Advance Contracting Notice

Date: 12 October 2023

Country/Borrower: Republic of India

Title of Proposed Project: 57133-IND: Sustainable and Inclusive Tourism Development Project in Himachal Pradesh

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Implementing Agency: Himachal Pradesh Tourism Development Board
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Brief Description of the Project:

The project is aligned to establish Himachal Pradesh as a leading sustainable tourism destination for inclusive economic growth. The project outcome is inclusive and sustainable tourism promoted in five districts of Himachal Pradesh. The proposed project will cover the districts of Hamirpur, Kangra, Kullu, Mandi, and Shimla as distinct destinations, help implement Himachal Pradesh Tourism Policy 2019 and identify future investment opportunities. The interventions are at three levels: (i) tourist amenities at specific sites spread across the districts beyond the main urban centers, thereby generating direct local employment and livelihoods especially for women; (ii) district-level projects that integrate the proposed and past projects across the district through improved connectivity, stronger industry ecosystems, community initiatives and improved public sector destination management capacity; and (iii) state-level initiatives to enhance institutional capacity, improve sector governance and gender responsive sector management.

The project is estimated to cost $156.25 million with ADB’s loan financing of $125.00 million.

Brief Description of Goods and Related Services, Works or Consulting Services to be Procured and Retroactive Financing:

All advance contracting and retroactive financing will be undertaken in conformity with ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time), and Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time) using ADB Standard Bidding Documents. While advance contracting is part of the normal procedure, approval of advance contracting and retroactive financing does not commit ADB to approve the loan/grant project or to finance the project costs. If retroactive financing will not be approved for the project, contracts procured under

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advance action will be signed after loan and grant effectiveness. Target advertisement period for the packages under advance contracting is fourth quarter Q4 of 2023, and Q1 to Q3 2024.

Advance contracting under the project will include the following:

- Tourist facilities at Baba Balaknath, Deotsidh, District Hamirpur
- Beautification of Palampur and Nagrota, District Kangra
- Conservation and Restoration of Naggar Castle, District Kullu
- Ice Skating cum Roller Skating Rink at Shimla, District Shimla
- Convention Centre at Dharamshala, District Kangra
- Beautification and Development of Shiv Dham at Mandi, District Mandi
- Rafting complex and Way Side Amenities at Naduan, District Hamirpur
- Wellness Centre, Adventure Sports Centre cum Hostel at Nadaun, District Hamirpur
- Wellness Centre at Manali, District Manali
- Wellness Centre at Kullu, District Kullu
- Wellness & Centre at Nagrota Bagwan, District Kangra
- Wellness & Centre at Banoti (Shimla), District Shimla
- Development of Ice Skating Rink cum Roller Skating Rink at Manali and Way Side Amenities at Dhundi, District Manali
- Road-side improvements for safe & improved road journey experience along 3 key corridors (total ~ 650 kms), caravan parks to build caravan tourism ecosystem in all 4 districts (excl Mandi)
- High-end fountain along with tourist facility like food court, sitting area, washroom, space for culture programme etc. at Dharamshala
- Development of mountain Biking routes etc.