

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**PROJECT:** Consultancy Services for the Exploratory Dive Assessment in Kalayaan Islands, Palawan

**DATE:** October 16 – 23, 2023 (Date of Assessment)

**Objectives:**

1. To assess the location, services, activities, and establishments existing in the Kalayaan Group of Island's (KIG) tourism industry; and
2. Conduct of Reef Assessment and exploratory dive assessment for potential dive sites within KIG on the following islands: Lawak and Pag-Asa

### **I. Scope of Service**

The service provider should be able to provide an in-depth exploratory dive assessment on three islands of the municipality of Kalayaan specifically in Lawak and Pag-Asa islands with the following specifications:

#### **A. General Requirements**

- Service Provider should be accredited by the Philippine Commission on Sport Scuba Diving (PCSSD)
- Amenable to send-bill arrangement/government procedure
- Price quotation should be denominated in the Philippine Peso and inclusive of 12% VAT and all other applicable taxes and charges. Price validity shall be for a period of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days.
- Consultancy Services must be based in NCR or MIMAROPA Region

#### **B. Documentary Requirements** (to be submitted upon submission of quotation)

- Brief background of the company;
- Curriculum vitae of the members;
- Certifying cards or certifications (preferably in instructorship, specialty courses and technical diving);
- PCSSD accreditation ID or certification;
- Registration certificate from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) for sole proprietorship, or Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) for cooperatives, as applicable;
- Mayor's permit issued by the city or municipalities where the principal place of business of the prospective bidder is located;
- Valid PhilGEPs Registration Certificate;
- Omnibus Sworn Statement;
- Tax Clearance;
- Alien certificate of registration card (applicable for foreign nationals);
- Alien employment permit (applicable for foreign nationals); and
- Working VISA (applicable for foreign nationals)

## C. Specific Requirements

- Dive team shall be composed of 6 members with the following background:
  - At least 3 to 4 members are technically trained and have an experience in technical diving;
  - Members should be Open Water Dive Instructors or Specialty Instructors specifically in Technical Diving and above;
  - At least 1 member should have relevant experience in Underwater photography and videography;
  - At least 1 or 2 members are Marine Biologist and have relevant field experience;
  - At least 1 or 2 members have relevant experience in Geophysical, and Mapping survey;
  - At least 3 to 4 members have 10 years of experience in SCUBA diving.
- Final output should be available 45 working days after the exploratory dive assessment and must include the following:
  - Provision of full videography and photography of selected dive sites;
  - Provision of sketched diagram with basic corresponding depths and point of interest, with GPS references;
  - Provision of marine ecology assessment and fish population specifics;
  - Provision of visibility, current, and tidal observation at the time of the assessment;
  - Provision of virtual representation of potential dive sites;
  - Videos, photos, sketches, soft copy of report, and other files should be placed in a 1TB external hard drive;
  - Final report should be book bound in 10 copies.
  - Final report and output should be delivered to Department of Tourism Regional Office IV-B (MIMAROPA) with address, 2/F 351 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, Metro Manila.

## II. DELIVERABLES AND TIMELINE

- A. Conduct of Dive Assessment  
*October 16 – 23, 2023*
- B. Submission and presentation of first draft of the Exploratory Dive Assessment to the Regional Office (printed and digital copy)  
*25 working days after the dive assessment*
- C. Presentation of revised draft to Local Government Units  
*15 working days after the first draft submission*
- D. Publication and printing of ten (10) copies of the Exploratory Dive Assessment (printed and digital copy)  
*5 working days after the presentation/finalization of draft*

### **III. LOGISTICS:**

#### **A. Service Provider**

1. Shall provide own scuba gears and tanks
2. Shall provide camera equipment needed for the activity
3. Shall provide budget for off-board gasoline during the 4-day assessment

#### **B. DOT Regional Office IV-B (MIMAROPA)**

1. Shall provide land, air, and water transportation for the whole duration
2. Shall provide food and accommodation for the whole duration of the stay
3. Shall shoulder roundtrip airfare with 40kg baggage allowance per person. An excess of baggage made on the actual flight shall be borne by the service provider.

### **IV. APPROVED BUDGET FOR THE CONTRACT**

The Approved Budget for the Contract is **FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTEEN PESOS ONLY (P589,718.00)** inclusive of all government taxes and charges. The winning bid, however, shall be determined based on the proposal with the most advantageous financial package cost, provided that the amount of the bid does not exceed the above total budget.

### **V. PAYMENT SCHEMES**

Terms of payment to the winning bidder shall be in accordance with the government procedure (send bill arrangement). Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the contract will result in the payment of corresponding penalties and liquidated damages in the amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the contract price by the winning bidder.

### **VI. CONTACT PERSON**

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