BIDDING DOCUMENT

For

The Procurement of

Upkaran (Buddhabhumi Nagarpalika Aspatal)

National Competitive Bidding (NCB)
Single-Stage: Single-Envelope Bidding Procedure
(Procurement of Goods without Bidder's Qualification)

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Abbreviations

BDS----------Bid Data Sheet

DP ----------Development Partner

EQC ----------Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

e-GP ..... Electronic Government Procurement

ELI ..... Eligibility

EQC ..... Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

EXP ..... Experience

FIN ..... Financial

GCC ..... General Conditions of Contract

GoN[1] ..... Government of Nepal

ICC..... International Chamber of Commerce

IFB ..... Invitation for Bids

ITB ..... Instructions to Bidders

JV .....Joint Venture

LGRS ..... List of Goods and Related Services

LIT .....Litigation

NCB ..... National Competitive Bidding

NPR .....Nepalese Rupees

PAN ..... Permanent Account Number

PPMO .....Public Procurement Monitoring Office

PS.....Provisional Sum

SBD..... Standard Bidding Document

SCC..... Special Conditions of Contract

SR ..... Schedule of Requirements

TS..... Technical Specifications

USD ..... United States Dollar

VAT ----------Value Added Tax

[1] "GoN" word indicates all public entities according to Public Procurement Act, 2063

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Invitation for Bids

Government of Nepal (GoN)
Buddhabhumi Municipality Office, Kapilbastu

Invitation for Bids **The Procurement of**
Upkaran(Buddhabhumi Nagarpalika Aspatal*)*

Invitation for Bids No: **6/BM/POG/2083/84**

Date of publication :- **4th November, 2026**

1. **Buddhabhumi Municipality Office, Kapilbastu** has ***allocated funds*** towards the cost of **Upkaran (Buddhabhumi Nagarpalika Aspatal*)*** *and* intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for **6/BM/POG/2083/84** . Bidding is open to all eligible Bidders from all countries as defined in ITB Clause 4 (Eligible Bidders). The Estimated Amount **NRS 78,90,900.00 (Exclusive VAT).**

2. The **Buddhabhumi Municipality Office, Kapilbastu** invites ***Sealed*** bids from eligible bidders for the procurement of **Upkaran (Buddhabhumi Nagarpalika Aspatal)** under National competitive bidding – Single Stage Single Envelope procedures.

3. Eligible Bidders may obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents at the office of **Buddhabhumi Municipality Office, Hanumanchowk, Buddhi, Kapilbastu, Lumbini Province** or may Visit our office website **buddhabhumi.gov.np**

4. A complete *set* of Bidding Documents may be purchased from the office **Buddhabhumi Municipality Office, Hanumanchowk, Buddhi, Kapilbastu, Lumbini Province** by eligible Bidders on the submission of a written application, along with the copy of company/firm registration certificate, and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Nrs. 3000 till **24th Nov.,2026** during office hours ***in the account as specified below.***

   Name of the Bank: - NMB Bank Ltd. GORUSINGE BRANCH,

   Name of the Office:- Buddhabhumi Municipality Office , Kapilvastu

   Office Code no. : .....

   Account no. : 0440055997600012

   Rajaswa(revenue) Shirshak no.:.....

5. Pre-bid meeting shall be held at **Buddhabhumi Municipality Office , Hanumanchowk, Buddhi ,Kapilbastu, Lumbini** at **16th November 2026 A.D.**

6. Sealed bids must be submitted to the office **Buddhabhumi Municipality Office , Hanumanchowk, Buddhi, Kapilbastu, Lumbini** by hand/courier on or before **12:00 on 25th November 2026 A.D** Bids received after this deadline will be rejected.

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7. The bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at **1:00 PM, 25th November 2026 A.D** at the office of **Buddhabhumi Municipality Office , Hanumanchowk, Buddhi ,Kapilbastu, Lumbini**. Bids must be valid for a period of **90/120 Days** from the bid submission deadline and must be accompanied by a bid security or scanned copy of the bid security amounting to a minimum **of NPR 1,98,000.00** , which shall be valid for 30 days beyond the validity period of the bid .

