1. The Government of Nepal has received a financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of Electricity Transmission Expansion and Supply Improvement Project. Part of this financing will be used for payments under the contract named above. This contract will be jointly financed by the Government of Norway. The eligibility rules and procedures of ADB will govern the bidding process. Bidding is open to bidders from eligible source countries of the ADB.

2. The Nepal Electricity Authority ("the Employer") invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of New Khimti – Barhabise 400 kV Transmission Line ("the Facilities").

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 have minimum average annual turnover of US$ 28 Million within the last three (3) years. Bidders are required to have satisfactory experience in at least two (2) contracts with 400 kV and/or above Voltage Transmission Line within the last seven (7) years, with a value of at least US$ 22.5 Million for each contract.

5. To obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents, Bidders should contact:

   Tamakoshi - Kathmandu 220/400 kV Transmission Line Project
   Project Management Directorate
   NEA Training Center Complex
   Kharipati, Bhaktapur, Nepal
   Telephone: +977-1-6620016
   Facsimile number: +977-1-6620016
   Electronic mail address: tk@nea.org.np; kk400kv@gmail.com

6. To purchase the bidding documents in English, eligible bidders should:

Date: 21 December 2018

Loan/Grant Nos. and Title: 2808/0270/0271-NEP: Electricity Transmission Expansion and Supply Improvement Project

Contract No. and Title: ICB-PMD-TKTLP-075/76-01-R: Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of New Khimti – Barhabise 400 kV Transmission Line

Deadline for Submission of Bids: 5 February 2019, 12:00 Hours (Nepal Standard Time)
write to address above requesting the bidding documents for ICB-PMD-TKTL-075/76-01-R: Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of New Khimti – Barhabise 400 kV Transmission Line

pay a non-refundable fee of NRs. 20,000 or an equivalent amount in US Dollars by bank voucher to the Current Account No 010 152 4046049012 NEA Tamakoshi-Kathmandu 220 kV Transmission Line Project at the Kumari Bank Limited, Patalisadak Branch, Kathmandu, Nepal.

7. Deliver your bid:

- to the address above
- **on or before the deadline:** 5 February 2019, 12:00 Hours (Nepal Standard Time).
- together with a Bid Security with amount indicated in Section 2 Bid Data Sheet, Clause ITB 21.1 or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency. For the purpose of determining the equivalent amount of the required Bid Security in a freely convertible currency, the exchange rates published by Nepal Rastra Bank prevailing on the date 28 days prior to the deadline for bid submission shall be applied.
- Electronic submission of Bids is not allowed.

Technical bids will be opened on 5 February 2019, 12:30 Hours (Nepal Standard Time) in the presence of Bidders’ representatives who choose to attend, whereas the Financial Bids shall remain sealed and unopened and shall be placed locked. The Financial Bids of only Technically Responsive and Qualified Bidders shall be opened after Technical Bid Evaluation, whereas, the Financial Bids of those Bidders whose Technical Bids are not responsive and qualified shall be returned unopened.

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