# **Sindh Public Procurement Regulatory Authority**

### **Bidding Documents**

For

### **National Competitive Bidding**

### **Pakistan**

### Procurement of Non-Consulting Services for Disbursement of Girls' Stipend all over the Sindh

### **PART ONE (FIXED)**

- Instructions to Bidders (ITB)
- General Conditions of Contract (GCC)

### **Preface**

These Bidding Documents have been prepared for use by Procuring agencies and their implementing agencies in the procurement of goods through National Competitive Bidding (NCB).

In order to simplify the preparation of bidding documents for each procurement, the Bidding Documents are grouped in two parts based on provisions which are fixed and that which are specific for each procurement. Provisions which are intended to be used unchanged are in Part one, which includes Section I, Instructions to Bidders, and Section II, General Conditions of Contract. Data and provisions specific to each procurement and contract are included in Part Two which includes Section II, Bid Data Sheet; Section III, Special Conditions of Contract; Section IV, Schedule of Requirements; Section V, Technical Specifications; and the forms to be used in Section I, Invitation for Bids, and Section VI, Sample Forms.

This is Part one which is fixed and contains provisions which are to be used unchanged. Each section is prepared with notes intended only as information for the Procuring agency or the person drafting the bidding documents. They shall not be included in the final documents.

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#### **Instructions to Bidders**

#### A. Introduction

### 1. Source of Funds

- 1.1 The Procuring agency has received /applied for loan/grant/federal/provincial/local government funds from the source(s) indicated in the bidding data in various currencies towards the cost of the project /schemes specified in the bidding data and it is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan/grant/funds/ will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for which these bidding documents are issued.
- 1.2 Payment by the Fund will be made only at the request of the Procuring agency and upon approval by the Government of Sindh., and in case of a project will be subject in all respect to the terms and conditions of the agreement. The Project Agreement prohibits a withdrawal from the allocated fund account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of the Federal Government/ Sindh Government, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than the Procuring agency shall derive any rights from the Project Agreement or have any claim to the allocated fund proceeds.

## 2. Eligible Bidders Bidding

2.1 This Invitation for Bids is open to all suppliers from eligible source as defined in the SPP Rules, 2010amended 2019 and its

Documents except as provided hereinafter.

- 2.2 Bidders should not be associated, or have been associated in the past, directly or indirectly, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged by the Procuring agency to provide consulting services for the preparation of the design, specifications, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the goods to be purchased under this Invitation for Bids.
- 2.3 Government-owned enterprises in the Province of Sindh may participate only if they are legally and financially autonomous, if they operate under commercial law, and if they are not a dependent agency of the Government of Sindh.
- 2.4 Bidders shall not be eligible to bid if they are under a declaration of ineligibility for corrupt and fraudulent practices issued by the

any government organization in accordance with sub clause 34.1

### 3. Eligible Goods and Services

- 3.1 All goods and related services to be supplied under the contract shall have their origin in eligible source countries, defined in the SPP Rules, 2010 amended 2019 and its Bidding Documents, and all expenditures made under the contract will be limited to such goods and services.
- 3.2 For purposes of this clause, "origin" means the place where the goods are mined, grown, or produced, or the place from which the related services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing, or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially-recognized product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
- 3.3 The origin of goods and services is distinct from the nationality of the Bidder.

### 4. Cost of Bidding

4.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and the Procuring agency named in the Bid Data Sheet, hereinafter referred to as "the Procuring agency," will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

#### **B.** The Bidding Documents

# 5. Content of Bidding Documents

- 5.1 the bidding documents include:
  - (a) Instructions to Bidders (ITB)
  - (b) Bid Data Sheet
  - (c) General Conditions of Contract (GCC)
  - (d) Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)
  - (e) Schedule of Requirements
  - (f) Technical Specifications
  - (g) Bid Form and Price Schedules
  - (h) Bid Security Form
  - (i) Contract Form
  - (j) Performance Security Form
  - (k) Manufacturer's Authorization Form
- 5.2 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the bidding documents. Failure to furnish all information required by the bidding documents or to submit a bid not substantially responsive to the bidding documents in every respect will be at the Bidder's risk and may result in the

rejection of its bid.

### **Bidding Documents**

**6. Clarification of** 6.1 A interested Bidder requiring any clarification of the bidding documents may notify the Procuring agency in writing. The Procuring agency will respond in writing to any request for clarification of the bidding documents which it receives no later than three working days prior to the deadline for the submission of bids prescribed in the Bid Data Sheet. Written copies of the Procuring agency's response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of inquiry) will be sent to all interested bidders that have received the bidding documents.

### 7. Amendment of **Bidding Documents**

- 7.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of bids, the Procuring agency, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a interested Bidder, may modify the bidding documents by amendment.
- 7.2 All interested bidders that have received the bidding documents will be notified of the amendment in writing, and will be binding on them.
- 7.3 In order to allow interested bidders reasonable time in which to take the amendment into account in preparing their bids, the Procuring agency, at its discretion, may extend the deadline for the submission of bids.

#### C. Preparation of Bids

### 8. Language of Bid

- 8.1 The bid prepared by the Bidder, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the bid exchanged by the Bidder and the Procuring agency shall be written in the language specified in the Bid Data Sheet. Supporting documents and printed literature furnished by the Bidder may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language specified in the Bid Data Sheet, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, the translation shall govern.
- 9. **Documents**9.1 The bid prepared by the Bidder shall comprise the following components: Comprising the Bid
  - (a) a Bid Form and a Price Schedule completed in accordance with ITB Clauses 10, 11, and 12;
  - (b) documentary evidence established in accordance with ITB

- Clause 13 that the Bidder is eligible to bid and is qualified to perform the contract if its bid is accepted;
- (c) documentary evidence established in accordance with ITB Clause 14 that the goods and ancillary services to be supplied by the Bidder are eligible goods and services and conform to the bidding documents; and
- (d) bid security furnished in accordance with ITB Clause 15.
- **Bid Form**10.1 The Bidder shall complete the Bid Form and the appropriate Price Schedule furnished in the bidding documents, indicating the goods to be supplied, a brief description of the goods, their country of origin, quantity, and prices.
- **Bid Prices**11.1 The Bidder shall indicate on the appropriate Price Schedule the unit prices (where applicable) and total bid price of the goods it proposes to supply under the contract.
  - 11.2 Prices indicated on the Price Schedule shall be delivered duty paid (DDP) prices. The price of other (incidental) services, if any, listed in the Bid Data Sheet will be entered separately.
  - 11.3 The Bidder's separation of price components in accordance with ITB Clause 11.2 above will be solely for the purpose of facilitating the comparison of bids by the Procuring agency and will not in any way limit the Procuring agency's right to contract on any of the terms offered.
  - 11.5 Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the contract and not subject to variation on any account, unless otherwise specified in the Bid Data Sheet. A bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation will be treated as nonresponsive and will be rejected, pursuant to ITB Clause 24. If, however, in accordance with the Bid Data Sheet, prices quoted by the Bidder shall be subject to adjustment during the performance of the contract, a bid submitted with a fixed price quotation will not be rejected, but the price adjustment would be treated as zero.
- **12. Bid Currencies** 12.1 Prices shall be quoted in Pak Rupees unless otherwise specifiedin the Bid Data Sheet.
- 13. Documents 13.1 Pursuant to ITB Clause 9, the Bidder shall furnish, as part of itsEstablishing bid, documents establishing the Bidder's eligibility to bid and its qualifications to perform the contract if its bid is accepted.

### Eligibility and **Qualification**

- 13.2 The documentary evidence of the Bidder's eligibility to bid shall establish to the Procuring agency's satisfaction that the Bidder, at the time of submission of its bid, is from an eligible country as defined under ITB Clause 2.
- 13.3 The documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications to perform the contract if its bid is accepted shall establish to the Procuring agency's satisfaction:
  - (a) that, in the case of a Bidder offering to supply goods under the contract which the Bidder did not manufacture or otherwise produce, the Bidder has been duly authorized by the goods' Manufacturer or producer to supply the goods in the Procuring agency's country;
  - (b) that the Bidder has the financial, technical, and production capability necessary to perform the contract;
  - (c) that, in the case of a Bidder not doing business within the Procuring agency's country, the Bidder is or will be (if awarded the contract) represented by an Agent in that country equipped, and able to carry out the Supplier's maintenance, repair, and spare parts-stocking obligations prescribed in the Conditions of Contract and/or Technical Specifications; and
  - (d) that the Bidder meets the qualification criteria listed in the Bid Data Sheet.
- 14. Documents
  Establishing
  Goods'
  Eligibility and
  Conformity to
  Bidding
  Documents
- 14.1 Pursuant to ITB Clause 9, the Bidder shall furnish, as part of its bid, documents establishing the eligibility and conformity to the bidding documents of all goods and services which the Bidder proposes to supply under the contract.
- 14.2 The documentary evidence of the eligibility of the goods and services shall consist of a statement in the Price Schedule of the country of origin of the goods and services offered which shall be confirmed by a certificate of origin issued at the time of shipment.
- 14.3 The documentary evidence of conformity of the goods and services to the bidding documents may be in the form of literature, drawings, and data, and shall consist of:
  - (a) a detailed description of the essential technical and

performance characteristics of the goods;

- (b) a list giving full particulars, including available sources and current prices of spare parts, special tools, etc., necessary for the proper and continuing functioning of the goods for a period to be specified in the Bid Data Sheet, following commencement of the use of the goods by the Procuring agency; and
- (c) an item-by-item commentary on the Procuring agency's Technical Specifications demonstrating substantial responsiveness of the goods and services to those specifications, or a statement of deviations and exceptions to the provisions of the Technical Specifications.
- 14.4 For purposes of the commentary to be furnished pursuant to ITB Clause 14.3(c) above, the Bidder shall note that standards for workmanship, material, and equipment, as well as references to brand names or catalogue numbers designated by the Procuring agency in its Technical Specifications, are intended to be descriptive only and not restrictive. The Bidder may substitute alternative standards, brand names, and/or catalogue numbers in its bid, provided that it demonstrates to the Procuring agency's satisfaction that the substitutions ensure substantial equivalence to those designated in the Technical Specifications.
- **15. Bid Security**15.1 Pursuant to ITB Clause 9, the Bidder shall furnish, as part of its bid, a bid security in the amount specified in the Bid Data Sheet.
  - 15.2 The bid security is required to protect the Procuring agency against the risk of Bidder's conduct which would warrant the security's forfeiture, pursuant to ITB Clause 15.7.
  - 15.3 The bid security shall be in Pak. Rupees and shall be in one of the following forms:
    - (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the Procuring agency's country, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the Procuring agency and valid for thirty (30) days beyond the validity of the bid; or
    - (b) Irrevocableencashable on-demand Bank call-deposit.
  - 15.4 Any bid not secured in accordance with ITB Clauses 15.1 and 15.3 will be rejected by the Procuring agency as nonresponsive, pursuant to ITB Clause 24.

