

BIDDING DOCUMENT

for

PROCUREMENT OF SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF DRIVE TEST BASED MOBILE NETWORK BENCHMARKING SYSTEM

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Abbreviations

BDS.....	Bid Data Sheet
BD	Bidding Document
DCS.....	Delivery and Completion Schedule
DP	Development Partner
EQC	Evaluation and Qualification Criteria
GCC	General Conditions of Contract
GoN ¹	Government of Nepal
ICC.....	International Chamber of Commerce
IFB	Invitation for Bids
ITB	Instructions to Bidders
LGRS	List of Goods and Related Services
NCB	National Competitive Bidding
PAN	Permanent Account Number
PPMO	Public Procurement Monitoring Office
SBD.....	Standard Bidding Document
SBQ.....	Schedule of Bidder Qualifications
SCC.....	Special Conditions of Contract
SR	Schedule of Requirements
TS.....	Technical Specifications
VAT	Value Added Tax

¹ “GoN” word indicates all public entities according to Public Procurement Act, 2063

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Invitation for Bids

Nepal Telecommunications Authority (NTA)

Invitation for Bids for Procurement of Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Drive Test Based Mobile Network Benchmarking System

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1. NTA has own fund and part of the proceeds of this fund will be used for payment under the contract for Procurement of Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Drive Test Based Mobile Network Benchmarking System. Bidding is open to all eligible Nepalese and Foreign Bidders

2. NTA invites *electronic* bids from eligible bidders for the procurement of ***Procurement of Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Drive Test Based Mobile Network Benchmarking System under international competitive bidding- Single Stage Two Envelope Bidding procedures specified in Public Procurement Act and Regulations.***

3. Eligible Bidders may obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents at the office of Nepal Telecommunications Authority, Jamal, Kathmandu, Nepal, Tel: 977-1-5355474, Fax: +977-1-5355250, Email: ntra@nta.gov.np, www.nta.gov.np or may visit PPMO egp system www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp.

4. A complete set of Bidding Documents may be downloaded from PPMO's e-GP system www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp for e-submission. Bidders, submitting their bid electronically, should deposit the cost of NPR 10,000 for bidding document in the following Rajaswa (revenue) account as specified below ***and the scanned copy (pdf format) of the Bank deposit voucher shall be uploaded by the bidder at the time of electronic submission of the bids.***

Information to deposit the cost of bidding document in Bank:

Bank Account No.: 0106011664201

Name of the Account holder: Nepal Telecommunications Authority Page

Name and address of Bank: Nabil Bank Limited, Kathmandu

5. Pre-bid meeting shall be held at Nepal Telecommunications Authority, Jamal, Kathmandu, Nepal at 4 January, 2023 at 14:30 Hr.

6. Electronic bids must be submitted through PPMO's e-GP system www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp on or before **12:00 Hr** on 26 January ,2023. Bids received after this deadline will be rejected.

7. The bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at 26 Jnuary, 2022 at 12:30 Hr at the office of Nepal Telecommunications Authority, Jamal, Kathmandu. Bids must be valid for a period of 120 days counting from the date of bid opening and must be accompanied by a bid security, amounting to a minimum of NPR 25,00,000.00 or Equivalent USD, which shall be valid for 30 days beyond the validity period of the bid.

8. If the last date of purchasing and /or submission falls on a government holiday, then the next working day shall be considered as the last date. In such case the validity period of the bid security shall remain the same as specified for the original last date of bid submission.

9. Nepal Telecommunications Authority will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of Bids.

Section I. Instructions to Bidders

This section specifies the procedures to be followed by Bidders in the preparation and submission of their Bids. Information is also provided on the submission, opening, and evaluation of bids and on the award of contract.

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Section I. Instructions to Bidders

A. General

<p>1. Scope of Bid</p>	<p>1.1 In connection with the Invitation for Bids <i>indicated in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS)</i>, the Purchaser as <i>indicated in the BDS</i> issues this Bidding Document for the supply of Goods and Related Services incidental thereto as specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements. The name, identification, and number of contracts (packages/lots) are <i>indicated in BDS</i>.</p> <p>1.2 Throughout this Bidding Document :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the term “in writing” means communicated in written form with proof of receipt; (b) if the context so requires, singular means plural and vice versa; and (c) “day” means calendar day.
<p>2. Source of Funds</p>	<p>2.1 GoN Funded: In accordance with its annual program and budget, approved by the GoN, the Purchaser intends to apply a portion of the allocated budget to eligible payments under the contract(s) <i>indicated in the BDS</i> for which this Bidding Document is issued.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <p>DP Funded: The GoN has applied for or received financing (hereinafter called “funds”) from the Development Partner (hereinafter called “the DP”) <i>indicated in the BDS</i> toward the cost of the project <i>named in the BDS</i>. The GoN intends to apply a portion of the funds to eligible payments under the contract(s) for which this Bidding Document is issued.</p> <p>2.2 DP Funded: Payment by the DP will be made only at the request of the GoN and upon approval by the DP in accordance with the terms and conditions of the financing agreement between the GoN and the DP (hereinafter called the “Loan Agreement”), and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of that Loan Agreement. No party other than the GoN shall derive any rights from the Loan Agreement or have any claim to the funds.</p>
<p>3. Fraud and Corruption</p>	<p>3.1 Procuring Entities as well as Bidders, suppliers and contractors and their sub-contractors shall adhere to the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuance of this::</p>

	<p>(a) the Purchaser adopts, for the purposes of this provision, the terms as defined below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) “corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party; (ii) “fraudulent practice” means any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation; (iii) “coercive practice” means impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party; (iv) “collusive practice” means an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including influencing improperly the actions of another party. (v) “obstructive practice” means (a) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to an investigation; (b) making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede an investigation; (c) failing to comply with requests to provide information, documents, or records in connection with an investigation; (d) threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or (e) materially impeding GoN/DP’s contractual rights of audit or access to information; and (vi) “integrity violation” is any act which violates Anticorruption Policy, including (i) to (v) above and the following: abuse, conflict of interest, violations of GoN/DP sanctions, retaliation against whistleblowers or witnesses, and other violations of Anticorruption Policy, including failure to adhere to the highest ethical standard. <p>(b) the Purchaser will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices or other integrity violations in competing for the contract;</p>
	<p>(c) DP will cancel the portion of the financing allocated to a contract if it determines at any time that representative(s) of the GoN or of a beneficiary of DP-financing engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices or other integrity violations during the procurement or the execution of that contract, without the GoN having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to DP to remedy the situation.</p> <p>(d) DP will impose remedial actions on a firm or an individual, at any</p>

	<p>time, in accordance with DP's Anticorruption Policy and related Guidelines (as amended from time to time), including declaring ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to participate in DP-financed, -administered, or -supported activities or to benefit from an DP-financed, -administered, or -supported contract, financially or otherwise, if it at any time determines that the firm or individual has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices or other integrity violations; and</p> <p>(e) The Supplier shall permit the GoN/DP 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 GoN/DP, if so required by the GoN/DP.</p>
	<p>3.2 The Bidder shall not carry out or cause to carry out the following acts with an intention to influence the implementation of the procurement process or the procurement agreement :</p> <p>(a) give or propose improper inducement directly or indirectly,</p> <p>(b) distortion or misrepresentation of facts,</p> <p>(c) engaging in corrupt or fraudulent practice or involving in such act,</p> <p>(d) interference in participation of other competing bidders,</p> <p>(e) coercion or threatening directly or indirectly to cause harm to the person or the property of any person to be involved in the procurement proceedings,</p> <p>(f) collusive practice among bidders before or after submission of bids for distribution of works among bidders or fixing artificial/uncompetitive bid price with an intention to deprive the Purchaser the benefit of open competitive bid price,</p> <p>(g) Contacting the Purchaser with an intention to influence the Purchaser with regards to the bids or interference of any kind in examination and evaluation of the bids during the period from the time of opening of the bids until the notification of award of contract.</p>
	<p>3.3 PPMO, on the recommendation of the Procuring Entity may blacklist a Bidder for a period of one (1) to three (3) years for its conduct including on the following grounds and seriousness of the act committed by the bidder:</p> <p>(a) if convicted by a court of law in a criminal offence which disqualifies the Bidder from participating in the contract,</p> <p>(b) if it is established that the contract agreement signed by the Bidder was based on false or misrepresentation of Bidder's qualification information,</p> <p>(c) if it at any time determines that the firm has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for, or in executing, a GoN/DP-financed contract.</p>

	(d) if the Successful Bidder fails to sign the Contract.
	<p>3.4 A bidder declared blacklisted and ineligible by the GoN, Public Procurement Monitoring Office (PPMO) and/or the DP in case of DP funded project, may be ineligible to bid for a contract during the period of time determined by the GoN, PPMO and/or the DP including credit information bureau of Nepal.</p> <p>3.5 In case of a natural person or firm/institution/company which is already declared blacklisted and ineligible by the GoN, any other new or existing firm/institution/company owned partially or fully by such Natural person or Owner or Board of director of blacklisted firm/institution/company; shall not be eligible bidder.</p>
	3.6 Furthermore, Bidders shall be aware of the provisions of GCC 34.1(c).
4. Eligible Bidders	<p>4.1 This Invitation for Bids is open to eligible Bidders from all countries, except for any <i>specified in the BDS</i>.</p> <p>4.2 A Bidder may be a natural person, private entity, government-owned entity (subject to ITB 4.5) or any combination of them with a formal intent to enter into an agreement or under an existing agreement in the form of a Joint Venture (JV). Maximum number of partners in JV shall be as specified in BDS. In the case of a JV:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) all parties to the JV shall be jointly and severally liable; and (b) a JV shall nominate a representative who shall have the authority to conduct all businesses for and on behalf of any and all the parties of the JV during the bidding process and, in the event the JV is awarded the Contract, during contract execution. <p>4.3 A Bidder shall not have a conflict of interest. Any Bidders found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. A Bidder may be considered to be in a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process if, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) have controlling shareholders in common; (b) receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from any of them; (c) have the same legal representative for purposes of this Bid; (d) have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about or influence on the Bid of another Bidder, or influence the decisions of the Purchaser regarding this bidding process;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (e) a Bidder participates in more than one bid in this bidding process. Participation by a Bidder in more than one Bid will result in the disqualification of all Bids in which it is involved. However, this does not limit the inclusion of the same subcontractor, not otherwise participating as a Bidder, in more than one bid; or (f) a Bidder or any of its affiliates participated as a consultant in the preparation of the design or technical specifications of the goods and services that are the subject of the bid. (g) a Bidder that has a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Procuring Entity. <p>4.4 A Bidder that is under a declaration of ineligibility by the GoN/DP in accordance with ITB 3.4, at the date of the deadline for bid submission or thereafter, shall be disqualified. The list of debarred firms is available at the electronic address specified in the BDS.</p> <p>4.5 A GoN-owned enterprise may also participate in the bid if it is legally and financially autonomous, it operates under commercial law, and it is not dependent agency of the Purchaser.</p> <p>4.6 Bidders shall provide such evidence of their continued eligibility satisfactory to the Purchaser, as the Purchaser shall reasonably request.</p> <p>4.7 Firms shall be excluded in any of the cases, if</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations prohibits any import of goods or Contracting of works or services from that country or any payments to persons or entities in that country. (b) DP Funded: as a matter of law or official regulation, GoN prohibits commercial relations with that country, provided that the DP is satisfied that such exclusion does not preclude effective competition for the supply of goods or related services required; (c) DP Funded: a firm has been determined to be ineligible by the DP in relation to their guidelines or appropriate provisions on preventing and combating fraud and corruption in projects financed by them.
	<p>4.8 A bidder and all parties constituting the Bidder shall have the nationality of an eligible country as defined by the concerned DP for DP funded projects.</p> <p>4.9 The domestic Bidder who has obtained Permanent Account Number (PAN) and Value Added Tax (VAT) registration certificate(s) and Tax clearance certificate or proof of submission of tax return from the Inland</p>