8. If the last date of purchasing and /or submission falls on a public holiday applicable to purchaser, then the next working day shall be considered as the last date. In such case the validity period of the **bid and** bid security shall remain the same as specified for the original last date of bid submission.

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Part 1: BIDDING PROCEDURES

Section I. Instructions to Bidders

This section specifies the procedures to be followed by Bidders in the preparation and submission of their Bids. Information is also provided on the submission, opening, and evaluation of bids and on the award of contract.

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Section I. Instructions to Bidders (ITB)

A. General

1. Scope of Bid	1.1 In connection with the Invitation for Bids indicated in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS), the Purchaser as ***indicated in the BDS*** issues this Bidding Document for the supply of Goods and Related Services incidental thereto as specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements. The name, identification, and number of contracts (packages/lots) are ***indicated in BDS***. 1.2 Throughout this Bidding Document: (a) the term "in writing" means communicated in written form through e-GP system, email, fax or courier with proof of receipt; (b) if the context so requires, singular means plural and vice versa; and (c) "day" means calendar day.
2. Source of Funds	2.1 GoN Funded: In accordance with its annual program and budget, approved by the GoN, the Purchaser intends to apply a portion of the allocated budget to eligible payments under the contract(s) ***indicated in the BDS*** for which this Bidding Document is issued. Or DP Funded: The GoN has applied for or received financing (hereinafter called "funds") from the Development Partner (hereinafter called "the DP") ***indicated in the BDS*** toward the cost of the project ***named in the BDS***. The GoN intends to apply a portion of the funds to eligible payments under the contract(s) for which this Bidding Document is issued. 2.2 DP Funded: Payment by the DP will be made only at the request of the GoN and upon approval by the DP in accordance with the terms and conditions of the financing agreement between the GoN and the DP (hereinafter called the "Loan Agreement"), and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of that Loan Agreement. No party other than the GoN shall derive any rights from the Loan Agreement or have any claim to the funds.
3. Fraud and Corruption	3.1 Purchasers as well as Bidders, suppliers and contractors and their sub-contractors shall adhere to the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuance of this:;

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(a) the Purchaser adopts, for the purposes of this provision, the terms as defined below:

(i) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;

(ii) "fraudulent practice" means any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;

(iii) "coercive practice" means impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;

(iv) "collusive practice" means an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including influencing improperly the actions of another party.

(v) "obstructive practice" means (a) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to an investigation; (b) making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede an investigation; (c) failing to comply with requests to provide information, documents, or records in connection with an investigation; (d) threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or (e) materially impeding GoN/DP's contractual rights of audit or access to information; and

(vi) "integrity violation" is any act which violates Anticorruption Policy, including (i) to (v) above and the following: abuse, conflict of interest, violations of GoN/DP sanctions, retaliation against whistleblowers or witnesses, and other violations of Anticorruption Policy, including failure to adhere to the highest ethical standard.

(b) the Purchaser will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices or other integrity violations in competing for the contract;

(c) DP will cancel the portion of the financing allocated to a contract if it determines at any time that representative(s) of the GoN or of a beneficiary of DP-financing engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices or other integrity violations during the procurement or the execution of that contract, without the GoN having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to DP to remedy the situation.

(d) DP will impose remedial actions on a firm or an individual, at any time, in accordance with DP's Anticorruption Policy and related Guidelines

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(as amended from time to time), including declaring ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to participate in DP-financed, -administered, or -supported activities or to benefit from an DP-financed, -administered, or -supported contract, financially or otherwise, if it at any time determines that the firm or individual has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices or other integrity violations; and

(e) The Supplier shall permit the GoN/DP to inspect the Supplier's accounts and records relating to the performance of the Supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the GoN/DP, if so required by the GoN/DP.

