The Project Office for development of Electronic Management System (e CMS) would like to clarify on the following as requested;

- 1. 1. Regarding the Eligibility with regard to the experience, the bidder should have completed at least one (1) successful contract (during the last five years) involving the development, supply, implementation and support of a system operational and implemented by either the Royal Government of Bhutan or other regional government agencies outside the country of incorporation of the firm. Bidder with experience working with Royal Government of Bhutan is an advantage. It is not mandatory that the past project is of the Royal Government of Bhutan, however if it is it would be an added advantage.
- 2. As per the Terms of Reference and the EoI, the successful bidder is mandated to establish an office in Thimphu, Bhutan and all members of the team are expected to carry out their daily operation from the office established in Thimphu, Bhutan.
- 3. As per section 6.2 of the user's guide to selection of consulting services "The Consultant, and all parties constituting the Consultant, should be nationals of an eligible country, in accordance with Section 5 (Eligible Countries). A Consultant shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Consultant is a citizen or is constituted, incorporated, or registered, and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country. This criterion shall also apply to the determination of the nationality of proposed subcontractors for any part of the Contract including related services.

 Thus, national position mentioned in EoI means an expert with a Bhutanese citizen.
- 4. The EoI can be submitted either on line (using ADB's system) or hard copy in the address mentioned at the end of the EoI. Bidders who wish to submit online can register with ADB procurement system.

https://selfservice.adb.org/OA HTML/adb/adbpos/jsp/ADBCMSHomepage.jsp

- 5. The data migration is not within the scope of the project. For e CMS, a complete new infrastructure has to be developed which will be housed in the Government Data Center.
- 6. As per the work plan BITS will roll out in June 2021, if that is the case the interface of e CMS with regard to registration and revenue will be with BITS and not RAMIS.
- 7. As per ADB user guide to recruit consulting firm https://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/selection-consulting-services.pdf under section "g" Definition "Consultant" means a legally established professional consulting firm or an entity that may provide or provides the Services to the Client under the Contract. Thus, the consultant firm has to be licensed. For the project we would require an IT consulting firm.
- 8. The requirement of the joint venture will be informed during the pre-bid meeting, before publishing of RFP (Request for Proposal)