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NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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Name of work: Empanelment of competent Firms/Individuals for the preparation of Detailed Lay out Plan for Pamba

Expression of Interest (EOI) is invited from competent and experienced architect firms and individual architects for being considered for empanelment for preparing Detailed Layout Plan for Pamba in accordance with the principles and guideliness in the Sabarimala Master Plan. The EOI is invited to shortlist suitable individuals and firms who can be awarded with the work. A Technical Committee will evaluate the competence of the applicants.

Background: Sabarimala in Pathanamthitta District of Kerala State is the aboard of LORD AYYAPPA. More than twenty five million pilgrims visit the shrine of Lord Ayyappa which is open only for sixty days in the month of November, December and Januray, everyear and for the first five days of every month. A Master Plan has been prepared for the development of this mountain shrine situated within the Periyar Tiger Reserve. The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala has constituted a High Power Comittee for the Implementation of Sabarimala Master Plan consisting of the former Chief Secretary to Govt. of Kerala as Chairman and other top officials of various Departments of Govt. of Kerala, and the President, Members, and the Devaswom Commissioner of the Travancore Devaswom Board (TDB).

The Master Plan envisages provision for suitable facilities to the pilgrims with due consideration to the enviornment and for suggesting scientific layout planning, effective pilgrim managemnt, proper solid waste managemnet etc. Among the other proposals, the Sabarimala Master Plan has stipulated that the Pamba and the nearby areas are also to be developed with adequate facilities for holding pilgrims so as to regulate the flow of pilgrims to Sannidhanam. As the gateway to Sabarimala, Pamba enjoys a unique position in the pilgrimage to Sabarimala. River Pamba has a special place in the ritualistic cleansing of pilgrims. A dip in the holy river at Thriveni is an inalienable activity for most of the pilgrims. The Pamba river bed — Manalpuram- is

where pilgrims congregate in large numbers and undertake bali tharpanam as well as the dip in the river. The road that leads to the hill top is a parking area. There are additional parking areas like the Sectors I & II of Chakkupalam and at Thriveni where light vehicles are allowed to park. There is substantial commercial activity at Pamba and considerable vehicular traffic by way of goods vehicles, tractors, official vehicles, ambulance and VIP vehicles. A Detailed Layout Paln have to be prepared by competent agencies for these areas based on the ethos and principles of the Master Plan.

Pre-Qualification Norms:

- 1. The firm or individual should have been in existence for at least ten years.
- 2. The firm should have minimum annual turn over Rs. One Crore rupees in three years within the last five years.
- 3. Must have sufficient proven experience in having undertaken layout plans and such other projects of similar nature.

Conditions:

Proof of experience/competence in preparing layout plan, profile of the company, availability of skilled manpower etc with their CV must be produced along with the EOI. The EOI should be accompanied by a processing charge fee of Rs.10,000/-(Rupees Ten Thousand Only) by Demand Draft in favour of the Devaswom Commissioner and Member Secretary, High Power Committee for the Implementation of Sabarimala Master Plan. The EOI should reach the office of the undersigned along with all supporting documents on or before 5 pm on 14.06.2016. The EOI can be sent through registered post or courier not later than the time and date specified above. Any EOI received after the specified time and date will not be considered. Once the competent firms/ individuals are shortlisted after evaluating the EOI, a Detailed Request for Proposal (RFP) will be issued to them.

Shortlisted agencies will be asked to submit an outline of the Layout plan along with financial bids in two separate envelopes. The Technical Committee shall first evaluate the proposals. The Financial Bids of only those firms whose proposals are cleared by the Technical Committee will be opened. The Detailed Layout Plans will have to be prepared and submitted within a period of four months after signing the Agreement. The decision of the High Power Committee shall be final.

Devaswom Commissioner, TDB & Member Secretary, HPC

For and on behalf of the High Power Committee