

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Consultant to study the Flora of Tram Chim National Park

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1. BACKGROUND OF CONSULTANCY ASSIGNMENT

WWF was one of the first international non-government organizations working in Vietnam. In the 1990s, WWF began working on a national conservation strategy; and since then has worked closely with the Vietnamese government on a diverse range of environmental issues and implemented field activities across the country.

Based in Hanoi, the WWF Indochina Program expanded its operations into Cambodia [since 1993] and Lao PDR [since 1997]. In 2006 WWF-Thailand joined WWF Indochina to form the WWF-Greater Mekong. And in 2014, WWF-Greater Mekong opened the 5th office in Yangon, Myanmar. WWF-Vietnam is the implementing arm for projects in Vietnam.

In Viet Nam, the Mekong river basin and Vu Gia – Thu Bon river basin are priority areas for conservation interventions in the freshwater sphere for WWF Vietnam as they fall within two of Vietnam’s priority landscapes; The Mekong Delta Landscape and Central Annamite Landscape, including the project: “Community-based freshwater resources conservation and management in Vietnam” funded by HSBC Bank.

In Tram Chim National Park (TCNP), flora or plants is an important component of natural ecosystems. They make life possible through their oxygen production and carbon dioxide absorption. By providing energy, materials (biomass) and environment for all the living beings, they help not only maintain productivity of ecosystems but also bring about different services for human including biological resources (for example: food, medicinal material, ornament, breeding stock, etc.) and social benefits (recreation, tourism, research, education, culture, etc.).

TCNP is a well-known wetland internationally and nationally for its important biodiversity, and the public awareness of its diverse flora is considered critical to attract more attention by different stakeholders for its sustainable management including development and conservation. To support this, WWF is seeking a consultant to study the Flora of Tram Chim National Park and develop a pictorial book to introduce the Park’s flora.

2. OBJECTIVE OF THE CONSULTANCY

To study the Flora of Tram Chim National Park and develop a pictorial book to introduce the Park’s flora.

3. OUTPUTS/ DELIVERABLE OF PERFORMANCE AND TIME SCHEDULE

3.1. Activities of the consultancy

- Site survey to study the Flora of Tram Chim NP
- Working with Tram Chim Directory Boards on the flora of TCNP
- Consulting with different scientific actors/photographers to make use of available documents/photos of the Flora of Tram Chim NP

- Preparing the draft and layout a pictorial book of at least 100 pages on flora in TCNP (hereinafter referred to as the Book).
- Completing an electronic file (e.g. PDF format).
- Printing 300 copies of the book

3.2. Deliverables

- An electronic file (e.g. PDF format) of the book with following contents:
 - Foreword/Preface (by WWF and Tram Chim NP)
 - Acknowledgements
 - Introduction of the TCNP
 - Introduction of the wetland ecosystem and vegetation at TCNP
 - Introduction of the flora and selected 100 species
 - Each species will be presented with a short description and about 1–4 photographs
 - References
- 300 hard copies of the book with following dimension:
 - Inside: 28 x 20.5 cm
 - Cover: 28.6 x 20.8 cm

3.3. Timeline

From 20 September 2019 to 20 December 2019.

4. REQUIRED PROFILE

- A degree (preferably a post-graduate level) of biodiversity, botany, zoology, ecology, forestry or related fields;
- At least 10 years of experience in the professional fields;
- Good understanding of/experience in the biodiversity and ecology in the Mekong Delta and especially Tram Chim National Park;
- Have or can access permitted information/resource of the biodiversity and ecology that can be used for the Book.

5. HOW TO APPLY

Interested consultant(s) should submit a bid document including:

- 1) Technical proposal (including detailed estimated costs for each activity).
- 2) Expert's CVs.
- 3) Capabilities of consultant organization (if any).
- 4) Any material/document as reference related experiences to this consultancy service.

The bid document should be in a sealed envelope and sent to the below address:

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Closing date for this consultancy service: 17h00, 11th September 2019