3.2 The Bidder shall not carry out or cause to carry out the following acts with an intention to influence the implementation of the procurement process or the procurement agreement :

(a) give or propose improper inducement directly or indirectly,
(b) distortion or misrepresentation of facts,
(c) engaging in corrupt or fraudulent practice or involving in such act,
(d) interference in participation of other competing bidders,
(e) coercion or threatening directly or indirectly to cause harm to the person or the property of any person to be involved in the procurement proceedings,
(f) collusive practice among bidders before or after submission of bids for distribution of works among bidders or fixing artificial/uncompetitive bid price with an intention to deprive the Purchaser the benefit of open competitive bid price,
(g) Contacting the Purchaser with an intention to influence the Purchaser with regards to the bids or interference of any kind in examination and evaluation of the bids during the period from the time of opening of the bids until the notification of award of contract.

3.3 PPMO, on the recommendation of the Purchaser may blacklist a Bidder for a period of one (1) to three (3) years for its conduct including on the following grounds and seriousness of the act committed by the bidder:

(a) if convicted by a court of law in a criminal offence which disqualifies the Bidder from participating in the contract,
(b) if it is established that the contract agreement signed by the Bidder was based on false or misrepresentation of Bidder's qualification information,
(c)if it at any time determines that the firm has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for, or in executing, a GoN/DP-financed contract.
(d) if the Successful Bidder fails to sign the Contract.

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	(e) a Bidder requests for withdrawal or modification of its bid: (i) after the Bid Submission deadline and during the period of validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid, in case of electronic submission; (ii) from the period twenty-four hours prior to bid submission deadline up to the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid, in case of hard copy submission. (f) if the bidder does not provide clarifications of its Bid by the date and time set in the Employer's request for clarification pursuant to ITB 29.1. (g) a Bidder changes the prices or substance of the bid while providing information pursuant to ITB 29.1.
	3.4 A bidder declared blacklisted and ineligible by the GoN, Public Procurement Monitoring Office (PPMO) and/or the DP in case of DP funded project, shall be ineligible to bid for a contract during the period of time determined by the GoN, PPMO, the competent authority, and/or the DP including credit information bureau of Nepal for failure to repay a loan disbursed by a bank or financial institution. 3.5 In case of a natural person or firm/institution/company which is already declared blacklisted and ineligible by the GoN, any other new or existing firm/institution/company owned partially or fully by such Natural person or Owner or Board of director of blacklisted firm/institution/company; shall not be eligible bidder.
	3.6 Furthermore, Bidders shall be aware of the provisions of GCC 34.1(c).
4. Eligible Bidders	4.1 4.1 A Bidder, and all parties constituting the Bidder, shall have nationality from an eligible country, except as specified in the **BDS.** 4.2 A Bidder may be a natural person, private entity, government-owned entity (subject to ITB 4.5) or any combination of them with a formal intent to enter into an agreement or under an existing agreement in the form of a Joint Venture (JV). Maximum number of parners in JV shall be as **specified in BDS** .In the case of a JV: (a) all parties to the JV shall be jointly and severally liable; and (b) a JV shall nominate a representative who shall have the authority to conduct all businesses for and on behalf of any and all the parties of the JV during the bidding process and, in the event the JV is awarded the Contract, during contract execution. 4.3 A Bidder shall not have a conflict of interest. Any Bidders found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. A Bidder may be considered to be in a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding

process if, including but not limited to:

(a) have controlling shareholders in common;

(b) receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from any of them;

(c) have the same legal representative for purposes of this Bid;

(d) have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about or influence on the Bid of another Bidder, or influence the decisions of the Purchaser regarding this bidding process;

(e) a Bidder participates in more than one bid in this bidding process. Participation by a Bidder in more than one Bid will result in the disqualification of all Bids in which it is involved. However, this does not limit the inclusion of the same subcontractor, not otherwise participating as a Bidder, in more than one bid; or

(f) a Bidder or any of its affiliates participated as a consultant in the preparation of the design or technical specifications of the goods and services that are the subject of the bid.

(g) a Bidder that has a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Purchaser.

4.4 A Bidder that is under a declaration of ineligibility by the GoN/DP in accordance with ITB 3.4, at the date of the deadline for bid submission or thereafter, shall be disqualified. The list of debarred firms is available at the electronic address **specified in the BDS**.