	<p>Revenue Office shall only be eligible. The foreign bidder submitting the documents <i>indicated in the BDS</i> at the time of bid submission and a declaration to submit the document(s) <i>indicated in the BDS</i> at the time of contract agreement shall only be eligible.</p> <p>4.10 In case a prequalification process has been conducted prior to the bidding process, this bidding is open only to prequalified Bidders.</p>
5. Eligible Goods and Related Services	<p>5.1 All goods and related services to be supplied under the contract are eligible, unless their origin is from a country <i>specified in the BDS</i>.</p> <p>5.2 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</p> <p>5.3 The nationality of the firm/Bidder that produces, assembles, distributes, or sells the goods shall not determine their origin.</p>
6. Site Visit	<p>6.1 For goods contracts requiring installation/ commissioning/ networking or similar services at site, the Bidder, at the Bidder’s own responsibility and risk, is encouraged to visit and examine the Site and obtain all information that may be necessary for preparing the Bid and entering into a contract for the supply of goods and related services.</p> <p>6.2 The Bidder should ensure that the Purchaser is informed of the visit in adequate time to allow it to make appropriate arrangements.</p> <p>6.3 The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the Bidder’s own expense.</p>

B. Contents of Bidding Document

7. Sections of the Bidding Document	<p>7.1 The Bidding Document consist of Parts 1, 2, and 3, which include all the Sections indicated below, and should be read and construed in conjunction with any Addenda issued in accordance with ITB 9.</p> <p>PART 1 Bidding Procedures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section I. Instructions to Bidders (ITB) • Section II. Bid Data Sheet (BDS) • Section III. Evaluation and Qualification Criteria • Section IV. Bidding Forms <p>PART 2 Supply Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section V. Schedule of Requirements <p>PART 3 Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section VI. General Conditions of Contract (GCC) • Section VII. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) <p>Section VIII. Contract Forms</p> <p>7.2 The Purchaser will reject any Bid submission (in case of hard copy submission) if the Bidding Document was not purchased directly from the Purchaser, or through its assigned office as stated in the invitation for bids or has not deposited (in case of electronically submission) the cost of Bidding Document as stated in the invitation for bids.</p> <p>7.3 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the Bidding Document as well as in Amendments, if any. Failure to furnish all information or documentation required by the Bidding Document may result in the rejection of the Bid.</p> <p>7.4 The Invitation for Bids issued by the Purchaser is not part of the Bidding Document</p>
<p>8. Clarification of Bidding Document/ Pre-bid meeting</p>	<p>8.1 A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Document shall contact the Purchaser in writing at the Purchaser’s address <i>indicated in the BDS</i> or raise any question or curiosity during the pre-bid meeting if provided for in accordance with ITB 8.2. The Purchaser will respond in writing to any request for clarification, provided that such request is received within the time limit <i>specified in the BDS</i> prior to the deadline for submission of Bids. The Purchaser shall forward copies of its response to all Bidders who have acquired the Bidding Document directly from it, including a description of the inquiry but without identifying its source. Should the Purchaser deem it necessary to amend the Bidding Document as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITB 9 and 24.2.</p> <p>8.2 The purchaser may organize a pre-bid meeting of Bidders at least fifteen (15) days before the deadline for submission of Bids at the place, date, and time as <i>specified in the BDS</i> to provide information relating to Bidding Documents, Technical specifications and the like matters. Should the purchaser deem it necessary to amend the Bidding Document as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITB 9 and ITB 24.2.</p>
<p>9. Amendment of Bidding Document</p>	<p>9.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of the Bids, the Purchaser may amend the Bidding Document by issuing addenda.</p> <p>9.2 Any addendum issued shall be part of the Bidding Document and shall be communicated in writing to all who have obtained the Bidding</p>

	<p>Document directly from the Purchaser.</p> <p>9.3 To give prospective Bidders reasonable time in which to take an addendum into account in preparing their Bids, the Purchaser may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of the Bids, pursuant to ITB 24.2.</p>
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C. Preparation of Bids

10. Cost of Bidding	<p>10.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Bid, and the Purchaser shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.</p>
11. Language of Bid	<p>11.1 The Bid, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Bid exchanged by the Bidder and the Purchaser, shall be written in the language <i>specified in the BDS</i>. Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the Bid may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language <i>specified in the BDS</i>, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, such translation shall govern.</p>
12. Documents Comprising the Bid	<p>12.1 The Bid shall comprise two envelopes submitted simultaneously, one called the Technical Bid containing the documents listed in ITB 12.2 and the other the Price Bid containing the documents listed in ITB 12.3, both envelopes enclosed together in an outer single envelope.</p> <p>12.2 The Technical Bid shall comprise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Letter of Technical Bid; (b) Bid Security in accordance with ITB 21; (c) alternative technical bids, at Bidder's option and if permissible, in accordance with ITB 14; (d) written confirmation authorizing the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder, in accordance with ITB 22; (e) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB 17 establishing the Bidder's eligibility to bid; (f) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clauses 18 and 31, that the Goods and Related Services conform to the Bidding Document; (g) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB 19 establishing the Bidder's qualifications to perform the contract if its Bid is accepted; and (h) any other required documents, which is not against the provision

	<p>of Procurement Act/Regulation/Directives and Standard Bidding Document issued by PPMO, <i>required in the BDS.</i></p> <p>12.3 The Price Bid submitted by the Bidder shall comprise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Price Bid Submission Letter and the applicable Price Schedules, in accordance with ITB 13, ITB 15, and ITB 16; (b) alternative Price Bid corresponding to the alternative Technical Bid, if permissible, in accordance with ITB 14; and (c) any other document required in the BDS. <p>12.4 The Bidder is solely responsible for the authenticity of the submitted documents.</p> <p>12.5 The Technical Bid shall not include any financial information related to the Price Bid. A Technical Bid containing such material financial information shall be declared non-responsive.</p>
<p>13. Bid Submission Letter and Price Schedules</p>	<p>13.1 The Bidder shall submit the Technical Bid Submission Letter and the Price Bid Submission Letter using the form furnished in Section IV, Bidding Forms. These forms must be completed without any alterations to their format, and no substitutes shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled in with the information requested.</p> <p>13.2 The Bidder shall submit, as part of the Price Bid, the Price Schedules for Goods and Related Services, according to their origin as appropriate, using the forms furnished in Section IV, Bidding Forms.</p>
<p>14. Alternative Bids</p>	<p>14.1 Unless otherwise <i>indicated in the BDS</i>, alternative bids shall not be considered.</p>
<p>15. Bid Prices and Discounts</p>	<p>15.1 The prices and discounts quoted by the Bidder in the Letter of Price bid and in the Price Schedules shall conform to the requirements specified below.</p> <p>15.2 The Bidder shall complete the appropriate Price Schedule and the sources of Goods schedules included herein, stating the unit prices, total cost per item, the total Bid amount, and the expected countries of origin of the Goods to be supplied under the contract.</p> <p>15.3 All items in the Schedule of Supply must be listed and priced separately in the Price Schedules. If a Price Schedule shows items listed but not priced, their prices shall be assumed to be included in the prices of other items. Items not listed in the Price Schedule shall be assumed not to be included in the Bid, and provided that the Bid is substantially responsive, the corresponding adjustment shall be applied in accordance with ITB 39.3. Unit rates and prices for all items in the Schedule of Supply shall be expressed in positive values.</p>

	<p>If unit rates and prices are expressed in negative values, the bid will be rejected.</p> <p>15.4 The price to be quoted in the Letter of Price Bid shall be the total price of the Bid excluding any discounts offered. Absence of the total bid price in the Letter of Price Bid may result in the rejection of the Bid.</p> <p>15.5 If the Bidder intends to offer any unconditional discount, it shall always be expressed in fixed percentage and that shall not vary as the quantity varies and be applicable to each unit rate. The discount and methodology for its application shall be quoted in Letter of Price Bid.</p> <p>15.6 The terms EXW, CIF, CIP, and other similar terms shall be governed by the rules prescribed in the current edition of Incoterms, published by The International Chamber of Commerce, at the date of the Invitation for Bids or as specified in the BDS.</p> <p>15.7 Prices shall be quoted as specified in each Price Schedule included in Section IV, Bidding Forms. The disaggregation of price components is required solely for the purpose of facilitating the comparison of Bids by the Purchaser. This shall not in any way limit the Purchaser's right to contract on any of the terms offered. Prices shall be entered in the following manner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) For Goods manufactured in Nepal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the price of the goods quoted EXW (ex works, ex factory, ex warehouse, ex showroom, or off-the-shelf, as applicable), including all customs duties, Value Added Tax and other taxes already paid or payable on the components and raw material used in the manufacture or assembly of goods quoted ex works or ex factory, or on the previously imported goods of foreign origin quoted ex warehouse, ex showroom, or off-the-shelf; (ii) Value Added Tax and all other taxes applicable in Nepal and payable on the Goods if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder; (iii) the price for inland transportation, insurance, and other local services required to convey the Goods to their final destination (Project Site) specified in the BDS. (iv) the total price for the item. (b) For Goods manufactured outside Nepal, to be imported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the price of the goods quoted CIF (named port of destination), or CIP (border point), or CIP (named place of destination), named place of destination as specified in
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	<p>the BDS;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. the price for inland transportation, insurance, and other local services required to convey the Goods from the named place of destination to their final destination (Project Site) specified in the BDS; iii. in addition to the CIP prices specified in (b)(i) above, the price of the Goods to be imported may be quoted FOB port of shipment (or FCA, as the case may be) or CPT (named place of destination), if so specified in the BDS; and iv. the total price for the item. <p>(c) For Goods manufactured outside Nepal, already imported:</p> <p><i>[For previously imported Goods, the quoted price shall be distinguishable from the original import value of these Goods declared to customs and shall include any rebate or mark-up of the local agent or representative and all local costs except import duties and taxes, which have been and/or have to be paid by the Purchaser. For clarity the bidders are asked to quote the price including import duties, and additionally to provide the import duties and the price net of import duties which is the difference of those values.]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the price of the Goods, including the original import value of the Goods; plus any mark-up (or rebate); plus any other related local cost, and custom duties and other import taxes already paid or to be paid on the Goods already imported. (ii) the custom duties and other import taxes already paid (need to be supported with documentary evidence) or to be paid on the Goods already imported; (iii) the price of the Goods, obtained as the difference between (i) and (ii) above; (iv) any sales and other taxes which will be payable on the Goods if the contract is awarded to the Bidder; (v) the price for inland transportation, insurance, and other local services required to convey the Goods from the named place of destination to their final destination (Project Site) specified in the BDS; and
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	<p>(vi) the total price for the item.</p> <p>(d) For Related Services, other than inland transportation and other services required to convey the Goods to their final destination, whenever such Related Services are specified in the Schedule of Requirements:</p> <p>(i) the local currency cost component of each item comprising the Related Services; and</p> <p>(ii) the foreign currency cost component of each item comprising the Related Services, inclusive of all custom duties, Value Added Tax and other taxes applicable in the Purchaser's country, payable on the related services, if the contract is awarded to the Bidder.</p> <p>15.8 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 <i>specified in the BDS</i>. A Bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation shall be treated as non responsive and shall be rejected, pursuant to ITB 32. However, if in <i>accordance with the BDS</i>, prices quoted by the Bidder shall be subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract, a Bid submitted with a fixed price quotation shall not be rejected, but the price adjustment shall be treated as zero</p> <p>15.9 If so indicated in ITB 1.1, Bids are being invited for individual contracts (lots) or for any combination of contracts (packages). Bidders wishing to offer any price discount for the award of more than one Contract shall specify in their Price Bids the price discount applicable to each package, or alternatively, to individual Contracts within the package. Price discounts shall be submitted in accordance with ITB 15.7, provided the Price Bids for all lots are submitted and opened at the same time.</p>
<p>16. Currencies of Bid</p>	<p>16.1 Bid prices shall be quoted in the following currencies:</p> <p>(a) Bidders may express their bid price in any fully convertible currency. If a Bidder wishes to be paid in a combination of amounts in different currencies, it may quote its price accordingly but shall use no more than three currencies in addition to the Nepalese currency.</p> <p>(b) All expenditures that are to be incurred in Nepal for i) inland transportation and related costs, ii) all taxes, and iii) local currency cost component of related services other than inland transportation and other services should be expressed in the Bid in Nepalese currency and will be payable in Nepalese</p>

