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A.P. State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE) invites Expression of interest (EOI) from qualified and experienced bidders for above. Interested Bidders eligible as per qualification criteria may submit their response to the EOI latest by **05/03/2021 till 05.00 p.m.** The detailed EOI document can be downloaded from <https://www.apecurement.gov.in> from 22-02-2021.

S/d.SECRETARY

1. Information Provided

The **Expression of Interest (EOI)** document contains statements derived from information that is believed to be true and reliable at the date obtained but does not purport to provide all of the information that may be necessary or desirable to enable an intending contracting party to determine whether or not to enter into a contract or arrangement with AP State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE) in relation to the provision of services. Neither APSCHE nor any of its Members, Officers, Employees, agents, representative, contractors, or advisers gives any representation or warranty (whether oral or written), express or implied as to the accuracy, updating or completeness of any writings, information or statement given or made in this EOI document.

2. Disclaimer

Subject to any law to the contrary, and to the maximum extent permitted by law, APSCHE and its members, officers, employees, contractors, agents, and advisers disclaim all liability from any loss or damage (whether foreseeable or not) suffered by any person acting on or refraining from acting because of any information, including forecasts, statements, estimates, or projections contained in this EOI document or conduct ancillary to it whether or not the loss or damage arises in connection with any negligence, omission, default, lack of care or misrepresentation on the part of APSCHE or any of its members, officers, employees, contractors, agents, or advisers.

3. Costs Borne by Respondents

All costs and expenses incurred by Recipients / Respondents in any way associated with the development, preparation and submission of responses, including but not limited to attendance at meetings, discussions, demonstrations, etc. and providing any additional information required by APSCHE , will be borne entirely and exclusively by the Recipient / Respondent.

4. No Legal Relationship

No binding legal relationship will exist between any of the Recipients / Respondents and APSCHE until execution of a contractual agreement.

5. Recipient Obligation to Inform Itself

The Recipient must conduct its own investigation and analysis regarding any information contained in the EOI document and the meaning and impact of that information.

6. Background and Scope of Work

The 102nd Council Meeting of the AP State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE) held on 06.03.2020 has considered and resolved to conduct a comprehensive survey on Higher Education in Andhra Pradesh.

Expression of Interest is invited for conducting **“Comprehensive Survey for Assessment of Performance Status of Higher Education - to A.P.State Council of Higher Education, 3rd,4th&5th Floors, Neeladri Towers, 6th Battalion Road, Sri Ram Nagar, Atmakur(Vi), Mangalagiri (Mandal) ,Andhra Pradesh-Pin-522503.**

Methodology:

- i. Mixed Method: a mix of Quantitative and Qualitative approaches;
- ii. Combination of Secondary and Primary Study
- iii. Samples representing regional, gender, social and economic segmentation, across various Study Streams [general education and professional education at Under Graduation and Post-Graduation levels; and
- iv. In-depth Interviews, Focus Group Discussions, Qualitative Interviews and Case Studies [appropriately capturing responses from all key stakeholders – such as, Students, Teachers/ Faculty Members, Parents/ Guardians, Principals, State Government Officials at District and State levels, Recruiters, Alumni and Other Key Stakeholders within the Grant-in-Aid and Private Institutions

Type of Institutions to be covered:

- State funded Universities (Conventional and IIIT Including RGUKT)
- PG Centers of Universities
- Private Universities
- Deemed to be Universities
- Engineering Colleges (UG & PG)
- Autonomous Colleges
- Minority Colleges (UG & PG)
- Affiliated colleges (UG & PG)
- B.Ed & M.Ed. Colleges
- Women’s colleges (UG & PG)
- Law Colleges (UG & PG)
- Physical Education Colleges ((UG & PG)

7. SURVEY

Survey shall be conducted in a hybrid mode of online and personal contact of students, parents, faculty members and all other stakeholders

The sample size shall be 12% of the total student strength across all the different streams viz., general education, technical education, law, arts, commerce, science, etc., (suggestive but not restricted). Student sample shall have representation from all the years of study (first, second, third and fourth). Of the 12% sample size, 8% should be meant for online and the remaining 4% will be for offline sample. Student sample shall also include those who have graduated in the last two years (not more than 1% of the sample size)

The sample size shall also reflect the SC/ST/BC/Minority populations in the proportions of 15%, 6%, 25% and 4% respectively

The male and female population shall be 50% and 50% respectively.

Urban and Rural population need to be given due weightages.

For ensuring the sample size and other proportions, district may be taken as one unit.

A series of Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) shall be carried out across each of the Institutions, say 3 FGDs per Institution. Stakeholder Groups to be covered shall include: (a) Select segments of Students; (b) Select Faculties and Staff; and (c) Parents/ Guardians

Interviews with Government officials of the Higher Education Department at the State level and/or District shall be a part of the survey.

8. Terms of Reference

- a. To study the current Higher Education Penetration (Existing pool of graduating students district wise)
- b. To study the Industry perception of Graduates in State and their future needs for Hiring more from within the state
- c. To study the Skill gap - Existing status of Graduates - What let to current situation and what suggestions are required to be implemented
- d. To study the Migration aspects - students coming into the state for Higher education and students moving out of state for Higher education – Key reasons driving these decisions
- e. To study the Skewed expansion of professional educational institutions in engineering and education.
- f. To study the Status of gender parity – social group wise.
- g. To study the Assessment of potential for entrepreneurship development and identification of potential sectors for entrepreneurs.
- h. To study the Geographic, societal community outreach, cost-out put relationship.
- i. To suggest the necessary policy initiatives for the next 5 years.
- j. To present the Key Findings of the Study shall be cross-referenced with findings from other reports, performance across other regions/ geographies and with national/ international best practices.

