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**SINDH IRRIGATION & DRAINAGE AUTHORITY
OFFICE OF THE PROJECT DIRECTOR
SINDH WATER & AGRICULTURE TRANSFORMATION
PROJECT (SWAT)**

Hyderabad dated: 12-02-2024

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**Subject: Prequalification Document (PQD) Rehabilitation of Akram Wah Canal – Clarification
Matrix and Addendum No. 1**

Dear All,

Please refer to the subject cited above. It is to inform that SIDA have received the clarification request from the various firms raised queries on PQ document and overall response has been prepared.

In this regard the copy of clarification matrix and addendum No. 1 is enclosed for your information and record please.

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Assignment Title : Rehabilitation of Akram Wah Canal
Project ID : P167596
Loan / Credit No. : 7255-PK
PQD Reference No. : PK-SIDA-364633-CW-RFB SWAT/AW/01- LOTS-Two (2)
Country : Pakistan

Subject: Addendum No. 1 - Prequalification Document (PQD) of Rehabilitation of Akram Wah Canal

Following amendment is made in accordance with ITA 8 of prequalification document (PQD) issued to the Applicants.

S#	Ref.	Issued (Old)	Amended (New)
1	ITA 17.1	The deadline for Application submission and opening is: Date: 15 th February 2024 Time: 3:00 PM Opening: Date: 15 th February 2024 Time: 3.30 PM	The deadline for Application submission and opening is: Date: 7 th March 2024 Time: 3:00 PM Opening: Date: 7 th March 2024 Time: 3.30 PM
2	Section III Qualification and Evaluation Criteria: Clauses 4.2 (a), (b) and (c)	The applicant shall demonstrate his experience under construction contracts in the role of prime contractor, JV member, sub-contractor, or management contractor for at least the last Seven (7) years, starting 1st January 2018.	The applicant shall demonstrate his experience under construction contracts in the role of prime contractor, JV member, sub-contractor, or management contractor for at least the last Seven (7) years, starting 1st January 2017.
3	Section V, Eligible Countries Eligibility for the Provision of Goods, Works and Services in Bank-Financed Procurement	Under ITA 5.1 (a): <i>[insert a list of the countries....]</i> Under ITA 5.1 (b): <i>[list the countries or state.]</i>	Under ITA 5.1 (a) - Israel Under ITA 5.1 (b) - None
All other information and address details will remain the same.			

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S#	Query	Response
1	Referring to Section 1- Instructions to Applicants (ITA), Part C. Preparation of Applications, if a contractor wants to be prequalified for both lots, please confirm if a separate set of Prequalification Application is required for each lot or a single set for both lots shall be enough?	As indicated in the SPN "Applicants who wish to be considered for only one of the two lots shall clearly indicate on the application submission form for which lot they are making an application
2	2. Referring to Section-III Qualification Criteria and Requirements, 4.1(a), 4.2(a), 4.2(b), 4.2(c), please confirm whether the projects completed prior to 1 January 2018, can also be used to demonstrate General and Specific Experience or only those projects which have been completed after 1 January 2018, shall be considered?	Please refer to Addendum 1 which clarifies the year as 2017.
3	Referring to Section V, Eligible Countries, it is to mention that the said section has been left blank. Please fill out the missing part.	Please note that Israel is on a negative list.
4	Referring to Section-II, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, ITA 11.1 (d), The company's Health and Safety Policy and The Company's Anti-Corruption Policy are required. Please clarify, in case of JV, whether the leader has to provide the said policies or all members of JV are required to provide.	All members of the JV are required to provide company's Health and Safety Policy and the company's Anti-Corruption Policy.
5	This is in reference to Prequalification Documents for the project Rehabilitation of Akram Wah Canal under Sindh Water and Agriculture Transformation (SWAT) Project, Section II, PDS clause 10.1 it is mentioned that <i>"This Prequalification document has been issued in the English language.</i> <i>All correspondence exchange shall be in English language.</i> <i>The Application as well as all correspondence shall be submitted in English."</i> However, there is no mention in the Prequalification Documents that if any document being a part of the Application, is in a language other than English it should be Notarized as well. Secondly, as per the normal practice, the documents are not required to be notarized at the prequalification stage. However, the notarization of the documents is generally submitted at the bidding stage. In view of this, please clarify if a simple translation of that document into English language would be acceptable?	Please note that the same query was raised and responded accordingly during the pre-application meeting held on 11 January 2024 in the SIDA Secretariat. Please follow the instructions given ITA 10.1 of PDS, Section II of the PQ document. Please make sure that <i>The Application as well as all correspondence shall be submitted in English</i> as was guided during the meeting. Yes, a simple translation of that document into English language would be acceptable. However, it is the responsibility of the Applicant to ensure accuracy of English translation in view of ITA 10.1 of Section 1 as reproduced below. <i>10.1 The Application as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the prequalification exchanged by the Applicant and the Employer, shall be written</i>

