



Invitation for Bids

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| Date: | 17 May 2019 |
| Loan No. and Title: | 50059-NEP: SASEC Power Transmission and Distribution System Strengthening Project |
| Contract No. and Title: | PMD/PTDSSP/KBL- 075/76-01: Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 400 kV Gas Insulated Substations at New Khimti, Barhabise and Lapsiphedhi |
| Deadline for Submission of Bids: | Extended to 13 August 2019; 12:00 hours (Nepal Standard Time) |

1. The Government of Nepal has applied for financing from Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of **Power Transmission and Distribution System Strengthening 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.
2. The **Nepal Electricity Authority** (“the Employer”) invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the **Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 400 kV Gas Insulated Substations at New Khimti, Barhabise and Lapsiphedhi**.
3. **Open Competitive Bidding - International** 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 may participate in this bidding:
 - Minimum average annual turnover of US\$ 43.5 Million in last three (3) years.
 - Satisfactory experience in at least two (2) contracts that have been successfully or substantially completed within the last ten (10) years and that are similar to the proposed contract, where the value of the Bidder’s participation exceeds US\$ 43 Million each. Out of the two (2) contracts, one must have been executed outside the Bidder’s home country.

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

5. To obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Document, Bidders should contact starting on 21 May 2019:

Khimti-Barhabise-Lapsiphedhi 400 kV Substation Project

Project Management Directorate
Matatirtha, Chandragiri-11, Kathmandu

Telephone: +977-1-5164096

Electronic mail address: kbl400kv@nea.org.np

6. To purchase the Bidding Document, eligible Bidders should:
 - write to address above requesting the Bidding Documents for PMD/PTDSSP/KBL-75/76-01: Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 400 kV Gas insulated Substations (GIS) at New Khimti, Barhabise and Lapsiphedi
 - pay a non-refundable fee of NRs. 20,000.00 (incl. VAT) or an equivalent amount in US\$ by bank voucher to the Account No. 00101500014600000104 (NEA-PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIRECTORATE) at the NMB Bank Limited, Babarmahal, Kathmandu, Nepal

If the Bidder is purchasing the Bidding Document through their local representative, the authorization letter shall be provided with the application clearly mentioning the identity and status of the person/firm.

7. Deliver your bid:
 - to the address above
 - **on or before the deadline: 13 August 2019, 12:00 Hours (Nepal Standard Time)**
 - together with a Bid Security with amount indicated in Bidding Document Section 2 Bid data Sheet, Clause ITB 21.1.

Technical Bids will be opened at the Project Manager's Office on 13 August 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.