	currency.
17. Documents Establishing the Eligibility of the Bidder	<p>17.1 To establish their eligibility in accordance with ITB 4, Bidders shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) complete the eligibility declarations in the Bid Submission Letter, included in Section IV, Bidding Forms; and (b) if the Bidder is an existing or intended JV in accordance with ITB 4.2, submit a copy of the JV Agreement, or a letter of intent to enter into such an Agreement. The respective document shall be signed by all legally authorized signatories of all the parties to the existing or intended JV, as appropriate. (c) submit the copy of the documents as <i>specified in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria</i>.
18. Documents Establishing the Conformity of the Goods and Related Services to the Bidding Document	<p>18.1 To establish the conformity of the Goods and Related Services to the Bidding Document, the Bidder shall furnish as part of its Technical Bid the documentary evidence that the Goods and Related Services conform to the requirements specified in Section V, Supply Requirements.</p> <p>18.2 The documentary evidence may be in the form of literature, drawings or data, and shall consist of a detailed item-by-item description of the essential technical and performance characteristics of the Goods and Related Services, demonstrating substantial responsiveness of the Goods and Related Services to those requirements, and if applicable, a statement of deviations and exceptions to the provisions of Section V, Schedule of Requirements.</p> <p>18.3 The Bidder shall also furnish 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 during the period specified in the BDS following commencement of the use of the goods by the Purchaser.</p> <p>18.4 Standards for workmanship, process, material, and equipment, as well as references to brand names or catalogue numbers specified by the Purchaser in the Section V, Schedule of Requirements, are intended to be descriptive only and not restrictive. The Bidder may offer other standards of quality, brand names, and/or catalogue numbers, provided that it demonstrates, to the Purchaser's satisfaction, that the substitutions ensure substantial equivalence or are superior to those specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements.</p>
19. Documents Establishing the	<p>19.1 To establish its qualifications to perform the Contract, the Bidder shall submit as part of its Technical Proposal the evidence indicated for each qualification criteria specified in Section III (Evaluation and</p>

<p>Qualifications of the Bidder</p>	<p>Qualification Criteria). The documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications to perform the contract, if its bid is accepted, shall establish to the Purchaser's satisfaction that the Bidder meets each of the qualification criterion specified.</p> <p>19.2 If so <i>required in the BDS</i>, a Bidder that does not manufacture or produce the Goods it offers to supply shall submit the Manufacturer's Authorization using the form included in Section IV, Bidding Forms to demonstrate that it has been duly authorized by the manufacturer or producer of the Goods to supply these Goods in Nepal and take care of the warranty provided.</p> <p>19.3 If so <i>required in the BDS</i>, a Bidder that does not conduct business within Nepal shall submit evidence that it will be represented by an Agent in Nepal 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.</p> <p>19.4 A foreign Bidder wishing to have or already having a local agent shall state the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Name and address of the Agent/Representative, b. The Agent/Representative providing type of services, c. Amount of commission if the Agent/Representative is entitled to get such payment and if it participates in the procedure of payment, d. Other agreement with Agent/Representative, if any, e. Bidder shall certify in the Letter of Authorization as follows: "We certify that the statement and disclosure made by us on the above are complete and true to the best of our knowledge and belief", If the agent has not been appointed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Source of information about tender invitation, b. The remuneration given to the individual or firm/company or organization to work on its behalf for submitting tender, representation in the bid opening and other required action in connection with the tender, c. Transfer or handover an evidence of foreign currency exchanged which required to be submitted with the tender, d. If the bank account of any Nepali citizen has been used for the exchange of foreign currency specify the name of the individual and his address. If the foreign currency has been exchanged by self then the certificate of currency exchange.
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	<p>19.5 If a foreign Bidder in its Bid, has not provided the information mentioned in ITB 19.4 or has submitted its bid stating that the Bidder does not have a local agent and later it is proved that the bidder has a local agent or it is proved that the commission mentioned in the Bid is less than the commission received by the local agent then the Purchaser shall initiate proceedings to blacklist such bidder in accordance with ITB 3.3.</p>
<p>20. Period of Validity of Bids</p>	<p>20.1 Bid shall remain valid for a period <i>specified in the BDS</i> after the bid submission deadline date prescribed by the purchaser. If the prescribed bid submission deadline date falls on a government holiday, then the next working day shall be considered as the bid submission deadline date. In such case the validity period of the bids shall be considered from the original bid submission deadline date. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the purchaser as nonresponsive.</p> <p>20.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the bid validity period, the Purchaser may request Bidders to extend the period of validity of their Bids. The request and the responses shall be made in writing. If a Bid Security is requested in accordance with ITB 21, it shall also be extended for a corresponding period. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its Bid Security. A Bidder granting the request shall not be required or permitted to modify its Bid and to include any additional conditions against the provisions specified in Bid Documents.</p>
<p>21. Bid Security</p>	<p>21.1 The Bidder shall furnish as part of its bid, in original form a Bid Security as <i>specified in the BDS</i>. In case of e-submission of bid, the Bidder shall upload scanned copy of Bid security letter at the time of electronic submission of the bid. The Bidder accepts that the scanned copy of the Bid security shall, for all purposes, be equal to the original. The details of original Bid Security and the scanned copy submitted with e-bid should be the same otherwise the bid shall be non-responsive.</p> <p>21.2 If a bid security is specified pursuant to ITB 21.1, the bid security shall be a demand guarantee in any of the following forms at the Bidder's option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) original copy of an unconditional bank guarantee from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law or; (b) original copy of an unconditional bank guarantee from commercial foreign bank or;

- (c) original copy of cash deposit voucher in the Purchaser 's Account as *specified in BDS*.

In case of a bank guarantee, the Bid Security shall be submitted either using the Bid Security Form included in Section IV, Bidding Forms or in another form acceptable to the purchaser. The form must include the complete name of the Bidder. The Bid Security shall be valid for minimum thirty (30) days beyond the end of the validity period of the bid, or beyond any period of extension if requested under ITB 20.2.

The bid security issued by any foreign Bank outside Nepal must be counter guaranteed by an Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal.

21.3 If a bid Security is required in accordance with ITB 21.1, any Bid not accompanied by an enforceable and substantially compliant Bid Security in accordance with ITB 21.2, shall be rejected by the Purchaser as nonresponsive. In case of e- Submission, if the scanned copy of an acceptable bid security letter is not uploaded with the electronic bid then bid shall be rejected.

21.4 If a Bid Security is specified pursuant to ITB 21.1, the Bid Security of unsuccessful Bidders shall be returned within three (3) days upon the successful Bidder's` furnishing of the required performance security and signing of the Contract Agreement pursuant to ITB 44.1 and 45.1.

21.5 If a Bid Security is specified pursuant to ITB 21.1, the Bid Security of the successful Bidder shall be returned as promptly as possible once the successful Bidder has furnished the required Performance Security and signed the Contract Agreement.

21.6 The Bid Security may be forfeited:

- (a) a Bidder requests for withdrawal or modification of its bid, except as provided in ITB 20.2
 - (i) during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid, in case of electronic submission;
 - (ii) from the period twenty-four hours prior to bid submission deadline up to the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid, in case of hard copy submission.
- (b) a Bidder changes the prices or substance of the bid while providing information pursuant to clause 29.1;
- (c) a Bidder involves in fraud and corruption pursuant to clause 3.1;

	<p>(d) the successful Bidder fails to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) furnish a performance security in accordance with ITB 44.1; (ii) sign the Contract in accordance with ITB 45.1; or (iii) accept the correction of arithmetical errors pursuant to clause 36. <p>21.7 The Bid Security of a JV must be in the name of the JV that submits the bid. If the JV has not been legally constituted at the time of bidding, the Bid Security shall be in the names of all future partners as named in the letter of intent mentioned in ITB 17.1 (b).</p>
<p>22. Format and Signing of Bid</p>	<p>22.1 The Bidder shall prepare one original set of the Technical Bid and one original set of the Price Bid as described in ITB 12 and clearly mark each “ORIGINAL - TECHNICAL BID” and “ORIGINAL - PRICE BID”. Alternative bids, if permitted in accordance with ITB 14, shall be clearly marked “ALTERNATIVE”. In addition, the Bidder shall submit copies of the Technical Bid and the Price Bid, in the number specified in the BDS and clearly mark them “COPY NO... - TECHNICAL BID” and “COPY NO.... - PRICE BID”. In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.</p> <p>In case of e-submission of bid, the Bidder shall submit his bid electronically in PDF or online forms files as specified in ITB Clause 23.1(b). If a Bidder submits both the electronic bid and a bid in hard copy within the bid submission deadline, then the submitted Bids shall be accepted for evaluation provided that the facts and figures in hard copy confirm to those in electronic bid. If there is any major discrepancy in fact and figures in the electronic bid and bid in hard copy, it shall be treated as two separate bids from one Bidder and both the Bids shall be disqualified, as per ITB Clause 4.3 (e).</p> <p>22.2 The original and all copies of the bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by a person duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder. This authorization shall consist of a written confirmation as <i>specified in the BDS</i> and shall be attached to the Bid. The name and position held by each person signing the authorization must be typed or printed below the signature. All pages of the bid, except for un amended printed literature, shall be signed or initialed by the person signing the bid.</p> <p>22.3 Any amendments such as interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialed by the person signing the Bid.</p>

