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PART 1 Tendering Procedures

Section I - Instructions to Tenderers

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Section I - Instructions to Tenderers (ITT)

A. General

1. Scope of Tender

- 1.1 The Employer, as **indicated in the BDS**, issues this Tender Document for the procurement of the Works as specified in Section VI (Employer's Requirements). The name, identification, and number of contracts (lots) of this tendering are **provided in the BDS**.
- 1.2 Throughout this Tendering Document:
 - (a) the term "in writing" means communicated in written form and delivered against receipt;
 - (b) except where the context requires otherwise, words indicating the singular also include the plural and words indicating the plural also include the singular; and
 - (c) "day" means calendar day.

2. Source of Funds

- 2.1 The Procuring Entity (Employer) has an approved budget from the Government of the Maldives which has been allocated towards the project indicated in the **BDS**. The Procuring Entity intends to apply the allocated funds to eligible payments under contract(s) for which this Tender Document is issued.
- 2.2 Payments will be made only at the request of the Procuring Entity in accordance with contract terms and conditions and in accordance with financial legislation in force.

3. Fraud and Corruption

- 3.1 It is the Government's policy to require that Procuring Entities, as well as Tenderers, suppliers, contractors and their subcontractors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuance of this policy, the Government:
 - (a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - (i) "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - (ii) "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
 - (iii) "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - (iv) "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly

the actions of a party;

- (v) "obstructive practice" is
 - (aa) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a Government investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or
 - (bb) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Government's inspection and audit rights provided for under sub-clause 3.1 (e) below.
- (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Tenderer recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;
- (c) will cancel in whole or in part a contract if it determines at any time that representatives of the Procuring Entity engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices during the procurement or the execution of that contract, without the Government having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to address such practices when they occur;
- (d) will suspend a firm or individual from participation in public procurement, by declaring it ineligible for a stated period of time, to be awarded a Government funded contract if it at any time determines that the firm has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices in competing for, or in executing, a Government funded contract. The list of suspended firms is available at the electronic address specified in the **BDS**; and
- (e) will have the right to require that a provision be included in tender documents and in contracts, requiring Tenderers, suppliers, and contractors and their sub-contractors to permit the Employer to inspect their accounts and records and other documents relating to the Tender submission and contract performance and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Government.

3.2 Furthermore, tenderers shall be aware of the provision stated in GCC Sub-Clauses 22.2 and 56.2 (h).

4. Eligible Tenderers

4.1 A Tenderer may be a natural person, private entity, or government-owned entity—subject to ITT 4.6—or any combination of them in the form of a joint venture, under an existing agreement, or with the intent to constitute a legally-enforceable joint venture. Unless otherwise **stated in the BDS**, all partners shall be jointly and severally liable for the execution of the Contract in accordance with the Contract terms.

4.2 A Tenderer, and all parties constituting the Tenderer, shall have the nationality of an eligible country, in accordance with Section V (Eligible Countries). A Tenderer shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Tenderer is a citizen or is constituted, or incorporated, and

operates in conformity with the provisions of the rules and regulation of Maldives. This criterion shall also apply to the determination of the nationality of proposed subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract including related services.

- 4.3 A Tenderer shall meet the following criteria to be eligible to participate in public procurement:
- (a) have the legal capacity to enter into the contract;
 - (b) not be insolvent, in receivership, bankrupt or being wound up, its affairs not being administered by a court or a judicial officer, its business activities not being suspended and not the subject of legal proceedings for any of the foregoing;
 - (c) have fulfilled its obligations to pay taxes.
 - (d) not have been, and its directors or officers not have been, convicted of any criminal offence related to their professional conduct or the making of false statements or misrepresentations as to their qualifications to enter into a contract within a period of five years preceding the commencement of the procurement proceedings; and
 - (e) not have a conflict of interest in relation to the procurement requirement in accordance with Sub-Clause 4.4.
 - (f) shall be a contractor who falls in to the grades of National Contractors Registry as **specified in the BDS**.
- 4.4 A Tenderer shall not have a conflict of interest. All Tenderers found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. A Tenderer may be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this tendering process, if :
- (a) they have a controlling partner in common; or
 - (b) they receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from any of them; or
 - (c) they have the same legal representative for purposes of this Tender; or
 - (d) they have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about or influence on the Tender of another Tenderer, or influence the decisions of the Employer regarding this tendering process; or
 - (e) a Tenderer participates in more than one Tender in this tendering process. Participation by a Tenderer in more than one Tender will result in the disqualification of all Tenders in which the party is involved. However, this does not limit the inclusion of the same subcontractor in more than one Tender; or
 - (f) a Tenderer or any of its affiliates participated as a consultant in the preparation of the design or technical specifications of the contract that is the subject of the Tender; or
 - (g) a Tenderer, or any of its affiliates has been hired (or is proposed to be hired) by the Employer as Engineer for the contract.
- 4.5 A Tenderer that has been suspended from participation in public procurement by the Government

in accordance with ITT 3, at the date of the deadline for Tender submission or thereafter, shall be disqualified.

- 4.6 Government-owned enterprises in the Employer’s country shall be eligible only if they can establish that they are legally and financially autonomous and operate under commercial law, and that they are not a dependent agency of the Employer.
- 4.7 Tenderers shall provide such evidence of their continued eligibility satisfactory to the Employer, as the Employer shall reasonably request.
- 4.8 In case a prequalification process has been conducted prior to the tendering process, this tendering is open only to prequalified Tenderers.

5. Eligible Materials, Equipment and Services

- 5.1 The materials, equipment and services to be supplied under the Contract shall have their origin in eligible source countries as defined in ITT 4.2 above and all expenditures under the Contract will be limited to such materials, equipment, and services. At the Employer’s request, Tenderers may be required to provide evidence of the origin of materials, equipment and services.
- 5.2 For purposes of ITT 5.1 above, “origin” means the place where the materials and equipment are mined, grown, produced or manufactured, and from which the services are provided. Materials and equipment are produced when, through manufacturing, processing, or substantial or major assembling of components, a commercially recognized product results that differs substantially in its basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.

B. Contents of Tendering Document

6. Sections of Tendering Document

- 6.1 The Tendering Document consist of Parts 1, 2 and 3 which include all the Sections indicated below, and should be read in conjunction with any Addenda issued in accordance with ITT 8.

PART 1 Tendering Procedures

- Section I - Instructions to Tenderers (ITT)
- Section II - Bid Data Sheet (**BDS**)
- Section III - Evaluation and Qualification Criteria
- Section IV - Tendering Forms
- Section V - Eligible Countries

PART 2 Requirements

- Section VI – Employer’s Requirements

PART 3 Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms

- Section VII - General Conditions of Contract (GCC)
- Section VIII - Particular Conditions (PCC)
- Section IX - Contract Forms

- 6.2 The Invitation for Tenders issued by the Employer is not part of the Tendering Document.
- 6.3 The Employer is not responsible for the completeness of the Tendering Document and their

Addenda, if they were not obtained directly from the source stated by the Employer in the Invitation for Tenders.

- 6.4 The Tenderer is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the Tendering Document. Failure to furnish all information or documentation required by the Tendering Document may result in the rejection of the Tender.

7. Clarification of Tendering Document, Site Visit, Pre-Tender Meeting

- 7.1 A prospective Tenderer requiring any clarification of the Tendering Document shall contact the Employer in writing at the Employer's address **indicated in the BDS** or raise his inquiries during the pre-Tender meeting if provided for in accordance with ITT 7.4. The Employer will respond in writing to any request for clarification, provided that such request is received the number of days **given in the BDS** prior to the deadline for submission of Tenders. The Employer shall forward copies of its response to all Tenderers who have acquired the Tendering Document in accordance with ITT 6.3, including a description of the inquiry but without identifying its source. Should the Employer deem it necessary to amend the Tendering Document as a result of a request for clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITT 8 and ITT 22.2.
- 7.2 The Tenderer is encouraged to visit and examine the Site of Works and its surroundings and obtain for itself, on its own risk and responsibility, all information that may be necessary for preparing the Tender and entering into a contract for construction of the Works. The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the Tenderer's own expense.
- 7.3 The Tenderer and any of its personnel or agents will be granted permission by the Employer to enter upon its premises and lands for the purpose of such visit, but only upon the express condition that the Tenderer, its personnel, and agents will release and indemnify the Employer and its personnel and agents from and against all liability in respect thereof, and will be responsible for death or personal injury, loss of or damage to property, and any other loss, damage, costs, and expenses incurred as a result of the inspection.
- 7.4 The Tenderer's designated representative is invited to attend a pre-Tender meeting, if **provided for in the BDS**. The purpose of the meeting will be to clarify issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage.
- 7.5 The Tenderer is requested, as far as possible, to submit any questions in writing, to reach the Employer not later than one week before the meeting.
- 7.6 Minutes of the pre-Tender meeting, including the text of the questions raised, without identifying the source, and the responses given, together with any responses prepared after the meeting, will be transmitted promptly to all Tenderers who have acquired the Tendering Document in accordance with ITT 6.3. Any modification to the Tendering Document that may become necessary as a result of the pre-Tender meeting shall be made by the Employer exclusively through the issue of an addendum pursuant to ITT 8 and not through the minutes of the pre-Tender meeting.
- 7.7 Nonattendance at the pre-Tender meeting will not be a cause for disqualification of a Tenderer.

