



INVITATION FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (EOI)

International Partnership for Forest Carbon & Blue Carbon Initiatives in Bangladesh

The **Integrated Development Foundation (IDF)**, in collaboration with **Prottasha Foundation**, is pleased to invite **Expressions of Interest (EOI)** from internationally recognised carbon market organisations, climate finance institutions, carbon credit developers, investors, technical partners, and research organisations to explore collaboration on two proposed large-scale **Nature-based Carbon Initiatives** in Bangladesh.

These initiatives are being developed **under the regulatory oversight of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and the Bangladesh Forest Department.**

Proposed Initiatives

1. Hill Forest REDD+ Restoration Program

- Approximately **50,000 hectares**
- Restoration of degraded hill forests in the **Chittagong Hill Tracts, Chattogram Forest Region and Cox's Bazar Forest Region**
- Native species restoration
- Biodiversity conservation
- Community participation and sustainable livelihoods
- Development of high-integrity forest carbon projects

2. Blue Carbon Program

- Approximately **20,000 hectares**
- Mangrove afforestation and ecological restoration on newly accreted coastal char lands
- Coastal protection and climate resilience
- Biodiversity conservation
- Development of high-integrity blue carbon projects

Together, these initiatives represent an integrated **70,000-hectare Forest Carbon & Blue Carbon Program** aimed at supporting Bangladesh's **National REDD+ Strategy**, **Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)**, **National Adaptation Plan (NAP)**, **Bangladesh Delta Plan 2100**, and the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** while mobilising international climate finance and promoting sustainable community development.

The concept notes for these initiatives have been submitted to the Government of Bangladesh and are currently under technical consideration by the Bangladesh Forest Department.

Areas for Potential Collaboration

IDF welcomes discussions with organisations interested in:

- Forest carbon project development
- REDD+ implementation
- Blue Carbon project development
- Carbon finance and structured investment
- Carbon credit offtake arrangements
- Baseline studies and feasibility assessments
- Measurement, Reporting and Verification (MRV)
- GIS, remote sensing and digital monitoring
- Biodiversity conservation
- Community-based forest management
- Technical advisory services
- Research, innovation and knowledge exchange

Call for Invitation

International organisations with demonstrated expertise in voluntary carbon markets, climate finance, nature-based solutions, ecosystem restoration, and sustainable forest management are invited to submit a **non-binding Expression of Interest (EOI)** to explore potential collaboration with IDF.

The EOI will serve as an indication of preliminary interest in supporting the development of these proposed initiatives and will facilitate further dialogue among IDF, prospective partners, and the Government of Bangladesh. **Submission of an EOI does not create any legal or financial obligation on either party.**

About IDF

Integrated Development Foundation (IDF), established in 1992, has been working in the Chittagong Hill Tracts and the greater Chattogram Hill Region since 1993. With over three decades of experience in *climate resilience, renewable energy, community development, sustainable livelihoods, and natural resource management*, IDF is committed to supporting the Government of Bangladesh in developing high-integrity, nature-based carbon initiatives.

Contact

Organisations wishing to obtain further information or submit an **Expression of Interest (EOI)** are invited to visit:

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