D. Submission and Opening of Bids

<p>23. Sealing and Marking of Bids</p>	<p>23.1 Unless otherwise specified in BDS, Bidders shall submit their bids by electronic or by mail/ by hand/ by courier. Procedures for submission, sealing and marking are as follows:</p> <p>(a) Bidders submitting bids by mail, by hand or by Courier shall enclose the original of the Technical Bid, and the original of the Price Bid and each copy of the Technical Bid and Price Bid, including alternative bids, if permitted in accordance with ITB 14, in separate sealed envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as “ORIGINAL TECHNICAL BID”, “ORIGINAL – PRICE BID”, “ALTERNATIVE” and “COPY No..... – TECHNICAL BID” and “COPY NO..... PRICE BID” as appropriate. These envelopes containing the original and the copies shall then be enclosed in one single envelope.</p> <p>(b) Bidders submitting Bids electronically shall follow the electronic bid submission procedure specified in this clause.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The bidder is required to register in the e-GP system https://www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp following the procedure specified in e-GP guideline. ii. Interested bidders may either purchase the bidding document from the Employer's office as specified in the Invitation for Bid (IFB) or bidders may download the IFB and bidding document from e-GP system. iii. The registered bidders need to maintain their profile data required during preparation of bids. iv. In order to submit their bids the cost of the bidding document can be deposited as specified in IFB. In addition, electronic scanned copy (.pdf format) of the bank deposit voucher/cash receipt should also be submitted along with the technical bid. v. The bidder can prepare their technical and price bids using data and documents maintained in bidder's profile and forms/format provided in bidding document by Employer. The bidder may submit bids as a single entity or as a joint venture. The bidder submitting bid in joint venture shall have to upload joint venture agreement along with partner(s) Bolpatra ID provided during bidder's registration. vi. Bidders (all partners in case of JV) should update their profile data and documents required during preparation
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and submission of their technical bids.

- vii. In case of bid submission in JV, the consent of the partners shall be obtained through the confirmation link sent to the registered email address and the partners shall have to acknowledge their confirmation.

The required forms and documents shall be part of technical bids.

No.	Document	Requirement	Remarks
1.	Letter of Technical Bid	Mandatory	PDF
2.	Bid Security/Bank Guarantee	Mandatory	PDF
3.	Company registration Certificate	Mandatory	PDF
4.	VAT registration Certificate	Mandatory (for domestic bidders only)	PDF
5.	Business Registration Certificate	Mandatory	PDF
6.	Tax Clearance Certificate/Tax return submission evidence/evidence of time extension	Mandatory (for domestic bidders only)	PDF
7.	Power of Attorney of Bid signatory	Mandatory	PDF
8.	Bank Voucher for cost of bid document	Mandatory	PDF
9.	Joint venture agreement	Mandatory in case of JV Only	PDF
10.	Qualification Documents	Mandatory	PDF
11.	Technical Specification	Mandatory	PDF or Online Forms
12.	Delivery and Completion Schedule	Mandatory	PDF or Online Forms
13.	Additional documents] specified in ITB 12.2 (h)	Mandatory (If any)	PDF

The required forms and documents shall be part of price bids.

No.	Document	Requirement	Remarks
1.	Letter of Price Bid	Mandatory	PDF
2.	Completed Price Schedule	Mandatory	Online Forms
3.	Additional Documents specified in ITB 12.3 (c)	Mandatory (If any)	PDF

Note:

- a) The documents specified as “Mandatory” should be included in e-submission and non-submission of the documents shall be considered as non-responsive bid.*
- b) Bidders (all partners in case of JV) should verify/update their profile documents as appropriate for the specific bid before submitting their bid electronically.*

- viii. After providing all the details and documents, two separate bid response documents i.e technical bids and price bids will be generated from the system. Bidders are advised to download and verify the response documents prior to bid submission.
- ix. For verifying the authentic user, the system will send one time password (OTP) in the registered e-mail address of the bidder. System will validate the OTP and allow bidder to submit their bid.
- x. Electronically submitted bids can be modified and/or withdrawn through system. The bidder may modify their bids multiple times online within bid submission date and time specified in e-GP system. Once a Bid is withdrawn, bidder won't be able to submit another bid response for the same bid.
- xi. The Bidder / Bid shall meet the following requirements and conditions for e-submission of bids;
 - aa) The e-submitted bids must be readable through PDF reader.
 - bb) The facility for submission of bid electronically through

	<p>e-submission is to promote transparency, non-discrimination, equality of access, and open competition in the bidding process. The Bidders are fully responsible to use the e- submission facility properly in e-GP system as per specified procedures and in no case the Employer shall be held liable for Bidder's inability to use this facility.</p> <p>cc) When a bidder submits electronic bid through the PPMO e-GP portal, it is assumed that the bidder has prepared the bid by studying and examining the complete set of the Bidding documents including specifications, drawings and conditions of contract.</p> <p>23.2 The inner and outer envelopes shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) bear the name and address of the Bidder; (b) be addressed to the Purchaser in accordance with ITB 24.1; and (c) bear the specific identification of this bidding process indicated in BDS 1.1. <p>23.3 The outer envelope and the inner envelope containing Technical Proposal shall bear a warning not to open before the time and date for the opening of Technical Bid in accordance with ITB 27.1.</p> <p>23.4 The inner envelope containing the Price Bid shall bear a warning not to open until advised by the Employer in accordance with ITB 27.7</p> <p>23.5 If all envelopes are not sealed and marked as required, the Purchaser will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid.</p>
<p>24. Deadline for Submission of Bids</p>	<p>24.1 Bids must be received by the Purchaser at the address and no later than the date and time <i>indicated in the BDS</i>. In case of e-submission, the standard time for e-submission is Nepal Standard Time as set out in the server. The e-procurement system will accept the e-submission of bid from the date of publishing of notice and will automatically not allow the e-submission of bid after the deadline for submission of bid.</p> <p>24.2 The Purchaser may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of Bids by amending the Bidding Document in accordance with ITB 9, in which case all rights and obligations of the Purchaser and Bidders previously subject to the deadline shall thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended. However, the time available to submit bids shall not be less than five (5) days since amendment in bidding document.</p>

<p>25. Late Bids</p>	<p>25.1 The Purchaser shall not consider any Bid - Technical or Price - that arrives after the deadline for submission of Bids, in accordance with ITB 24. Any Bid received by the Purchaser after the deadline for submission of Bids shall be declared late, rejected, and returned unopened to the Bidder.</p>
<p>26. Withdrawal, or Modification of Bids</p>	<p>26.1 A bidder may withdraw, or modify its bid after it has been submitted either in hard copy or by e-Submission. Once a Bid is withdrawn, bidder shall not be able to submit another bid for this bidding process. Procedures for withdrawal or modification of submitted bids are as follows:</p> <p><u>GoN Funded:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Bids submitted in hard Copy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Bidders may withdraw or modify its bids by sending a written notice in a sealed envelope, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization in accordance with ITB 22.2 before 24 hours prior to the last deadline of submission of bid. The corresponding modification of the bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (aa) prepared and submitted in accordance with ITB 22 and ITB 23, and in addition, the respective envelopes shall be clearly marked “WITHDRAWAL”, “MODIFICATION;” and (bb) received by the Purchaser 24 hours prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of bids, in accordance with ITB 24. <p><u>DP Funded:</u></p> <p>Bidders may withdraw or modify its Bid – Technical or Price – after it has been submitted by sending a written notice, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization in accordance with ITB 22.2. The corresponding modification of the Bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (aa) prepared and submitted in accordance with ITB 22 and ITB 23, and in addition, the respective envelopes shall be clearly marked “WITHDRAWAL,” and “MODIFICATION;” and (bb) received by the Employer prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of Bids, in accordance with ITB 24. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii) E-submitted bids. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Bidder may submit modification or withdrawal prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of bids through e-GP system by using the forms and instructions provided by the system. Once a Bid is withdrawn, bidder shall not able to submit another bid for the same bid. <p>26.2 Bids requested to be withdrawn in accordance with ITB 26.1 (i) shall be returned unopened to the Bidders after the end of bid opening</p>

	<p>process.</p> <p>26.3 The following provisions apply for withdrawal or modification of the Bids:</p> <p><u>GoN Funded</u></p> <p>(i) In case of bids submitted in hard copy no bid shall be withdrawn or modified in the interval between 24 hours prior time of the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid or any extension thereof.</p> <p>(ii) In case of e-submitted bids no bids shall be withdrawn or modified in the interval between deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the bid submission form or any extension there of.</p> <p><u>DP Funded</u></p> <p>No Bid may be withdrawn or modified 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 Letters of Technical Bid and Price Bid or any extension thereof.</p> <p>26.4 Except in case of any modification or correction in bid document made by procuring entity, Bidder may submit request for withdrawal or modification only one time.</p> <p>26.5 In case of hard copy bid, no bid may be withdrawn if the bid has already been modified; except in case of any modification or correction in bid document by procuring entity.</p> <p>26.6 Request for withdrawal or modification must be made through the same medium of submission. Request for withdrawal or modifications through different medium shall not be considered.</p>
<p>27. Bid Opening</p>	<p>27.1 The Purchaser’s bid opening committee shall conduct the opening of Technical Bids in public in the presence of bidder or its representative who choose to attend at the address, date and time <i>specified in the BDS</i>. The Price Bids will remain unopened and will be held in custody of the Employer until the specified time of their opening. If the Technical Bid and Price Bid are submitted together in one envelope, the Employer shall reject the entire Bid.</p> <p>27.2 The opening committee shall download the e-submitted Technical Bid files. The e-procurement system allows the Purchaser to download the e-submitted Technical Bid files (report) only after bid opening date and time after login simultaneously by two members of the Bid Opening</p>

Committee.

27.3 Electronically submitted Technical Bid shall be opened at first in the same time and date as *specified above*. Electronic Bids shall be opened one by one and read out. The e-submitted Technical Bids must be readable through open standards interfaces. Unreadable and or partially submitted bid files shall be considered incomplete.

27.4 Before opening the bids, the opening committee shall separate the envelopes of the bids received after the deadline of bid submission, the envelopes containing an application given for WITHDRAWAL, MODIFICATION of bids and the envelopes of bids duly registered. The bids received after the deadline of submission shall be returned to the concerned bidder unopened. Then envelopes marked "WITHDRAWAL" shall be opened first, read out, and recorded, and the envelope containing the corresponding Bid shall not be opened, but returned to the Bidder. If the withdrawal notice is not accompanied by a copy of the valid authorization pursuant to ITB 22.2, the withdrawal shall not be permitted and the corresponding Bid will be opened. Next, envelopes marked "MODIFICATION" shall be opened, read out, and recorded with the corresponding Bid. No Bid shall be modified unless the corresponding Modification Notice contains a valid authorization to request the modification and is read out and recorded at bid opening. Only envelopes that are opened, read out, and recorded at bid opening shall be considered further. Price Bids, both Original and Modification, will remain unopened in accordance with ITB 27.1.

27.5 All other envelopes holding the Technical Bid shall be opened one at a time, and the following read out and recorded: the name of the Bidder; whether there is a modification; the presence of a Bid Security, and any other details as the Purchaser may consider appropriate. Only Technical Bids read out and recorded at bid opening shall be considered for evaluation. No Bid shall be rejected at bid opening except for late bids, in accordance with ITB 25.1.