4.5 A GoN-owned enterprise may also participate in the bid if it is legally and financially autonomous, it operates under commercial law, and it is not dependent agency of the Purchaser.

4.6 Bidders shall provide such evidence of their continued eligibility satisfactory to the Purchaser, as the Purchaser shall reasonably request.

4.7 Firms shall be excluded in any of the cases, if

(a) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations prohibits any import of goods or Contracting of works or services from that country or any payments to persons or entities in that country.

(b) DP Funded: as a matter of law or official regulation, GoN prohibits commercial relations with that country, provided that the DP is satisfied that such exclusion does not preclude effective competition for the

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	supply of goods or related services required; (c) DP Funded: a firm has been determined to be ineligible by the DP in relation to their guidelines or appropriate provisions on preventing and combating fraud and corruption in projects financed by them.
	4.8 The domestic Bidder who has obtained Permanent Account Number (PAN) and Value Added Tax (VAT) registration certificate(s) and Tax clearance certificate or proof of submission of tax return or evidence of time extension from the Inland Revenue Office shall only be eligible. The foreign bidder submitting the documents ***indicated in the BDS*** at the time of bid submission and a declaration to submit the document(s) ***indicated in the BDS*** at the time of contract agreement shall only be eligible
5. Eligible Goods and Related Services	5.1 All goods and related services to be supplied under the contract are eligible, unless their origin is from a country ***specified in the BDS***. 5.2 For purposes of this clause, "origin" means the place where the goods are mined, grown, cultivated, manufactured, processed or produced, or through manufacture, processing, or assembly, another commercially recognized goods or product results that differs substantially in its basic characteristics from its imported or produced, or the place from which the related services are supplied 5.3 The nationality of the firm/Bidder that produces, assembles, distributes, or sells the goods shall not determine their origin.
6. Site Visit	6.1 For goods contracts requiring installation/ commissioning/ networking or similar services at site, the Bidder, at the Bidder's own responsibility and risk, is encouraged to visit and examine the Site and obtain all information that may be necessary for preparing the Bid and entering into a contract for the supply of goods and related services. 6.2 The Bidder should ensure that the Purchaser is informed of the visit in adequate time to allow it to make appropriate arrangements. 6.3 The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the Bidder's own expense.

B. Contents of Bidding Document

7. Sections of the Bidding Document	7.1 The Bidding Document consist of Parts 1, 2, and 3, which include all the Sections indicated below, and should be read and construed in conjunction with any Addenda issued in accordance with ITB 9. **PART 1 Bidding Procedures** Section I. Instructions to Bidders (ITB) Section II. Bid Data Sheet (**BDS**)

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	Section III. Evaluation and Eligibility Criteria Section IV. Bidding Forms **PART 2 Supply Requirements** Section V. Schedule of Requirements (SR) **PART 3 Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms** Section VI. General Conditions of Contract (GCC) Section VII. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) Section VIII. Contract Forms 7.2 In case of hard copy submission, the Purchaser will reject any Bid submission if the Bidding Document was not purchased directly from the Purchaser, or through its assigned office as stated in the invitation for bids. 7.3 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the Bidding Document as well as in Amendments, if any. Failure to furnish all information or documentation required by the Bidding Document may result in the rejection of the Bid. 7.4 The Invitation for Bids issued by the Purchaser is not part of the Bidding Document
8. Clarification of Bidding Document/Pre-bid meeting	8.1 A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Document shall contact the Purchaser in writing at the Purchaser's address ***indicated in the BDS*** or raise any question or curiosity during the pre-bid meeting if provided for in accordance with ITB 8.2. The Purchaser will respond in writing to any request for clarification, provided that such request is received within the time limit ***specified in the BDS*** prior to the deadline for submission of Bids. The Purchaser shall forward copies of its response to all Bidders who have acquired the Bidding Document directly from it, including a description of the inquiry but without identifying its source. Should the Purchaser deem it necessary to amend the Bidding Document as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITB 9 and ITB 24.2. 8.2 The purchaser may organize a pre-bid meeting of Bidders at least ten (10) days before the deadline for submission of Bids at the place, date, and time as ***specified in the BDS*** to provide information relating to Bidding Documents, Technical specifications and the like matters. Should the purchaser deem it necessary to amend the Bidding Document as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITB 9 and ITB **24.2**.

