Advance Contracting Notice

Date: 24 September 2013

Country/Borrower: People’s Republic of Bangladesh

Title of Proposed Project: Dhaka Environmentally Sustainable Water Supply Project

Name and Address of the Executing Agency:

Dhaka Water Supply and Sewerage Authority
Address: 98 Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue (8th Floor)
         Kawran Bazar, Dhaka – 1215
         People’s Republic of Bangladesh
Website: www.dwssdp-dwasa.com
Telephone: +88 02 9116033
Facsimile: +88 02 911 6086
Contact: Mr. Kabir Ahmed Khan

Brief Description of the Project:

- The project will provide more reliable and sustainable water supply in Dhaka by developing a new surface water supply scheme for supply augmentation, which includes:
  - development of a water intake at Meghna river, one raw water transmission pipeline, a water treatment plan (WTP) at Gandhabpur with capacity of 500 million liters per day
  - a treated water transmission pipeline to the existing water supply network, and
  - distribution reinforcements.

- The project will also include distribution network improvements (DNI) to reduce non-revenue water (NRW), and will improve quality of water supply services including support to low income communities.

- The project is estimated to cost $674.9 million. The government has requested AFD and EIB to jointly finance a part of civil works and equipment costs with a loan equivalent of $100 million from each agency. The government will provide $224.9 million equivalent for (i) taxes and duties, (ii) land acquisition and resettlement, and (iii) road cutting, power supply, and other expenses paid to government agencies.

- The project will have significant resettlement impacts and Category A for involuntary resettlement.
Brief Description of Goods and Related Services, Works, or Consulting Services to be Procured and Related Justification for Advance Action:

- ADB approved the Government’s request for advance contracting to expedite project implementation. Advance contracting will include:
  - Procurement of goods for DNI package;
  - Recruitment of management, design and supervision consultants (Gandharbpur WTP);
  - Recruitment of NGO for Gandharbpur WTP;
  - Procurement of Project Management Unit (PMU) vehicles;
  - Procurement of office equipment for PMU office; and
  - Soil and geotechnical survey

Date of Advance Action Approval: 08 August 2013