9. Eligibility Criteria

- a. Bids are invited from Agencies having requisite qualifications, experience and expert manpower to undertake such studies and surveys.
- b. Blacklisted Agencies are not eligible to apply
- c. The Agency bidding for the survey should have previous experience of conducting such surveys and expert manpower
- d. The Agency should have capacity in terms of trained manpower and other resources to undertake the fieldwork covering the scope of the study.
- e. In case the Agency do not have their own resources at all places for particular region(s) to conduct survey, they shall provide a list of network agencies to be engaged by them together with relevant information viz. name, address, manpower, other resources, past three years' experience of conducting survey work, etc., to be submitted together with a copy of agreement with such network agencies
- f. The Agency must have been registered with Income Tax authority and provide PAN card details to APSCHE.

10. General

- a. This is not a Request for proposal (RFP) and commercial bids SHOULD NOT be submitted with EOI.
- b. APSCHE reserves the right to examine / verify the supportive documents / reports furnished by the bidders.
- c. APSCHE shall shortlist the vendors based on the requirements and the responses submitted. APSCHE reserves the right to call only short listed vendors for a technical presentation of their proposed solution on the date, time as decided by APSCHE.
- d. The Technical presentation should have following contents:
 - Challenges in implementation
 - Expected time for implementation
 - Implementation methodology & Timeline
 - Fiscal and non-fiscal benefits to bidder and APSCHE.
- e. The presentation shall be held at APSCHE, 3rd, 4th & 5th Floors, Neeladri Towers, 6th Battalion Road, Sriram Nagar, Atmakur (Vi) Mangalagiri, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh-522503
- f. If any information or document provided in the response to this EOI is found to be misleading subsequently, the bidder will be disqualified.
- g. APSCHE may reject any or all the responses received / cancel the entire process at any

stage without assigning any reason whatsoever.

- h. APSCHE shall have absolute discretion to issue Request of Proposal to eligible bidders shortlisted under EOI or go for open tender later. The decision taken by the APSCHE in this regard is final and binding on all the bidders of EOI.
- i. The applicants who wish to submit responses to this EOI should note that they should abide by all the terms and conditions contained in the EOI. If the responses contain any extraneous conditions put in by the respondents, such responses may be disqualified and may not be considered for the empanelment / selection process.
- j. The information exchanged between the bidders and APSCHE as part of this EOI shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed without the prior written consent of the APSCHE.
- k. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above, in case of any dispute, claim and legal action arising out of this EOI, the parties shall be subject to the jurisdiction of courts at Amravati, Andhra Pradesh State, India only.

11. Submission of Proposal

Bidders qualifying as per the criteria mentioned above and who are interested in providing the services detailed above may submit their response to this EOI as per formats given in annexure along with relevant documentary evidence latest by **5th March 2021 till 5 PM**. Any response not containing information for all the parts of Annexure may be rejected.

The response should be submitted in a sealed cover duly superscripted “**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)** for undertaking Comprehensive Survey for Assessment of Performance Status of Higher Education in the State of Andhra Pradesh under APSCHE” at the following address:

The Secretary
AP State Council of Higher Education
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Annexure-1 Format of Application Form

(On Applicant Organization's Letterhead)

To,

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Sub: Expression of Interest for Comprehensive Survey for Assessment of Performance Status of Higher Education in the State of Andhra Pradesh for Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education for the Year 2020-21 under APSCH

Dear Sir,

This has reference to the advertisement pertaining to the above captioned subject.

We are interested in submitting our Expression of Interest for the same. We would like to clearly state that we qualify for this work as our organization meets all the pre-qualifying criteria indicated by you and our organization is not under a declaration of ineligibility for corrupt or fraudulent practices.

We understand that if the details given in support of claims made by us are found to be untenable or unverifiable or both our EOI will be rejected without any reference to us. We further clearly understand that APSCH is not obliged to inform us of the reasons of rejection of our bid.

Yours sincerely

Signature

<<Name, designation, contact address, telephone number, email & seal of authorized signatory >>

Annexure -2 Bidder Profile

S/ N	Particulars	Response
1	Company Name	
2	Date of incorporation	
3	Company Head Office Address	
4	Registered office address	
5	Contact person Name & Designation	
6	Address	
7	Telephone no.	
8	Mobile No.	
9	Fax No.	
10	e-mail ID	
11	Number of year experience	
12	Whether company has been blacklisted for service deficiency in last 3 years. If yes, details thereof.	
13	Turnover for Financial Years 2017-18	
14	Turnover for Financial Years 2018-19	
15	Turnover for Financial Years 2019-20	
16	Net Profit (after Tax / Depreciation) for 2017-18	
17	Net Profit (after Tax / Depreciation) for 2018-19	
18	Net Profit (after Tax / Depreciation) for 2019-20	
19	Any other detail	

Annexure -3 Experience

Submit the details of existing clients

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