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ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT (EIA PROCESS) REGULATIONS 2007

NOTICE OF THE CRITERIA FOR THE REGISTRATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT CONSULTANTS

IN accordance with regulation 39(3) of the Environment Management (EIA Process) Regulations 2007, I hereby give notice of the following criteria for the registration of Environmental Impact Assessment consultants—

<i>Criteria (Required to be met)</i>	<i>EIA principal consultant</i>	<i>EIA technical assistant</i>	<i>EIA assistant consultant</i>	<i>EIA review consultant</i>
Academic qualification (in science, social impact assessments, environmental management and or related fields)	At least a Master's Degree in the area of desired practice or a related discipline.	At least a Master's Degree in the area of desired practice.	At least a Bachelor's Degree in the area of desired practice or a related discipline.	At least a Master's Degree in the area of desired practice.
EIA experience within the area of practice	Minimum of 10 years of experience relevant to the area of desired practice.	Minimum of 7 years of experience within the area of desired practice.	Minimum of 5 years of experience within the area of desired practice.	Minimum of 10 years of experience within the area of desired practice.
Training and or other capacity development in the area of desired practice (e.g. certified courses, trainings or workshops) per annum	25 hours	20 hours	15 hours	25 hours
Legislative adherence	Pursuant to regulation 40(3) of the Environment Management (EIA Process) Regulations 2007, if the Director reasonably considers that a registered consultant is in breach of any registration criteria, or the code of practice, or is not performing duties as required by the Environment Management Act 2005 or the Environment Management (EIA Process) Regulations 2007, the Director may cancel, or refuse to renew, the registration of the consultant.			
Evidence of no criminal record of any serious criminal offence (e.g. bribery, criminal breach of trust or misappropriation of funds)	An applicant must not have any criminal record of any serious criminal offence, for example, bribery, criminal breach of trust or misappropriation of funds.			
Tax registration details	An applicant must submit a Tax Compliance Certificate issued by the Chief Executive Officer of the Fiji Revenue and Customs Service as proof that the applicant is compliant with the lodgment of tax returns and payment of taxes in accordance with the relevant tax laws of Fiji.			
References	An applicant must provide 3 individual referees who can verify his or her capabilities, skills, knowledge and experience.			

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Enquiries and interviews by the Director pursuant to regulation 39(6)(a) of the Environment Management (EIA Process) Regulations 2007	The Director may call for the documents of an applicant, interview the applicant and cause enquiries to be made as to his or her suitability for registration.			
Code of practice	An applicant must sign and agree to abide by the code of practice issued by the Director pursuant to regulation 40(1) of the Environment Management (EIA Process) Regulations 2007.			
Declaration	An applicant must submit information of his or her previous practice records, integrity history, conflict of interest and any other information deemed necessary by the Ministry of Environment with a signed statutory declaration form confirming that the information provided is correct and true.			

Dated this 7th day of June 2022.

S. K. SINGH
Director responsible for environment