## **Aasandha Company Ltd**

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### Additional Information - Recruitment of Internal Auditor to review HMH Contracts

#### 1. What is the Nature of the contracts.

These are contracts entered into by Aasandha during the period 2015 – 2018 while Hulhumale' Hospital was under the company. Hulhumale' hospital management was removed from Aasandha from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2020. These include construction contracts, supply contracts ...etc.

# 2. Reasons for reviewing these 15 contracts.

There is reason to believe that the contracts were entered through collusive, fraudulent, corrupt practices. Company requires independent audit of the cases to identify weaknesses in internal controls/ fraudulent practices in acquiring the contracts. Basic documents that will be reviewed are as follows;

- Bidding documents
- Proposals received
- Evaluation
- Contract / Amendments
- Correspondence

There is also threat of litigation in some of the cases, and company requires the findings from the internal audit to be used as supporting evidence in future.

Also company wishes to improve it's internal controls based on the findings to prevent recurrence of similar issues in the future.

# 3. Approximate value of the contracts to be reviewed.

Around 50m

# 4. With regards to point no 1.1- Develop a risk assessment of pending contracts, what is the definition of pending contracts?

These are cases marked by the internal lawyer as not yet closed / possible threat of litigation by the vendors. (15 contracts in total)

# **5. With regards to point no 1.3** - Undertake a brief review of other contracts of same nature, identified as H/Risk. **Is this beyond the sample of 15 contacts?**

Yes. For example there are contracts entered with the same contractors. Internal auditor can use these cases as further evidence in coming to it's conclusions for the 15 contracts. Detailed review of other contracts cases is not necessary.

## 6. How many other contracts to be reviewed?

Only on need basis of the internal auditor to arrive at the conclusions for the 15 cases.

#### 7. If the No. of contracts are not determined, can we give a cost per contract.

No. Detailed reviews of other contracts are not necessary.

8. With regards to point no 1.8- Evaluate and verify compliance with contract by the parties. Do you have "right to audit" clause in your contracts.

Yes, in some of the contracts.

### 9. How do we get the access to counter parties?

You don't need to obtain documents/evidence from third parties. For this procurement, you only need to review documents available with the company.

# 10. How many contracts to be reviewed?

These 15 contracts only.

# 11. In the event of awarding the contracts, would it be possible to upload all contracts and other relevant documents to a data room?

Yes. All data regarding the contracts will be shared with the successful audit form after signing an NDA.

#### 12. Who are the stakeholders involved in this audit?

Auditor will only be required to deal with Aasandha Company in gathering evidence.

## 13. What are the expected locations to be visited during the audit?

Aasandha Fen Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor only. However, it's at the discretion of the auditor to visit HMH (Hulhumale' Hospital) to view the actual site of the projects as part of it's observation process.

## 14. Will non-successful bidders be informed if unsuccessful and within what period will they be informed?

Within 14 days after awarding