- 15.5 Unsuccessful bidders' bid security will be discharged or returned as promptly as possible but not later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of the period of bid validity prescribed by the Procuring agency pursuant to ITB Clause 16.
- 15.6 The successful Bidder's bid security will be discharged upon the Bidder signing the contract, pursuant to ITB Clause 32, and furnishing the performance security, pursuant to ITB Clause 33.
- 15.7 The bid security may be forfeited:
  - (a) if a Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Form; or
  - (b) in the case of a successful Bidder, if the Bidder fails:
    - (i) to sign the contract in accordance with ITB Clause 32;

or

(ii) to furnish performance security in accordance with ITB Clause 33.

- 16. Period of Validity of Bids
- 16.1 Bids shall remain valid for the period specified in the Bid Data Sheet after the date of bid opening prescribed by the Procuring agency, pursuant to ITB Clause 19. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the Procuring agency as nonresponsive.
- 16.2 In exceptional circumstances, the Procuring agency may solicit the Bidder's consent to an extension of the period of validity. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing. The bid security provided under ITB Clause 15 shall also be suitably extended. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. A Bidder granting the request will not be required nor permitted to modify its bid, except as provided in the bidding document.
- 17. Format and 17.1 The Bidder shall prepare an original and the number of copies of

  Signing of Bid the bid indicated in the Bid Data Sheet, clearly marking each
  "ORIGINAL BID" and "COPY OF BID," as appropriate. In the
  event of any discrepancy between them, the original shall
  govern.
  - 17.2 The original and the copy or copies of the bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by the Bidder or a

person or persons duly authorized to bind the Bidder to the contract. All pages of the bid, except for un-amended printed literature, shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.

- 17.3 Any interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.
- 17.4 The Bidder shall furnish information as described in the Form of Bid on commissions or gratuities, if any, paid or to be paid to agents relating to this Bid, and to contract execution if the Bidder is awarded the contract.

#### D. Submission of Bids

- 18. Sealing and 18.1 The Bidder shall seal the original and each copy of the bid in Marking of separate envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY." The envelopes shall then be sealed in an outer envelope.
  - 18.2 The inner and outer envelopes shall:
    - (a) be addressed to the Procuring agency at the address given in the Bid Data Sheet; and
    - (b) bear the Project name indicated in the Bid Data Sheet, the Invitation for Bids (IFB) title and number indicated in the Bid Data Sheet, and a statement: "DO NOT OPEN BEFORE," to be completed with the time and the date specified in the Bid Data Sheet, pursuant to ITB Clause 2.2.
  - 18.3 The inner envelopes shall also indicate the name and address of the Bidder to enable the bid to be returned unopened in case it is declared "late".
  - 18.4 If the outer envelope is not sealed and marked as required by ITB Clause 18.2, the Procuring agency will assume no responsibility for the bid's misplacement or premature opening.
- 19. Deadline for 19.1 Bids must be received by the Procuring agency at the address

  Submission of specified under ITB Clause 18.2 no later than the time and date specified in the Bid Data Sheet.
  - 19.2 The Procuring agency may, at its discretion, extend this deadline for the submission of bids by amending the bidding documents in accordance with ITB Clause 7, in which case all rights and

obligations of the Procuring agency and bidders previously subject to the deadline will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

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Late Bids 20.1 Any bid received by the Procuring agency after the deadline for submission of bids prescribed by the Procuring agency pursuant to ITB Clause 19 will be rejected and returned unopened to the Bidder.

and Withdrawal of **Bids** 

**21. Modification**21.1 The Bidder may modify or withdraw its bid after the bid's submission, provided that written notice of the modification, including substitution or withdrawal of the bids, is received by the Procuring agency prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of bids.

- 21.2 The Bidder's modification or withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked, and dispatched in accordance with the provisions of ITB Clause 18. by a signed confirmation copy, postmarked not later than the deadline for submission of bids.
- 21.3 No bid may be modified after the deadline for submission of bids.
- 21.4 No bid may be withdrawn in the interval between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Form. Withdrawal of a bid during this interval may result in the Bidder's forfeiture of its bid security, pursuant to the ITB Clause 15.7.

#### E. Opening and Evaluation of Bids

**22.** Opening of 22.1 The Procuring agency will open all bids in the presence of Bids by the **Procuring** agency

bidders' representatives who choose to attend, at the time, on the date, and at the place specified in the Bid Data Sheet. The bidders' representatives who are present shall sign a register evidencing their attendance.

22.2 The bidders' names, bid modifications or withdrawals, bid prices, discounts, and the presence or absence of requisite bid security and such other details as the Procuring agency, at its discretion, may consider appropriate, will be announced at the opening. No bid shall be rejected at bid opening, except for late bids, which shall be returned unopened to the Bidder pursuant to ITB Clause 20.

- 22.3 Bids (and modifications sent pursuant to ITB Clause 21.2) that are not opened and read out at bid opening shall not be considered further for evaluation, irrespective of the circumstances. Withdrawn bids will be returned unopened to the bidders.
- 22.4 The Procuring agency will prepare minutes of the bid opening.
- 23. Clarification of 23.1 During evaluation of the bids, the Procuring agency may, at its

  Bids

  discretion, ask the Bidder for a clarification of its bid. The
  request for clarification and the response shall be in writing, and
  no change in the prices or substance of the bid shall be sought,
  offered, or permitted.
- **24. Preliminary**24.1 The Procuring agency will examine the bids to determine whether they are complete, whether any computational errors have been made, whether required sureties have been furnished, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the bids are generally in order.
  - 24.2 Arithmetical errors will be rectified on the following basis. 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. If the Supplier does not accept the correction of the errors, its bid will be rejected, and its bid security may be forfeited. If there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words will prevail.
  - 24.3 The Procuring agency may waive any minor informality, nonconformity, or irregularity in a bid which does not constitute a material deviation, provided such waiver does not prejudice or affect the relative ranking of any Bidder.
  - 24.4 Prior to the detailed evaluation, pursuant to ITB Clause 25 the Procuring agency will determine the substantial responsiveness of each bid to the bidding documents. For purposes of these Clauses, a substantially responsive bid is one which conforms to all the terms and conditions of the bidding documents without material deviations. Deviations from, or objections or reservations to critical provisions, **such as** those concerning Bid Security (ITB Clause 15), Applicable Law (GCC Clause 30), and Taxes and Duties (GCC Clause 32), will be deemed to be a material deviation. The Procuring agency's determination of a bid's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the bid itself without recourse to extrinsic evidence.

24.5 If a bid is not substantially responsive, it will be rejected by the Procuring agency and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the nonconformity.

### Comparison of Bids

- **25. Evaluation and** 25.1 The Procuring agency will evaluate and compare the bids which have been determined to be substantially responsive, pursuant to ITB Clause 24.
  - 25.2 The Procuring agency's evaluation of a bid will be on delivered duty paid (DDP) price inclusive of prevailing duties and will exclude any allowance for price adjustment during the period of execution of the contract, if provided in the bid.
  - 25.3 The Procuring agency's evaluation of a bid will take into account, in addition to the bid price quoted in accordance with ITB Clause 11.2, one or more of the following factors as specified in the Bid Data Sheet, and quantified in ITB Clause 25.4:
    - (a) incidental costs
    - delivery schedule offered in the bid; (b)
    - (c) deviations in payment schedule from that specified in the Special Conditions of Contract;
    - (d) the cost of components, mandatory spare parts, and service;
    - the availability Procuring agency of spare parts and after-(e) sales services for the equipment offered in the bid;
    - (f) the projected operating and maintenance costs during the life of the equipment;
    - (g) the performance and productivity of the equipment offered; and/or
    - other specific criteria indicated in the Bid Data Sheet (h) and/or in the Technical Specifications.
  - 25.4 For factors retained in the Bid Data Sheet pursuant to ITB 25.3, one or more of the following quantification methods will be applied, as detailed in the Bid Data Sheet:
    - Incidental costs provided by the bidder will be added by Procuring agency to the delivered duty paid (DDP) price at

the final destination.

#### (b) Delivery schedule.

(i) The Procuring agency requires that the goods under the Invitation for Bids shall be delivered at the time specified in the Schedule of Requirements which will be treated as the base, a delivery "adjustment" will be calculated for bids by applying a percentage, specified in the Bid Data Sheet, of the DDP price for each week of delay beyond the base, and this will be added to the bid price for evaluation. No credit shall be given to early delivery.

or

(ii) The goods covered under this invitation are required to be delivered (shipped) within an acceptable range of weeks specified in the Schedule of Requirement. No credit will be given to earlier deliveries, and bids offering delivery beyond this range will be treated as nonresponsive. Within this acceptable range, an adjustment per week, as specified in the Bid Data Sheet, will be added for evaluation to the bid price of bids offering deliveries later than the earliest delivery period specified in the Schedule of Requirements.

or

- (iii) The goods covered under this invitation are required to be delivered in partial shipments, as specified in the Schedule of Requirements. Bids offering deliveries earlier or later than the specified deliveries will be adjusted in the evaluation by adding to the bid price a factor equal to a percentage, specified in the Bid Data Sheet, of DDP price per week of variation from the specified delivery schedule.
- (c) Deviation in payment schedule.
  - (i) Bidders shall state their bid price for the payment schedule outlined in the SCC. Bids will be evaluated on the basis of this base price. Bidders are, however, permitted to state an alternative payment schedule and indicate the reduction in bid price they wish to offer for such alternative payment schedule. The Procuring agency may consider the alternative payment schedule offered by the selected Bidder.

or

(ii) The SCC stipulates the payment schedule offered by

the Procuring agency. If a bid deviates from the schedule and if such deviation is considered acceptable to the Procuring agency, the bid will be evaluated by calculating interest earned for any earlier payments involved in the terms outlined in the bid as compared with those stipulated in this invitation, at the rate per annum specified in the Bid Data Sheet.