8. Amendment of Tendering Document

- 8.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of Tenders, the Employer may amend the Tendering Document by issuing addenda.
- 8.2 Any addendum issued shall be part of the Tendering Document and shall be communicated in writing to all who have obtained the Tendering Document from the Employer in accordance with ITT 6.3.
- 8.3 To give prospective Tenderers reasonable time in which to take an addendum into account in preparing their Tenders, the Employer may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of Tenders, pursuant to ITT 22.2

C. Preparation of Tenders

9. Cost of Tendering

- 9.1 The Tenderer shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Tender, and the Employer shall in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the tendering process.

10. Language of Tender

- 10.1 The Tender, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Tender exchanged by the Tenderer and the Employer, shall be written in the language **specified in the BDS**. Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the Tender may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language **specified in the BDS**, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Tender, such translation shall govern.

11. Documents Comprising the Tender

- 11.1 The Tender shall comprise the following:

- (a) Letter of Tender;
- (b) completed Schedules, in accordance with ITT 12 and 14, or **as stipulated in the BDS**;
- (c) Tender Security or Tender Securing Declaration, in accordance with ITT 19;
- (d) alternative Tenders, at the Tenderer's option, and if permissible, in accordance with ITT 13;
- (e) written confirmation authorizing the signatory of the Tender to commit the Tenderer, in accordance with ITT 20.2;
- (f) documentary evidence in accordance with ITT 17 establishing the Tenderer's qualifications to perform the contract;
- (g) Technical Proposal in accordance with ITT 16;
- (h) In the case of a Tender submitted by a joint venture (JV), the JV agreement, or letter of intent to enter into a JV including a draft agreement, indicating at least the parts of the Works to be

executed by the respective partners; and

- (i) Any other document **required in the BDS**.

12. Letter of Tender and Schedules

12.1 The Letter of Tender, Schedules, and all documents listed under Clause 11, shall be prepared using the relevant forms in Section IV (Tendering Forms), if so provided. The forms must be completed without any alterations to the text, and no substitutes shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled in with the information requested.

13. Alternative Tenders

13.1 Unless otherwise **indicated in the BDS**, alternative Tenders shall not be considered.

13.2 When alternative times for completion are explicitly invited, a statement to that effect will be **included in the BDS**. If permitted, the method for their evaluation will be stipulated in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).

13.3 When specified in the **BDS** pursuant to ITT 13.1, and subject to ITT 13.4 below, Tenderers wishing to offer technical alternatives to the requirements of the Tendering Document must first price the Employer's design as described in the Tendering Document and shall further provide all information necessary for a complete evaluation of the alternative by the Employer, including drawings, design calculations, technical specifications, breakdown of prices, and proposed construction methodology and other relevant details. Only the technical alternatives, if any, of the lowest evaluated tenderer conforming to the basic technical requirements shall be considered by the Employer.

13.4 When **specified in the BDS**, Tenderers are permitted to submit alternative technical solutions for specified parts of the Works. Such parts will be **identified in the BDS** and described in Section VI (Employer's Requirements). If permitted, the method for their evaluation will be stipulated in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).

14. Tender Prices and Discounts

14.1 The prices and discounts quoted by the Tenderer in the Letter of Tender and in the Schedules shall conform to the requirements specified below.

14.2 The Tenderer shall submit a Tender for the whole of the works described in ITT 1.1 by filling in prices for all items of the Works, as identified in Section IV, Tendering Forms. In case of admeasurement contracts, the Tenderer shall fill in rates and prices for all items of the Works described in the Bill of Quantities. Items against which no rate or price is entered by the Tenderer will not be paid for by the Employer for other items and prices in the Bill of Quantities.

14.3 The price to be quoted in the Letter of Tender shall be the total price of the Tender, excluding any discounts offered.

14.4 Unconditional discounts, if any, and the methodology for their application shall be quoted in the Letter of Tender, in accordance with ITT 12.1.

14.5 If so indicated in ITT 1.1, Tenders are invited for individual contracts (lots) or for any combination

of contracts (packages). Tenderers wishing to offer any price reduction for the award of more than one Contract shall specify in their Tender the price reductions applicable to each package, or alternatively, to individual Contracts within the package. Price reductions or discounts shall be submitted in accordance with ITT 14.3, provided the Tenders for all contracts are submitted and opened at the same time.

- 14.6 Unless otherwise **provided in the BDS** and the Conditions of Contract, the prices quoted by the Tenderer shall be fixed. If the prices quoted by the Tenderer are subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract in accordance with the provisions of the Conditions of Contract, the Tenderer shall furnish the indices and weightings for the price adjustment formulae in the Schedule of Adjustment Data in Section IV (Tendering Forms) and the Employer may require the Tenderer to justify its proposed indices and weightings.
- 14.7 All duties, taxes, and other levies payable by the Contractor under the Contract, or for any other cause, as of the date 28 days prior to the deadline for submission of Tenders, shall be included in the rates and prices and the total Tender price submitted by the Tenderer.

15. Currencies of Tender and Payment

- 15.1 The currency(ies) of the Tender shall be as **specified in the BDS**.
- 15.2 Tenderers may be required by the Employer to justify, to the Employer's satisfaction, their local and foreign currency requirements, and to substantiate that the amounts included in the prices shown in the appropriate form(s) of Section IV, in which case a detailed breakdown of the foreign currency requirements shall be provided by Tenderers.

16. Documents Comprising the Technical Proposal

- 16.1 The Tenderer shall furnish a Technical Proposal including a statement of work methods, equipment, personnel, schedule and any other information as stipulated in Section IV (Tendering Forms), in sufficient detail to demonstrate the adequacy of the Tenderers' proposal to meet the work requirements and the completion time.

17. Documents Establishing the Qualifications of the Tenderer

- 17.1 To establish its qualifications to perform the Contract in accordance with Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria) the Tenderer shall provide the information requested in the corresponding information sheets included in Section IV (Tendering Forms).

18. Period of Validity of Tenders

- 18.1 Tenders shall remain valid for the period **specified in the BDS** after the Tender submission deadline date prescribed by the Employer. A Tender valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the Employer as nonresponsive.
- 18.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the Tender validity period, the Employer may request Tenderers to extend the period of validity of their Tenders. The request and the responses shall be made in writing. If a Tender security is requested in accordance with ITT 19, it shall also be extended for a corresponding period. A Tenderer may refuse the request without forfeiting its Tender security. A Tenderer granting the request shall not be required or permitted to

modify its Tender.

- 18.3 In the case of fixed price contracts, if the award is delayed by a period exceeding fifty-six (56) days beyond the expiry of the initial Tender validity, the Contract price shall be adjusted by a factor specified in the request for extension. Tender evaluation shall be based on the Tender Price without taking into consideration the above correction.

19. Tender Security

- 19.1 Unless otherwise **specified in the BDS**, the Tenderer shall furnish as part of its Tender, in original form, either a Tender Securing Declaration or a Tender security **as specified in the BDS**. In the case of a Tender security, the amount shall be **as specified in the BDS**.

