



Information and Communication Technology Agency of Sri Lanka

## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST** Provincial Coordinators – 10 Positions

Assignment Title: Selection and Employment of 10 Individual Consultants as Provincial Coordinators to implement, Coordinate and Support Operational activities of Smart Society and Citizen Capacity Building initiative

## Assignment Number: ICTA/ GOSL/CON/IC/2020/NO3

We, **Information and Communication Technology Agency (ICTA) of Sri Lanka** is the apex ICT institution of the Government. In terms of the Information and Communication Technology Act No. 27 of 2003, (ICT Act) as amended by Act No. 33 of 2008, ICTA has been mandated to take all necessary measures to implement the Government's Policy and Action Plan in relation to ICT.

The success of a digitally inclusive and prosperous Sri Lanka depends on the real use of digital technologies by the all citizens of Sri Lanka. Information and Communication Technology Agency (ICTA) has recognized empowering citizens with the appropriate use of digital technologies (Digital Literacy) are vital to build required competencies among citizens at all levels in the society to consume the benefits and privileges of digitization and initiated many Human Resources Capacity Building (HRCB) projects to empower them. Smart Society and Citizen Capacity Building initiative playing a big role in transforming people to use emerging technologies and social media for their day to day life in order to enhance their living standards. The initiative is designed to empower the society to consume emerging technologies and to increase penetration of digital technologies and associated services. The initiative has opened new opportunities for communities living in the urban, suburban and rural areas via Digital technology, enabling them to connect with government and non-government organizations. Moreover, small to medium level business and enterprises have directly benefited from the initiative and multiple level relationships have been established across the private and public sector.

ICTA is continuing SMART Society and Citizen Capacity building initiative for the year 2020. There are four focused areas, namely,

- 1. Smart Social Circle (SSC) Rollout (New Model) Establish 40 SSC's at Divisional Secretariat level across the country to increase the adoption and effectively consumption of Digital technologies & Social media by the all segments of the society.
- 2. The continuation of the project will ensure the sustainability of the already established SSC's and facilitate to effective functioning of SSC with adequate support from ICTA.
- 3. Engagement of Facebook (FB)– conduct workshops to train 10000 entrepreneurs with the collaboration of FB in relation to community development, entrepreneur development, awareness, collaborative platform, etc.
- 4. Coordinate and provide support to other initiatives implemented by ICTA at district level. (ex: Suhuruliya, Nenasala, etc)

ICTA intends to engage **10 Individual Consultants** as Provincial Coordinators for a period of 12 months to coordinate Citizen Empowerment and Capacity Building activities within the province.

ICTA now invites interested eligible qualified Individual Consultants to indicate their interest to engage as Individual Consultants for the above initiative.

Interested individual consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience as required in the TOR. The short listing criteria are based on the evaluation of Consultant's CV.

The "Terms of Reference" and "CV Format" are now available at ICTA website <u>https://www.icta.lk/procurement/</u> and interested parties may download these documents from the website.

Consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Government Guidelines: Selection & Employment of Consultants. All interested parties are informed that all documentations shall be in English Language.

Interested parties may obtain further information from Head of the Procurement, ICTA by contacting via Phone: +94 11 2369099 Extension: 346, Fax: +94 11 2369091 and -email: procurement@icta.lk.

Expressions of Interest including all requested information must be delivered no later than **15:00** hrs on **21st September 2020** either: (i) Email to <u>procurement@icta.lk</u> (ii) hand delivered or (iii) by post to the address; Chairman, C/o, Head of Procurement, ICTA, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 160/24, Kirimandala Mawatha, Colombo 05, Sri Lanka. Envelope containing the Expressions of Interest to be marked for Individual Consultants – Provincial Coordinator - (ICTA//GOSL/CON/IC/2020/NO3)"

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