#### (d) *Cost of spare parts.*

(i) The list of items and quantities of major assemblies, components, and selected spare parts, likely to be required during the initial period of operation specified in the Bid Data Sheet, is annexed to the Technical Specifications. The total cost of these items, at the unit prices quoted in each bid, will be added to the bid price.

or

(ii) The Procuring agency will draw up a list of highusage and high-value items of components and spare parts, along with estimated quantities of usage in the initial period of operation specified in the Bid Data Sheet. The total cost of these items and quantities will be computed from spare parts unit prices submitted by the Bidder and added to the bid price.

or

- (iii) The Procuring agency will estimate the cost of spare parts usage in the initial period of operation specified in the Bid Data Sheet, based on information furnished by each Bidder, as well as on past experience of the Procuring agency or other procuring agencies in similar situations. Such costs shall be added to the bid price for evaluation.
- (e) Spare parts and after sales service facilities in the *Procuring agency's country.*

The cost to the Procuring agency of establishing the minimum service facilities and parts inventories, as outlined in the Bid Data Sheet or elsewhere in the bidding documents, if quoted separately, shall be added to the bid price.

(f) Operating and maintenance costs.

Since the operating and maintenance costs of the goods under procurement form a major part of the life cycle cost of the equipment, these costs will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria specified in the Bid Data Sheet or in the Technical Specifications.

- (g) Performance and productivity of the equipment.
  - (i) Bidders shall state the guaranteed performance or efficiency in response to the Technical Specification. For each drop in the performance or efficiency below the norm of 100, an adjustment for an amount specified in the Bid Data Sheet will be added to the bid price, representing the capitalized cost of additional operating costs over the life of the plant, using the methodology specified in the Bid Data Sheet or in the Technical Specifications.

or

- (ii) Goods offered shall have a minimum productivity specified under the relevant provision in the Technical Specifications to be considered responsive. Evaluation shall be based on the cost per unit of the actual productivity of goods offered in the bid, and adjustment will be added to the bid price using the methodology specified in the Bid Data Sheet or in the Technical Specifications.
- (h) Specific additional criteria indicated in the Bid Data Sheet and/or in the Technical Specifications.

The relevant evaluation method shall be detailed in the Bid Data Sheet and/or in the Technical Specifications.

### **Alternative** 25.4 Merit Point System:

The following merit point system for weighing evaluation factors can be applied if none of the evaluation methods listed in 25.4 above has been retained in the Bid Data Sheet. The number of points allocated to each factor shall be specified in the Bid Data Sheet.

[In the Bid Data Sheet, choose from the range of]

Evaluated price of the goods	60 to 90
Cost of common list spare parts	0 to 20
Technical features, and maintenance and operating costs	0 to 20
Availability of service and spare parts	0 to 20
Standardization	0 to 20
Total	100

The bid scoring the highest number of points will be deemed to be the lowest evaluated bid.

### **Procuring** agency

- **26.** Contacting the 26.1 Subject to ITB Clause 23, no Bidder shall contact the Procuring agency on any matter relating to its bid, from the time of the bid opening to the time the contract is awarded. If the Bidder wishes to bring additional information to the notice of the Procuring agency, it should do so in writing.
  - 26.2 Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Procuring agency in its decisions on bid evaluation, bid comparison, or contract award may result in the rejection of the Bidder's bid.

#### F. Award of Contract

### 27. Postqualification

- 27.1 In the absence of prequalification, the Procuring agency will determine to its satisfaction whether the Bidder that is selected as having submitted the lowest evaluated responsive bid is qualified to perform the contract satisfactorily, in accordance with the criteria listed in ITB Clause 13.3.
- 27.2 The determination will take into account the Bidder's financial, technical, and production capabilities. It will be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB Clause 13.3, as well as such other information as the Procuring agency deems necessary and appropriate.
- 27.3 An affirmative determination will be a prerequisite for award of the contract to the Bidder. A negative determination will result in rejection of the Bidder's bid, in which event the Procuring agency will proceed to the next lowest evaluated bid to make a similar determination of that Bidder's capabilities to perform satisfactorily.

### 28. Award Criteria

28.1 Subject to ITB Clause 30, the Procuring agency will award the contract to the successful Bidder whose bid has been determined to be substantially responsive and has been determined to be the lowest evaluated bid, provided further that the Bidder is

determined to be qualified to perform the contract satisfactorily.

**29. Procuring**29.1 The Procuring agency reserves the right at the time of contract

agency's Right to Vary **Quantities at** Time of Award award to increase or decrease, by the percentage indicated in the Bid Data Sheet, the quantity of goods and services originally specified in the Schedule of Requirements without any change in unit price or other terms and conditions.

**30. Procuring** 30.1 The Procuring agency reserves the right to accept or reject any

agency's Right to Accept any Bid and to Reject any or All Bids

bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or bidders or any obligation to inform the affected Bidder or bidders of the grounds for the Procuring agency's action.

- Award
- **31. Notification of** 31.1 Prior to the expiration of the period of bid validity, the Procuring agency will notify the successful Bidder in writing by registered letter or by cable, to be confirmed in writing by registered letter, that its bid has been accepted.
  - 31.2 The notification of award will constitute the formation of the Contract.
  - 31.3 Upon the successful Bidder's furnishing of the performance security pursuant to ITB Clause 33, the Procuring agency will promptly notify each unsuccessful Bidder and will discharge its bid security, pursuant to ITB Clause 15.
- **32. Signing of**32.1 At the same time as the Procuring agency notifies the successful Contract Bidder that its bid has been accepted, the Procuring agency will send the Bidder the Contract Form provided in the bidding documents, incorporating all agreements between the parties.
  - 32.2 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Contract Form, the successful Bidder shall sign and date the contract and return it to the Procuring agency.
- 33 Performance Security
- 33.1 Within twenty (20) days of the receipt of notification of award from the Procuring agency, the successful Bidder shall furnish the performance security in accordance with the Conditions of Contract, in the Performance Security Form provided in the bidding documents, or in another form acceptable to the Procuring agency.
- 33.2 Failure of the successful Bidder to comply with the requirement of ITB Clause 32 or ITB Clause 33.1 shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the bid

security, in which event the Procuring agency may make the award to the next lowest evaluated Bidder or call for new bids.

**34.** Corrupt or 34.1 The Government of Sindh requires that Procuring agency's

Fraudulent Practices (including beneficiaries of donor agencies' loans), as well as Bidders/Suppliers/Contractors under Government-financed contracts, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuance of this policy, the SPPRA, in accordance with the SPP Act, 2010amended 2019 and Rules made thereunder:

- (a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
  - (i) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
  - (ii) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Procuring agency, and includes collusive practice among Bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial noncompetitive levels and to deprive the Procuring agency of the benefits of free and open competition;
  - (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question;
  - (c) will declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a Government-financed contract if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing, a Government-financed contract.
- 34.2 Furthermore, Bidders shall be aware of the provision stated in sub-clause 5.4 and sub-clause 24.1 of the General Conditions of Contract.

# Part One - Section II. General Conditions of Contract

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### **General Conditions of Contract**

- **Definitions**1.1 In this Contract, the following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
  - (a) "The Contract" means the agreement entered into between the Procuring agency and the Supplier, as recorded in the Contract Form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
  - (b) "The Contract Price" means the price payable to the Supplier under the Contract for the full and proper performance of its contractual obligations.
  - (c) "The Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials which the Supplier is required to supply to the Procuring agency under the Contract.
  - (d) "The Services" means those services ancillary to the supply of the Goods, such as transportation and insurance, and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, and other such obligations of the Supplier covered under the Contract.
  - (e) "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract contained in this section.
  - (f) "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
  - (g) "The Procuring agency" means the organization purchasing the Goods, as named in SCC.
  - (h) "The Procuring agency's country" is the country named in SCC.
  - (i) "The Supplier" means the individual or firm supplying the Goods and Services under this Contract.
  - (j) "The Project Site," where applicable, means the place or places named in SCC.
  - (k) "Day" means calendar day.
- **2. Application** 2.1 These General Conditions shall apply to the extent that they are

not superseded by provisions of other parts of the Contract.

### 3. Country of Origin

- 3.1 All Goods and Services supplied under the Contract shall have their origin in the countries and territories eligible under the rules and `further elaborated in the SCC.
- 3.2 For purposes of this Clause, "origin" means the place where the Goods were mined, grown, or produced, or from which the Services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing, or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
- 3.3 The origin of Goods and Services is distinct from the nationality of the Supplier.

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- 4.1 The Goods supplied under this Contract shall conform to the standards mentioned in the Technical Specifications, and, when no applicable standard is mentioned, to the authoritative standards appropriate to the Goods' country of origin. Such standards shall be the latest issued by the concerned institution.
- 5. Use of
  Contract
  Documents
  and
  Information;
  Inspection and
  Audit by the
  Government
- 5.1 The Supplier shall not, without the Procuring agency's prior written consent, disclose the Contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the Procuring agency in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the Supplier in the performance of the Contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 5.2 The Supplier shall not, without the Procuring agency's prior written consent, make use of any document or information enumerated in GCC Clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the Contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the Contract itself, enumerated in GCC Clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the Procuring agency and shall be returned (all copies) to the Procuring agency on completion of the Supplier's performance under the Contract if so required by the Procuring agency.

- 5.4 The Supplier shall permit the Procuring agency to inspect the Supplier's accounts and records relating to the performance of the Supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the procuring agency, if so required.
- 6. Patent Rights
- 6.1 The Supplier shall indemnify the Procuring agency against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the Goods or any part thereof in the Procuring agency's country.

### 7. Performance Security

- 7.1 Within twenty (20) days of receipt of the notification of Contract award, the successful Bidder shall furnish to the Procuring agency the performance security in the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the Procuring agency as compensation for any loss resulting from the Supplier's failure to complete its obligations under the Contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the Contract acceptable to the Procuring agency and shall be in one of the following forms:
  - (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the Procuring agency's country, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the Procuring agency; or
  - (b) a cashier's or certified check.
- 7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the Procuring agency and returned to the Supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the Supplier's performance obligations under the Contract, including any warranty obligations, unless specified otherwise in SCC.

### 8. Inspections and Tests

- 8.1 The Procuring agency or its representative shall have the right to inspect and/or to test the Goods to confirm their conformity to the Contract specifications at no extra cost to the Procuring agency. SCC and the Technical Specifications shall specify what inspections and tests the Procuring agency requires and where they are to be conducted. The Procuring agency shall notify the Supplier in writing, in a timely manner, of the identity of any representatives retained for these purposes.
- 8.2 The inspections and tests may be conducted on the premises of the Supplier or its subcontractor(s), at point of delivery, and/or at

the Goods' final destination. If conducted on the premises of the Supplier or its subcontractor(s), all reasonable facilities and assistance, including access to drawings and production data, shall be furnished to the inspectors at no charge to the Procuring agency.