19.2 A Tender Securing Declaration shall use the form included in Section IV Tendering Forms.

- 19.3 If a Tender security is specified pursuant to ITT 19.1, the Tender security shall be, at the Tenderer's option, in any of the following forms:

- (a) an unconditional guarantee, issued by a bank or surety;
- (b) a cashier's or certified check; or
- (c) another security **indicated in the BDS**.

from a reputable source from an eligible country. If the unconditional guarantee is issued by an insurance company or bonding company located outside the Employer's Country, it shall have a correspondent financial institution located in the Republic of Maldives. In the case of a bank guarantee, the Tender security shall be submitted either using the Tender Security Form included in Section IV (Tendering Forms) or in another substantially similar format approved by the Employer prior to Tender submission. In either case, the form must include the complete name of the Tenderer. The Tender security shall be valid for twenty-eight days (28) beyond the original validity period of the Tender, or beyond any period of extension if requested under ITT 18.2.

- 19.4 Any Tender not accompanied by an enforceable and substantially compliant Tender security or Tender Securing Declaration, if required in accordance with ITT 19.1, shall be rejected by the Employer as nonresponsive.

19.5 If a Tender security is specified pursuant to ITT 19.1, the Tender security of unsuccessful Tenderers shall be returned as promptly as possible upon the successful Tenderer's furnishing of the performance security pursuant to ITT 41.

19.6 If a Tender security is specified pursuant to ITT 19.1, the Tender security of the successful Tenderer shall be returned as promptly as possible once the successful Tenderer has signed the Contract and furnished the required performance security.

19.7 The Tender security may be forfeited or the Tender Securing Declaration executed:

- (a) if a Tenderer withdraws its Tender during the period of Tender validity specified by the Tenderer on the Letter of Tender, except as provided in ITT 18.2 or
- (b) if the successful Tenderer fails to:

- (i) sign the Contract in accordance with ITT 40; or
- (ii) furnish a performance security in accordance with ITT 41.

19.8 The Tender Security or the Tender Securing Declaration of a JV shall be in the name of the JV that submits the Tender. If the JV has not been constituted into a legally-enforceable JV, at the time of tendering, the Tender Security or the Tender Securing Declaration shall be in the names of all future partners as named in the letter of intent mentioned in ITT 4.1.

20. Format and Signing of Tender

20.1 The Tenderer shall prepare one original of the documents comprising the Tender as described in ITT 11 and clearly mark it “ORIGINAL”. Alternative Tenders, if permitted in accordance with ITT 13, shall be clearly marked “ALTERNATIVE”. In addition, the Tenderer shall submit copies of the Tender in the number **specified in the BDS**, and clearly mark each of them “COPY.” In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.

20.2 The original and all copies of the Tender shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by a person duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Tenderer. This authorization shall consist of a written confirmation as **specified in the BDS** and shall be attached to the Tender. The name and position held by each person signing the authorization must be typed or printed below the signature.

20.3 Any amendments such as interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialled by the person signing the Tender.

D. Submission and Opening of Tenders

21. Sealing and Marking of Tenders

21.1 Tenderers may always submit their Tenders by mail or by hand. When so **specified in the BDS**, Tenderers shall have the option of submitting their Tenders electronically. Procedures for submission, sealing and marking are as follows:

- (a) Tenderers submitting Tenders by mail or by hand shall enclose the original and each copy of the Tender, including alternative Tenders, if permitted in accordance with ITT 13, in separate sealed envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as “ORIGINAL”, “ALTERNATIVE” and “COPY.” These envelopes containing the original and the copies shall then be enclosed in one single envelope. The rest of the procedure shall be in accordance with ITT sub-Clauses 22.2 and 22.3.
- (b) Tenderers submitting Tenders electronically shall follow the electronic Tender submission procedures **specified in the BDS**.

21.2 The inner and outer envelopes shall:

- (a) bear the name and address of the Tenderer;
- (b) be addressed to the Employer as **provided in the BDS** pursuant to ITT 22.1;

- (c) bear the specific identification of this tendering process indicated in accordance with ITT 1.1; and
- (d) bear a warning not to open before the time and date for Tender opening.

21.3 If all envelopes are not sealed and marked as required, the Employer will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the Tender.

22. Deadline for Submission of Tenders

22.1 Tenders must be received by the Employer at the address and no later than the date and time indicated in the **BDS**.

22.2 The Employer may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of Tenders by amending the Tendering Document in accordance with ITT 8, in which case all rights and obligations of the Employer and Tenderers previously subject to the deadline shall thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

23. Late Tenders

23.1 The Employer shall not consider any Tender that arrives after the deadline for submission of Tenders, in accordance with ITT 22. Any Tender received by the Employer after the deadline for submission of Tenders shall be declared late, rejected, and returned unopened to the Tenderer.

24. Withdrawal, Substitution, and Modification of Tenders

24.1 A Tenderer may withdraw, substitute, or modify its Tender after it has been submitted by sending a written notice, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization in accordance with ITT 20.2, (except that withdrawal notices do not require copies). The corresponding substitution or modification of the Tender must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be:

- (a) prepared and submitted in accordance with ITT 20 and ITT 21 (except that withdrawal notices do not require copies), and in addition, the respective envelopes shall be clearly marked “WITHDRAWAL,” “SUBSTITUTION,” “MODIFICATION;” and
- (b) received by the Employer prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of Tenders, in accordance with ITT 22.

24.2 Tenders requested to be withdrawn in accordance with ITT 24.1 shall be returned unopened to the Tenderers.

24.3 No Tender may be withdrawn, substituted, or modified in the interval between the deadline for submission of Tenders and the expiration of the period of Tender validity specified by the Tenderer on the Letter of Tender or any extension thereof.

25. Tender Opening

25.1 The Employer shall open the Tenders in public at the address, date and time **specified in the BDS** in the presence of Tenderers’ designated representatives and anyone who choose to attend. Any specific electronic Tender opening procedures required if electronic tendering is permitted in

accordance with ITT 21.1, shall be as **specified in the BDS**.

- 25.2 First, envelopes marked “WITHDRAWAL” shall be opened and read out and the envelope with the corresponding Tender shall not be opened, but returned to the Tenderer. No Tender withdrawal shall be permitted unless the corresponding withdrawal notice contains a valid authorization to request the withdrawal and is read out at Tender opening. Next, envelopes marked “SUBSTITUTION” shall be opened and read out and exchanged with the corresponding Tender being substituted, and the substituted Tender shall not be opened, but returned to the Tenderer. No Tender substitution shall be permitted unless the corresponding substitution notice contains a valid authorization to request the substitution and is read out at Tender opening. Envelopes marked “MODIFICATION” shall be opened and read out with the corresponding Tender. No Tender modification shall be permitted unless the corresponding modification notice contains a valid authorization to request the modification and is read out at Tender opening. Only envelopes that are opened and read out at Tender opening shall be considered further.
- 25.3 All other envelopes shall be opened one at a time, reading out: the name of the Tenderer and the Tender Price(s), including any discounts and alternative Tenders and indicating whether there is a modification; the presence of a Tender security or Tender securing Declaration, if required; and any other details as the Employer may consider appropriate. Only discounts and alternative offers read out at Tender opening shall be considered for evaluation. No Tender shall be rejected at Tender opening except for late Tenders, in accordance with ITT 23.1.
- 25.4 The Employer shall prepare a record of the Tender opening that shall include, as a minimum: the name of the Tenderer and whether there is a withdrawal, substitution, or modification; the Tender Price, per contract if applicable, including any discounts and alternative offers; and the presence or absence of a Tender security, if one was required. The Tenderers’ representatives who are present shall be requested to sign the record. The omission of a Tenderer’s signature on the record shall not invalidate the contents and effect of the record. A copy of the record shall be distributed to all Tenderers.

E. Evaluation and Comparison of Tenders

26. Confidentiality

- 26.1 Information relating to the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification of Tenders and recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to Tenderers or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until information on Contract award is communicated to all Tenderers.
- 26.2 Any attempt by a Tenderer to influence the Employer in the evaluation of the Tenders or Contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its Tender.
- 26.3 Notwithstanding ITT 25.2, from the time of Tender opening to the time of Contract award, if any Tenderer wishes to contact the Employer on any matter related to the tendering process, it may do

so in writing.

27. Clarification of Tenders

27.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation, and comparison of the Tenders, and qualification of the Tenderers, the Employer may, at its discretion, ask any Tenderer for a clarification of its Tender. Any clarification submitted by a Tenderer that is not in response to a request by the Employer shall not be considered. The Employer's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. No change in the prices or substance of the Tender shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by the Employer in the evaluation of the Tenders, in accordance with ITT 31.

27.2 If a Tenderer does not provide clarifications of its Tender by the date and time set in the Employer's request for clarification, its Tender may be rejected.

