



Advance Contracting Notice

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Country/Borrower: Republic of Uzbekistan

Title of Proposed Project: 51052-UZB: Railway Efficiency Improvement Project

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Brief Description of the Project

The proposed project will (i) procure 24 electric locomotives which will help to mitigate the chronic shortage of locomotives to cater for the growing traffic for both freight and passenger transport, (ii) upgrade locomotive depots at certain locations on the network, and (iii) implement an improved business plan which will improve the operational efficiency of O'zbekiston Temir Yo'llari. These solutions will result in the following outcome: travel costs and environmental impacts reduced for passenger and freight transport throughout Uzbekistan's railway network. The project will be aligned with the following impact: Implementation of targeted programs to build affordable housing, development and modernization of road transport, engineering, communications and social infrastructure achieved.

Brief Description of Works, Goods, or Consulting Services to be Procured:

The procurement of goods (16 freight electric locomotives and 8 passenger electric locomotives) financed from the ADB loan will be carried out in accordance with ADB's Procurement Guidelines (2015, as amended from time to time). International competitive bidding will be conducted following Single-Stage One-Envelope bidding procedure through post qualification and is open to bidders from eligible source countries of ADB. The invitation for bids (IFB) will be posted on the ADB website and the website of the O'zbekiston Temir Yo'llari, Republic of Uzbekistan. Also, the IFB in English and Russian will be published in a newspaper widely circulated in Uzbekistan.

No consulting services are expected to be procured under the project.