27.6 The opening committee shall prepare a record of the opening of Technical Bids that shall include, as a minimum: the name of the Bidder and whether there is a withdrawal, or modification; and the presence or absence of a Bid Security. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall be requested to sign the record. The omission of a Bidder's signature on the record shall not invalidate the contents and effect of the record. A copy of the record shall be distributed to all Bidders who submitted bids in time, and posted online when electronic bidding is permitted. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall also be requested to sign an attendance sheet.

27.7 At the end of the evaluation of the Technical Bids, the purchaser will

	<p>invite bidders who have submitted substantially responsive Technical Bids and who have been determined as being qualified for award to attend the opening of the Price Bids. The date, time, and location of the opening of Price Bids will be advised in writing by the purchaser. Bidders shall be given at least 15 days' notice for the opening of Price Bids.</p> <p>27.8 The purchaser will notify Bidders in writing who have been rejected on the grounds of their Technical Bids being substantially nonresponsive to the requirements of the Bidding Document and return their Price Bids unopened.</p> <p>27.9 The purchaser shall conduct the opening of Price Bids of all Bidders who submitted substantially responsive Technical Bids, in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address, on the date, and time specified by the Employer. The Bidder's representatives who are present shall be requested to sign a register evidencing their attendance.</p> <p>27.10 All envelopes containing Price Bids shall be opened one at a time and the following read out and recorded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the name of the Bidder; (b) whether there is a modification; (c) the Bid Prices, including any discounts and alternative offers; and (d) any other details as the purchaser may consider appropriate. <p>Only Price Bids, discounts, modifications, and alternative offers read out and recorded during the opening of Price Bids shall be considered for evaluation. No Bid shall be rejected at the opening of Price Bids.</p> <p>27.11 The purchaser shall prepare a record of the opening of Price Bids that shall include, as a minimum, the name of the Bidder, the Bid Price (per lot/package if applicable), any discounts, modifications and alternative offers. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall be requested to sign the record. The omission of a Bidder's signature on the record shall not invalidate the contents and effect of the record.</p>
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E. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids

28. Confidentiality	<p>28.1 Information relating to the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification of Bids, and recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to Bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until publication of the Contract award;</p>
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	<p>thereafter, information will be disclosed in accordance with ITB 43.1.</p> <p>28.2 Any attempt by a Bidder to influence the Purchaser in the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification of the Bids or Contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its Bid.</p> <p>28.3 Notwithstanding ITB 28.2, from the time of bid opening to the time of Contract award, if any Bidder wishes to contact the Purchaser on any matter related to the bidding process, it should do so in writing.</p>
<p>29. Clarification of Bids</p>	<p>29.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation, comparison and post-qualification of the Technical and Price Bids, the Purchaser may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder for a clarification of its Bid. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder with regard to its Bid and that is not in response to a request by the Purchaser shall not be considered. The Purchaser's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. No change in the prices or substance of the Technical Bid or prices in the Price Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by the Purchaser in the evaluation of the Bids, in accordance with ITB 36. In case of e-submission of bid, upon notification from the purchaser, the bidder shall also submit the original of documents comprising the Technical and Price Bids as per ITB 12.2 and ITB 12.3 for verification of submitted documents for acceptance of the e-submitted bid.</p> <p>29.2 If a Bidder does not provide clarifications of its Bid by the date and time set in the purchaser's request for clarification, its Bid may be rejected.</p>
<p>30. Deviations, Reservations, and Omissions</p>	<p>30.1 During the evaluation of bids, the following definitions apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) "Deviation" is a departure from the requirements specified in the Bidding Document; (b) "Reservation" is the setting of limiting conditions or withholding from complete acceptance of the requirements specified in the Bidding Document; and (c) "Omission" is the failure to submit part or all of the information or documentation required in the Bidding Document.
<p>31. Examination of Technical Bid</p>	<p>31.1 The purchaser shall examine the Technical Bid to confirm that all documents and technical information requested in ITB 12.2 have been submitted. If any of these documents or information (except alternative Technical Bid which is optional) is missing, the bid shall be rejected.</p> <p>31.2 In case of e-submission bids, the Employer shall confirm that all the documents and information requested in ITB 23.1 have been</p>

	submitted. If any of these documents or information is missing, the bid shall be rejected.
32.Determination of Responsiveness of Technical Bid	<p>32.1 The Purchaser’s determination of the responsiveness of a Bid is to be based on the contents of the Technical Bid itself, as defined in ITB 12.2.</p> <p>32.2 A substantially responsive Technical Bid is one that meets the requirements of the Bidding Document without material deviation, reservation, or omission. A material deviation, reservation, or omission is one that,</p> <p>(a) if accepted, would:</p> <p>(i) affect in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the Goods and Related Services specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements; or</p> <p>(ii) limits in any substantial way, inconsistent with the Bidding Document, the Purchaser’s rights or the Bidder’s obligations under the proposed Contract; or</p> <p>(b) if rectified, would unfairly affect the competitive position of other Bidders presenting substantially responsive bids.</p> <p>32.3 The Purchaser shall examine the technical aspects of the bid in particular, to confirm that all requirements of Section V, Schedule of Requirements have been met without any material deviation or reservation.</p> <p>32.4 If a bid is not substantially responsive to the requirements of the Bidding Document, it shall be rejected by the Purchaser and may not subsequently be made responsive by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.</p> <p>32.5 In case of e-submission bids, the purchaser evaluates the bid on the basis of the information in the electronically submitted bid files. If the Bidder cannot substantiate or provide evidence to establish the information provided in e-submitted bid through documents/ clarifications as per ITB Clause 29.1, the bid shall not be considered for further evaluation.</p> <p>32.6 In Case, a corruption case is being filed to Court against the Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV, such Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV such bidder’s bid shall be excluded from the evaluation, if public entity receives instruction from Government of Nepal.</p>

	<p>32.7 Except in case of e-submission, the Financial Bid of the bidder, which is evaluated as substantially non-responsive in technical bid, shall be returned to the respective bidders.</p>
<p>33.Non-material Non-conformities</p>	<p>33.1 The Purchaser may regard a Bid as responsive even if it contains minor deviations that do not materially alter or depart from the characteristics, terms, conditions and other requirement set forth in the Bidding Document or if it contains errors or oversights that are capable of being corrected without affecting the substance of the Bid.</p> <p>33.2 Provided that a Bid is substantially responsive, the Purchaser may request that the Bidder submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, to rectify non-material non-conformities or omissions in the Bid related to documentation requirements. Requesting information or documentation on such non-conformities shall not be related to any aspect of the price of the Bid. Failure of the Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Bid.</p> <p>33.3 Provided that a Bid is substantially responsive, the Purchaser shall rectify non-material non-conformities or omissions. To this effect, the Bid Price shall be adjusted, for comparison purposes only, to reflect the price of the missing or non-conforming item or component. The adjustment shall be made using the method indicated in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria.</p> <p>33.4 If small differences are found such as in technical specification, description, feature which does not make the bid to be rejected, then the cost, which is calculated to the extent possible due to such differences, shall be included while evaluating bid.</p> <p>33.5 If the value is found fifteen percent more than the quoted amount of the bidder on account of small differences pursuant to ITB 32.4, such bid shall be considered irresponsible in substance and shall not be considered for evaluation.</p>
<p>34.Qualification of the Bidder</p>	<p>34.1 The Employer shall determine to its satisfaction during the evaluation of Technical Bids whether Bidders meet the qualifying criteria specified in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).</p> <p>34.2 The determination shall be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB 19.1.</p> <p>34.3 An affirmative determination shall be a prerequisite for the opening and evaluation of a Bidder's Price Bid. A negative determination shall result into the disqualification of the Bid, in which event the</p>

	Employer shall return the unopened Price Bid to the Bidder.
35.Examination of Price Bids	<p>35.1 The purchaser shall examine the Price Bid to confirm that all documents and financial information requested in ITB 12.3 have been submitted. If any of these documents or information (except alternative Price Bid which is optional) is missing, the bid shall be rejected.</p> <p>35.2 In case of e-submission bids, the purchaser shall confirm that all the documents and financial information requested in ITB 23.1 have been submitted. If any of these documents or information is missing, the bid shall be rejected.</p>
36.Correction of Arithmetical Errors	<p>36.1 During the evaluation of Price Bids, the Purchaser shall correct arithmetical errors on the following basis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of the Purchaser there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price, in which case the total price as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected; b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and c) If there is a discrepancy between the bid price in the Summary of price schedule and the bid amount in item (c) of the Letter of Price Bid, the bid price in the Summary of price schedule will prevail and the bid amount in item (c) of the Letter of Price Bid will be corrected; and d) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to (a), (b) and (c) above. <p>36.2 If the Bidder that submitted the lowest evaluated Bid does not accept the correction of errors, its Bid shall be rejected and the bid security shall be forfeited.</p>
37 Conversion to Single Currency	37.1 For evaluation and comparison of Price Bids, all bid prices expressed in the amounts in various currencies shall be converted into Nepalese Rupees using the selling exchange rates established by Nepal Rastra Bank and on the on the date specified in the BDS .
38. Goods manufactured	38.1 If the price of goods manufactured in Nepal, are higher up to fifteen percent than that of manufactured in foreign countries, the goods

<p>in Nepal to be procured</p>	<p>manufactured in Nepal shall be preferred in the evaluation of the Bids as specified in BDS.</p> <p>38.2 for granting such preference pursuant to 38.1, the bidder must submit the country of origin issued by competent authority.</p>
<p>39.Evaluation and Comparison of Price Bids</p>	<p>39.1 The Purchaser shall evaluate and compare all substantially responsive Bids to determine the lowest evaluated bid.</p> <p>39.2 To evaluate a Price Bid, the Purchaser shall only use all the criteria and methodologies defined in this Clause and in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria. No other criteria or methodology shall be permitted.</p> <p>39.3 To evaluate a Price Bid, the Purchaser shall consider the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the bid price as quoted in accordance with ITB 15 as specified in BDS; (b) adjustment for correction of arithmetic errors in accordance with ITB 36.1; (c) adjustment due to discounts offered in accordance with ITB 15.7; (d) adjustment for nonmaterial nonconformities in accordance with ITB 33.3; (e) adjustment due to application of the evaluation criteria specified in the BDS from amongst those set out in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria). These criteria may include factors related to the characteristics, performance, and terms and conditions of purchase of the Goods and Related Services which shall be expressed to the extent practicable in monetary terms to facilitate comparison of bids unless otherwise specified in Section III; and (f) adjustment due to the application of a margin of preference in accordance with ITB clause 38. <p>39.4 The Purchaser's evaluation of a bid will exclude and not take into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) in the case of Goods offered from within Nepal, all sales tax and all other taxes, applicable in Nepal and payable on the Goods if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder; (b) in the case of Goods offered from outside Nepal, all customs duties, sales tax, and other taxes, applicable in Nepal and payable on the Goods if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder; and

	<p>(c) any allowance for price adjustment during the period of performance of the Contract, if provided in the Bid.</p> <p>39.5 If this Bidding Document allows Bidders to quote separate prices for different lots/packages, and to award multiple Contracts to a single Bidder, the methodology to determine the lowest evaluated price of the Contract combinations, including any discounts offered in the Letter of Price Bid, is specified in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).</p> <p>39.6 In Case, a corruption case is being filed to Court against the Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV, such Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV such bidder's bid shall be excluded from the evaluation, if public entity receives instruction from Government of Nepal.</p>
40.Purchaser's Right to Accept Any Bid, and to Reject Any or All Bids	40.1 The Purchaser reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, and to cancel the bidding process and reject all Bids at any time prior to Contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the Bidders.