28. Deviations, Reservations, and Omissions

28.1 During the evaluation of Tenders, the following definitions apply:

- (a) "Deviation" is a departure from the requirements specified in the Tendering Document;
- (b) "Reservation" is the setting of limiting conditions or withholding from complete acceptance of the requirements specified in the Tendering Document; and
- (c) "Omission" is the failure to submit part or all of the information or documentation required in the Tendering Document.

29. Determination of Responsiveness

29.1 The Employer's determination of a Tender's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the Tender itself, as defined in ITT11.

29.2 A substantially responsive Tender is one that meets the requirements of the Tendering Document without material deviation, reservation, or omission. A material deviation, reservation, or omission is one that,

- (a) if accepted, would:
 - (i) affect in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the Works specified in the Contract; or
 - (ii) limit in any substantial way, inconsistent with the Tendering Document, the Employer's rights or the Tenderer's obligations under the proposed Contract; or
- (b) if rectified, would unfairly affect the competitive position of other Tenderers presenting substantially responsive Tenders.

29.3 The Employer shall examine the technical aspects of the Tender submitted in accordance with ITT 16, Technical Proposal, in particular, to confirm that all requirements of Section VI (Employer's Requirements) have been met without any material deviation, reservation or omission.

29.4 If a Tender is not substantially responsive to the requirements of the Tendering Document, it shall

be rejected by the Employer and may not subsequently be made responsive by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.

30. Nonconformities, Errors, and Omissions

30.1 Provided that a Tender is substantially responsive, the Employer may waive any nonconformities in the Tender.

30.2 Provided that a Tender is substantially responsive, the Employer may request that the Tenderer submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, to rectify nonmaterial nonconformities in the Tender related to documentation requirements. Requesting information or documentation on such nonconformities shall not be related to any aspect of the price of the Tender. Failure of the Tenderer to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Tender.

30.3 Provided that a Tender is substantially responsive, the Employer shall rectify quantifiable nonmaterial nonconformities related to the Tender Price. To this effect, the Tender Price may be adjusted, for comparison purposes only, to reflect the price of a missing or non-conforming item or component. The adjustment shall be made using the methods indicated in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).

31. Correction of Arithmetical Errors

31.1 Provided that the Tender is substantially responsive, the Employer shall correct arithmetical errors on the following basis:

- (a) only for unit price contracts, if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of the Employer there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price, in which case the total price as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected;
- (b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and
- (c) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to (a) and (b) above.

31.2 If the Tenderer that submitted the lowest evaluated Tender does not accept the correction of errors, its Tender shall be declared non-responsive.

32. Conversion to Single Currency

32.1 For evaluation and comparison purposes, the currency(ies) of the Tender shall be converted into a single currency as **specified in the BDS**.

33. Margin of Preference

33.1 A margin of preference shall not apply, **unless otherwise specified in the BDS.**

34. Evaluation of Tenders

34.1 The Employer shall use the criteria and methodologies listed in this Clause. No other evaluation criteria or methodologies shall be permitted.

34.2 To evaluate a Tender, the Employer shall consider the following:

- (a) the Tender price, excluding Provisional Sums and the provision, if any, for contingencies in the Summary Bill of Quantities for admeasurement contracts or Schedule of Prices for lump sum contracts, but including Day-work items, where priced competitively;
- (b) price adjustment for correction of arithmetic errors in accordance with ITT 31.1;
- (c) price adjustment due to discounts offered in accordance with ITT 14.3;
- (d) converting the amount resulting from applying (a) to (c) above, if relevant, to a single currency in accordance with ITT 32;
- (e) adjustment for nonconformities in accordance with ITT 30.3;
- (f) application of all the evaluation factors indicated in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria);

34.3 The estimated effect of the price adjustment provisions of the Conditions of Contract, applied over the period of execution of the Contract, shall not be taken into account in Tender evaluation.

34.4 If this Tendering Document allows Tenderers to quote separate prices for different contracts (lots), and to award multiple contracts to a single Tenderer, the methodology to determine the lowest evaluated price of the contract combinations, including any discounts offered in the Letter of Tender, is specified in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).

34.5 If the lowest Evaluated Tender for an admeasurement contract is, in the opinion of the Employer, seriously unbalanced, front loaded or substantially below updated estimates, the Employer may require the Tenderer to produce detailed price analyses for any or all items of the Bill of Quantities, to demonstrate the internal consistency of those prices with the construction methods and schedule proposed. After evaluation of the price analyses, taking into consideration the schedule of estimated Contract payments, the Employer may require that the amount of the performance security be increased at the expense of the Tenderer to a level sufficient to protect the Employer against financial loss in the event of default of the successful Tenderer under the Contract.

35. Comparison of Tenders

35.1 The Employer shall compare all substantially responsive Tenders in accordance with ITT 34.2 to determine the lowest evaluated Tender.

36. Qualification of the Tenderer

- 36.1 The Employer shall determine to its satisfaction whether the Tenderer that is selected as having submitted the lowest evaluated and substantially responsive Tender meets the qualifying criteria specified in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).
- 36.2 The determination shall be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Tenderer's qualifications submitted by the Tenderer, pursuant to ITT 17.1.
- 36.3 An affirmative determination of qualification shall be a prerequisite for award of the Contract to the Tenderer. A negative determination shall result in disqualification of the Tender, in which event the Employer shall proceed to the next lowest evaluated Tender to make a similar determination of that Tenderer's qualifications to perform satisfactorily.

37. Employer's Right to Accept Any Tender, and to Reject Any or All Tenders

- 37.1 The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any Tender, and to annul the tendering process and reject all Tenders at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to Tenderers. In case of annulment, all Tenders submitted and specifically, Tender securities, shall be promptly returned to the Tenderers.

F. Award of Contract**38. Award Criteria**

- 38.1 Subject to ITT 37.1, the Employer shall award the Contract to the Tenderer whose offer has been determined to be the lowest evaluated Tender and is substantially responsive to the Tendering Document, provided further that the Tenderer is determined to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.

39. Notification of Award

- 39.1 Prior to the expiration of the period of Tender validity, the Employer shall notify the successful Tenderer, in writing, via the Letter of Acceptance included in the Contract Forms, that its Tender has been accepted. At the same time, the Employer shall also notify all other Tenderers of the results of the tendering.
- 39.2 Until a formal contract is prepared and executed, the Letter of Acceptance shall constitute a binding Contract.
- 39.3 The Employer shall promptly respond in writing to any unsuccessful Tenderer who, after notification of award in accordance with ITT 39.1, requests in writing the grounds on which its Tender was not selected.
- 39.4 Any Tenderer may seek administrative review by a written inquiry to the Procuring Entity (Employer), which it considers to be in breach of the Financial Regulations. Any application for review must be submitted in writing to the Accountable Officer of the Procuring Entity, within ten working days from the date the Tenderer knew, or should have known, of the circumstances giving rise to the complaint. If the Accountable Officer does not issue a decision within ten days, or the

Tenderer is not satisfied with the decision, the Tenderer may submit a complaint to the Public Procurement Division.

40. Signing of Contract

40.1 Promptly upon notification, the Employer shall send the successful Tenderer the Contract Agreement.

40.2 Within twenty-eight (28) days of receipt of the Contract Agreement, the successful Tenderer shall sign, date, and return it to the Employer.

41. Performance Security

41.1 Within twenty-eight (28) days of the receipt of notification of award from the Employer, the successful Tenderer shall furnish the performance security in accordance with the conditions of contract, subject to ITT 34.5, using for that purpose the Performance Security Form included in Section IX (Contract Forms), or another form acceptable to the Employer. If the performance security furnished by the successful Tenderer is in the form of a bond, it shall be issued by a bonding or insurance company that has been determined by the successful Tenderer to be acceptable to the Employer. A foreign institution providing a bond shall have a correspondent financial institution located in the Employer's Country.

41.2 Failure of the successful Tenderer to submit the above-mentioned Performance Security or to sign the Contract Agreement shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the Tender security. In that event the Employer may award the Contract to the next lowest evaluated Tenderer whose offer is substantially responsive and is determined by the Employer to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.

42. Adjudicator

42.1 The Employer proposes the person **named in the BDS** to be appointed as Adjudicator under the Contract, at the hourly fee **specified in the BDS**, plus reimbursable expenses. If the Tenderer disagrees with this proposal, the Tenderer should so state in his Tender. If, in the Letter of Acceptance, the Employer does not agree on the appointment of the Adjudicator, the Employer will request the Appointing Authority designated in the Particular Conditions of Contract (PCC) pursuant to Clause 23.1 of the General Conditions of Contract (GCC), to appoint the Adjudicator.

