World Bank financed Assam Agribusiness & Rural Transformation Project (APART)

Assam Rural Infrastructure and Agricultural Services (ARIAS) Society

(An Autonomous Body of the Government of Assam)

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

For hiring of the Implementing Agency for "Assam Challenge Fund for Innovative Finance in Agriculture (ACFIFA) for supporting innovative approaches to deliver financial services at scale for value chain under Assam Agribusiness and Rural Transformation Project (APART)"

No. ARIAS/APART/808/2019/53

Dated Guwahati the 2nd March, 2020

The Government of Assam (GoA) through the Government of India has received a loan from the World Bank (WB) for implementation of the Assam Agribusiness & Rural Transformation Project (APART). The ARIAS Society now intends to apply a portion of the loan for hiring of the Implementing Agency for "Assam Challenge Fund for Innovative Finance in Agriculture (ACFIFA) for supporting innovative approaches to deliver financial services at scale for value chain under APART". Further details may be seen in the detailed RFP for the assignment at the URL - http://www.arias.in/procurements.html. The interested and eligible firms (Except Not for profit organizations such as NGOs and Universities, unless they operate as commercial entities) would be selected in accordance with the QCBS Method of the World Bank's Procurement Regulations, July 2016 (as updated)', available at www.worldbank.org. Further information may be obtained at the address given below from 11.00 am to 04.00 pm (IST) on all working days.

- 1. Last date and time of submission of Proposal 3rd April, 2020 (14.00 hrs-IST)
- 2. Date and time of opening of Proposal 3rd April,2020 (14.15 hrs-IST)
- 3. Date and time of Pre-proposal conference: 16th March, 2020 (11.30 hrs-IST)

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