

## **Issue QPR7-1: Upcoming Absence of Supervision Consultant's Top Three Key Staff - Team Leader and Resident Engineers for Package 01 and 02 P**

**Update 31 August 2017:** Interim TL is being mobilized shortly. Resident Engineer for Package 01 has been found acceptable by evaluation committee and approval process is underway.

**Issue:** The DDCS&PMS Consultants have notified the PD that the current TL will resign effective 31 August 2017 due to family health reasons. The Consultant's original RE for Package 02 is not available and a replacement candidate has been proposed. For the current RE for Package 01, the BWDB and DDCS&PMS Consultants have agreed that he should be replaced once a replacement is approved and in place allowing for a period of overlap for proper handing over. The RE for Package 01 has departed the project prematurely in early August 2017. As of this date (15 August 2017), no replacement candidate is yet approved for any of these three positions although replacements have been submitted. The process will take time so there will undoubtedly be a period starting 01 September 2017 where all three positions will be vacant. This is critical as the monsoon season occasions potentially grave emergencies and the construction season is about to commence on 01 October 2017.

**Recommendation:** DDCS&PMS Consultant to propose temporary solution so that an acceptable and approved staff (per FIDIC and BWDB regulations) with legal authority to instruct the Contractors is in place and also that supervision is effectively provided. BWDB must expedite review and approval, if appropriate, of replacement staff.