Section II - Bid Data Sheet (BDS)

ITT reference	Tender data that supplements the ITT
A. Introduction	
ITT 1.1	<p>The Employer (Procuring Entity) is: Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology</p> <p>The name of the Bidding process is: National Competitive Bidding (NCB)</p> <p>The procurement reference number of the Bidding process is: (IUL)438-ENV/438/2022/59</p>
ITT 2.1	<p>The name of the Project is: Establishment of Interim Storage Facility for Hazardous Wastes in Addu City</p>
ITT 3.1(d)	<p>A list of firms suspended from participating in Government funded projects is available at http://www.finance.gov.mv</p>
ITT 4.1	Joint Ventures are not eligible for this tender
ITT 4.3 (f)	<p>The following grades of contractors registered under National Contractors Registry will be eligible to participate in this tender. GC01</p>
B. Tendering Documents	
ITT 7.1	<p>For clarification purposes only, the Employer's address is:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Project Manager Eliminating Persistent Organic Pollutants Through Sound Management of Chemicals Project Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology Green Building, Handhuvaree Hingun, Maafannu, Male', 20392, Republic of Maldives. Tel: +(960) 301 8300 Email: procurement@environment.gov.mv CC: asnan-ahmed@environment.gov.mv</p> <p>Requests for clarification should be received by the Employer no later than: Clarification Deadline is: 20 March 2022</p>
ITT 7.4	<p>Pre-bid meeting will take place on 14 March 2022 at 10:00 AM at the Ministry.</p> <p>A site visit conducted by the Employer shall not be organized.</p>

ITT reference	Tender data that supplements the ITT
C. Preparation of Tenders	
ITT 10.1	The language of the Tender is: English
ITT 11.1(b)	<p>The following schedules shall be submitted with the Tender:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill of Quantities • Work Schedule
ITT 11.1 (i)	<p>The Tenderer shall submit with its Tender the following additional documents:</p> <p>The Tenderer shall submit the following additional documents in its tender:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Power of Attorney to confirm authorization of the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder, in accordance with ITT Clause 20.2. 2. Business Registration Certificate. Registration is not required for International bidders at this stage. However, international bidders shall be responsible to ensure that they confirm with required registration under Foreign Investment Registration and Foreign Direct Investment Policy requirements of Maldives prior to bid submission. For more information please visit: http://www.trade.gov.mv/ 3. GST Registration Certificate. International foreign companies who are already engaged in any work in Maldives, or have re-registered their entity in the Maldives, or have incorporated a company in Maldives shall be eligible to pay local taxes under tax regulations of the Maldives. For more information please visit: https://www.mira.gov.mv/ 4. National Contractors Registry Certificate. All contractors should adhere to National Contractors Registry and all relevant guidelines and shall sought any permits, if required, applicable at the time of submission of the tender. Registration is not required for International bidders at this stage, however, international bidders shall submit the documents as per clause 13 of ‘Construction Industry Contractor’s Regulation’ at the time of submission. For more information please visit: http://www.planning.gov.mv/
ITT 13.1	Alternative Tenders shall not be permitted.
ITT 13.2	<p>The duration for completion of Works is 120 days</p> <p>Alternative times for completion shall not be permitted.</p>

ITT reference	Tender data that supplements the ITT
ITT 13.4	Alternative technical solutions shall not be permitted
ITT 14.6	The prices quoted by the Tenderer shall not be subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract.
ITT 14.7	All bids shall be quoted inclusive of all applicable local taxes and GST. Where bid prices quoted is not indicated or mentioned as “exclusive” of GST or local taxes, the Purchaser have the right to take the quoted bid price deemed to be inclusive of GST and all applicable local taxes.
ITT 15.1	The prices shall be quoted by the Tenderer in: Maldivian Rufiyaa (MVR)
ITT 18.1	The Bids shall be valid for 90 days from the date of bid submission.
ITT 19.1	The Tenderer shall furnish a Bid security in the amount of: MVR 18,000.00 The validity of the bid security shall be: 28 days beyond the validity of the Tender.
ITT 19.3(d)	None
ITT 20.1	In addition to the Original of the Tender, the number of copies required is: None
ITT 20.2	The written confirmation of authorization to sign on behalf of the Tenderer shall indicate: (a) The name and description of the documentation required to demonstrate the authority of the signatory to sign the Tender such as a Power of Attorney; and (b) In the case of Tenders submitted by an existing or intended JV an undertaking signed by all parties (i) stating that all parties shall be jointly and severally liable, if so required in accordance with ITT 4.1(a), and (ii) nominating a Representative who shall have the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the parties of the JV during the tendering process and, in the event the JV is awarded the Contract, during contract execution.”]
D. Submission and Opening of Tenders	
ITT 21.1	Tenderers shall not have the option of submitting their Tenders electronically.
ITT 22.1	For Tender submission purposes only, the Employer’s address is:

ITT reference	Tender data that supplements the ITT
	<p>For Bid submission purposes only, the Employer's address is:</p> <p>Eliminating Persistent Organic Pollutants Through Sound Management of Chemicals Project, Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology, Green Building, Handhuvaree Hingun, Maafannu, Male', 20392, Republic of Maldives.</p> <p>The deadline for Bid submission is:</p> <p>Date: 24 March 2022 Time: 11:00hrs</p>
ITT 25.1	<p>The Bid opening shall take place at:</p> <p>Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology Green Building, Handhuvaree Hingun, Male', Maldives</p> <p>Date: 24 March 2022 Time: 11:00hrs</p>
E. Evaluation and Comparison of Tenders	
ITT 32.1	Not applicable.
ITT 42.1	The Adjudicator proposed by the Employer is: Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology

Section III - Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

This section contains all the criteria that the Employer shall use to evaluate Tenders, and qualify Tenderers if the tendering was not preceded by a prequalification exercise and post qualification is applied. In accordance with ITT 34 and ITT 36, no other methods, criteria and factors shall be used. The Tenderer shall provide all the information requested in the forms included in Section IV (Tendering Forms).

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Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

1. Evaluation

In addition to the criteria listed in ITT 34.1 (a) – (e) the following criteria shall apply;

- Tax clearance of the lowest evaluated bidder shall be checked prior to contract award.
- NCR grading and Tendering Limit of all the bidders shall be assessed. All bidders should adhere to NCR Grading and tendering limits and no bidder shall bid above the Tendering Limit specified in the corresponding NCR Grade and in case of such, the bid shall be disqualified: NA
- Lowest Evaluated bidder shall be assessed for any past work commitments with in the last 2 years with Government of Maldives which had been terminated due to poor performance. In addition, past work completed by the lowest evaluated bidder will be assessed by the concerned stakeholder for their overall performance.
- Employer’s requirement (issued with the bidding document) for the project must be met.

1.1 Adequacy of Technical Proposal

Evaluation of the Bidder's Technical Proposal will include an assessment of the Bidder's technical capacity to mobilize key equipment and personnel for the contract consistent with its proposal regarding work methods, scheduling, and material sourcing in sufficient detail and fully in accordance with the requirements stipulated in Section V (Employer's Requirements).

Omission of information on non-significant equipment and personnel requirements described in Section V (Employer's Requirements) shall not be a ground for bid rejection and such non-compliance will be subject to clarification during bid evaluation and rectification prior to contract award.

1.3 Completion Time

If the duration for completion of works proposed by bidder is more than the allowed duration stated in the bid, the duration would be revised to fit the maximum allowed duration.