- 8.3 Should any inspected or tested Goods fail to conform to the Specifications, the Procuring agency may reject the Goods, and the Supplier shall either replace the rejected Goods or make alterations necessary to meet specification requirements free of cost to the Procuring agency.
- 8.4 The Procuring agency's right to inspect, test and, where necessary, reject the Goods after the Goods' arrival in the Procuring agency's country shall in no way be limited or waived by reason of the Goods having previously been inspected, tested, and passed by the Procuring agency or its representative prior to the Goods' shipment from the country of origin.
- 8.5 Nothing in GCC Clause 8 shall in any way release the Supplier from any warranty or other obligations under this Contract.
- Packing 9.1 The Supplier shall provide such packing of the Goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the Contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the Goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.
- 9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the Contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the Procuring agency.
- 10. Delivery and 10.1 Delivery of the Goods shall be made by the Supplier in

  Documents accordance with the terms specified in the Schedule of
  Requirements. The details of shipping and/or other documents to
  be furnished by the Supplier are specified in SCC.

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10.2 Documents to be submitted by the Supplier are specified in SCC.

- **Insurance**11.1 The Goods supplied under the Contract shall be delivered duty paid (DDP) under which risk is transferred to the buyer after having been delivered, hence insurance coverage is sellers responsibility.
- **12. Transpor-**12.1 The Supplier is required under the Contact to transport the Goods tation to a specified place of destination within the Procuring agency's country, transport to such place of destination in the Procuring agency's country, including insurance and storage, as shall be specified in the Contract, shall be arranged by the Supplier, and related costs shall be included in the Contract Price.
- **13. Incidental**13.1 The Supplier may be required to provide any or all of the **Services** following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
  - (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or start-up of the supplied Goods;
  - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied Goods;
  - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied Goods;
  - (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied Goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the Supplier of any warranty obligations under this Contract; and
  - (e) training of the Procuring agency's personnel, at the Supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied Goods.
  - 13.2 Prices charged by the Supplier for incidental services, if not included in the Contract Price for the Goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged for other parties by the Supplier for similar services.
- **Spare Parts**14.1 As specified in SCC, the Supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the Supplier:

- (a) such spare parts as the Procuring agency may elect to purchase from the Supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the Supplier of any warranty obligations under the Contract; and
- (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
  - (i) advance notification to the Procuring agency of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the Procuring agency to procure needed requirements; and
  - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the Procuring agency, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.
- Warranty 15.1 The Supplier warrants that the Goods supplied under the Contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the Contract. The Supplier further warrants that all Goods supplied under this Contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the Procuring agency's specifications) or from any act or omission of the Supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied Goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
  - 15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the Goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the Contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.
  - 15.3 The Procuring agency shall promptly notify the Supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
  - 15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the Supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective Goods or parts thereof, without costs to the Procuring agency.
  - 15.5 If the Supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s)

within the period specified in SCC, within a reasonable period, the Procuring agency may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the Supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the Procuring agency may have against the Supplier under the Contract.

- **Payment**16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the Supplier under this Contract shall be specified in SCC.
  - 16.2 The Supplier's request(s) for payment shall be made to the Procuring agency in writing, accompanied by an invoice describing, as appropriate, the Goods delivered and Services performed, and by documents submitted pursuant to GCC Clause 10, and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the Contract.
  - 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the Procuring agency, but in no case later than sixty (60) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the Supplier.
  - 16.4 The currency of payment is Pak. Rupees.
- 17. Prices
- 17.1 Prices charged by the Supplier for Goods delivered and Services performed under the Contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the Supplier in its bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the Procuring agency's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.
- **18. Change Orders** 18.1 The Procuring agency may at any time, by a written order given to the Supplier pursuant to GCC Clause 31, make changes within the general scope of the Contract in any one or more of the following:
  - (a) drawings, designs, or specifications, where Goods to be furnished under the Contract are to be specifically manufactured for the Procuring agency;
  - (b) the method of shipment or packing;
  - (c) the place of delivery; and/or
  - (d) the Services to be provided by the Supplier.
  - 18.2 If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of, or the time required for, the Supplier's performance of any provisions under the Contract, an equitable adjustment shall be

made in the Contract Price or delivery schedule, or both, and the Contract shall accordingly be amended. Any claims by the Supplier for adjustment under this clause must be asserted within thirty (30) days from the date of the Supplier's receipt of the Procuring agency's change order.

- 19. Contract19.1 Subject to GCC Clause 18, no variation in or modification of the

  Amendments terms of the Contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties.
- **20. Assignment**20.1 The Supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under this Contract, except with the Procuring agency's prior written consent.
- **21. Subcontracts** 21.1 The Supplier shall notify the Procuring agency in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this Contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the Supplier from any liability or obligation under the Contract.
  - 21.2 Subcontracts must comply with the provisions of GCC Clause 3.
- 22. Delays in the 22.1 Delivery of the Goods and performance of Services shall be
   Supplier's made by the Supplier in accordance with the time schedule
   Performance prescribed by the Procuring agency in the Schedule of Requirements.
  - 22.2 If at any time during performance of the Contract, the Supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the Goods and performance of Services, the Supplier shall promptly notify the Procuring agency in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the Supplier's notice, the Procuring agency shall evaluate the situation and may at its discretion extend the Supplier's time for performance, with or without liquidated damages, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of Contract.
  - 22.3 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the Supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the Supplier liable to the imposition of liquidated damages pursuant to GCC Clause 23, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 22.2 without the application of liquidated damages.
- **23.** Liquidated 23.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the Supplier fails to deliver any or

#### **Damages**

all of the Goods or to perform the Services within the period(s) specified in the Contract, the Procuring agency shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the Contract, deduct from the Contract Price, as liquidated damages, a sum equivalent to the percentage specified in SCC of the delivered price of the delayed Goods or unperformed Services for each week or part thereof of delay until actual delivery or performance, up to a maximum deduction of the percentage specified in SCC. Once the maximum is reached, the Procuring agency may consider termination of the Contract pursuant to GCC Clause 24.

- **24. Termination**24.1 The Procuring agency, without prejudice to any other remedy for **for Default** breach of Contract, by written notice of default sent to the Supplier, may terminate this Contract in whole or in part:
  - (a) if the Supplier fails to deliver any or all of the Goods within the period(s) specified in the Contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the Procuring agency pursuant to GCC Clause 22; or
  - (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the Contract.
  - (c) if the Supplier, in the judgment of the Procuring agency has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.

For the purpose of this clause:

"corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.

"fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Borrower, and includes collusive practice among Bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the Borrower of the benefits of free and open competition.

24.2 In the event the Procuring agency terminates the Contract in whole or in part, pursuant to GCC Clause 24.1, the Procuring agency may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, Goods or Services similar to those

undelivered, and the Supplier shall be liable to the Procuring agency for any excess costs for such similar Goods or Services. However, the Supplier shall continue performance of the Contract to the extent not terminated.

- **25. Force Majeure** 25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22, 23, and 24,the Supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, liquidated damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that its delay in performance or other failure to perform its obligations under the Contract is the result of an event of Force Majeure.
  - 25.2 For purposes of this clause, "Force Majeure" means an event beyond the control of the Supplier and not involving the Supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but are not restricted to, acts of the Procuring agency in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, and freight embargoes.
  - 25.3 If a Force Majeure situation arises, the Supplier shall promptly notify the Procuring agency in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the Procuring agency in writing, the Supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the Force Majeure event.
- **26. Termination**26.1 The Procuring agency may at any time terminate the Contract by **for Insolvency** giving written notice to the Supplier if the Supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the Supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the Procuring agency.
- 27. Termination 27.1 The Procuring agency, by written notice sent to the Supplier,

  for may terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, at any time for

  its convenience. The notice of termination shall specify that
  termination is for the Procuring agency's convenience, the extent
  to which performance of the Supplier under the Contract is
  terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes
  effective.

27.2 The Goods that are complete and ready for shipment within thirty (30) days after the Supplier's receipt of notice of termination shall be accepted by the Procuring agency at the

Contract terms and prices. For the remaining Goods, the Procuring agency may elect:

- (a) to have any portion completed and delivered at the Contract terms and prices; and/or
- (b) to cancel the remainder and pay to the Supplier an agreed amount for partially completed Goods and Services and for materials and parts previously procured by the Supplier.
- 28. Resolution of 28.1 The Procuring agency and the Supplier shall make every effort to Disputes resolve amicably by direct informal negotiation any disagreement or dispute arising between them under or in connection with the Contract.
  - 28.2 If, after thirty (30) days from the commencement of such informal negotiations, the Procuring agency and the Supplier have been unable to resolve amicably a Contract dispute, either party may require that the dispute be referred for resolution to the formal mechanisms specified in SCC. These mechanisms may include, but are not restricted to, conciliation mediated by a third party, adjudication in an agreed manner and/or arbitration.
- **29.** Governing 29.1 The Contract shall be written in the language specified in SCC.

Language

Subject to GCC Clause 30, the version of the Contract written in the specified language shall govern its interpretation. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the Contract which are exchanged by the parties shall be written in the same language.

- 30. Applicable 30.1 The Contract shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Procuring agency's country, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
- Notices 31.1 Any notice given by one party to the other pursuant to this Contract shall be sent to the other party in writing or by cable, telex, or facsimile and confirmed in writing to the other party's address specified in SCC.
  - 31.2 A notice shall be effective when delivered or on the notice's effective date, whichever is later.
- **32. Taxes and**32.1 Supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license **Duties** fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted Goods to the Procuring agency.

#### **Notes on the Instructions to Bidders**

This section of the bidding documents provides the information necessary for bidders to prepare responsive bids, in accordance with the requirements of the Procuring agency. It also provides information on bid submission, opening, and evaluation, and on the award of contract.

Part One Section I contains provisions that are to be used unchanged. Part Two Section II consists of provisions that supplement, amend, or specify in detail information or requirements included in Part One Section I and which are specific to each procurement.