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9. Amendment of Bidding Document	9.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of the Bids, the Purchaser may amend the Bidding Document by issuing addenda. 9.2 Any addendum issued shall be part of the Bidding Document and shall be communicated in writing to all who have obtained the Bidding Document directly from the Purchaser. 9.3 To give prospective Bidders reasonable time in which to take an addendum into account in preparing their Bids, the Purchaser may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of the Bids, pursuant to ITB 24.2. However, the time available to submit bids shall not be less than five (5) days since amendment in bidding document.

C. Preparation of Bids

10. Cost of Bidding	10.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Bid, and the Purchaser shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.
11. Language of Bid	11.1 The Bid, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Bid exchanged by the Bidder and the Purchaser, shall be written in the language ***specified in the BDS***. Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the Bid may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language ***specified in the BDS***, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, such translation shall govern.
12. Documents Comprising the Bid	12.1 The Bid shall comprise the following: (a) Letter of Bid and the applicable Price Schedules, in accordance with ITB Clauses 13, 15, and 16; (b) Bid Security in accordance with ITB 21; (c) alternative bids, at Bidder's option and if permissible, in accordance with ITB 14; (d) written confirmation authorizing the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder, in accordance with ITB 22; (e) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB 17 establishing the Bidder's eligibility to bid; (f) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clauses 18 and 31, that the Goods and Related Services conform to the Bidding Document; (g) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB 19 establishing the Bidder's qualifications to perform the contract if its Bid is

	accepted; and (h) any other required documents, which is not against the provision of Procurement Act/Regulation/Directives and Standard Bidding Document issued by PPMO, ***required in the BDS.*** 12.2 The Bidder is solely responsible for the authenticity of the submitted documents.
13. Letter of Bid and Price Schedules	13.1 The Bidder shall submit the Letter of Bid using the form furnished in Section IV, Bidding Forms. This form must be completed without any alterations to its format, and no substitutes shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled in with the information requested. 13.2 The Bidder shall submit the Price Schedules for Goods and Related Services, according to their origin as appropriate, using the forms furnished in Section IV, Bidding Forms
14. Alternative Bids	14.1 Unless otherwise ***indicated in the BDS***, alternative bids shall not be considered.
15. Bid Prices and Discounts	15.1 The prices and discounts quoted by the Bidder in the Letter of Bid and in the Price Schedules shall conform to the requirements specified below. 15.2 The Bidder shall complete the appropriate Price Schedule and the sources of Goods schedules included herein, stating the unit prices, total cost per item, the total Bid amount, and the expected countries of origin of the Goods to be supplied under the contract. 15.3 Prices quoted in the Price Schedules shall be included the cost of goods, other taxes already paid or payable on the components and raw material used in the manufacture or assembly of the item, the customs duties, transportation cost up to final delivery, insurance cost, unloading, and any other cost for (incidental) services, if any, related to the delivery of goods. All risks and responsibilities up to the final destination including installation and commissioning of Goods, if applicable, shall be borne by the Supplier. All items in the Schedule of Requirements must be listed and priced separately in the Price Schedules. If a Price Schedule shows items listed but not priced, their prices shall be assumed to be included in the prices of other items. Items not listed in the Price Schedule shall be assumed not to be included in the Bid, and provided that the Bid is substantially responsive, the corresponding adjustment shall be applied in accordance with ITB 36.3. Unit rates and prices for all items in the Schedule of Requirements shall be expressed in positive values. If unit rates and prices are expressed in negative values, the bid will be rejected. 15.4 Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the Contract and not subject to variation on any account, unless otherwise ***specified in the BDS***. A Bid submitted with an

