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Invitation for Letter of Interest/Intent

"Jal Abhyaranya Campaign", launched by the Institute under MoEF&CC, Govt. of India

This is in the context of an ambitious campaign/ programme recently launched by the Institute under the MoEF&CC, Government of India on rejuvenation of Natural Springs through village-based "Jal Abhyaranya (Water Sanctuary)" for ensuring water security of Himalayan Villages. Under the programme, an inventory of water springs which are used for domestic water supply will be prepared for each village. To start with the program, it is proposed to generate an inventory springs by covering up to two most critical springs in each village of the "Selected/Aspirational Districts" which have been identified in all 12 Himalayan States of India. This will require analysis of secondary data and also primary surveys in each village. After delineation of all critical springs, one spring will be selected for developing a field-based model of water sanctuary (Jal Abhyaranya. Considering the limited time available for this inventory work (about 45 days), the work needs to be undertaken by engaging students/ field workers on payment basis. To address this, a Terms of Reference (TOR) along with Appendix I (a generic "Pro forma for data collection on springs general information and physico-chemical characteristics") is also enclosed for engaging the staff/workers along with financial provisions.

Based on the expertise available with your organization in the area of Spring Inventory/Rejuvenation, you are invited submit your letter of Interest for participation to in the "Jal Abhyaranya" development programme. Based on your letter of interest further procedures along with specific requirements in making the "Jal Abhyaranya" programme a great success within the stipulated time will be shared with shortlisted agencies. Please feel free to contact me in case of any guery or further clarifications.

In this regard, you may submit the Letter of Interest/ Intent to the Er. Kireet Kumar, Scientist 'G' and Nodal Officer, NMHS-PMU, GBPNIHESD HQs, Kosi Katarmal, Almora on or before 19th August 2019 by E mail <u>nmhspmu2016@gmail.com</u> with a copy to <u>os@gbpihed.nic.in</u>.