An alternative Completion Time, if permitted under ITT 13.2, will be evaluated as follows: Not Applicable

1.4 Technical Alternatives

Technical alternatives, if permitted under ITT 13.4, will be evaluated as follows:
Not Applicable

2. Qualification

Factor	2.1 Eligibility					
Sub-Factor	Requirement	Criteria				Documentation Required
		Single Entity	Tenderer			
	All partners combined		Each partner	At least one partner		
2.1.1 Nationality	Nationality in accordance with ITT 4.2.	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Form ELI –1.1 and ELI 1.2, with attachments
2.1.2 Conflict of Interest	No conflicts of interests as described in ITT 4.4.	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Letter of Tender
2.1.3 Government Suspension	Not having been suspended from participation in public procurement by the Government as described in ITT 4.5.	Must meet requirement	N / A	N / A	N / A	Letter of Tender
2.1.4 Government Owned Entity	Compliance with conditions of ITT 4.6	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Form ELI –1.1 and 1.2, with attachments

Factor	2.2 Financial Situation					
Sub-Factor	Criteria					Documentation Required
	Requirement	Tenderer				
		Single Entity	Joint Venture, Consortium or Association			
All partners combined			Each partner	At least one partner		
2.2.1 Historical Financial Performance	Submission of audited balance sheets or if not required by the law of the Tenderer's country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last three (3) years to demonstrate the current soundness of the Tenderers financial position and its prospective long-term profitability.	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Form FIN – 2.1 with attachments
2.2.2. Average Annual Turnover	Minimum average annual turnover of MVR 900,000 , within the last three (3) years.	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Form FIN –2.2
2.2.3. Financial Resources	The Tenderer must demonstrate access to, or availability of, financial resources such as liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and other financial means, other than any contractual advance payments to meet: (i) the following cash-flow requirement: MVR 900,000	Must meet requirement	N / A	N / A	N / A	Form FIN –2.1 and FIN 2.3

Factor	2.3 Experience					
Sub-Factor	Criteria					Documentation Required
	Requirement	Tenderer				
		Single Entity	Joint Venture, Consortium or Association			
All partners combined			Each partner	At least one partner		
2.3.1 General Experience	Experience under contracts in the role of contractor, subcontractor, or management contractor for at least the last 3 years prior to the applications submission deadline.	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Form EXP-2.4
2.3.2 Specific Experience	Participation as contractor, management contractor, or subcontractor, in at least 2 contracts within the last 5 years, each with a value of at least MVR 900,000 million that have been successfully and substantially completed and that are similar to the proposed Works. The similarity shall be based on the physical size, complexity, methods/technology or other characteristics as described in Section VI, Employer's Requirements.	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Form EXP 2.4.1

2.4 Personnel

The Tenderer must demonstrate that it will have the personnel for the key positions that meet the following requirements:

	Position	No.s	Total Work Experience (years)	In Similar Works Experience (years)
1	Project Manager	1	5	3
2	Civil Engineer	1	5	3
3	Site Supervisor	1	3	2

The Tenderer shall provide details of the proposed personnel and their experience records in the relevant Forms included in Section IV, Tendering Forms.

2.5 Equipment

The Tenderer must demonstrate that it will have access to the key Contractor's equipment listed hereafter:

No.	Equipment Type and Characteristics	Minimum Number required
1	Concrete Mixer/ Machine	1
3	Truck	1
4	Excavator	1

The Tenderer shall provide further details of proposed items of equipment using the relevant Form in Section IV.

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Letter of Tender

NOTE TO TENDERERS: Letter of Tender shall be in the Company Letter head.

Note: All italicized text is for use in preparing these forms and shall be deleted from the final products.

Date: _____

Tenderer's Reference No.: _____

Procurement Reference No.: _____

To: Project Manager
Eliminating Persistent Organic Pollutants Through Sound Management of Chemicals Project
Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology
Green Building, Handhuvaree Hingun, Maafannu, Male', 20392, Republic of Maldives.

We, the undersigned, declare that:

- (a) We have examined and have no reservations to the Tendering Documents, including Addenda issued in accordance with Instructions to Tenderers (ITT) Clause 8;
- (b) We offer to execute in conformity with the Tendering Documents of the following Works:
{(IUL) 438-ENV/438/2022/59– Establishment of Interim Storage Facility for Hazardous Wastes in Addu City};
- (c) The total lump-sum fixed price of our Tender, excluding Goods and Services Tax (GST) in item (d) and excluding any discounts offered in item (e) below is:
.....; *[amount in numbers & words]*
- (d) The amount for Goods and Services Tax (GST) is
[amount in numbers & words]
- (e) The discounts offered and the methodology for their application are:
.....;
- (f) We undertake, if our Bid is accepted, to commence the Works as soon as is reasonably possible and to complete the whole of the Works comprised in the Contract within
(days).
- (g) Our Tender shall be valid for a period of _____ {insert validity period as specified in ITT 18.1.] days from the date fixed for the Tender submission deadline in accordance with the Tendering Documents, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period;
- (h) If price adjustment provisions apply, the Table(s) of Adjustment Data shall be considered part of this Tender;¹
- (i) If our Tender is accepted, we commit to obtain a performance security in accordance with the Tendering Document;
- (j) Our firm, including any subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract, have nationalities from eligible countries;

¹ *Include if price adjustment provisions apply in the Contract in accordance with PCC Sub-Clause 13.8 Adjustments for Changes in Cost.*

- (k) We, including any subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract, are eligible in accordance with ITT Sub-Clause 4.3 and do not have any conflict of interest in accordance with ITT 4.4;
- (l) We are not participating, as a Tenderer or as a subcontractor, in more than one Tender in this tendering process in accordance with ITT 4.4, other than alternative offers submitted in accordance with ITT 13;
- (m) Our firm, its affiliates or subsidiaries, including any Subcontractors or Suppliers for any part of the contract, has not been suspended from public procurement by the Government, under the laws or official regulations of the Republic of Maldives;
- (n) We are not a government owned entity/We are a government owned entity but meet the requirements of ITT 4.6;²
- (o) We have paid, or will pay the following commissions, gratuities, or fees with respect to the tendering process or execution of the Contract: ³

Name of Recipient	Address	Reason	Amount
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- (p) We understand that this Tender, together with your written acceptance thereof included in your notification of award, shall constitute a binding contract between us, until a formal contract is prepared and executed;
- (q) We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest evaluated Tender or any other Tender that you may receive; and
- (r) If awarded the contract, the person named below shall act as Contractor’s Representative:
.....

Signed: {insert signature of authorised person}

Name: {insert complete name of person signing}

In the capacity of: {insert legal capacity of person signing}

Duly authorized to sign the tender for and on behalf of {insert complete name of Tenderer and Company stamp}

Date: day of {DD/MM/YY}

² Use one of the two options as appropriate.
³ If none has been paid or is to be paid, indicate “none”.

Price Schedules

Bill of Quantities

[Note: Bidders shall submit fully priced Bills of Quantities for the projects mentioned below].

Each page of the Bills of Quantities or the Schedule of Activities should be signed by a person with the proper authority to sign documents for the Bidder].

The Bill of Quantities (BOQ) attached with this Tender Document are;

Bill of Quantities	
Project Number	Project Name
(IUL)438- ENV/438/2022/59	Establishment of Interim Storage Facility for Hazardous Wastes in Addu City

Work Schedule

Note: Bidders shall submit **work schedule** for **each project separately**. Project name, Project number, client and duration should be clearly indicated.

Each page of the Work Schedule should be signed by a person with the proper authority to sign documents for the Bidder.

The work schedule should be submitted for the following projects;

Work Schedule	
Project Number	Project Name
(IUL)438- ENV/438/2022/59	Establishment of Interim Storage Facility for Hazardous Wastes in Addu City

Form of Tender Security (Bank Guarantee)

The Issuing Bank shall fill in this Bank Guarantee Form in accordance with the instructions indicated.

..... {Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office}

Beneficiary: {Name and Address of Employer}

Date:

TENDER GUARANTEE No.: _____

We have been informed that _____ {name of the Tenderer} (hereinafter called "the Tenderer") has submitted to you its Tender dated _____ (hereinafter called "the Tender") for the execution of _____ {name of contract} under Invitation for Tenders No. _____ ("the IFB").

Furthermore, we understand that, according to your conditions, Tenders must be supported by a Tender guarantee.

At the request of the Tenderer, we _____ {name of Bank} hereby irrevocably undertake to pay you any sum or sums not exceeding in total an amount of _____ [amount in figures] (_____) [amount in words] upon receipt by us of your first demand in writing accompanied by a written statement stating that the Tenderer is in breach of its obligation(s) under the Tender conditions, because the Tenderer:

- (a) has withdrawn its Tender during the period of Tender validity specified by the Tenderer in the Form of Tender; or
- (b) having been notified of the acceptance of its Tender by the Employer during the period of Tender validity, (i) fails or refuses to execute the Contract Form, if required, or (ii) fails or refuses to furnish the performance security, in accordance with the ITT.

