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ICAR- National Rice Research Institute, Cuttack-753006 (Odisha)

Expression of Interest

Application from interested entrepreneurs or startups is invited to collaboration in project 'Economic and environment-friendly Utilization of Basic-Slag and Fly Ash as Soil Amendments to Reclaim Acid Soils of Odisha [SAFAR]: *Waste to Wealth for Promoting Circular Economy*' (EAP-411). Interested parties may send their application in the given format on or before 21st December, 2023. (Please see the attached for application)

The required criteria for selection of the Startup is as follows

- i) Startup should presently on production of fertilizer/biofertilizeres/compost.
- ii) Startup should be incubated and recognized by government agencies working in the related field.
- iii) Stratup should be working in Odisha.

The terms of reference

- iv) The ICAR NRRI shall provide the technology and training for the mass production of fly ash and basic slag-based value-added products to the startup without any cost. The startup has to produce the fly ash and basic slag-based value-added products needed for the reclamation of acid soils and market for at least fifteen thousand hectares of acid soil within the project period.
- v) The ICAR NRRI shall provide up to twelve lakhs rupees towards the expenses of equipments, raw materials, and manpower
- vi) Preference will be given to startups in proximity to the study area.
- vii) Committee members from ICAR NRRI may visit the startup's location if required.
- viii) Upon selection, a Memorandum of Understanding will be jointly signed between the startup and ICAR NRRI.

Kindly ensure necessary documents are attached to the application form and submitted via email to pratap162001@gmail.com, with a copy to erinakhanm@gmail.com, on or before 21st December, 2023.

Application format

1. Name of Startup/Entrepreneur
2. Brief description (within 100 words)
3. Type of products produced
4. Floor area
5. Storage capacity
6. Production Capacity
7. Available machineries
8. Whether Startup/Entrepreneur can enhance their production capacity
9. Contact details

Declaration:

I confirm that the information provided above is accurate.

Signature

(Name)

Designation