Matters governing the performance of the Supplier, payments under the contract, or matters affecting the risks, rights, and obligations of the parties under the contract are not normally included in this section, but rather under Part one Section II, General Conditions of Contract, and/or Part Two Section III, Special Conditions of Contract. If duplication of a subject is inevitable in the other sections of the document prepared by the Procuring agency, care must be exercised to avoid contradictions between clauses dealing with the same matter.

These Instructions to Bidders will not be part of the contract.

#### **Notes on the General Conditions of Contract**

The General Conditions of Contract in Part One Section II, read in conjunction with the Special Conditions of Contract in Part Two Section III and other documents listed therein, should be a complete document expressing all the rights and obligations of the parties.

The General Conditions of Contract herein shall not be altered. Any changes and complementary information, which may be needed, shall be introduced only through the Special Conditions of Contract in Part Two Section III.

# Sindh Public Procurement Regulatory Authority

## **Bidding Documents**

For

**National Competitive Bidding** 

## Procurement of Non ConsultingServices for Disbursement of Girls' Stipend all over the Sindh

#### PART TWO (PROCUREMENT SPECIFIC PROVISIONS)

- Invitation for Bids (IFB)
- Bid Data Sheet (BDS)
- Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)
- Schedule of Requirements
- Technical Specifications
- Sample Form
- Eligibility

#### **Preface**

These Bidding Documents have been prepared for use by procuring agencies in the procurement of goods through National Competitive Bidding (NCB).

In order to simplify the preparation of bidding documents for each procurement, the Bidding Documents are grouped in two parts based on provisions which are fixed and that which are specific for each procurement. Provisions which are intended to be used unchanged are in Part one, which includes Section I, Instructions to Bidders, and Section II, General Conditions of Contract. Data and provisions specific to each procurement and contract are included in Part Two which includes Section II, Bid Data Sheet; Section III, Special Conditions of Contract; Section IV, Schedule of Requirements; Section V, Technical Specifications; and the forms to be used in Section I, Invitation for Bids, and Section VI, Sample Forms.

This is Part Two and contains data and provisions specific to each procurement. Care should be taken to check the relevance of the provisions of the Bidding Documents against the requirements of the specific goods to be procured. The following general directions should be observed when using the documents. In addition, each section is prepared with notes intended only as information for the Procuring agency or the person drafting the bidding documents. They shall *not* be included in the final documents, except for the notes introducing Section VI, Forms, where the information is useful for the Bidder.

- (a) Specific details, such as the "name of the Procuring agency" and "address for bid submission," should be furnished in the Invitation for Bids, in the Bid Data Sheet, and in the Special Conditions of Contract. The final documents should contain neither blank spaces nor options.
- (b) Amendments, if any, to the Instructions to Bidders and to the General Conditions of Contract should be made through the Bid Data Sheet and the Special Conditions of Contract, respectively.
- (c) Footnotes or notes in italics included in the Invitation for Bids, Bid Data Sheet, Special Conditions of Contract, and in the Schedule of Requirements are not part of the text of the document, although they contain instructions that the Procuring agency should strictly follow. The final document should contain no footnotes.

- (d) The criteria for bid evaluation and the various methods of evaluation in the Instructions to Bidders (Clauses 25.3 and 25.4, respectively) should be carefully reviewed. Only those that are selected to be used for the procurement in question should be retained and expanded, as required, in the Bid Data Sheet or in the Technical Specifications, as appropriate. The criteria that are not applicable should be deleted from the Bid Data Sheet.
- (e) Clauses included in the Special Conditions of Contract are illustrative of the provisions that should be drafted specifically by the Procuring agency for each procurement.
- (f) The forms provided in Section VI should be completed by the Bidder or the Supplier; the footnotes in these forms should remain, since they contain instructions which the Bidder or the Supplier should follow.

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# Part Two Section I. Invitation for Bids

#### **Notes on the Invitation for Bids**

The Invitation for Bids (IFB) shall be issued as an advertisement in at least three newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Sindh or Authorities web site as the case may be, allowing at least fifteen days for NCB and forty five days(45) ICB for bid preparation and submission;

The Invitation for Bids provides information that enables interested bidders to decide whether to participate. Apart from the essential items listed in the Standard Bidding Documents (SBD), the Invitation for Bids should also indicate any important bid evaluation criteria or qualification requirement (for example, a requirement for a minimum level of experience in manufacturing a similar type of goods for which the Invitation for Bids is issued) and that the bidders should give their best and final prices as no negotiations are allowed.

The Invitation for Bids should be incorporated into the bidding documents. The information contained in the Invitation for Bids must conform to the bidding documents and in particular to the relevant information in the Bid Data Sheet.

Date:-22-12-2020

IFB NO:RSU/PROC/GOS/2020-21

# NOTICE INVITING TENDERS For DISBURSEMENT OF GIRL STIPEND

The Reform Support Unit (RSU), School Education & Literacy Department (SELD) intend to hire the service of financial institutions or funds disbursement companies/organizations in all the public schools o Sindh vie biometric based verifiable disbarment methods. RSU has received an allocation from the public funds in Pakistani Rupees towards the cost for disbursement of girls' stipend to the girl students of class VI, IX & X in all public schools of Sindh via biometric based disbursement.

RSU intends to accelerate the interest of female students and cover the dropout ratio in the Secondary Schools for female students. There are Approximately 260,000 (Two Hundred Sixty Thousand) girl students are enrolled in public schools in grade VI, IX and X. Each eligible student will get stipend as per approved Govt. policy.

Interested eligible bidders/firms/institutions/organizations may obtain further information and qualification requirements from and inspect the bidding documents at Girls Stipend Section-Reform Support Unit, Bungalow No. 47-E/1, Street # 48, PECHS-6, Shahrah-e-Faisal, Karachi, Sindh, Pakistan Tel: +92-21-34320252, Fax: +92-21-34320251 from 28-12-2020to 13-01-2021 in office hours.

A complete set of bidding documents to obtain by any interested eligible bidder on the submission of written application upon payment of a non-refundable amount of PKR.1,000/- (One thousand only) in the form of Bank Draft/ Pay Order in favour of Chief Program Manager, Reform Support Unit, School Education & Literacy Department, Government of Sindh from below mentioned address.

The procurement shall be completed in accordance with SPPRA Rules 2010 amended 2019 46(2), open competition bidding through Single Stage-Two Envelope Bidding Procedure. Technical and Financial Proposal should be sealed in two separate envelopes and be placed in 3rd sealed envelope.

Submission of proposal in the Admin Office, RSU Karachi during office hours on or before 14-01-2021 before 2:00 p.m Technical Bids will be opened on 14-01-2021 at 2:30 pm. While Financial Proposal shall remain (in sealed form) in the custody of RSU and would be opened by Procurement Committee after receipt of Technical Evaluation Report, in the presence of qualified bidders only. Financial Proposal of the rest of the bidders will be returned unopened. Late, ambiguous, conditional and incomplete bids shall not be entertained

Bid Security in shape of pay order in favor of Chief Program Manager Reform Support Unit, School Education & Literacy Department, Government of Sindh Karachi will have to be

submitted along with the financial Bid @ 2% of the bid price and copy of same will be attached with technical bid (the amount must be erased/hide)

Interested bidders should fulfill following eligibility criteria/requirement:

- a) Firm should be a financial institution or fund disbursement company or organization which must be associated with Microfinance Bank or scheduled bank for alternative payment mechanism. Registration documents of the firm with the relevant Government (Federal/Provincial) authorities along with renewed license for current financial year.
- b) Firm should have at least three years' experience of handling Government supported cash disbursement Projects.
- c) Minimum required annual volume of services in any of the last three years should be PKR 100 million (to be determined for audited statements).
- d) Firm must have more than 5,000 retailers' outlets/franchise or branches in Sindh (at least 2 in each Taluka of Sindh).
- e) Minimum bank rating should be "A".
- f) Registered with Federal Board of Revenue for withholding tax and GST and relevant tax authorities/ Sindh Revenue Board (SRB) and SST.
- g) Document showing the turn over along with Audit Report of the firm for last three years.
- h) Affidavit of firm not black listed in any Government or Semi Government department and not in litigation with any execution agency.
- i) In case of tie between firms in financial proposal, the preference will be given to those firm who has retailers' outlets/franchise or branches in maximum number of UCs in Sindh.

The Procurement Committee may reject any bid subject to relevant provision of SPPRA Rules 2010 amended upto2019 and may cancel the Bidding Process at any time prior of acceptance of bid or proposal as per rule 25(1) said rules. All mandatory requirement mentioned in the bidding documents must be completed failing which bid will be considered non responsive.

In case any unforeseen situation resulting in closure of office on the date of opening or if Government declares holiday the tender shall be submitted/opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.

CHIEF PROGRAM MANAGER
REFORM SUPPORT UNIT
SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY
DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
Bungalow No.47/E, Block-6, PECHS,
Karachi

## Section II. Bid Data Sheet

#### **Notes on the Bid Data Sheet**

Section II is intended to assist the Procuring agency in providing the specific information in relation to corresponding clauses in the Instructions to Bidders included in Part one Section I, and has to be prepared for each specific procurement.

The Procuring agency should specify in the Bid Data Sheet information and requirements specific to the circumstances of the Procuring agency, the processing of the procurement, the applicable rules regarding bid price and currency, and the bid evaluation criteria that will apply to the bids. In preparing Section II, the following aspects should be checked:

- (a) Information that specifies and complements provisions of Part One Section I must be incorporated.
- (b) Amendments and/or supplements, if any, to provisions of Part One Section I as necessitated by the circumstances of the specific procurement, must also be incorporated.

### **Bid Data Sheet**

The following specific data for the goods to be procured shall complement, supplement, or amend the provisions in the Instructions to Bidders (ITB) Part One. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions herein shall prevail over those in ITB.