F.Award of Contract

41.Award Criteria	41.1 The Purchaser shall select to award the Contract to the Bidder whose offer has been determined to be the lowest evaluated Bid and is substantially responsive to the Bidding Document, provided further that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.
42.Purchaser's Right to Vary Quantities at Time of Award	42.1 At the time the Contract is awarded, the Purchaser reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity of Goods and Related Services originally specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements, provided this does not exceed the percentages <i>indicated in the BDS</i> , and without any change in the unit prices or other terms and conditions of the Bid and the Bidding Document.
43.Notification of Intention to Award	<p>43.1 The Purchaser shall notify the concerned Bidder whose bid has been selected in accordance with ITB 41.1 within seven days of the selection of the bid, in writing that the Purchaser has intention to accept his/her bid and shall Inform via the Letter of Intention included in the Contract Forms and the information of name, address and amount of selected bidder shall be given to all other bidders who submitted the bid.</p> <p>43.2 If no bidder submits an application pursuant to ITB 46.1 within a period of seven days of providing the notice under ITB 43.1, the Purchaser shall</p>

	<p>accept the bid selected in accordance with ITB 41.1 prior to the expiry of bid validity period, and notification of award shall be communicated to the bidder to furnish the performance security and sign the contract within fifteen days.</p> <p>43.3 In Case, a corruption case is being filed to Court against the Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV, such Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV such bidder's bid shall be excluded from the evaluation, if public entity receives instruction from Government of Nepal.</p>
<p>44. Performance Security</p>	<p>44.1 Within fifteen (15) days of the receipt of notification of award from the Purchaser, the successful Bidder shall furnish the Performance Security in accordance with the GCC, as specified below from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal using Sample Form for the Performance Security included in Section VII (Contract Forms or another form acceptable to the Purchaser.</p> <p>i) If bid price of the bidder selected for acceptance is up to 15 (fifteen) percent less than the approved cost estimate, the performance security amount shall be 5 (five) percent of the bid price.</p> <p>ii) For the bid price of the bidder selected for acceptance is more than 15 (fifteen) percent below of the cost estimate, the performance security amount shall be determined as follows:</p> <p>Performance Security Amount = [(0.85 x Cost Estimate – Bid Price) x 0.5] + 5% of Bid Price.</p> <p>The Bid Price and Cost Estimate shall be exclusive of Value Added Tax.</p>
	<p>44.2 Failure of the successful Bidder to submit the above-mentioned Performance Security or sign the Contract Agreement shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the Bid Security and black listing. In that event the Purchaser shall award the Contract to the next lowest evaluated Bidder whose offer is substantially responsive and is determined by the Purchaser to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.</p>
<p>45. Signing of Contract</p>	<p>45.1 The successful Bidder shall sign the contract in the form included in section VIII after the submission of performance security in accordance with ITB 44.</p> <p>45.2 At the same time, the Employer shall affix a public notice on the result of the award on its notice board and make arrangement for causing such notice to be affixed on the notice board also of the <i>District Coordination Committee, District Administration Office, Provincial Treasury and</i></p>

	<p><i>Controller Office and District Treasury and Controller Office.</i> The Employer may make arrangements to post the notice into its website, if it has; and if it does not have, into the website of the Public Procurement Monitoring Office, identifying the bid and lot/package numbers and the following information: (i) the result of evaluation of bid; (ii) date of publication of notice inviting bids; (iii) name of newspaper; (iv) reference number of notice; (v) item of procurement; (vi) name and address of bidder making contract and (viii) contract Price.</p> <p>45.3 The Purchaser shall promptly respond in writing to any unsuccessful Bidder who, within thirty days from the date of issuance of notification pursuant to ITB 43.1, requests in writing the grounds on which its bid was not selected.</p> <p>45.4 If the bidder whose bid has been accepted fails to sign the contract as stated ITB 45.1, the Public Procurement Monitoring Office shall blacklist the bidder on recommendation of the Public Entity.</p>
<p>46.Complaint and Review</p>	<p>46.1 If a Bidder dissatisfies with the Procurement proceedings or the decision made by the Purchaser in opening of the price bid or the intention to award the Contract, it may file an application to the Chief of the concerning Public Entity of the Purchaser within seven (7) days of providing the notice under ITB 27.8 and ITB 43.1 by the Public Entity, for review of the proceedings stating the factual and legal grounds.</p> <p>46.2 An application filed after the deadline pursuant ITB 46.1 shall not be processed.</p> <p>46.3 The chief of Public Entity of the Purchaser shall, within five (5) days after receiving the application, give its decision with reasons, in writing pursuant to ITB 46.1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) whether to suspend the procurement proceeding and the procedure for further proceedings to be adopted; or (b) whether or not to reject a application. <p>No application can be submitted before the Review Committee for review against the decision made by the chief of the Public Entity for the Bid amount up to the value <i>as stated in BDS</i>.</p> <p>46.4 If the Bidder is not satisfied with the decision of the Public Entity in accordance with ITB 46.3, or the decision by the Public Entity is not given within five (5) days of receipt of application pursuant to ITB 46.1, it can, within seven (7) days of receipt of such decision, file an application to the Review Committee of the GoN, stating the reason of its disagreement on the decision of the chief of Public Entity and</p>

	<p>furnishing the relevant documents, provided that its Bid amount is above the amount as stated in ITB 46.3. The application may be sent by hand, or by post, or by courier, or by electronic media at the risk of the Bidder itself.</p> <p>46.5 Late application filed after the deadline pursuant to ITB 46.4 shall not be processed.</p> <p>46.6 Within three (3) days of the receipt of application from the Bidder, pursuant to ITB 46.4, the Review Committee shall notify the concerning Public Entity of the Purchaser to furnish its procurement proceedings and comments on the issue, pursuant to ITB 46.3.</p> <p>46.7 Within three (3) days of receipt of the notification pursuant to ITB 46.6, the Public Entity shall furnish the copy of the related documents along with its comment or reaction of complaint to the Review Committee.</p> <p>46.8 The Review Committee, after inquiring from the Bidder and the Public Entity, if needed, shall give its decision within one (1) month after receiving the application filed by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB 46.4.</p> <p>46.9 The Bidder, filing application pursuant to ITB 46.4, shall have to furnish a cash amount or Bank guarantee from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law <i>as stated in BDS</i> with the validity period of at least ninety (90) days from the date of the filing of application pursuant to ITB 46.4. Application filed without furnishing the security deposit shall not be processed.</p> <p>46.10 If the claim made by the Bidder pursuant to ITB 46.4 is justified, the Review Committee shall have to return the security deposit to the applicant, pursuant to ITB 46.9, within seven (7) days of such decision made.</p> <p>46.11 If the claim made by the Bidder pursuant to ITB 46.4 is rejected by the Review Committee, the security deposit submitted by the Bidder pursuant to ITB 46.9 shall be forfeited.</p>
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Section II. Bid Data Sheet

A. Introduction	
ITB 1.1	The number of the Invitation for Bids (IFB) is: 01-NTA-MNBS-2022
ITB 1.1	Name of the Purchaser: <i>Nepal Telecommunications Authority</i>
ITB 1.1	Name and Identification number of the Contracts (Packages/Lots) 01-NTA-MNBS-2022
ITB 2.1	Source of Fund: NTA Internal Resource Name of contract/s: <i>Procurement of Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Drive Test Based Mobile Network Benchmarking System</i>
ITB 4.1	Bidders from the following countries are not eligible: Not Applicable
ITB 4.2	Maximum number of partner in a joint venture shall be : 3 (three)
ITB 4.4	A list of debarred firms is available at http://www.ppmo.gov.np
ITB 4.9	The foreign Bidder at the time of bid submission: Shall submit declaration to submit following documents at the time of contract agreement shall declare to submit at the time of contract agreement Tax Clearance Certificate or Proof of submission of VAT Registration. The foreign Bidder shall declare to submit following documents at the time of contract agreement : VAT Registration
ITB 5.1	Goods and related services to be supplied from following countries are not eligible: Not applicable
B. Bidding Document	
ITB 8.1	For clarification purposes only, the Purchaser's address is: Attention: Chairman , Nepal Telecommunications Authority Name of the Purchaser: Nepal Telecommunications Authority City/Town: Jamal, Kathmandu District: Kathmandu, Country: Nepal Telephone: +977-1-5355474 Facsimile Number: +977-1-5355250

	Electronic Mail Address: ntra@nta.gov.np
ITB 8.1	The purchaser will respond in writing to any request for clarification provided that such request is received no later than 10 days prior to the deadline date for submission of bid.
ITB 8.2	Pre-Bid meeting "shall" be organized. If a Pre-Bid meeting will take place, it will be at the following date, time and place: Date: 4 January, 2023 Time: 14:30 Hr Place: Meeting Hall, Nepal Telecommunications Authority
C. Preparation of Bids	
ITB 11.1	The language of the Bid is: English
ITB 12.2 (h)	The Bidder shall submit the following additional documents with its Bid: i. Self declaration letter of authenticity of submitted documents ii. Bidding Document purchased from the Purchaser with Seal and Sign on each and every Pages with Compliance Statement on each and every clause of technical specification.
ITB 12.3 (c)	The Bidder shall submit with its Price Bid the following additional documents: <i>Unit Price list</i>
ITB 14.1	Alternative Bids <i>shall not be</i> permitted
ITB 15.6	The Incoterms edition is: <i>Incoterm®2020</i>
ITB 15.7 (a) iii, (b) ii & (c) v	Final Destination(Project Site): Nepal Telecommunications Authority, Kamladi, Kathmandu
ITB 15.7 (b) i	For Goods offered from outside the Purchaser's country, the Bidder shall quote prices using the following Incoterm: CIP (Office of Nepal Telecommunications Authority)
ITB 15.7 (b) iii	In addition to the CIP price specified in ITB 15.7 (b)(i), the price of the Goods manufactured outside Nepal may be quoted: Not Applicable
ITB 15.8	The prices quoted by the Bidder shall : <i>not be Adjustable</i>
ITB 18.3	Period of time the Goods are expected to be functioning (for the purpose of spare parts): <i>As per Technical Specification</i>
ITB 19.2	<i>A Manufacturer's Authorization letter is only required for the following items:</i> If the bidder is supplying the below listed equipment and accessories from

