

Invitation for Bids

(Please refer to Corrigendum 1 IFB, published on 28 December 2020)

Date:	26 August 2020
Loan and Grant No. and Title	Project No. 48444-005: Sustainable Highlands Highway Investment Program (SHHIP) – Tranche 2
Contract Nos. and Title	NPC 50: Detailed Design, Rehabilitation and Construction of Bridges (Bridge No.1-35) between Lae Nadzab and Henganofi (BCW1)
Deadline for Submission of Bids	Extended to 16 December 2020, 10:00 hours (local time)

1. The **Independent State of Papua New Guinea** has applied for financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of **Sustainable Highlands Highway Investment Program (SHHIP) - Tranche 2**. A 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. The eligibility rules and procedures of the ADB will govern the bidding process.
2. The **Department of Works (DoW)** (“the Employer”) invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the design, rehabilitation and/or construction of 35 bridges (Bridge No. 1-35 along the Highlands Highway from Lae Nadzab to Henganofi) including associated works under SHHIP for the Contract Packages as shown below under **Design-Build Contract**. Under the Contract, 21 bridges will be rehabilitated and 14 new bridges will be constructed. The design and construction period shall be thirty-six (36) months and the Defects Notification Period shall be twenty-four (24) months thereafter.
3. Only eligible bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:
 - Minimum average annual construction turnover of US\$50.00 million, calculated as total certified payments (excluding advance payments) for contracts in progress or completed, within the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 and 2019)
 - Financial resources, less its financial obligations for its current contract commitments, meet or exceed US\$7.00 million
 - Participation in at least two (2) contracts that have been successfully or substantially completed within the last eight (8) years and that are similar to the proposed works, where the value of the Bidder’s participation exceeds US\$65.00 million under each contract
 - Participation in at least one (1) contract involving detailed design of works that are similar to the proposed works and that have been successfully completed within the last Eight (8) years, where the value of the Bidder’s participation exceeds US\$2.5 million

The qualification criteria are more completely described in the bidding documents.

The bidder must also show that it has the personnel for key positions and key equipment as given in detail in the bidding documents.

4. The Employer may invite Bids simultaneously for similar Works in separate contract packages. However, the works are not grouped in multiple contracts. If a Bidder submits several successful (lowest evaluated substantially responsive) bids, the evaluation will also include an assessment of the Bidder's capacity to meet the following aggregated requirements as presented in the bid:
 - Average annual construction turnover,
 - Financial resources,
 - Construction experience,
 - Equipment to be allocated, and
 - Personnel to be fielded.
5. **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 Documents.
6. To obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents, Bidders should contact in person or by email to:

The Secretary
Department of Works
Waigani Drive, Boroko
National Capital District
Papua New Guinea
Email: spup@works.gov.pg
johnrelhang@gmail.com
shhipdow.procurement@gmail.com

No phone calls shall be entertained.

7. To purchase the Bidding Documents in English, eligible Bidders should
 - Write to the Chief Executive officer, National Procurement Commission (NPC) at the address given below requesting for the bidding documents for the Contract Packages indicating the Contract Numbers.
 - pay a nonrefundable fee of PGK 15,000 or USD equivalent in the form of bank draft in favor of the Chairman, National procurement Commission, payable at Port Moresby.
8. Deliver your bid
 - Drop the bid in the specified drop box (Tender Box) at the address given below:

National Procurement Commission
Section 58 Allotment 11, Spring Garden Road
Gordens, Poreporena Freeway, Boroka
Ground Floor, NPC Haus
National Capital District, Papua New Guinea
Tel: +675 311 3777/3779
Email : secretary@cstb.gov.pg / bnaime@cstb.gov.pg

Asian Development Bank

Fax: +675 311 3778

- **On or before 16 December 2020, 10:00 hours (local time)**
- Together with a Bid Security in the form of an unconditional bank guarantee in the name of the National Procurement Commission
- **Late bids will be rejected**

Bids will be opened on **16 December 2020 at 10:30 hours (local time)** in the presence of the Bidders' representatives who choose to attend.

9. When comparing Bids, ADB's Domestic Preference Scheme will **NOT** be applied in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the Bidding Documents.
10. A pre-bid meeting shall take place at the place, date and time indicated in the bidding documents. Interested Bidders are encouraged to conduct site visits, as per their convenience and at their own expenses, before the pre-bid meeting.
11. The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and the Employer shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

**The Chief Executive Officer
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