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	adjustable price quotation shall be treated as non responsive and shall be rejected, pursuant to ITB 32. However, if in ***accordance with the BDS***, prices quoted by the Bidder shall be subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract, a Bid submitted with a fixed price quotation shall not be rejected, but the price adjustment shall be treated as zero. 15.5 The Bidder's separation of price components in accordance with ITB 15.2 above will be solely for the purpose facilitating the comparison of bids by the Purchaser and will not in any way limit the Purchaser's right to contract on any of the terms offered. 15.6 The price to be quoted in the Letter of Bid shall be the total price of the Bid excluding any discounts offered. Absence of the total bid price in the Letter of Price Bid may result in the rejection of the Bid. 15.7 If the Bidder intends to offer any unconditional discount, it shall always be expressed in fixed percentage and that shall not vary as the quantity varies and be applicable to each unit rate. The discount and methodology for its application shall be quoted in Letter of Bid. 15.8 If so indicated in ITB 1.1, Bids are being invited for individual contracts (lots) or for any combination of contracts (packages). Bidders wishing to offer any price discount for the award of more than one Contract shall specify in their Bids the price discount applicable to each package, or alternatively, to individual Contracts within the package. Price discounts shall be submitted in accordance with ITB 15.7, provided the Bids for all lots are submitted and opened at the same time.
16. Currencies of Bid	16.1 All Prices shall be quoted in Nepalese Rupees.
17. Documents Establishing the Eligibility of the Bidder	17.1 To establish their eligibility in accordance with ITB 4, Bidders shall: (a) complete the eligibility declarations in the Letter of Bid, included in Section IV, Bidding Forms; and (b) if the Bidder is an existing or intended JV in accordance with ITB 4.2, submit a copy of the JV Agreement, or a letter of intent to enter into such an Agreement. The respective document shall be signed by all legally authorized signatories of all the parties to the existing or intended JV, as appropriate. (c) submit the copy of the documents as ***specified in Section III, Evaluation and Eligibility Criteria.***
18. Documents Establishing the Conformity	18.1 To establish the conformity of the Goods and Related Services to the Bidding Document, the Bidder shall furnish as part of its Bid the documentary evidence that the Goods and Related Services conform to

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of the Goods and Related Services to the Bidding Document	the requirements specified in Section V, Supply of Requirements. 18.2 The documentary evidence may be in the form of literature, drawings or data, and shall consist of a detailed item-by-item description of the essential technical and performance characteristics of the Goods and Related Services, demonstrating substantial responsiveness of the Goods and Related Services to those requirements, and if applicable, a statement of deviations and exceptions to the provisions of Section V, Schedule of Requirements. 18.3 The Bidder shall also furnish a list giving full particulars, including available sources and current prices of spare parts, special tools, etc., necessary for the proper and continuing functioning of the Goods during the period **specified in the BDS** following commencement of the use of the goods by the Purchaser. 18.4 Standards for workmanship, process, material, and equipment, as well as references to brand names or catalogue numbers specified by the Purchaser in the Section V, Schedule of Requirements, are intended to be descriptive only and not restrictive. The Bidder may offer other standards of quality, brand names, and/or catalogue numbers, provided that it demonstrates, to the Purchaser's satisfaction, that the substitutions ensure substantial equivalence or are superior to those specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements.
19. Documents Establishing the Eligibility of the Bidder	19.1 The documentary evidence of the Bidder's eligibility to perform the contract, if its bid is accepted, shall establish to the Purchaser's satisfaction that the Bidder meets each of the Eligibility criterion specified in Section III, Evaluation and Eligibility Criteria. 19.2 If so ***required in the BDS***, a Bidder that does not manufacture or produce the Goods it offers to supply shall submit the Manufacturer's Authorization using the form included in Section IV, Bidding Forms to demonstrate that it has been duly authorized by the manufacturer or producer of the Goods to supply these Goods in Nepal and take care of the warranty provided. 19.3 If so ***required in the BDS***, a Bidder that does not conduct business within Nepal shall submit evidence that it will be represented by an Agent in Nepal equipped and able to carry out the Supplier's maintenance, repair and spare parts-stocking obligations prescribed in the Conditions of Contract and/or Technical Specifications. 19.4 A foreign Bidder wishing to have or already having a local agent shall state the following: a. Name and address of the Agent/Representative, b. The Agent/Representative providing type of services, c. Amount of commission if the Agent/Representative is entitled to

