Invitation for Bids

Date: 17 April 2019

Loan No. and Title: 3542-NEP: Power Transmission and Distribution Efficiency Enhancement Project


Deadline for Submission of Bids: Extended to 14 July 2019, 12:00 Hours (Nepal Standard Time)

1. The Government of Nepal has received financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of Power Transmission and Distribution Efficiency Enhancement Project. Part of the loan will be used for payments under the contract named above. Bidding is open to Bidders from eligible source countries of ADB.


3. International Competitive Bidding will be conducted in accordance with ADB's Single-Stage: Two-Envelope procedure and is open to all Bidders from eligible source countries as described in the Bidding Document.

4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:
   - Bidders shall have minimum average annual turnover of US$ 5.7 Million.
   - Bidder shall be a manufacturer of SAS equipment (i.e. BCU, Gateway and Protection relays) and required to have satisfactory completed one contract of design, supply, installation, integration, testing and commissioning of Substation Automation System involving minimum three (3) number of Substations with the SAS equipment (i.e. BCU, Gateway and Protection relays) of their own make in the last ten (10) years and contract value not less than US$ 4.5 Million and the SAS system supplied for above substations under the mentioned contract shall have been in operation satisfactorily for minimum two (2) years.

   The qualification criteria are more completely described in the Bidding Document.

5. To obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents, Bidders should contact:

   Kathmandu Valley Substation Automation Project
   Power Transmission and Distribution Efficiency Enhancement Project
   Project Management Directorate
   NEA Training Centre Complex, Kharipati,

Asian Development Bank
6. To purchase the Bidding Documents in English, eligible Bidders should:

- pay a non-refundable fee of NRs. 20,000 (twenty thousand only) or an equivalent amount in US$ by bank voucher to the Current Account No. D101010000016 (Account Name: NEA, Kathmandu Valley East and South Distribution System Enhancement Project) at the Global Bank Ltd, Corporate Branch, Kathmandu, Nepal.

7. Deliver your bid:

- To the address above
- On or before the deadline: 14 July 2019; 12:00 hours (local time)
- Together with the Bid Security with amount indicated in the Bidding Document Section 2 Bid Data Sheet, Clause ITB 21.1.

Technical Bids will be opened at the Project Manager’s Office on 14 July 2019 at 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 bids evaluation, whereas, the financial bids of those bidders whose technical bids are not responsive and qualified shall be returned unopened after the contract is awarded.

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