This guarantee will expire: (a) if the Tenderer is the successful Tenderer, upon our receipt of copies of the contract signed by the Tenderer and the performance security issued to you upon the instruction of the Tenderer; and (b) if the Tenderer is not the successful Tenderer, upon the earlier of (i) our receipt of a copy your notification to the Tenderer of the name of the successful Tenderer; or (ii) {insert date} twenty-eight days after the expiration of the Tenderer's Tender.

Consequently, any demand for payment under this guarantee must be received by us at the office on or before that date.

This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees, ICC Publication No. 758

[signature(s)]

Technical Proposal

Technical Proposal Forms

Personnel

Equipment

Site Organization

Method Statement

Mobilization Schedule

Construction Schedule

Others

Forms for Personnel

Form PER – 1: Proposed Personnel

Tenderers should provide the names of suitably qualified personnel to meet the specified requirements for each of the positions listed in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria). The data on their experience should be supplied using the Form below for each candidate.

1.	Title of position
	Name
2.	Title of position
	Name
3.	Title of position
	Name
4.	Title of position
	Name
5.	Title of position
	Name
6.	Title of position
	Name
7.	Title of position
	Name

Form PER – 2: Resume of Proposed Personnel

The Tenderer shall provide all the information requested below. Fields with asterix (*) shall be used for evaluation.

Position*		
Personnel information	Name *	Date of birth
	Professional qualifications:	
Present employment	Name of Employer	
	Address of Employer	
	Telephone	Contact (manager/personnel officer)
	Fax	E-mail
	Job title	Years with present Employer

Summarize professional experience in reverse chronological order. Indicate particular technical and managerial experience relevant to the project.

From*	To*	Company, Project, Position, and Relevant Technical and Management Experience*

Forms for Equipment

The Tenderer shall provide adequate information to demonstrate clearly that it has the capability to meet the requirements for the key equipment listed in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria). A separate Form shall be prepared for each item of equipment listed, or for alternative equipment proposed by the Tenderer. The Tenderer shall provide all the information requested below, to the extent possible. Fields with asterisk (*) shall be used for evaluation.

Type of Equipment*		
Equipment Information	Name of manufacturer	Model and power rating
	Capacity*	Year of manufacture*
Current Status	Current location	
	Details of current commitments	
Source	Indicate source of the equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Owned <input type="checkbox"/> Rented <input type="checkbox"/> Leased <input type="checkbox"/> Specially manufactured	

The following information shall be provided only for equipment not owned by the Tenderer.

Owner	Name of owner	
	Address of owner	
	Telephone	Contact name and title
	Fax	Telex
Agreements	Details of rental / lease / manufacture agreements specific to the project	

Tenderer’s Qualifications

To establish its qualifications to perform the contract in accordance with Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria) the Tenderer shall provide the information requested in the corresponding Information Sheets included hereunder

Form ELI 1.1**Tenderer Information Sheet**

[The Tenderer shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions indicated below. No alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.]

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Tender Submission]

Tenderer's Reference No: [Insert reference no]

Procurement Reference No.: [insert reference number]

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1. Tenderer's Legal Name	{insert Tenderer's legal name}
2. In case of JV, legal name of each party:	{insert legal name of each party in JV}
3. Tenderer's actual or intended Country of Registration:	{insert actual or intended Country of Registration}
4. Tenderer's Year of Registration:	{insert Tenderer's year of registration}
5. Tenderer's Legal Address in Country of Registration:	{insert Tenderer's legal address in country of registration}
6. Tenderer's Authorized Representative Information	
Name:	{insert Authorized Representative's name}
Address:	{insert Authorized Representative's Address}
Telephone/Fax numbers:	{insert Authorized Representative's tel/fax numbers}
Email Address:	{insert Authorized Representative's email address}
7. Attached are copies of original documents of: {check the box(es) of the attached original documents}	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Articles of Incorporation or Registration of firm named in 1, above, in accordance with ITT Sub-Clauses 4.1 and 4.2.
<input type="checkbox"/>	In case of JV, letter of intent to form JV including a draft agreement, or JV agreement, in accordance with ITT Sub-Clauses 4.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	In case of government owned entity from the Employer's country, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with the principles of commercial law, in accordance with ITT Sub-Clause 4.6.

Form ELI 1.2**Party to Joint Venture Information Sheet****Not Applicable**

[The Tenderer shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions indicated below].

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Tender Submission]

Tenderer's Reference No: [Insert reference no]

Procurement Reference No.: [insert reference]

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1. Tenderer's Legal Name:	{insert Tenderer's legal name}
2. JV's Party legal name:	{insert JV's Party legal name}
3. JV's Party Country of Registration:	{insert JV's Party country of registration}
4. JV's Party Year of Registration:	{insert JV's Part year of registration}
5. JV's Party Legal Address in Country of Registration:	{insert JV's Party legal address in country of registration}
6. JV's Party Authorized Representative Information	
Name:	{insert name of JV's Party authorized representative}
Address:	{insert address of JV's Party authorized representative}
Telephone/Fax numbers:	{insert telephone/fax numbers of JV's Party authorized representative}
Email Address:	{insert email address of JV's Party authorized representative}
7. Attached are copies of original documents of: {check the box(es) of the attached original documents}	
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Articles of Incorporation or Registration of firm named in 1, above, in accordance with ITT Sub-Clauses 4.1 and 4.2.	
<input type="checkbox"/> In case of government owned entity from the Purchaser's country, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with the principles of commercial law, in accordance with ITT Sub-Clause 4.6.	

Form CCC**Current Contract Commitments/Works in Progress**

Tenderers and each partner to a JV should provide information on their current commitments on all contracts that have been awarded, or for which a letter of intent or acceptance has been received, or for contracts approaching completion, but for which an unqualified, full completion certificate has yet to be issued.

No	Name of contract	Employer, contact address/tel/fax	Value of outstanding work (current MVR equiv)	Estimated completion date	Average monthly invoicing over last six months (MVR/month)
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					

Form FIN – 2.1

Financial Situation

Historical Financial Performance

To be completed by the Tenderer and, if JV, by each partner

Tenderer's Legal Name: _____

Date: _____

JV Partner Legal Name: _____

Tendering No.: _____

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Financial information (US\$ equiv)	Historic information for previous ____ years (MVR equiv in ,000s)				
	2020	2019	2018	Avg.	Avg. Ratio
Information from Balance Sheet					
Total Assets (TA)					
Total Liabilities (TL)					
Net Worth (NW)					
Current Assets (CA)					
Current Liabilities (CL)					
Information from Income Statement					
Total Revenue (TR)					
Profits Before Taxes (PBT)					

Attached are copies of financial statements (balance sheets, including all related notes, and income statements) for the years required above complying with the following conditions:

- Must reflect the financial situation of the Tenderer or partner to a JV, and not sister or parent companies
- Historic financial statements must be audited by a certified accountant
- Historic financial statements must be complete, including all notes to the financial statements
- Historic financial statements must correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited (no statements for partial periods shall be requested or accepted)

Form FIN – 2.2

Average Annual Turnover

Tenderer’s Legal Name: _____ Date: _____

JV Partner Legal Name: _____ Tendering No.: _____

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Annual turnover data		
Year	Amount and Currency	MVR equivalent
2020		
2019		
2018		
*Average Annual Turnover		

*Average annual turnover calculated as total certified payments received for work in progress or completed over the number of years specified in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria), Sub-Factor 2.3.2, divided by that same number of years.

Form FIN2.3**Financial Resources**

Specify proposed sources of financing, such as liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and other financial means, net of current commitments, available to meet the total construction cash flow demands of the subject contract or contracts as indicated in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria)

Source of financing	Amount (MVR equivalent)
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

***Credit reference letters should be attached with the form.*

Note 1: Financial resources such as Line of Credits specified shall be sought from Financial Institutions. All financing facilities sought for other than this specific project, shall be presented along with a written confirmation of the facility balance by the facility provider. The written confirmation shall not carry a date earlier than 30 days prior to the date of bid submission.