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	get such payment and if it participates in the procedure of payment, d. Other agreement with Agent/Representative, if any, e. Bidder shall certify in the Letter of Authorization as follows: "We certify that the statement and disclosure made by us on the above are complete and true to the best of our knowledge and belief", If the agent has not been appointed: a. Source of information about tender invitation, b. The remuneration given to the individual or firm/company or organization to work on its behalf for submitting tender, representation in the bid opening and other required action in connection with the tender, c. Transfer or handover an evidence of foreign currency exchanged which required to be submitted with the tender, d. If the bank account of any Nepali citizen has been used for the exchange of foreign currency specify the name of the individual and his address. If the foreign currency has been exchanged by self then the certificate of currency exchange. 19.5 If a foreign Bidder in its Bid, has not provided the information mentioned in ITB 19.4 or has submitted its bid stating that the Bidder does not have a local agent and later it is proved that the bidder has a local agent or it is proved that the commission mentioned in the Bid is less than the commission received by the local agent then the Purchaser shall initiate proceedings to blacklist such bidder in accordance with ITB 3.3.
20. Period of Validity of Bids	20.1 Bid shall remain valid for a period ***specified in the BDS.*** The bid validity period shall start from the bid submission deadline as prescribed by the Purchaser in accordance with ITB 24.1. If the prescribed bid submission deadline date falls on a public holiday applicable to the Purchaser, then the next working day shall be considered as the bid submission deadline date. In such case the validity period of the bids shall be considered from the original bid submission deadline date. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the purchaser as nonresponsive. In the case of electronic bid submission, if any technical issue arises in the handling of the e-GP system, the PPMO may extend the deadline for bid submission. However, the validity period of the bids shall still be counted from the original bid submission deadline. 20.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the bid validity period, the Purchaser may request Bidders to extend the period of validity of their Bids. The request and the responses shall be made in

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	writing. If a Bid Security is requested in accordance with ITB 21, it shall also be extended for a corresponding period. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its Bid Security. A Bidder granting the request shall not be required or permitted to modify its Bid and to include any additional conditions against the provisions specified in Bid Documents.
21. Bid Security	21.1 The Bidder shall furnish as part of its bid, in original form a Bid Security as ***specified in the BDS***. In case of e-submission of bid, the Bidder shall upload scanned copy of Bid security letter at the time of electronic submission of the bid. The Bidder accepts that the scanned copy of the Bid security shall, for all purposes, be equal to the original. The details of original Bid Security and the scanned copy submitted with e-bid should be the same otherwise the bid shall be non-responsive. 21.2 If a bid security is specified pursuant to ITB 21.1, the bid security shall be a demand guarantee in any of the following forms at the Bidder's option: a. original copy of an unconditional bank guarantee from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law or; b. original copy of cash deposit voucher in the Purchaser 's Account as specified in BDS. In case of a bank guarantee, the Bid Security shall be submitted either using the Bid Security Form included in Section IV, Bidding Forms or in another form acceptable to the purchaser. The form must include the complete name of the Bidder. The Bid Security shall be valid for minimum thirty (30) days beyond the end of the validity period of the bid, or beyond any period of extension if requested under ITB 20.2. A bid security valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the Purchaser as nonresponsive. The bid security issued by any foreign Bank outside Nepal must be counter guaranteed by an Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal. 21.3 If a bid Security is required in accordance with ITB 21.1, any Bid not accompanied by an enforceable and substantially compliant Bid Security in accordance with ITB 21.2, shall be rejected by the Purchaser as nonresponsive. In case of e- Submission, if the scanned copy of an acceptable bid security letter is not uploaded with the electronic bid then bid shall be rejected. 21.4 The Purchaser shall return the bid securities except those that are to be forfeited as per ITB 21.5 to the respective bidders within three (3) days after the successful bidder has furnished the required performance security and signed the Contract Agreement pursuant, to ITB 42.1 and ITB 43.1.

