

**JAMAICA**  
**PRIMARY EDUCATION SUPPORT PROJECT**  
**Consultants**  
**PROVISION OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS FOR THE**  
**REVISED PRIMARY CURRICULUM**  
**Loan No. 1264-OC/JA**

The Government of Jamaica (GOJ) has received a loan from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to fund activities under the Primary Education Support Project (PESP). Part of the proceeds of this loan is to fund payments for the procurement of the services of a consultant to review the Revised Primary Curriculum and develop standards as deemed necessary. This follows from a recommendation of the task force on Educational Reform Jamaica. The study will therefore focus specifically on:

- Reviewing and revising the existing standards document
- Developing standards for the integrated units and the mathematics and language arts windows at the grades 1 – 3
- Developing standards for Social Studies, Religious Education, Visual Arts, Physical Education, Music and Drama

The study is to be done in collaboration with the relevant officers and departments of the Ministry of Education and Youth, and should be relevant, meet with international standards for the primary level and in line with the Jamaican education system.

The specific task include among others:

- Analysis of existing attainment targets and objectives included in the Revised Primary Curriculum (RPC), to ascertain the extent to which they equate to established norms for standards and benchmarks/learning outcomes
- Development of curriculum standards which adequately cover the scope and sequence of the RPC
- Development of objectives/ learning outcomes where gaps are identified
- Training relevant persons in standards development

Interested eligible individuals from IDB's member countries may obtain a copy of the terms of reference and evaluation criteria by contacting the Project Manager, PESP, at the address below.

Individuals should have the following competencies:

- A PhD in Curriculum Development
- A minimum of ten years experience in Curriculum Development, including the design of standards
- Knowledge about the RPC
- Sound knowledge of the Jamaican educational system would be an asset.

Expressions of interest will open on Friday, 26 May 2006, when copies of the terms of reference may be obtained from the address below. Interested persons are required to submit a brief proposal outlining the methodology to be used, which should clearly demonstrate an understanding of the requirements; a copy of their curriculum vitae should also be submitted to the same address. Submissions by e-mail will be accepted.

This request for expressions of interest will close on Friday, 23 June 2006, at 1500 hours. Selection of a consultant will be based on an evaluation of their proposed methodology and their curriculum vitae. A minimum of three persons will be short-listed and invited to submit cost proposals.

Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

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