		<i>in the language specified in the PDS. Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the Application may be in another language, provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language specified in the PDS, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Application, the translation shall govern.</i>
6	Please refer to 4.2 (a), (b) and(c) of section III “Qualification and Evaluation Criteria”, it is stated that the applicant shall demonstrate his experience under construction contracts in the role of prime contractor, JV member, sub-contractor, or management contractor for at least the last Seven (7) years, starting 1st January 2018. It seems that there is some typing mistake as seven years from 2018 will result in 2025. We are of the opinion that seven years from submission date of application will be 2017. If our understanding is correct kindly modify the same.	Yes, your understanding is correct both for 4.1 (a) and 4.2(a) which is clarified as under: 4.1 (a) General Construction Experience and 4.2 (a) Specific Construction & Contract Management Experience. Experience under construction contracts in the role of prime contractor, JV member, subcontractor, or management contractor for at least the last Seven (7) years, starting 1st January 2017. Please refer to Addendum 1 which clarifies the year as 2017.
7	Regarding the above criteria and keeping the size of the project, we request that seven year may kindly be changed to ten (10) years (i.e starting from 2013). This change will not only increase the number of applicants but will also result in a more competitive bid.	The above experience of Seven (7) Years has been found sufficient to assess the experience for such type of Works, therefore, it cannot be increased from Seven years to Ten (10) years as suggested.
8	Requested for extension of submission deadline by two weeks.	Please refer to Addendum 1 which informs the revised deadline for submission of Applications as 7 th March 2024.
9	Financial Situation and Performance Proposed change of criteria by the Applicant as under: 3.2: Average Annual Construction Turnover: Minimum average annual construction turnover (last five years): Both Lots: US \$ 22 Million	The request is regretted and cannot be considered for any change or deviation from the criteria set out in the approved PQ Document.

10	Experience Proposed change of criteria by the Applicant as under: 4.2 (b): Specific Construction & Contract Management Experience: Allow contracts between 1- January-2015 and Application submission deadline. One contract or two contracts combined, that include a min. volume of concrete: Lot 1: 176,000 cum Lot 2: 24,000 cum Both Lots: 200,000 Or In the last 10 years three contracts combined, that include a min. volume of concrete: Both Lots: 279,000 The proposed changes in the above-mentioned criteria are due to the following reasons as stated by the Applicant in his request: • Most of the construction activities and projects remained suspended or stalled or slowed down in at least 2 years (between 2019 to 2021) due to Covid19 throughout the world. • As per construction industry practice in Pakistan, most of the large projects are divided into smaller contracts, therefore it is expected that no single similar contract constructed in the last 10 years is large enough to involve even 150,000 cum concrete. The Applicant has requested that the existing criteria in PQD may be relaxed and the proposed criteria may be adopted in the interest of giving chance to many firms and ensuring a healthy competition in the bids.	Cannot be considered for any change or deviation from the criteria set out in the approved PQ Document.
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