be considered essential for the selection of a suitable company for housing the unit.

- a. Availability of suitable and environmentally conductive land, buildings and other basic facilities (water, three phase electricity etc) for housing the unit.
- b. At least three years of experience in fish/livestock feed production and commercial aquaculture operations
- c. Willingness to do necessary modifications for machineries or parts of the machineries to smoothen the fish feed production if need.
- d. Willingness to add necessary equipment/part and /or machineries in order to increase the quality of the production and diversify the production.
- e. Willingness to work closely with NARA, providing farm facilities for conducting feeding experiment during the project period.

- f. Willingness to provide farm facilities for NARA demonstration and extension purposes on fish farming
- g. Willingness to produce feed, under the guidance of NARA during the first year and thereafter continue to produce feed commercially under the guidance and advice of NARA if need.
- h. Willing to sign a mutually beneficial Agreement between the company and NARA on this collaboration /engagement.
- i. NARA reserves the right to accept or reject part/all at any time prior to acceptance of EOI.
- j. All cost associated with the preparation and submission of documents shall be borne by the person/organization who submits the expression of interest.

The eligible company may express their interest for the collaboration outline above to the chairman Procurement Committee, National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency (NARA) of Sri Lanka, Crow Island, Mattakkuliya, Colombo 15, Sri Lanka on or before 28th July 2021. Please indicate "Expression of interest for operating and maintenance of small-scale fish feed manufacturing plant" at the top left-hand corner of the envelope.

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