Introduction			
ITB 1.1 ITB 1.2	Reform Support Unit, School Education & Literacy Department, Government of Sindh.		
	N.A		
ITB 1.1	Disbursement of Stipend to around 260,000 girl students all over the Sindh province.		
ITB 1.1	Disbursement of Girls' Stipend all over the Sindh		
ITB 4.1	Reform Support Unit, School Education& Literacy Department, Government of Sindh.		
ITB 6.1	47/E-1, Street # 48, PECHS, Block-6, Shahrah-e-Faisal, Karachi.		
ITB 8.1	English		

Bid Price and Currency			
ITB 11.2	The price quoted shall be PKR		
ITB 11.5	The price shall be fixed,		

	Preparation and Submission of Bids		
ITB 13.3 (d)	Qualification Requirements: a) Firm should be a financial institution or fund disbursement company or organization which must be associated with Microfinance Bank or scheduled bank for alternative payment mechanism. Registration documents of the firm with the relevant Government (Federal/Provisional) authorities along with renewed license for current financial year. b) Firm should have at least three years' experience of handling Government disbursement Projects. c) Minimum required annual volume of services in any of the last three years should be PKR 100 million (to be determined for audited statements). d) Firm must have more than 5,000 retailers' outlets/franchise or branches in Sindh (at least 2 in each Taluka of Sindh). e) Minimum bank rating should be "A". f) Registered with Federal Board of Revenue for withholding tax and GST and relevant tax authorities/ Sindh Revenue Board (SRB) and SST. g) Document showing the turn over along with Audit Report of the firm for last threeyears. h) Affidavit of firm not black listed in any Government or Semi Government department and not in litigation with any execution agency. i) In case of tie between firms in financial proposal, the preference will be given to those firm who has retailers' outlets/franchise or branches in maximum number of UCs in Sindh.		
ITB 14.3 (b)	N.A		
ITB 15.1	Amount of bid security is 2% of bid price		
ITB 16.1	Bid validity period.		
ITB 17.1	90 days from date of bid opening Original plus 02 copies		
ITB 18.2 (a)	47/E-1, Street # 48, PECHS, Block-6, Shahrah-e-Faisal, Karachi.		
· · · · ·	Disbursement of Girls Stipend all over the Sindh/RSU/PROC/Girls		
ITB 18.2 (b)	Stipend/2020.		
ITB 19.1	Dead line for Bid submission 14-01-2021 before 2:00pm		
ITB 22.1	02:30 pm on 14-01-2021 at Reform Support Unit (RSU), 47/E-1, Street # 48, PECHS, Block-6, Shahrah-e-Faisal, Karachi.		

## **Bid Evaluation**

ITB 25.3	Lowest and responsive.
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Contract Award		
ITB 29.1	Percentage for quantity increase or decrease upto 15%	

## **Section III. Special Conditions of Contract**

#### **Notes on the Special Conditions of Contract**

Similar to the Bid Data Sheet in Section II, the clauses in this Section are intended to assist the Procuring agency in providing contract- specific information in relation to corresponding clauses in the General Conditions of Contract.

The provisions of Section III complement the General Conditions of Contract included in Part one, Section II, specifying contractual requirements linked to the special circumstances of the Procuring agency, the Procuring agency's country, the sector, and the Goods purchased. In preparing Section III, the following aspects should be checked:

- (a) Information that complements provisions of Part one Section II must be incorporated.
- (b) Amendments and/or supplements to provisions of Part one Section II, as necessitated by the circumstances of the specific purchase, must also be incorporated.

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#### **Special Conditions of Contract**

The following Special Conditions of Contract shall supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions herein shall prevail over those in the General Conditions of Contract. The corresponding clause number of the GCC is indicated in parentheses.

[Instructions for completing the Special Conditions of Contract are provided, as needed, in the notes in italics mentioned for the relevant SCC. Where sample provisions are furnished, they are only illustrative of the provisions that the Procuring agency should draft specifically for each procurement.]

#### 1. Definitions (GCC Clause 1)

GCC 1.1 (g)—The Procuring agency is:

GCC 1.1 (h)—The Procuring agency's country

is: GCC 1.1 (i)—The Supplier is:

#### Sample Provision

GCC 1.1 (j)—The Project Site is: [if applicable]

#### 2. Country of Origin (GCC Clause 3)

All countries and territories as indicated in Part Two Section VI of the bidding documents, "Eligibility for the Provisions of Goods, Works, and Services in Government-Financed Procurement".

#### 3. Performance Security (GCC Clause 7)

GCC 7.1—The amount of performance security will be 10% of contract price, if it is less than 01 million than fixed amount of 01 million will be submitted as performance security.

GCC 7.4—After delivery and acceptance of the Goods, the performance security shall be reduced to two (2) percent of the Contract Price to cover the Supplier's warranty obligations in accordance with Clause GCC 15.2.

#### 4. Inspections and Tests (GCC Clause 8)

GCC 8.6—Inspection and tests prior to shipment of Goods and at final acceptance are as follows:

#### 5. Packing (GCC Clause

#### 9) Sample provision

GCC 9.3—The following SCC shall supplement GCC Clause 9.2:

#### 6. Delivery and Documents (GCC Clause 10)

#### Sample provision (DDP terms)

GCC 10.3—Upon shipment, the Supplier shall notify the Procuring agency the full details of the shipment, including Contract number, description of Goods, quantity and usual transport document. The Supplier shall mail the following documents to the Procuring agency:

- (i) copies of the Supplier's invoice showing Goods' description, quantity, unit price, and total amount;
- (ii) original and two copies of the usual transport document (for example, a negotiable bill of lading, a non-negotiable sea waybill, an inland waterway document, an air waybill, a railway consignment note, a road consignment note, or a multimodal transport document) which the buyer may require to take the goods;
- (iii) copies of the packing list identifying contents of each package;
- (iv) insurance certificate;
- (v) Manufacturer's or Supplier's warranty certificate;
- (vi) inspection certificate, issued by the nominated inspection agency, and the Supplier's factory inspection report; and
- (vii) certificate of origin.

#### 7. Insurance (GCC Clause 11)

GCC 11.1— The Goods supplied under the Contract shall be delivered duty paid (DDP) under which risk is transferred to the buyer after having been delivered, hence insurance coverage is sellers responsibility. Since the Insurance is seller's responsibility they may arrange appropriate coverage.

#### 8. Incidental Services (GCC Clause 13)

GCC 13.1—Incidental services to be provided are:

[Selected services covered under GCC Clause 13 and/or other should be specified with the desired features. The price quoted in the bid price or agreed with the selected Supplier shall be included in the Contract Price.]

#### 9. Spare Parts (GCC Clause 14)

GCC 14.1—Additional spare parts requirements are:

#### Sample provision

GCC 14.1—Supplier shall carry sufficient inventories to assure ex-stock supply of consumable spares for the Goods. Other spare parts and components shall be supplied as promptly as possible, but in any case within six (6) months of placing the order and opening the letter of credit.

#### 10. Warranty (GCC Clause

#### 15) Sample provision

GCO	C 15.2—In partial modification of the provisions, the warranty period shall be
shal spec	hours of operation or months from date of acceptance of the Goods or) months from the date of shipment, whichever occurs earlier. The Supplier l, in addition, comply with the performance and/or consumption guarantees eified under the Contract. If, for reasons attributable to the Supplier, these rantees are not attained in whole or in part, the Supplier shall, at its discretion, er:
(a)	make such changes, modifications, and/or additions to the Goods or any part thereof as may be necessary in order to attain the contractual guarantees specified in the Contract at its own cost and expense and to carry out further performance tests in accordance with SCC 4,

or

(b) pay liquidated damages to the Procuring agency with respect to the failure to meet the contractual guarantees. The rate of these liquidated damages shall be ( ).

[The rate should be higher than the adjustment rate used in the bid evaluation under ITB 25.4 (f) or (g).]

GCC 15.4 & 15.5—The period for correction of defects in the warranty period is:

#### 11. Payment (GCC Clause

#### 16) Sample provision

GCC 16.1—The method and conditions of payment to be made to the Firm under this Contract shall be as follows:

#### Payment for Goods supplied:

Payment of the service charges shall be made at per actual on each transaction which cash out (respective amount collected/ received cash out by the beneficiary). No service charges payment is applicable/ paid to the service provider on the basis of disbursement.

The final payment will be given after 5% verification of stipend disbursement and on satisfactory performance certificate by Director General, Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E), School Education & Literacy Department, Government of Sindh.

The data will be shared in different stages and fordifferent classes. After sharing and compiling of girls data with service provider in different stages, stipend funds (as per share data) will be disbursed which will be deposit in exclusive disbursement bank account of PA in the bank of service provider after the submission of girls list.

#### 12. Prices (GCC Clause

#### 17) Sample provision

GCC 17.1—Prices shall be adjusted in accordance with provisions in the Attachment to SCC.

[To be inserted **only** if price is subject to adjustment.]

#### 13. Liquidated Damages (GCC Clause

**23)** GCC 23.1—Applicable rate:

Maximum deduction:

[Applicable rate shall not exceed one-half (0.5) percent per week, and the maximum shall not exceed ten (10) percent of the Contract Price.]

#### 14. Resolution of Disputes (GCC Clause 28)

GCC 28.3—The dispute resolution mechanism to be applied pursuant to GCC Clause 28.2 shall be as follows:

In the case of a dispute between the Procuring agency and the Supplier, the dispute shall be referred to adjudication or arbitration in accordance with the laws of the Procuring agency's country.

#### 15. Governing Language (GCC Clause 29) GCC

29.1—The Governing Language shall be: English

#### 16. Applicable Law (GCC Clause 30)

GCC 30.1-The Contract shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of Islamic Republic of Pakistan which includes the following legislation:

The Employment of Children (ECA) Act 1991 The Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act of 1992 The Factories Act 1934

#### 17. Notices (GCC Clause 31)

GCC 31.1—Procuring agency's address for notice purposes:

Reform Support Unit, 47/E-1, Street #48, PECHS, Block-6,
Shahrah-e-Faisal, Karachi.

—Supplier's address for notice purposes:

## Section IV. Schedule of Requirements

#### **Notes for Preparing the Schedule of Requirements**

The Schedule of Requirements shall be included in the bidding documents by the Procuring agency, and shall cover, at a minimum, a description of the goods and services to be supplied and the delivery schedule.

The objective of the Schedule of Requirements is to provide sufficient information to enable bidders to prepare their bids efficiently and accurately, in particular, the Price Schedule, for which a form is provided in Section VI. In addition, the Schedule of Requirements, together with the Price Schedule, should serve as a basis in the event of quantity variation at the time of award of contract pursuant to ITB Clause 29.

The date or period for delivery should be carefully specified, taking the date prescribed herein from which the Procuring agency's delivery obligations start (i.e., notice of award, contract signature, opening or confirmation of the letter of credit).

#### **Schedule of Requirements**

## <u>Description of Services for Disbursement of Girls Stipend</u>

#### **Scope of job:**

- Procuring Agency provides stipend to its girls students (Class VI, IX and X) to overcome the loss of economic activity and to increase transition rate from Primary to Secondary schools
- A student receives a stipend of fixed amount as per Government policy.
- The activity is planned to achieve timely and transparent payment to the girl students.

