

National Mission on Libraries
Ministry of Culture, Government of India

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National Mission on Libraries (NML) invites Expression of Interest (EoI) from Central Government/PSU/Other reputed Research/Consultancy bodies in respect of a third-party evaluation (TPE) of the Central Sector Scheme with the following Terms of Reference.

The aim of the TPE is to review the 'National Mission on Libraries' Scheme and its components presently being implemented by MoC, from its inception to till date and suggest the roadmap for future. The terms of reference include:

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- (i) To critically analyze the component wise aims, objectives and deliverables under NML.
- (ii) To analyze and evaluate the activities carried out under all the four components of the scheme vis-à-vis those planned.
- (iii) To identify the challenges/bottlenecks in implementation of all the four components of the Scheme.
- (iv) To assess the implementation mechanism, resources and processes planned for the Scheme vis-à-vis developed/available during the implementation of the scheme and impact thereof.
- (v) To assess the planned services, development of content and technological infrastructure under 'National Virtual Library of India (Now Indian Culture Portal)' and challenges being faced by NML for achieving the targeted development.
- (vi) To analyze the budget components approved vis-à-vis utilized by various participating agencies under all the components.
- (vii) To analyze the fund flow mechanism, processes, bottlenecks etc. during the implementation of the Scheme and suggest modification strategy for successful implementation of NML in future.
- (viii) To study the monitoring and evaluation mechanism of NML, its effectiveness and alternative.
- (ix) To critically examine the impact of the Model Libraries on the use of library services by different social groups and especially the benefits to the members of marginalized groups.
- (x) To recommend methods, processes and strategies to improve the implementation of NML based on the analysis of detailed interviews, observations and critical discussions with all stakeholders.

Some details of the background of the scheme, components and funding can be provided on request (write to: dg-rrlf@gov.in). Reputed organizations, as mentioned above, may send their technical and financial bids separately in the sealed envelopes addressed to **The Director General, RRRLF & Additional Mission Director, NML, Block DD 34, Sector I, Salt lake City, Kolkata 700 064** by **05.00 PM of 16th August, 2024**.

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Note:

- Organizations with at least 10 years of experience of research relating to Policy and programmes only will be considered.
- The technical bids must contain the comprehensive write up on methodology incorporating the details of sampling methods, sample size, variables to be studied, tools of data collection, sample check methods, plans of data analysis and interpretation, time lines and deliverables. The technical bids should also contain brief CVs with details of academic qualifications and experience in similar research projects.
- Technical and Financial Bids to be sealed separately superscribing as “Expression of Interest in respect of TPE of NML - Technical/Financial Bid”.
- Additional Mission Director, NML reserves the right to cancel the process at any time without assigning any reason.
- Any update regarding this will be uploaded in the website “rrrlf.gov.in” only.