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	21.5 The Bid Security may be forfeited in occurrence any of the following: (a) a Bidder requests for withdrawal or modification of its bid, except as provided in ITB 20.2 (i) during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid, in case of electronic submission; (ii) from the period twenty-four hours prior to bid submission deadline up to the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid, in case of hard copy submission. (b) a Bidder changes the prices or substance of the bid while providing information pursuant to ITB 29.1; (c) a Bidder involves in fraud and corruption pursuant to ITB 3.1; (d) the successful Bidder fails to: (i) furnish a performance security in accordance with ITB 42.1; or (ii) sign the Contract in accordance with ITB 43.1; or (iii) accept the correction of arithmetical errors pursuant to ITB 34. 21.6 The Bid Security of a JV must be in the name of the JV that submits the bid. If the JV has not been legally constituted at the time of bidding, the Bid Security shall be in the names of all future partners as named in the letter of intent mentioned in ITB 17.1 (b).
22. Format and Signing of Bid	22.1 The Bidder shall prepare one original set of the documents comprising the bid as described in ITB 12 and clearly mark it "ORIGINAl". Alternative bids, if permitted in accordance with ITB 14, shall be clearly marked "ALTERNATIVE". In addition, the Bidder shall submit copies of the bid, in the number specified in the BDS and clearly mark each of them "COPY NO… - BID". In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail. In case of e-submission of bid, the Bidder shall submit his bid electronically in PDF or online forms files as specified in ITB Clause 23.1(b). If a Bidder submits both the electronic bid and a bid in hard copy within the bid submission deadline, then the submitted Bids shall be accepted for evaluation provided that the facts and figures in hard copy confirm to those in electronic bid. If there is any major discrepancy in fact and figures in the electronic bid and bid in hard copy, it shall be treated as two separate bids from one Bidder and both the Bids shall be disqualified, as per ITB Clause 4.3 (e). 22.2 The original and all copies of the bid shall be typed or written in indelible

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	ink and shall be signed by a person duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder. This authorization shall consist of a written confirmation as ***specified in the BDS*** and shall be attached to the Bid. The name and position held by each person signing the authorization must be typed or printed below the signature. All pages of the bid, except for un amended printed literature, shall be signed or initialed by the person signing the bid. 22.3 Any amendments such as interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialed by the person signing the Bid.

D. Submission and Opening of Bids

23. Sealing and Marking of Bids	23.1 Unless otherwise **specified in BDS**, Bidders shall submit their bids by electronic or by mail/ by hand/ by courier. Procedures for submission, sealing and marking are as follows: (a) Bidders submitting bids by mail, by hand or by Courier shall enclose the original and each copy of the Bid, including alternative bids, if permitted in accordance with ITB 14, in separate sealed envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as **"ORIGINAL", "ALTERNATIVE" and "COPY No.... –BID"** as appropriate. These envelopes containing the original and the copies shall then be enclosed in one single envelope. (b) Bidders submitting Bids electronically shall follow the electronic bid submission procedure specified in this clause. i. The bidder is required to register in the e-GP system https://www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp following the procedure specified in e-GP guideline. ii. Interested bidders may either purchase the bidding document from the Purchaser's office as specified in the Invitation for Bid (IFB) or bidders may download the IFB and bidding document from e-GP system. iii. The registered bidders need to maintain their profile data required during preparation of bids. iv. The bidder can prepare their technical and price bids using data and documents maintained in bidder's profile and forms/format provided in bidding document by Purchaser. The bidder may submit bids as a single entity or as a joint venture. The bidder submitting bid in joint venture shall have to upload joint venture agreement along with partner(s) Bolpatra ID provided during bidder's registration. v. Bidders (all partners in case of JV) should update their profile data and documents required during preparation and submission of their technical bids. vi. In case of bid submission in JV, the consent of the partners shall