Terms of Reference (TOR) for Short-Term Expert:

Title of the position: Short-Term Consultant /Expert for the Preparation of a Report on Green Growth and Green Economy

Location : Kathmandu, Nepal Type of contract : Short-Term Consultant

Duration of Contract : 10 Workdays Languages required : English

1. Background

The Federation of Nepalese Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FNCCI) is the nationally and internationally recognized umbrella organization of business in Nepal. Organized as a representative body of business organizations in the country, it represents the interests of the private sector and is involved in promotion of socio economic development of Nepal through private sector led economic growth. The objectives of the FNCCI are determined by its statute. Its major objective is to promote the economic and social development of Nepal while protecting and defending the rights and interests of businesspersons throughout the entire country

Nepal is a signatory to international agreements and frameworks, such as the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement on climate change. These agreements emphasize the importance of sustainable development and transitioning to a low-carbon economy. The concept of green growth is crucial for Nepal's business and industry sectors to ensure environmental sustainability, mitigate climate change, create economic opportunities, improve social well-being, and fulfill global commitments. By adopting sustainable practices, businesses can contribute to a greener, more resilient, and prosperous Nepal. Embracing green growth practices in Nepali businesses and industries not only benefits the environment and society but also presents opportunities for economic growth, market competitiveness, and long-term sustainability.

FNCCI is striving to lead and implement the green growth concept in Nepali business and industry sectors and promote it throughout the country. To achieve this, we have a plan to publish a green growth report on the green economy as part of the skill project, which is being conducted with technical and financial support from the ILO under the RBSA Skill Project.

In this background, FNCCI is in the process of hiring a competent short-term consultant/expert for preparation of report on green growth and green economy in Nepal.

2. Objectives

- Assess the Current State: Conduct a thorough assessment of Nepal's current environmental, economic, and industrial landscape to provide a clear understanding of the existing green growth initiatives, challenges, and opportunities.
- Identify Policy Recommendations: Identify and recommend specific policies, regulations, and incentives that can be implemented at the national and regional levels to promote green growth and the transition to a green economy in Nepal.

- Highlight Best Practices: Showcase international and local best practices in green growth and green economy strategies, providing practical examples that can be adapted and implemented within the Nepali context.
- Develop strategy on green growth from employers' perspective: Identify key priorities for developing green strategy plan for nepal and propose strategic areas (Long term, mid-term and short term) for employers' organization and its member business and industries.
- To serve as a subject matter expert in three Advisory Service Cell meetings in Kathmandu, conduct
 a Sensitization workshop on work-based learning (WBL) guidelines, green job initiatives, and just
 transitions in Dhangadhi, and lead a 2-day capacity development program on WBL guidelines and
 skill integration for green and just transitions in Kathmandu.

3. Scope of Work

The expert will be responsible for the following tasks:

• Literature Review: Conduct an extensive review of existing literature, reports, and case studies related to green growth and green economy practices in Nepal and globally.

Reference document links that might help are as follows:

- Green Growth Potential Assessment Nepal Country Report https://gggi.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/GGPA-Report-Nepal_FINAL.pdf
- Green jobs, green economy, just transition and related concepts: A review of definitions developed through intergovernmental processes and international organizations
 https://www.ilo.org/global/topics/green-jobs/publications/WCMS_883704/lang-en/index.htm
- Assessing green jobs potential in developing countries https://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/@dgreports/@dcomm/@publ/documents/publication/wcms_153458.pdf
- Methodologies for assessing green jobs https://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/@ed_emp/@emp_ent/documents/publication/wcms 176462.pdf
- Skills for a greener future: a global view <u>https://www.ilo.org/skills/pubs/WCMS_732214/lang--en/index.htm</u>
 Data Collection: Collect relevant data, statistics, and information related to the current state of green growth initiatives, sustainable business practices, and climate change mitigation strategies in Nepal.
- Analysis: Analyze the data collected to identify trends, challenges, and opportunities in adopting
 green growth practices in Nepali businesses and industries.
- The expert will prepare reports for each meetings and program, and their compensation will be provided separately for each program beyond the Green Growth Report,

• Report Preparation: Develop a comprehensive report that includes the following:

- Overview of Green Growth and Green Economy concepts.
- Assessment of the current status of green growth practices in Nepal.
- Identification of key sectors and industries with potential for green growth.
- Analysis of the economic, social, and environmental benefits of green growth in Nepal.
- Case studies showcasing successful green growth initiatives.

- Policy recommendations and strategies to promote green growth in Nepal.
- Guidelines for a just transition towards a green economy.
- Other works and activites as required by the Project.

4. Qualifications and Expertise

The expert should possess the following qualifications and expertise:

- Minimum master's degree in sustainable development/ environment management/ environmental economics, Social Scienceor directly related to the position
- A strong background in sustainable development, environmental economics, or a related field.
- Demonstrated experience in conducting research and preparing reports on environmental and sustainability topics.
- Familiarity with the Nepalese business and industry landscape, as well as international sustainability frameworks and agreements.
- Excellent analytical, writing, and presentation skills.
- Ability to communicate effectively with diverse stakeholders.
- Fluency in both Nepali and English languages

5. Deliverables

The expert will be expected to deliver the following:

- A detailed report on Green Growth and Green Economy in Nepal, including all the components mentioned in the "Report Preparation" section.
- Workshop materials and a presentation for the capacity building workshop.

7. Time Frame

The assignment should be completed within 10 workdays, tentatively spanning from September 28th to October 9th, 2023.

8. Reporting Line:

The Expert will directly report to the project coordinator (Deputy Director) of FNCCI

Budget and Payment Schedule:

Consultation fee has been provisioned. The **applicant should mention expected remuneration par day** in the application. The payment will be made as following;

First Installment: 30 % of the total contract amount will be paid upon submission of the inception report to the satisfaction of FNCCI

Final Installment: 70 % of the total contract amount will be paid upon submission of the final report covering all activities and deliverables to the satisfaction of FNCCI