#### **Description of Services:**

- The activity is planned to achieve timely and transparent cash transfer/payment to the girl students.
- The service provider will take steps/processes for disbursement and cash out stipend to girl students in transaction, this part of work includes but not limited to:
- i. Opening of main PA account for funds disbursement in bank of service provider
- ii. The disbursement to girl students will be carried out through Biometric based disbursement and cash out solution (to facilitate the beneficiaries, SMS containing TID (Transaction ID) will be sent to by the service provider on the available cell phone numbers record. SMS may be sent multiple times or as suggested/required by PA).
- iii. In case of the failure of cash out /stipend out by the beneficiaries through Biometric based disbursement and cash out solution, the Service Provider will then make continuous attempts via other than available options of retailers, and its branches and send repeated SMS on the given data but shall not charge additionally for any method they will apply to get the stipend cash out
- iv. Information about TID will be conveyed to beneficiaries via SMS (those valid cell phone numbers record is available) and such SMS service will be made multiple times by the service provider, so that beneficiaries could get ample chance to get the TID information and visit the service provider's retailer shop for stipend collection via biometric verification process.
- v. Customer services on helpline number which will be operative 24/7. Service provider will disseminate helpline details and program awareness sessions among masses via wide publicity/events. Helpline is mandatory to establish by firm within 20 days of assigned contract. In case of failure **liquidity charges** will apply as per contract terms. Liquidity damages shall be imposed @ 0.01% per day of the contract amount in case of failure.
- vi. Availability of online reporting Portal is essential, this feature is mandatory to be established by service provider within 20 days of signed contract. In case of failure, within the given period, **liquidity charges** will be applied as per contract terms. Liquidity damages shall be imposed @ 0.01% per day of the contract amount in case of failure.

- vii. The Service Provider will complete the disbursement (receiving of data from PA and disbursement to student) within 15 days from the date of receiving of data and funds from PA, in case of failure the, **liquidity charges** will apply as per contract terms. Liquidity damages shall be imposed @ 0.01% per day of the contract amount in case of failure of the disbursement within 15 days of provision of funds and list of beneficiaries.
- viii. The service provider will be required to develop a mutually agreed mechanism with field officers of PA for sensitization/ distribution/ dissemination of TIDs.
- ix. Provision of location mapping of branches, franchise and retailers details (mentioning their valid Cell No., landline No. Postal Address, license, CNIC # and email ID, District and UC wise) to PA prior to the contract signing.
- x. Submission of reports during and after completion of disbursement of funds by service provider is mandatory.
- xi. The firm will be required to bear the cost of field visits in schools by RSU officers, for non collection of stipend within timeline, and still, if situation arise where the beneficiaries couldn't cash out /stipend out despite multiple/alternative attempts, such said parked amount shall be returned back in to that exclusive disbursement bank account of PA.
- xii. If situation arise where the beneficiaries couldn't cash out /stipend out despite multiple/alternative attempts, such said parked amount shall be returned back in to that exclusive disbursement bank account on request of PA. No charges shall be paid to the service provider for on any un collected/ non cash out transactions by the beneficiaries.
- xiii. Provision of dedicated staff for liaison/coordination/reporting with PA.
- xiv. Service provider will provide data entryoperators (minimum 8-10) for ICR scanning, and verification of the data to the RSU, till completion of activity.
- xv. Service provider will Formulate and present different types of customized reports for PA management in addition to financial &performance based reports, including trench wise reports (if any).
- xvi. Provision of an efficient complaint management system for PA and also setting up desk at District level for facilitation of complainers.
- xvii. Providing periodic (at least twice a week) cash out reports carried out via Biometric to PA.
- xviii. The firm is required to develop a portal with consultation of PA to access viewing the transaction/disbursement activities in real time.
  - xix. Funds disbursement, collected, uncollected report school-wise and district-wise will be shared with PA on periodic basis (At least twice a week)
  - xx. Payment of stipend disbursement service charges will be made to the Service Provider within 45 days after the completion of cash out transaction and receipt of valid invoice from the service provider.
  - xxi. All relevant data of beneficiaries including names, father name, CNIC numbers, , mobile phone numbers, and amounts to be disbursed to each beneficiary; and any other information as deemed necessary will be provided by PA and the service provider and/or his agents/retailer shall not use such details/info for any other purposes without the permission of PA. In case of any violation

found, relevant applicable legal action will be taken against the service providers and relevant persons.

xxii. All cash out reports shared with PA must include retailer details (Retailer Name, Contact No. complete Address, Time and Date)

#### **MODES OF PAYMENT**

#### Disbursement and cash out Via Biometric:

Biometric based disbursement will be used for distributing girls stipend as it is most transparent and reliable mode of payment, in this method SERVICE PROVIDER shall provide a transaction ID (TID), in respect of each beneficiary, in this modes as instructed by the PA.

- a. Transaction ID (TID) is to be sent directly to the beneficiaries by sending SMS on their mobile numbers provided by the PA.
- b. TID also Provided to the RSU for its onward sharing with the beneficiaries through the school/HM/HT.. In case LSU/field formations distribute such, Service Provider has to bear such schools visit and related costs.
- c. Regularly updated on the pull back service of service provider
- d. Thereafter, each beneficiary can collect her amount in the following mode:

Beneficiary may visit any biometric enabled service provider's Outlet, upon showing her/parent's/Guardian's original CNIC, and her transaction ID to the operator of the service provider Outlet and upon successful verification of her father/Guardian thumb impression through NADRA enabled biometric machines, the beneficiary shall collect the amount from such operator. Upon receipt of the amount from the operator, an SMS confirmation shall be sent to the beneficiary, as well as a receipt is to be given to the collector.

Service Provider's retailers are not allowed to charge any extra amount from the beneficiaries. In case any such complain is reported, the service provider is responsible and shall ensure to redress such complains in a timely manner (max 30 days).

#### Role and Responsibilities of Service Provider

In order to provide the Services, Service Provider shall:

- 1. Provide Data Entry Operators (minimum 8-10) for ICR data entry (scanning and verification) of the data to the RSU, till completion of activity.
- 2. Provide Transaction IDs (TIDs) via SMS (multiple attempts) or arrange deliveries at each respective schools by PA/LSU/field formations distribute such TIDs, Service Provider has to bear such schools visit and related costs.
- 3. Provide Transaction IDs to the beneficiaries via SMS, Pull back service as well as to PA via email.
- 4. Service Provider's retailers are not allowed to charge any extra amount from the beneficiaries. In case any such complain is reported, the service provider is responsible and shall ensure to redress such complains in a timely manner (max 30 days).

- 5. Transfer funds from the PA Bank Account to the CNIC of beneficiary's Parent guardian in accordance with the instructions of the PA.
- 6. Generate and send confirmation SMS to the beneficiaries.
- 7. Issue a receipt showing amount given to collector.
- 8. Ensure timely disbursement.
- 9. Regularly update pull back service, and portal.
- 10. Regularly share customized reports as requested by PA.
- 11. If in case any retailers' outlets/franchise or branches is not available within 10 KM of school, the service provider must arrange mobile camp near the school.
- 12. SMS will be sent to the beneficiary multiple times, till amount is cashed out. In case the beneficiary fails to cash out, the transaction will be reversed and amount shall bereturned to account of PA as decided and instructed by PA.

#### **OBLIGATIONS FOR SERVICE PROVIDER:**

Following are the roles and obligations for Service Provider:

- 1. SERVICE PROVIDER is bound to ensure disbursement of each trench is completed within 15 days from the date of receiving required amount is available in PA account designated for such purposes.
- 2. SERVICE PROVIDER is bound to avoid any duplication of transaction per person /per transaction, like it does not exceed single transaction cap/Limit as per government policy under no circumstances. In case of detection of any duplication or excess of cap amount, SERVICE PROVIDER is bound to report all such cases to PA (Authorized Signatories of PA Account with SERVICE PROVIDER) and is bound to refund such amount immediately to PA designated account, without applying any service charges.
- 3. SERVICE PROVIDER is bound to refund all amount left on or before contract expiry in PA account to be opened for Girls Stipend Disbursement. This refund amount /Final settlement amount shall include if any penalty amount applicable on SERVICE PROVIDER against their failure to meet deadlines of deliverables. This refund amount shall be in the form of a Bank Pay order in the name of "Finance Department Government of Sindh" Exact title for refund shall be shared later on with Service provider.
- 4. PA account to be opened with SERVICE PROVIDER shall be restricted to disbursement of Girls Stipend only, and account shall not be used for any other purposes. It will be Checkless account
- 5. SERVICE PROVIDER is bound to provide PA, complete transaction report periodically (Twice a week) and the report should be comprehensive, while covering phase wise total number of transactions disbursed /executed, total number of collections /receipts by endusers/Girls (Parents/Guardians), and finally it should give a detail of transactions executed by each of the SERVICE PROVIDER outlet. In case any kind of misappropriation reported against any retailer, SERVICE PROVIDER is bound to compensate/refund the amount within 20 working days of detection /reporting of any such fraud case by their disbursing outlet(s)
- 6. Retailer will be bound to provide copy of Payment receipt and copy of CNIC of Parent/Guardian for cashed out beneficiaries. This will be done only in case of investigation of any transaction for fraudulent activity.
- 7. Retailers shall issue receipt of the amount given to each & every beneficiary and upon receipt of all amount from service providers outlet an SMS of confirmation shall be sent to the beneficiary.
- 8. SERVICE PROVIDER is bound to provide an efficient Complaint Management/Facilitation system at Tehsil level and at District level through LSUs in

- coordination with GS section at PA office. A dedicated helpline must be provided by SERVICE PROVIDER to end Users/Beneficiaries for quick resolution of Complaints.
- 9. SERVICE PROVIDER is bound to submit outlet specific as well as School-wiseand district-wise specific reports with PA.
- 10. The Service Provider shall raise the service charges on each transaction in their respective invoice(s) to PA, only in case the transaction is cash out (respective amount collected/received/cash out by the beneficiary) No Service charges payment is applicable/paid to the service provider on the basis of disbursements.
- 11. In case any misappropriation/over charge is reported or any complaint received from field offices / beneficiaries against the agents/retailers of the service provider is bound to refund the reported over charged/ mis appropriated amount, back to the beneficiary by themselves within 30 days of such complaint(s), sent to the Service Provider.
- 12. Liquidity damages shall be imposed @0.01% per day of the contract amount in case of failure of the disbursement within 15 days of provision of funds and list of beneficiaries. Any such LD will be deducted from the respective invoice of the service provider.
- 13. Service provider will provide data entry operators (minimum 8-10) for ICR scanning, and verification of the data to the RSU, till completion of activity.

