



REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)

Title	RFI – Sourcing Plastic Water Tank Companies / Suppliers
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Ref	RFI_UNDP_FJI_ACWA_002_2022
Closing date	8 Dec 2022, 17.00 pm, RMI Time
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Requesting Office	UNDP Pacific Office, ACWA Project

Background

The ACWA (Addressing Climate Vulnerability in the Water Sector at RMI) Project will improve household and community rainwater harvesting and storage structures to increase resilience of water supply in all outer islands and atolls accounting for approximately 28% of RMI's population through three outputs:

- 1) Implementation of optimal mix of interventions to ensure climate resilient water security in outer atolls and islands of RMI;
- 2) Optimization of alternative water sources to reduce reliance on harvested rainwater in the context of reduced rainfall; and
- 3) Climate change induced drought preparedness and response measures implemented in outer atolls and islands.

Based on the feasibility study on the project design of water supply interventions, rainwater harvesting, and storage was proven, through rigorous engineering, financial and economic analyses, to be the most viable and cost-effective option to meet the drought water security needs of the rural communities in the RMI's atolls and islands. Existing gutters and downpipes will be renewed with high quality materials including larger round pipework 150mm in diameter. The improvement will include first flush diverters and insect screens, for improved water quality targeting about 2,600 households and 160 community facilities across the 24 inhabited atolls in RMI. Further, we expect to construct about 120 new community rainwater harvesting systems, which will include new roof structure complete with guttering, downpipes & fittings, leaf & first flush diverts, insect screen, and coupling parts. In addition, the project would also install about 1200 units of Household/Residential Molded Tanks that are stackable/nestable to selected and verified houses.

The ACWA Project is soliciting Request for Information (RFI) to source qualified and experienced manufactures/suppliers of Plastic Molded Water Tanks.

Purpose of the RFI

UNDP Pacific Office, ACWA Project would like to understand the local, regional, and international market to source availability of potential companies producing high quality and cost-effective Plastic Molded Water Tanks.

The purpose of this RFI is to gather the appropriate information to develop an Invitation to Bid (ITB) and ultimately to award contracts to potential qualified Companies.

This process is **not** to **solicit** for bids/proposals, **not the pre-qualification** or not a **short list** of vendors. The information will enhance UNDP's knowledge of the international market, leverage commercial and best practices, availability of potential companies in order to determine the optimal solutions for future bids.

Information and Documents required:

UNDP Pacific Office ACWA Project invites interested companies to respond with comments on the following areas of interest including answers to the specific questions asked.

Please be advised that information presented to UNDP should be limited to the capabilities and areas of interest.

Kindly complete RFI form (please see attached Annex 1) and attach documentation you might find relevant to present your company.

It should be noted that any information provided in this RFI will be treated as confidential information that will be used for UNDP's internal purposes of the related market only. UNDP never shares submitted information with third parties and access is limited to relevant staff. Please also note that the provided information does not in any way qualify or disqualify a company to participate in the subsequent tender process.

Submission of RFI:

Please note that responses to this RFI are due **no later than 17:00 pm RMI time on 8th Dec 2022**

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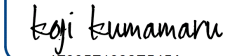
The documents must be submitted in portable document format (PDF) only, via email or handed over in a sealed envelopes to the UNDP ACWA Project Office. The subject of the email must be **RFI_UNDP_FJI_ACWA_002_2022** and each email message should not be more than 10 MB. If multiple emails are required, the subject should include "part 1", "part 2", etc.

Any inquiries/clarifications about this RFI should be sent to the email addresses mentioned above at least 1 days prior to the above deadline.

Thank you and we look forward to receiving the requested information in RFI Form - Annex 1.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Koji Kumamaru".

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Koji Kumamaru,

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