



## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR HIRING FOR THE POST OF CONSULTANT**

Position: **Consultant (Housing)**

Terms of Reference: Towards Functioning Land and Housing Market for the Urban Poor

### **1. Background of the Study**

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) are jointly implementing the “Sustainable Urban Development - Smart Cities (SUD-SC)” project. The project supports the national ministry and the state governments (Odisha, Tamil Nadu, and Kerala) in the policy formulation on housing for all, basic services, planning framework, and monitoring of SDG 11. It also supports the three select Smart Cities (Bhubaneswar, Coimbatore, and Kochi) in implementing concepts of integrated spatial planning approaches.

Under SUD-SC, GIZ India and ICRIER New Delhi have entered into a grant agreement with an objective to contribute in the knowledge domain of affordable housing, which focuses on two aspects. Part-I titled “Decoding Private Informal Housing Market” caters to the supply side of affordable housing for the urban poor. Under this, it is envisaged to build knowledge on the functioning and traits of the small/petty builders and other stakeholders operating in the informal private housing market. Part-II titled “Alternative to Individual Property Rights in the Informal Settlements/Slums” focuses on various tenure models and alternative approaches for affordable housing from India and around the globe. This part intends to provide alternative to Individual Property Rights and its linkages with the existing spatial planning regime. The selected cities are Kochi and Bhubaneswar.

In this regard, two external consultants are to be hired for supporting the activities. It is expected that these consultants would work in close collaboration with the core team of ICRIER.

### **2. Objective**

ICRIER intends to hire services of a Housing Expert as consultant in managing the activities under Part I of the grant – ‘Decoding Private Informal Housing Market’.

### **3. Key roles and responsibilities**

The consultant is expected to:

- Develop the research methodology to be adopted for Part-I in consultation with the ICRIER team.
- Prepare a key actor map operating in the informal affordable housing market, supplying housing for urban poor (EWS/LIG categories) in Bhubaneswar and Kochi. This would provide inputs for preparing the informal developers continuum.
- Make documentation through select case studies capturing the modus operandi of housing supply in the informal real estate market.
- Explore possible incentives to the informal private developers for augmenting the supply of affordable housing stock.
- Regularly monitor the quality of all the project outputs (Part-I) prepared by the team, including policy briefs/training modules.

#### 4. Deliverables

No.	Key deliverable	Number of person-days	Timeline
1	Inception Report, highlighting the revised research approach and methodology for undertaking the activities under Part-I	5	3 weeks
2	Develop an informal private developer's continuum (including a detailed key actor map operating in the informal affordable housing market)	15	8 weeks
3	Propose incentives to the informal private developers to facilitate the supply of affordable housing stock	10	20 weeks

#### 5. Required expertise

The consultant should fulfil the following criteria:

- Qualification: Doctorate/master's in urban/regional/housing/environmental planning/urban development/economics/public policy or allied fields, with graduation in architecture/planning/ economics/geography or allied fields from reputed institutes.
- Professional experience: At least 15 years' experience in the field of urban planning, affordable and rental housing, informal sector, urban land tenure, housing finance, etc.
- Language skills: Business fluency in English (written and spoken)
- Prior experience of working on issues of urban housing, housing finance, urban informality, land management (including tenure) would be an added advantage.

#### 6. Duration of the contract

The consultant is expected to complete the tasks assigned within a period of 6 months from the date of signing the contract.

#### 7. Person-days

The total person-days envisaged under this contract is 30, spread over a period of 6 months.

#### 8. Country of Assignment: India

#### 9. Travel

Any travel related expenses for project purposes shall be reimbursed by ICRIER. However, prior approval must be sought before undertaking any such travel.

#### 10. Steering the contract

The entire process would be steered by ICRIER, New Delhi. The consultant shall work in close co-ordination with Dr. Amrita Goldar (Senior Fellow, ICRIER). All communications related to the contract are to be addressed to the abovementioned personnel.

Last date of application: **30 November 2020**.

Interested candidates may send their **CV** along with a **cover letter** explaining their suitability for the role to [ihaque@icrier.res.in](mailto:ihaque@icrier.res.in). Shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an online interview round, jointly conducted by ICRIER and GIZ.