



Government of Pakistan

# FINANCE DIVISION

(Internal Finance Wing) Pakistan Mint

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## Request for Proposals for Appointment of National / International Consultants 'Modernization and Up-gradation of Pakistan Mint'

Pakistan Mint requires modernization and Up-gradation for enhancing quality and quantity of its production, cost effectiveness, etc. so as to bring it at par with global modern framework. Government of Pakistan, Finance Division, in this regards, intends to engage services of reputed International /national engineering consultants or consortium of consultants having requisite experience in the field to carry out the technical task.

RFP documents bearing details of works (scope - TOR), consultant's evaluation criteria, format of Technical and Financial proposals along with Instruction set and other requisite material are available at Ministry of Finance website ([www.finance.gov.pk](http://www.finance.gov.pk)) as well as at PPRA web ([www.ppra.org.pk](http://www.ppra.org.pk)). The same may be obtained from **site office** of the undersigned on a written request during office hours.

Consultant(s) will be selected under Quality and Cost based selection (QCBS - 80:20) method on single stage two envelope procedure as prescribed in RFP.

A pre-proposal conference shall be held on October 19, 2017 on the **site address** given below - the prospective consultants are requested to attend the conference. International firms requiring their representatives to attend the conference should send their applications along with copy of passport within one week of publication of this advertisement - on email address [ds.if@finance.gov.pk](mailto:ds.if@finance.gov.pk).

Proposals, complete in all aspects and on the prescribed format only, should reach the given **site address** on or before **October 26, 2017 up to 11.30 am (PST)**. Technical proposals will be opened on the same date at site office at **12.00 pm** in presence of representatives of firms, who choose to attend.

Any further information / query may be asked through e-mail [ds.if@finance.gov.pk](mailto:ds.if@finance.gov.pk)

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**Selection of Consultancy Firm**



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Ministry of Finance  
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**Conflict of Interest**

- 1.6 Government of Pakistan policy requires that consultant firms provide professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold Pakistan Mint, Finance Division's interests paramount, strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments or their own corporate interests and act without any consideration for future work.
- 1.6.1 Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing consultant firm, and any of their affiliates, shall be considered to have a conflict of interest and shall not be recruited under any circumstance set forth below.

**Conflicting assignments**

1.6.1(i) A Consultant firm (including its Personnel and Sub-Consultants) or any of its affiliates shall not be hired for any assignment that, by its nature, may be in conflict with another assignment of the Consultant firm to be executed for the same or for another Client. For example, a Consultant firm hired to prepare engineering design for an infrastructure project shall not be engaged to prepare an independent environmental assessment for the same project, and a Consultant firm assisting a client in the privatization of public assets shall not purchase, nor advise purchasers of, such assets.

**Conflicting relationships**

1.6.1(ii) A Consultant (including its Personnel and Sub-Consultants) that has a business or family relationship with a member of Pakistan Mint Finance Division's staff who is directly or indirectly involved in any part of (i) the preparation of the Terms of Reference of the assignment, (ii) the selection process for such assignment, or (iii) supervision of the Contract, may not be awarded a Contract, unless the conflict stemming from this relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Finance Division throughout the selection process and the execution of the Contract.

1.6.2 Consultant firm have an obligation to disclose any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts their capacity to serve the best interest of Pakistan Mint Finance Division, or that may reasonably be perceived as having this effect. Failure to disclose said situations may lead to disqualification of the Consultant or the termination of its Contract.

1.6.3 No agency or serving/contract employees of Pakistan Mint shall work as Consultants under their own ministries, departments or agencies. Recruiting former government employees of the Mint to work for their former ministries, departments or agencies is acceptable provided no conflict of interest exists. When the Consultant firm nominates any Department employee as Personnel in their technical proposal, such Personnel must have written certification from their government or employer confirming that they will be on leave without pay from their official positions and are allowed to work full-time outside of their previous official position. Such certification shall be provided to Pakistan Mint, Finance Division by the Consultant as part of his technical proposal.

**Unfair Advantage**

- 1.6.4 If a shortlisted Consultant firm could derive a competitive advantage from having provided consulting services related to the assignment in question, Pakistan Mint shall make available to all Consultants together with this RFP all information that would in that respect give such Consultant any other competitive advantage over competing Consultants. Consultant firms would be encouraged to visit Pakistan Mint in this regards.

**Fraud and Corruption**

- 1.7 The Consultant firm competing for this consultancy will adhere to the highest ethical standards, both during the selection process and throughout the execution of a contract. In pursuance of this policy, the Pakistan Mint Finance Division:

- (a) defines, for the purpose of this paragraph, the terms set forth below as follows:

(i) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the selection process or in contract execution;

(ii) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation or omission of facts/false information, in order to influence a selection process or the execution of a contract;

(iii) "collusive practices" means a scheme or arrangement between two or more consultants with or without the knowledge of Pakistan Mint, Finance Division- designed to establish prices at artificial, noncompetitive levels;

(iv) "Coercive practices" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in a procurement process, or affect the execution of a contract.

- (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Consultant firm recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices, in competing for the contract in question;

- (c) will cancel the contract if it determines at any time that representatives of the client or the consultant