	<p>the third party manufacturers, the bidder shall provide manufacturer authorization letter from the manufacturers for at least following items</p> <p>(i) Benchmarking /Drive Test System</p> <p>(ii) Post Processing System</p> <p>(c) For procurement that involves other items not classifiable as either off-the-shelf or high-value such as regular vehicles or computers that may require confirmation of available warranties, etc. <i>The Bidder is required to submit documentation to substantiate that it is an authorized dealer, distributor, or reseller of the goods being procured</i>"</p>
ITB 19.3	The Bidder is required to include with its bid, evidence that it will be represented by an Agent in Nepal.
ITB 20.1	The bid validity period shall be 120 days.
ITB 21.1	<p>The bid must be accompanied by bid security with following requirements:</p> <p>The amount and the currency of the Bid Security shall be: NRs 25,00,000 or an equivalent amount in USD.</p> <p>The bid security shall be <i>valid for minimum 30 days</i> beyond the bid validity period.</p>
ITB 21.2	<p>If the Bidder wishes to submit the Bid Security in the form of cash, the cash should be deposited in Deposit Account:</p> <p>Account Name: Nepal Doorsanchar Pradhikaran Deposit A/C Account Number:1703217500409</p> <p>Bank Name: Nabil Bank Ltd</p> <p>Swift Code:NARBNPKA</p>
ITB 22.2	The written confirmation of Authorization to sign on behalf of the Bidder shall consist of: Power of Attorney to sign the bid
D. Submission and Opening of Bids	
ITB 23.1	Bidders shall have the option of submitting their bids by electronic only.
ITB 24.1	For bid submission purposes only, the Purchaser's address is: only electronic submission through EGp system.
ITB 24.1	<p>The deadline for bid submission is:</p> <p>Date: 26 January, 2023</p> <p>Time:12:00 Hr</p>

ITB 24.1	If the last date of purchasing, submission and opening of Bid falls on a government holiday then the next working day shall be considered as the last day without any change in the time and place as fixed.
ITB 27.1	The bid opening shall take place at: Date: 26 January, 2022 Time: 12:30 Hr Place: Meeting Hall, Nepal Telecommunications Authority, Jamal Kathmandu
E. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids	
ITB 37.1	The date for the selling exchange rate shall be: <i>which is original date of bid opening specified in ITB 27.1</i>
ITB 38.1	Domestic preference shall apply and the application methodology shall be as stipulated in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).
ITB 39.3 (a)	Bids will be evaluated lot by lot/package (may be multiple or single). If a Price Schedule shows items listed but not priced, their prices shall be assumed to be included in the prices of other items. An item not listed in the Price Schedule shall be assumed to be not included in the bid, and provided that the bid is substantially responsive, the average price of the item quoted by substantially responsive bidders will be added to the bid price and the equivalent total cost of the bid so determined will be used for price comparison.
ITB 39.3 (e)	The adjustments shall be determined using the following criteria, from amongst those set out in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria: <i>Schedule III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria; insert complementary details if necessary</i> (a) Deviation in Delivery schedule: No (b) Deviation in payment schedule: No (c) the cost of major replacement components, mandatory spare parts, and service: No (d) the availability of spare parts in Nepal and after-sales services for the equipment offered in the bid: No (e) the projected operating and maintenance costs during the life of the equipment: No (f) the performance and productivity of the equipment offered; <i>No</i>
F. Award of Contract	

ITB 42.1	<p>The maximum percentage by which quantities may be increased is: 15%</p> <p>The maximum percentage by which quantities may be decreased is: 15%</p>
ITB 46.3	<p>No application can be submitted before the Review Committee for review against the decision made by the chief of the Public Entity for the bid amount less than the value of Twenty Million (NRs. 20,000,000)</p>
ITB 46.9	<p>The bidder, filling application pursuant to ITB 46.4, shall have to furnish a cash amount of Bank guarantee equal to ten percent (10 %) of amount of bid security in case of complaint against decision pursuant to ITB 27.8 and one percent (1%) of its quoted Bid amount in case of complaint against decision pursuant to ITB 43.1</p>

Section III. Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

The purpose of the Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (EQC) is to specify the criteria that the Purchaser will use to evaluate the Bids to determine the lowest evaluated substantially responsive bid and post-qualify the lowest-evaluated Bidder. The Purchaser must prepare the EQC and include it as a part of the Bidding Document. The EQC is not a Contract document and, therefore, it is not a part of the Contract.

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2. Qualification Criteria

Evaluation Criteria

Criteria for Bid evaluation are to be determined case by case basis. Select from following the appropriate criteria according to the provisions specified in ITB 39. Retain only the relevant parameters and evaluation methods to apply corresponding to the retained criteria.

1.1 Technical Criteria

These criteria should specify the minimum technical level that the Goods and Related Services shall have in order to comply with the Section V. Schedule of Requirements. Whenever possible, these criteria should be evaluated on a pass–fail system, with a minimum acceptable level for each criteria enumerated.

However, a minor deficiency in technical compliance may not be cause for rejection of the Bid. The cost of making good any deficiency should likewise be added to the Bid Price concerned. The most frequently used methods assign to the non-conforming items or components, prices based on similar methods described above under Scope, with the price of the nonconforming items or components deducted.

“The cost of all quantifiable deviations or deficiencies from the technical requirements as specified in Section V. Schedule of Requirements shall be evaluated. The Procuring Entity will make its own assessment of the cost of these deviations or deficiencies for the purpose of ensuring fair comparison of Bids”

1.2 Domestic Preference

If the BDS so specifies, the Procuring Entity will grant a margin of preference to goods manufactured in Nepal. The nationality of the manufacturer or supplier is not a condition for such eligibility. The methods and stages set forth hereunder shall be followed in the evaluation and comparison of bids.

For comparison, responsive bids shall be classified in one of the following three groups:

- (a) **Group A:** bids exclusively offering goods manufactured in for which (i) labor, raw material, and component from within Nepal account for 30 percent or more of the EXW price of the product offered, and (ii) the production facility in which those goods will be manufactured or assembled has been engaged in manufacturing/ assembling such goods at least since the time of bid submission.
- (b) **Group B:** all other bids offering goods manufactured in Nepal.
- (c) **Group C:** bids offering goods manufactured outside Nepal that have been already imported or that will be directly imported.

Insert **one** of the following adjustment methods.

1.2.1 Method A

1. The price quoted for goods in bids of groups A and B shall include all duties and taxes paid or payable on the basic materials or component purchased in the domestic market or imported, but shall exclude the value added tax and similar taxes on the finished product. The price quoted for goods in bids of group C shall be on CIP (place of destination), which is exclusive of customs duties and other import taxes already paid or to be paid.
2. In the first step, all evaluated bids in each group shall be compared to determine the lowest bid in each group. Such lowest evaluated bids shall be compared with each other and if, as a result of this comparison, a bid from group A or group B is the lowest, it shall be selected for the award.
3. If as a result of the comparison under paragraph three above, the lowest evaluated bid is a bid from group C, the lowest evaluated bid from group C shall be further compared with the lowest evaluated bid from group A after adding to the evaluated price of goods offered in the bid from group C, for the purpose of this further comparison only, an amount equal to fifteen (15%) percent of the CIP bid price. The lowest evaluated bid determined from this last comparison shall be selected.

1.2.2 Method B

1. In supply, delivery and installation contracts in which there are a number of items of Goods and Related Services, a margin of preference shall be granted to eligible domestically produced Goods in accordance with the following provisions.
 - (a) The preference margin shall not be applied to the whole package but only to the eligible domestically produced Goods within the package;
 - (b) Goods offered from outside Nepal shall be quoted CIF or CIP (place of destination), which is exclusive of customs duties and other import taxes already paid or to be paid; and Goods offered locally shall be quoted EXW (ex-works free of sales and similar taxes) which shall include all duties and taxes paid or payable on the basic materials or component purchased in the domestic market or imported, but shall exclude the value added tax and similar taxes on the finished product
 - (c) all other cost components for services and works such as costs for local handling, transportation, storage, installation, and commissioning shall be quoted separately;

- (d) in the comparison of Bids, only the CIF or CIP price in each Bid of the Goods offered from outside Nepal shall be increased by fifteen (15%) percent;
- (e) no margin of preference shall be applied to any associated services or works included in the package; and
- (f) Bidders shall not be permitted or required to modify the mix of local and foreign Goods after bid opening.

"Method A"

1.3 Economic Criteria

The economic criteria are most important when evaluating a Bid. In most cases, they are the only criteria for evaluating Bids that have passed the technical evaluation. Price, however, may not be the only criterion, as there could be other criteria that may be expressed in monetary terms. For energy consuming equipment and facilities, adjustment for efficiency over and above the minimum functional guarantees specified in the specifications (e.g. generators, pumps), losses (e.g. transformers), and future operating costs of the equipment may be taken into account in the determination of the evaluated Bid Price. The financial cost for these adjustments (added to or deducted from the Bid Price as the case may be) shall be made only when it is specified in the Bidding Document that these functional guarantees and projected operating costs are factors in bid evaluation. The methods of calculation for these evaluation factors shall be clearly specified in the Bidding Document. Deviations from the specified manner of cost calculation shall not be introduced.

Examples of such criteria appear below:

1.3.1 Adjustment for Scope

1.3.1.1 Local Handling and Inland Transportation

If the Procuring Entity wishes to consider during bid evaluation the costs for inland transportation, insurance, and other services within Nepal incidental to delivery of the goods to their final destination, then the Procuring Entity must define these service items in Section V. Schedule of Requirements, List of Goods and Related Services; and

Bidders must be required to quote for these service items as part of their bid price in the PRICE SCHEDULE FOR RELATED SERVICES TO BE OFFERED FROM OUTSIDE AND WITHIN NEPAL provided in Section IV, Bidding Forms.

In such case, the following provision should be used:

“Costs for inland transportation, insurance, and other incidental costs for delivery of the goods from the EXW premises, or port of entry, or border point to Project Site as defined in

Section V. Schedule of Requirements, shall be quoted in the PRICE SCHEDULE FOR RELATED SERVICES TO BE OFFERED FROM OUTSIDE AND WITHIN NEPAL provided in Section IV, Bidding Forms. These costs will be taken into account during bid evaluation. If a Bidder fails to include such costs in its Bid, then these costs will be estimated by the Procuring Entity on the basis of published tariffs by the rail or road transport agencies, insurance companies, or other appropriate sources, and added to EXW or DDP or CIP price.”

1.3.1.2 . Minor Omissions or Missing Items

The cost of minor omissions or missing items in the scope of supply, services, etc. should be added to the Bid Price to allow for Bid comparison on an equal basis. The price adjustment should be based on a reasonable estimate of the cost by the executing agency, engineer, consultant or bid evaluation committee, taking into consideration the corresponding quoted prices from other conforming Bids. The price adjustment should be based on the fair price of the omitted item. The most frequently used methods assign to the missing item a price:

- (i) equal to the highest price quoted for the same item by the other Bidders; or
- (ii) equal to the average price quoted for the same item by the other Bidders; or
- (iii) estimated by the Procuring Entity.

Of these three methods the Procuring Entity should preferably use (i) or (ii), as Bidders frequently challenge (iii) because of its lack of transparency.

“Pursuant to Sub-Clause 33.3 of the Instructions to Bidders, the cost of all quantifiable nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions from the contractual and commercial conditions shall be evaluated. The Procuring Entity will make its own assessment of the cost of any nonmaterial nonconformities and omissions for the purpose of ensuring fair comparison of Bids.”

1.3.2 Adjustment for Deviations from the Terms of Payment

The Procuring Entity must state here whether deviations from the terms of payment as specified in Special Conditions of Contract, Sub-Clause 15.1, are permitted or not. If permitted, the Procuring Entity shall evaluate deviations from the terms of payment in the following manner. The Procuring Entity shall first evaluate the Bids based on the terms of payment specified in the Special Conditions of Contract, Clause 15.1. The Procuring Entity shall then add an adjustment to the Bid Price to take into account the differences in cash flows. The adjustment shall be calculated as the discounted cash flow of the incremental payments of the alternative compared with those of the terms of payment specified by the Procuring Entity.