#### Price Schedule in Pak Rupees/Financial Bid of the selected Firm

Name of Bidder -----

	Description	Quantity	
a)	Disbursement of stipend to girls students all over the Sindh province	260,000(Estimated)	
b)	Biometric based disbursement charges (per transaction)		

Stipend shall be paid to around 260,000 girl studentsin FY 2020-21.

#### Note:

- 1. The stipend amount (tranche wise) shall be deposited in the PA Bank account open exclusively for disbursement purpose in bank of Service Provider.
- 2. However firm would have to park the cheque amount on the given beneficiaries data in 15 days from the date of respective amount credited in the said exclusive bank accountfor disbursement purpose.
- 3. Besides other factors regarding technical acceptance of the offer (as referred in TORs / technical requirement), the determination of lowest offer shall be considered on the quoted service charges (Per Transaction) through Bio metric based disbursement by the firm.
- 4. The final payment will be given after 5% verification of stipend disbursement and on satisfactory performance certificate by Director General, Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E), School Education & Literacy Department, Government of Sindh.

5. The data will be shared in different stages and for different classes. After sharing and compiling of girls data with service provider in different stages, stipend funds (as per share data) will be disbursed which will be deposit in exclusive disbursement bank account of PA in the bank of service provider after the submission of girls list.

#### 2- Term & Condition:

- a. Stipend Disbursement firm must not be providing any assistance to any other person/entity in conflict with "Reform Support Unit" to avoid any sort of conflict of interest.
- b. Initially contract will be signed for 1 years which may further be extended for 1 year on same rates and terms & conditions for further (s) by mutual agreement of both parties.
- c. All direct & indirect taxes will be deducted in accordance with the provisions of Government Rules amended time to time.
- d. Successful Stipend disbursement firm will sign a service contract and will provide the agreed services within the stipulated agreed time of issuance of the purchase order/work order.
- e. If the firm completely fails to provide the services within prescribed period of service delivery and doesn't comply with the reminders, the contract maybe cancelled at the risk and cost of the firm. The excess amount to be paid towards getting the girls' stipend disbursed from the other sources/firm shall be recovered from the defaulted firm.
- f. The stipend disbursement firm must respond efficiently for providing stipend disbursement in a timely manner.
- g. Firm will not be authorized to outsource the services of contract.
- h. In case of any dispute regarding services; the decision of the Redressal Committee constitute by the department shall be final & binding to both parties.
- i. All documents and information received by firm from Reform support unit relating to beneficiary's data will be treated in strict confidence.
- j. Reform Support Unit reserves the right to request submission of additional information from firms in order to clarify/further understand aspects of technical proposal, if required.
- k. Reform Support Unit reserves the right to verify any information provided by the applicants.
- I. A highly reputable & professional field team would be provided by firm for visiting schools for disbursement. In case of any misappropriation/unlawful act reported against the team during process, it would be responsibility of selected firm, and firm will have to compensate for it

## Section VI. Sample Forms

#### **Notes on the Sample Forms**

The Bidder shall complete and submit with its bid the **Bid Form** and **Price Schedules** pursuant to ITB Clause 9 and in accordance with the requirements included in the bidding documents.

When requested in the Bid Data Sheet, the Bidder should provide the **Bid Security**, either in the form included hereafter or in another form acceptable to the Procuring agency, pursuant to ITB Clause 15.3.

The Contract Form, when it is finalized at the time of contract award, should incorporate any corrections or modifications to the accepted bid resulting from price corrections pursuant to ITB Clause 16.3 and GCC Clause 17, acceptable deviations (e.g., payment schedule pursuant to ITB Clause 25.4 (c), spare parts pursuant to ITB Clause 25.4 (d), or quantity variations pursuant to ITB Clause 29. The Price Schedule and Schedule of Requirements deemed to form part of the contract should be modified accordingly.

The **Performance Security** and **Bank Guarantee for Advance Payment** forms should not be completed by the bidders at the time of their bid preparation. Only the successful Bidder will be required to provide performance security and bank guarantee for advance payment in accordance with one of the forms indicated herein or in another form acceptable to the Procuring agency and pursuant to GCC Clause 7.3 and SCC 11, respectively.

The **Manufacturer's Authorization** form should be completed by the Manufacturer, as appropriate, pursuant to ITB Clause 13.3 (a).

## **Sample Forms**

1. BID FORM AND PRICE SCHEDULES	
2. Bid Security Form	
3. Contract Form	
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#### 1. Bid Form and Price Schedules

Date:22-12-2020 IFB NO: RSU/PROC/GOS/2020-21

*To:* [name and address of Procuring Agency]

Gentlemen and/or Ladies:

Having examined the bidding documents including Addenda Nos. [insert numbers], the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we, the undersigned, offer to supply and deliver [description of goods and services] in conformity with the said bidding documents for the sum of [total bid amount in words and figures] or such other sums as may be ascertained in accordance with the Schedule of Prices attached herewith and made part of this Bid.

We undertake, if our Bid is accepted, to deliver the goods in accordance with the delivery schedule specified in the Schedule of Requirements.

If our Bid is accepted, we will obtain the guarantee of a bank in a sum equivalent to Rs.1 million fixed for the due performance of the Contract, in the formprescribed by the Procuring agency.

We agree to abide by this Bid for a period of [number] days from the date fixed for Bid opening under Clause 22 of the Instructions to Bidders, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period.

Until a formal Contract is prepared and executed, this Bid, together with your written acceptance thereof and your notification of award, shall constitute a binding Contract between us.

Commissions or gratuities, if any, paid or to be paid by us to agents relating to this Bid, and to contract execution if we are awarded the contract, are listed below:

Name and address of agent	Amount and Currency	Purpose of Commission or Gratuity
(if none, state "none")		_

We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any bid you may receive.

Part Two - Section VII. Eligibility for the Provision of Goods, Works and Services in Bank Financed Procurement		24		
Dated this	day of		19	
[signature]		[in the capacity o	pf]	
Duly authorized to s	ign Bid for and on beh	alf of		

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### Price Schedule in Pak. Rupees

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3Must be included if required under ITB 11.2

#### 2. Bid Security Form

Whereas [name of the Bidder] (hereinafter called "the Bidder") has submitted its bid dated [dateof submission of bid] for the supply of [name and/or description of the goods] (hereinafter called "theBid").

KNOW ALL PEOPLE by these J	presents that WE[name of bank] of [name of country], having our
registered office at [address of ba	ank] (hereinafter called "the Bank"), are bound unto [name
ofProcuring agency] (hereinafter c	alled "the Procuring agency") in the sum of for which
paymentwell and truly to be ma	de to the said Procuring agency, the Bank binds itself, its
successors, and assigns by these p	presents. Sealed with the Common Seal of the said Bank this
dayof 19	<u></u> .

#### THE CONDITIONS of this obligation are:

- 1. If the Bidder withdraws its Bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Form; or
- 2. If the Bidder, having been notified of the acceptance of its Bid by the Procuring agency during the period of bid validity:
  - (a) fails or refuses to execute the Contract Form, if required; or
  - (b) fails or refuses to furnish the performance security, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders;

we undertake to pay to the Procuring agency up to the above amount upon receipt of its first written demand, without the Procuring agency having to substantiate its demand, provided that in its demand the Procuring agency will note that the amount claimed by it is due to it, owing to the occurrence of one or both of the two conditions, specifying the occurred condition or conditions.

This guarantee will remain in force up to and including twenty eight (28) days after the period of bid validity, and any demand in respect thereof should reach the Bank not later than the above date.

[signature of the bank]	

## 3. Contract Form

<i>Procurii</i> ofthe o	AGREEMENT made the day of ng Agency] of [country of Procuring agency] one part and [name of Supplier] of [city of er") of the other part:	(hereinafter called	"the Procuring agency")
[brief d ofthose	REAS the Procuring agency invited bids escription of goods and services] and has a goods and services in the sum of [continuation of the sum of	ecepted a bid by the	Supplier for the supply
NOW '	THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH AS	S FOLLOWS:	
1. respect	In this Agreement words and expression tively assigned to them in the Conditions		•
(a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f)  3. as here provide with the	The following documents shall be deem Agreement, viz.: the Bid Form and the Price Schedule su the Schedule of Requirements; the Technical Specifications; the General Conditions of Contract; the Special Conditions of Contract; and the Procuring agency's Notification of A In consideration of the payments to be einafter mentioned, the Supplier hereby the provisions of the Contract	Award.  made by the Procuring the covenants with the defects therein in covenants.	r;  ng agency to the Supplier the Procuring agency to conformity in all respects
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## 4. Performance Security Form

To: [name of Procuring agency]
WHEREAS [name of Supplier] (hereinafter called "the Supplier") has undertaken, in pursuance of Contract No. [reference number of the contract] dated 20 to supply [description of goods and services] (hereinafter called "the Contract").
AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you in the said Contract that the Supplier shall furnish you with a bank guarantee by a reputable bank for the sum specified therein as security for compliance with the Supplier's performance obligations in accordance with the Contract.
AND WHEREAS we have agreed to give the Supplier a guarantee:
THEREFORE WE hereby affirm that we are Guarantors and responsible to you, on behalf of the Supplier, up to a total of [amount of the guarantee in words and figures], and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand declaring the Supplier to be in default under the Contract and without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of [amount of guarantee] as aforesaid, without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for yourdemand or the sum specified therein.  This guarantee is valid until the day of
Signature and seal of the Guarantors
[name of bank or financial institution]
[address]
[date]

[date]

## **5. Bank Guarantee for Advance Payment**

#### 6. Manufacturer's Authorization Form

[See Clause 13.3 (a) of the Instructions to Bidders.]

To: [name of the Procuring agency]

WHEREAS [name of the Manufacturer] who are established and reputable manufacturers of [name and/or description of the goods] having factories at [address of factory]

do hereby authorize [name and address of Agent] to submit a bid, and subsequently negotiate and sign the Contract with you against IFB No. [reference of the Invitation to Bid] for the above goods manufactured by us.

We hereby extend our full guarantee and warranty as per Clause 15 of the General Conditions of Contract for the goods offered for supply by the above firm against this Invitation for Bids.

[signature for and on behalf of Manufacturer]

*Note:* This letter of authority should be on the letterhead of the Manufacturer and should be signed by a person competent and having the power of attorney to bind the Manufacturer. It should be included by the Bidder in its bid.