Invitation for Bids

1. The People’s Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of **Bangladesh Power System Enhancement and Efficiency Improvement Project**. Part of this financing will be used for payments under the Contract named above. Bidding is open to Bidders from eligible source countries of ADB.

2. The **Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Limited (PGCB)**, (“the Employer”) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the “**Design, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of the Gopalganj-Mongla 400kV Double Circuit Transmission Line on turnkey basis**” (herein after referred to as “the Works”).

3. **International Competitive Bidding (ICB)** will be conducted in accordance with ADB’s **Single-Stage: Two-Envelope** bidding procedure and is open to all bidders from eligible countries as described in the Bidding Document.

4. Bidders shall meet the following minimum requirements along with other requirements as mentioned in the bidding documents:

   (a) Participation in at least one contract that has been successfully completed within the last 10 (ten) years, and that is similar to the proposed Works, where the value of the Bidder’s participation is equal to or more than USD 46.0 million and having total route length of the line for that contract at least 75 km. The scope of each contract must include supply, installation, testing & commissioning of single and/or double circuit 345 kV or above voltage overhead transmission line on lattice steel towers.

   For the above mentioned or other similar contracts executed during the period mentioned above:

   (b) At least one (1) contract of 345 kV or above voltage transmission line construction (i) having at least 25 km route length of single/double circuit line and (ii) including Design, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning.
(c) At least one (1) contract of 345 kV or above voltage transmission line construction (i) having at least 25 km route length and (ii) being in successful operation for a minimum of one (1) year prior to the of bid submission date.

(d) At least one (1) contract of 345 kV or above voltage transmission line construction (i) having at least 25 km route length and (ii) completed outside the Bidder’s own country.

The qualification criteria of the bidders have been given very briefly above. The bidders are advised to inspect the bidding document by visiting the PGCB website http://www.pgcb.org.bd.

The Works under this turnkey contract shall have to be completed within 720 (Seven hundred and twenty) days from the effective date.

5. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the office of the Company Secretary, Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Ltd. (PGCB), The Institute of Engineers Bangladesh (IEB) Bhaban (4th Floor), 8/A Ramna, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh; Tel: +88 02 9553663, +88 02 9550514, 9558054, Fax: +88 02 95 82 382; Email: se-design@pgcb.org.bd. The complete bidding documents are also available at PGCB’s website http://www.pgcb.org.bd/. In case of any discrepancy between the documents downloaded by the prospective bidder and the Bid Documents (hard copy) of PGCB, the latter shall prevail.

6. A complete set of bidding documents in English language, may be purchased by interested bidders upon submission of a written application to the Company Secretary, PGCB at the above address, from 5 March 2018 to one day before bid submission date and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of USD 300.00 (United States Dollar Three Hundred) or BDT 24,000.00 (Taka Twenty Four Thousand only) in the form of Pay Order/ Demand Draft in favour of the Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Limited. The Bidding Document may be sent through a courier for an additional fee of BDT 1,000.00 (local delivery) or US$ 120.00 (International delivery) in the form of Pay Order/ Demand Draft in favour of Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Limited. No liability will be accepted for loss or late delivery of the Bidding Document.

7. A Pre-Bid meeting will be held at 11:00 Hours Local Time on 21 March 2018 at the head office of the Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Limited (PGCB), Institute of Engineers Bangladesh (IEB) Bhaban (13th Floor), 8/A Ramna, Dhaka-1000.

8. Technical bids must be delivered to the address mentioned above in para no. 5 on or before 11:00 Hours Local Time on 30 April 2018 together with a Bid Security in the amount and form as described in the bidding document.

9. Technical bids will be opened at 11:05 Hours Local Time 30 April 2018 at the head office of the Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Limited (PGCB), Institute of Engineers Bangladesh (IEB) Bhaban (13th Floor), 8/A Ramna, Dhaka-1000 in the presence of Bidders’ representatives who choose to attend.

10. When comparing bids, ADB’s Domestic Preference Scheme will be applied in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the Bidding Document.

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11. PGCB will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids including costs and expenses related to participation in pre-bid meeting and site visit/s.