Form EXP 2.4**General Experience**

Tenderer's Legal Name: _____ Date: _____

JV Partner Legal Name: _____ Tendering No.: _____

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Starting Month / Year	Ending Month / Year	Years*	Contract Identification	Role of Tenderer
			Contract name: Brief Description of the Works performed by the Tenderer: Name of Employer: Address:	
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Form EXP – 2.4.1

Specific Experience

Tenderer's Legal Name: _____ Date: _____

JV Partner Legal Name: _____ Procurement Ref No: _____

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Similar Contract	Information		
Number: [insert specific number] of [insert total number of contracts required].			
Contract Identification Number			
Contract Name			
Award date			
Completion date			
Role in Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Contractor	<input type="checkbox"/> Management Contractor	<input type="checkbox"/> Subcontractor
Total contract amount			MVR
If partner in a JV or subcontractor, specify participation of total contract amount	%		MVR
Description of the similarity [in accordance with Sub-Factor 2.4.2a) of Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria)] in:			
Physical size			
Complexity			
Methods/Technology			
Employer's Name:			
Address:			
Telephone/fax number:			
E-mail:			

****Reference Letters should be attached with the forms.**

Note 1: All contracts submitted for specific experience will be subject to verification by the Client.

Note 2: Subcontracts will be considered only for First Tier Subcontracts (Works subcontracted through Primary Contractor) and will be subject to verification by the Client.

Note 3: For the purpose of this bid evaluation, a contract will be considered substantially complete if the overall physical completion of the project is more than or equal to 90%.

Section V - Eligible Countries

Eligibility for the Provision of Works in Public Procurement

1. The Government of the Maldives permits firms and individuals from the Republic of Maldives ONLY.

PART 2 – Employer’s Requirements

Section VI - Employer’s Requirements

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Scope of Works

[The Employer should provide a description of the works, including approximate quantities of major items, which adequately describe the contract scope of work].

Brief Description of Works

1. The Government of Maldives has received funding from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) for the project “Eliminating Persistent Organic Pollutants through the Sound Management of Chemicals”. The Government intends to apply part of the proceeds towards establishment of an interim storage area for potentially Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) contaminated wastes and soil.
2. The main objective of this work is to establish an interim storage facility for hazardous chemicals and wastes within new Regional Waste Management Center in Hithadhoo, Addu City.
3. The Republic of Maldives is a Small Island Developing State (SIDS) which faces sustainable development challenges such as small but growing populations, land scarcity, vulnerability to climate change impacts (and other natural disasters) as well as economic development problems due to high transportation costs, lack of adequate infrastructure and lack of industrial development incentives. The Maldives is an archipelago comprised of 1,190 coral islands in 26 atolls over an area of about 750 km on a North-south axis and 120 km on an east-west axis. The land area of the Maldives accounts for about 1% of the Country’s territory. The Maldives islands are low lying land areas with an average height above sea level of 1.8 meters (m).
4. The country’s population of approximately 400000 people dispersed across 187 inhabited islands. An additional more than 166 islands have tourist resorts. Waste generation is estimated to be 324,000 tons annually with consisting of approximately 0.5 to 11% of hazardous chemicals and of approximately 3-9% of plastics depending on location and size of the island. The fact that (chemical) waste is being generated on 278 island presents the country with an incredible challenge, as land is very scarce, low lying and transportation of chemicals and waste from island to island is costly and complicated. The inadequate storage options and current disposal practices of hazardous chemicals and waste, especially open burning of waste at dumpsites or disposal near the coastline, make it very likely that these toxic chemicals and waste will end up in the waters and oceans. In the Republic of Maldives, the tourism sector accounts for more than 28% percent of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the economy. Tourists to the Maldives are seeking a pristine environment, not one with polluted waters, degraded coral reefs, waste dumps which are openly burning or waste floating in the ocean. Therefore, the Sound Management of Chemicals and waste, especially the environmentally sound management of Persistent Organic Pollutants (hereinafter referred to as POPs) and hazardous waste, is an important element to achieving environmental sustainability. Further, given the economic importance of tourism to the Maldives, implementing environmentally sound chemical and waste management systems would help decouple growth in the tourism sector from environmental degradation.
5. To tackle these environmental and human health risks, the Government of the Republic of Maldives through the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology

- (MECCT) has already taken some steps to try to manage its growing chemicals and waste management problems. Maldives has ratified the Stockholm Convention (SC) on 17 October, 2006 and in accordance to Article 7 of the Convention has submitted its National Implementation Plan (NIP) to the Stockholm Convention Secretariat (SCS) on 18 July, 2017, which covers the initial POPs as well as the new POPs added at the 4th and the 5th Conference of the Parties.
6. According to this NIP the highest-ranking national Priorities are the following:
 - a) First Priority: The Implementation of measures to strengthen the institutional and regulatory framework; which includes the (i) developing legislation for chemicals management; (ii) strengthening institutional capacity; (iii) improving data collection and management systems and (iv) conducting research on the effects of POPs;
 - b) Second Priority: Developing an action plan to eliminate Polychlorinated Bi-Phenyls(PCB) -containing equipment and its wastes by 2025, which includes the (i) identification, labelling and mapping where PCBs and equipment potentially-containing PCBs are located in the country); (ii) putting in place labelling mechanism for all PCB-containing equipment; (iii) establishing adequate storage facilities for replaced equipment containing PCBs; (iv) formulating guidelines for disposal of equipment-containing PCBs; and (v) disposing safely of equipment containing PCBs.
 - c) Reducing the incineration and open burning of wastes (including medical and hazardous waste), which is the source of 98.6% of U-POPs releases in the country-totalling 153.4 g-TEQ/year;
 - d) Raising awareness through the development of education curricula and targeted awareness campaigns;
 - e) Establishing a standard Chemical Management System, including chemical labelling in multiple languages.
 7. In order to address the above-mentioned barriers the project will focus on addressing regulatory/policy barriers, technical and capacity and knowledge barriers so that the Maldives has a) a better foundation to establish a nationwide environmentally sound Management system to address POPs and highly hazardous chemicals, with b) the adequate coordination of key public, private and community stakeholders, regulatory departments, and centers of expertise, and c) the enhanced capacity of all involved, for the Environmentally Sound Management of Chemicals.
 8. The project is implemented by UNDP as GEF’s Implementing Agency and MECCT as national executing agency.
 9. The project will also support implementation of the developmental targets and priorities of the Government set out in the Strategic Action Plan (SAP) for five-year period 2019-2023.
 10. As per NIP of the Maldives, Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) present in the country include potentially PCB contaminated equipment i.e. transformers and switchgears. Currently, there is no proper destruction/elimination option for POPs chemicals and wastes within the country, therefore, these chemicals and wastes will be packaged, labelled and re-exported for their final disposal.
 11. Within the aforementioned GEF POPs Project under “Activity 2.1.2.1: Current PCB interim storage facilities upgraded to ensure environmentally sound storage”, a preliminary work to be conducted in order to Establish an interim storage facility in Addu City within the Regional Waste Management Center in Hithadhoo for storage of all potentially PCB contaminated equipment and soil.

12. For this purpose, an interim hazardous chemical and wastes storage facility will be established within the Regional Waste Management Centre in Addu City.
13. The Government of Maldives, represented by Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology (MECCT), now invites interested eligible companies/firms to submit their proposals according to this. Interested parties must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignment, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).
14. Pre-bid meeting will be held online on 14 March 2022– 10:00 AM at the Ministry.
15. Proposals shall be delivered in a sealed envelope, bearing the name of the project “Establishment of Interim Storage Facility for Hazardous Wastes in Addu City”, bid opening time and date, the address the bid is submitted to (as in the Bidding Document), and the bidders company name, to the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology at the address specified in the Bidding Document. Proposals shall be valid for a period of 90 days from the date of Opening. Electronic submissions are not allowed.
16. Bid clarifications must be sent via email to procurement@environment.gov.mv copied to asnan.ahmed@environmen.gov.mv before 12:00 AM – 20 March 2022.
17. Bids should be submitted on or before 11:00 AM – 24 March 2022 (Only bids submitted at this time will be eligible to proceed to evaluation) to the address below. The proposals will be opened at Maldivian time 11:00 AM – 24 March 2022. Any late bids will be rejected.

Technical Specifications

[Attached in the Tender Documents folder]

Drawings

[Attached in the Tender Documents folder]

List of Drawings		
Project Number	Drawing Number	Drawing Title

Bill of Quantities or Activity Schedule

[Attached in the Tender Documents folder]

[The following units of measurement and abbreviations are recommended for use].

Unit	Abbreviation	Unit	Abbreviation
cubic meter	m ³ or cu m	millimetre	mm
hectare	ha	month	mon
hour	h	number	nr
kilogram	kg	square meter	m ² or sq m
lump sum	sum	square millimetre	mm ² or sq mm
meter	m	week	wk
metric ton (1,000 kg)	t	SS	Stainless Steel
incl	including	litre	Litre
GI	Galvanised Iron		

Supplementary Information

