Invitation for Tenders

First Date of Publication: 1 June 2022
Loan No. and Title: L-0086A, Nepal Distribution System Upgrade and Expansion Project
Contract No. and Title: ICB-DCSD-2078/79-DSUEP-AIIB-W4, Procurement of material, equipment, associated accessories and necessary installation services including design, erection, testing and commissioning of 33/11 kV Substations and 33 kV, 11 kV, 400 V Lines, and Distribution System Network – Package No. AIIB-W4

Deadline for Submission of Tenders: 21 July 2022 at 12:00 hours (Nepal Standard Time)

1. The Government of Nepal has received financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) toward the cost of Nepal Distribution System Upgrade and Expansion Project (DSUEP), and intends to apply part of this financing towards payments under the contract named above. Tendering is open to prospective Tenderers from eligible source countries of AIIB.

2. The Nepal Electricity Authority (“the Employer”) now invites sealed Tenders (1 stage 2 envelopes) from eligible Tenderers for Procurement of material, equipment, associated accessories and necessary installation services including design, erection, testing and commissioning of 33/11 kV Substations and 33 kV, 11 kV, 400 V Lines, and Distribution Transformers with associated civil works for the Distribution System Network (“the Facilities”).

Package No. AIIB-W4 Sub Projects: Vampuchaur of Rukum West District, Badaban and Samaila of Jajarkot District, Raskot of Kalikot District.

3. International Open Competitive Tendering (IOCT) will be conducted in line with AIIB’s procurement guidelines and is open to all prospective Tenderers from all eligible countries as described in Section V. Tenderers are advised to note that clauses on eligibility and minimum qualification criteria, to qualify for the award of the contract. In addition, please refer to paragraph 4.4 of the “Interim Operational Directives on Procurement Instructions for Recipient” setting forth AIIB’s policy on conflict of interest.

4. To obtain further information and inspect the Tendering Documents, Tenderers should contact:
   The Project Manager
   Nepal Distribution System Upgrade and Expansion Project (AIIB)
   Distribution and Consumer Services Directorate
   Nepal Electricity Authority
   Durbar Marg, Kathmandu
   Tel: +977-1- 4153145
   Electronic mail address: dsuep_aiib@nea.org.np

   Complete tender documents along with amendments, if any, will be posted on the NEA website www.nea.org.np/tender_prequalification. If the prospective tenderers choose to refer to website, it is the responsibility of tenderers to ensure that they are up to date with all necessary information.

   Pre-Bid Meeting shall be held at 12:00 PM on 27 June 2022 at the Project office at Kathmandu, Nepal.

5. To purchase the Tender Document in English, eligible Tenderers should:
   • write to the address above requesting the Tender Document for ICB-DCSD-2078/79-DSUEP-AIIB-W4.
A complete set of tender documents may be purchased by the interested Tenderers on the submission of a written application to the above address upon payment of a non-refundable fee of NRs. 20,000 (Nepalese Rupees Twenty Thousand) only towards the cost of tender document. Alternatively, Tender document may be downloaded from NEA’s website and cost of tender document may be either transferred to NEA’s current Account No. 1701017501532 of Distribution System Upgrade and Expansion Project (DSUEP) at the Nabil Bank Ltd., Teendhara Branch, Kathmandu, Nepal or the cost of Tender document may be submitted in form of Bank Draft drawn in favour of Distribution System Upgrade and Expansion Project (DSUEP) at the Nabil Bank Ltd., Teendhara Branch, Kathmandu, Nepal and can be submitted along with the Tender document.

6. Deliver your tender:
   - to the address above
   - on or before the deadline: 21 July 2022 at 12:00 hours (Nepal Standard Time). No liability will be accepted for lost or late delivery or missing information if the tender is downloaded from the website.
   - together with a Tender Security as described in the Tender Document.
   - Bank draft or proof of wire transfer for the cost of Tender document as mentioned in para. 5 (above) if the Tenderer is downloaded from NEA website.

Technical tenders will be opened on 21 July 2022 at 14:00 Hours in the presence of Tenderers’ representatives who choose to attend.

If the given last date for tender submission happens to be an official holiday, the next working day shall be considered as the date for tender submission and opening.