

**Invitation of Expression of Interest for Provision of Secretariat Support Services to the  
Technical Advisory Group of  
Jawahar Lal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission(JNNURM)**

The Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India has launched Jawahar Lal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) to develop urban infrastructure and provision of basic services for urban poor in 63 cities across the country. Objective of JNNURM is to ensure integrated, planned and sustainable development of financially self reliant, economically vibrant and equitable development of cities by providing substantial central assistance and encouraging reforms to improve urban governance. Further details of the programme can be seen at the ministry's website <http://www.urbanindia.nic.in/moud/moud.htm>

A Technical Advisory Group (TAG) to the JNNURM, comprising members from civil society has been constituted, who facilitate bringing in citizen participation, transparency and accountability in the Mission. It is now proposed to procure the services of an agency to provide professional and administrative support to the TAG, and operate as the 'Secretariat' to the TAG. The services will include supporting the TAG in activation, engagement and networking of NGOs and civil society organizations; city consultations; documentation and administrative support. The agency is required to provide these services over the entire Mission period up to March 2012, subject to an annual review of its performance for further extension of its engagement.

Agencies who meet the following prequalification criteria may submit their Expression of Interest (EOI) to the undersigned by 27<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2006.

1. Institution must be registered with a minimum existence of seven years
2. Experience of establishment/ playing a lead role of a network of NGO institutions in at least ten states in the country, and specifically with urban NGO institutions in at least 5 states across the country
3. Experience in advocacy on issues pertaining to development and voluntary organizations with various policy makers at the national/state level
4. Track record of linking NGO institutions with government activities, at national or state level
5. Institutional linkages with international networks, if any.
6. The organisation should have handled funds to the tune of minimum Rs. 50 lakh per annum on an average in the last 3 years

EOI may include the applicant's past experience in similar work or services, profile of the organization and of its key personnel, experience in the urban sector. On the basis of their response, agencies will be short listed and such agencies will subsequently be requested to submit detailed proposals (Technical and Financial bids).

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