Alternative 1: “Deviations from the Terms of Payment as specified in SCC 15.1 are not permitted.”

Alternative 2: “Bids offering payment terms that differ from those specified in SCC 15.1 will be accepted but the Bids will be adjusted in the evaluation by adding the cost of the interest involved at the rate of (. . . specify commercial rate applicable).”]

1.3.3 Adjustment for Deviations in the Delivery and Completion Schedule

Bidders are required to base their prices on the Delivery and Completion Schedule specified in Section V. Schedule of Requirements. The Procuring Entity must state here whether deviations from the specified Delivery and Completion Schedule are permitted or not. If permitted, the Procuring Entity shall evaluate deliveries by adding the corresponding price adjustment in accordance with the procedure outlined below.

Alternative 1: “Deviations from the Delivery and Completion Schedule specified in Section V (Schedule of Requirements) are not permitted.”

Alternative 2: “The Goods covered by this bidding process are required to be delivered in accordance with, and completed within, the Delivery and Completion Schedule specified in Section V (Schedule of Requirement). No credit will be given for earlier completion. Bids offering late contract performance schedules (beyond earliest delivery date specified in Schedule of Requirement) will be accepted but the Bids shall be adjusted in the evaluation by adding to the Bid Price at the rate of 0.05 percent of the Bid Price for each day of delay. Bids offering delivery schedules beyond latest delivery date specified in Schedule of Requirement shall be rejected.”

1.3.4 Operating and Maintenance Costs

The Operating and Maintenance costs (O&M) need to be taken into account for bid evaluation purposes when such costs over the life cycle of the Goods represent an important cost in relation to the capital or investment cost of the Goods. Different technologies may involve large variations in the capital costs of the Goods and the costs associated with their O&M. Normally, more elaborate technologies and materials used in the manufacturing of the Goods involve higher investment costs and lower O&M costs. O&M costs are evaluated at their present value over the life cycle of the Goods and then added to the price of the Goods.

Typical O&M cost factors for calculation are:

- (a) Number of years for initial period of operation. It is recommended that the initial period of operation does not exceed the usual period before a major overhaul of the Goods is required, usually between five and ten years. The load or working

cycle (hourly, daily, monthly, seasonal) of the Goods shall be as specified by the Procuring Entity).

- (b) Operating costs such as fuel, electricity, spare parts, labour and/or other inputs required for the operation of the Goods.
- (c) Rate (normally prevailing commercial interest rate), in percent, to be used to discount to present value, all of the annual future costs calculated under (b) above for the period specified in (a).

[Insert procedures to be used]

1.3.5 Spare Parts and after Sales Service Facilities

Only those spare parts and tools which are specified on an item-wise basis in the List of Goods and Related Services in Section V. Schedule of Requirements, shall be taken into account in the bid evaluation. Supplier-recommended spare parts for a specified operating requirement shall not be considered in bid evaluation.

“The list of items and quantities of (... specify spare parts, tools, major assemblies, and selected components), likely to be required during the initial period (... specify period) of operation is indicated in Section V. Schedule of Requirements. The total cost of these items at the unit prices quoted in each Bid shall be added to the Bid Price.”] and or [Insert: " Bid price will be loaded by a 1% amount of bid price, if the spare parts and after sales services facilities for the equipment are not available in[insert the name of place such as Kathmandu or Pokhara etc.

1.3.6 Performance and Productivity of the Goods

The adjustment factor for the performance or productivity of the Goods shall be calculated based on the difference between the reference value or norm (i.e. the efficiency) as specified in Section V. Schedule of Requirements, and the corresponding value guaranteed by the Bidder in its Bid. Choose and insert one of the following:

- (i) Performance and productivity of the equipment. An adjustment representing the capitalized cost of additional operating costs over the life of the plant will be added to the bid price, for evaluation purposes if specified in the BDS Sub-Clause 39.3 (e). The adjustment will be evaluated based on the drop in the guaranteed performance or efficiency offered in the bid below the norm of 100, using the methodology specified in BDS Sub-Clause 39.3(e).

or

- (ii) An adjustment to take into account the productivity of the goods offered in the bid will be added to the bid price, for evaluation purposes only, if specified in BDS Sub-Clause 39.3 (e). The adjustment will be evaluated based on the cost per unit of the actual productivity of goods offered in the bid with respect to minimum required values, using the methodology specified in BDS Sub-Clause 39.3 (e).

1.3.7 Specific additional Criteria

Other specific additional criteria to be considered in the evaluation, and the evaluation method shall be detailed in BDS sub clause 39.3(e)

1.4 Multiple Contracts

If Goods and Related Services are grouped in multiple lots/packages, the following provision must be used:

“Goods are grouped in lots/packages. The Purchaser will evaluate and compare Bids on the basis of a lot/package, or a combination of lots/packages, or as a total of lots/packages to arrive at the least cost combination for the Purchaser by taking into account discounts offered by Bidders in case of award of multiple contracts.”

If a Bidder submits successful Bids for multiple lots/packages (lowest evaluated substantially responsive Bids), the evaluation will also include an assessment of the Bidder’s capacity to meet the aggregated qualifying requirements relating to ***[Purchaser to list here the qualifying requirements set for individual contracts/lots/packages, i.e., production capacity, size of operation.***

Qualification Criteria

Except Qualification Requirements mentioned as optional, which may be specified as per requirements, the Procuring Entity shall specify the following Qualification Requirements without any substantial deviation.

2.1 Eligibility

Criteria	Compliance Requirements			Documents
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture		Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	

2.1.1 Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest in accordance with ITB 4.3.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid
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2.1.2 Government/DP Eligibility

Not having been declared ineligible by government /DP, as described in ITB Sub-Clause 4.4.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid
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2.1.3 Government-Owned Entity

Bidder required to meet conditions of ITB 4.5.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid; Forms ELI – 1 and ELI - 2
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2.1.4 UN Eligibility

Not having been excluded by an act of compliance with a United Nations Security Council resolution in accordance with ITB 4.7.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Technical Bid Submission Sheet
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2.1.5 Nationality

Nationality in accordance with ITB 4.8.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid; Forms ELI – 1 and ELI – 2 with attachments
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2.1.6 Other Eligibility

Firm Registration Certificate	must meet requirement	not applicable	must meet requirement	not applicable	Document attachment
Business Registration Certificate	must meet requirement	not applicable	must meet requirement	not applicable	Document attachment
VAT and PAN Registration certificate (<i>only for domestic bidders</i>)	must meet requirement	not applicable	must meet requirement	not applicable	Document attachment
Tax Clearance Certificate/Tax return submission evidence/evidence of time extension for the F/Y 2078/79.(<i>Only for domestic bidders</i>)	must meet requirement	not applicable	must meet requirement	not applicable	Document attachment

2.2 Pending Litigation.

Criteria	Compliance Requirements			Documents	
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
All pending litigation, arbitration or other material events impacting the net worth and/or liquidity of the bidder, if any, shall be treated as resolved against the Bidder and so shall in total not represent more than 50 (Fifty) percent of the Bidder's net worth calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities.	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Form LIT - 1

2.3 Financial Situation

2.3.1 Historical Financial Performance

Criteria	Compliance Requirements			Documents	
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Submission of audited balance sheets and income statements for the last 3 years to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidder's	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Form FIN – 1

Criteria	Compliance Requirements			Documents
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture		Submission
financial position. As a minimum, the Bidder's net worth for the last year calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive.				

2.3.2 Average Annual Turnover

Criteria	Compliance Requirements			Documents	
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Minimum average annual turnover of USD 500,000.00 calculated as total payments received by the Bidder for supply contracts completed or under execution over the last three years.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet 25 % of the requirement	Must meet 40% of the requirement	Form FIN – 2

Only the net amount shall be calculated after deducting the amount for VAT and such amount shall be adjusted to present value by applying wholesale price index of Nepal Rastra Bank.

2.3.3 Financial Resources

Criteria	Compliance Requirements			Documents	
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
The Bidder must demonstrate access to, or availability of, financial resources such as liquid assets ² unencumbered real assets, and other financial resources, (other than any contractual advance payments) to meet the cash-flow requirement of NRs 6,00,00,000.00	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet 25 % of the requirement	Must meet 40 % of the requirement	Form FIN - 3

Note:

² Liquid Assets mean cash and cash equivalents, short-term financial instruments, short term available-for-sale-securities, marketable securities, trade receivables, short-term financing receivables and other assets that can be converted into cash within ONE YEAR.

2.4 Experience

2.4.1 General Experience

Criteria	Compliance Requirements				Documents
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Experience under supply contracts in the role of prime supplier (single entity or JV member) or subcontractor for at least the last 3 years prior to the applications submission deadline.	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Form EXP – 1

2.4.2 Specific Experience

Criteria	Compliance Requirements				Documents
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Experience under supply contracts in the role of prime supplier (single entity or JV member) or subcontractor in at least 2 Contracts within the last three (3) years, with a value of at least NRs 8,00,00,000.00 (total of all contracts) with nature, and complexity similar to the scope of supply described in Section V (Schedule of Supply).	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Not applicable	Form EXP – 2

Only the net amount shall be calculated after deducting the amount for VAT and such amount shall be adjusted to present value by applying wholesale price index of Nepal Rastra Bank.

2.4.3 Technical Experience

Criteria	Compliance Requirements				Documents
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	

<p>(i) The Bidder shall demonstrate that the goods offered have:</p> <p>(a) been in production for at least 3. years or if the offered model is a new the manufacturer must have experience in producing the similar model for a minimum of 3 years;</p> <p>(b) been sold a minimum of 3 units of similar type and specification over the last three years; and been in operation for a minimum of 3 years³.</p> <p>(ii) The manufacturer of Drive Test Tools shall have supplied the drive test or benchmarking tools to at least five (5) different telecom operators from at least 4 different countries, at least two (2) of which shall be from a high income country as classified by the World Bank (https://datatopics.worldbank.org/world-development-indicators/the-world-by-income-and-region.html). In addition, the manufacturer of drive test tool shall have supplied the drive test tools to at least 2 regulators at least one (1) of which shall be from the current high income country as classified by The World Bank. (https://datatopics.worldbank.org/world-development-indicators/the-world-by-income-and-region.html).</p>	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Not applicable	Form EXP – 3
<p>(iii) The manufacturer of Post Processing Tool shall have supplied the post processing tools to at least five (5) different telecom operators from at least 4 different countries, at least two (2) of which shall be from a high income country as classified by the World Bank (https://datatopics.worldbank.org</p>					

³ The bidder shall furnish a list of users who had purchased same/similar goods/equipment during the period stated, number of equipment sold to them and the contract amount. They will be used as references to check the performance of the offered model, if necessary.

<p>/world-development-indicators/the-world-by-income-and-region.html). In addition, the manufacturer of post processing tool shall have supplied the drive test tools to at least 2 regulators at least one (1) of which shall be from a current high income country as classified by The World Bank. (https://datatopics.worldbank.org/world-development-indicators/the-world-by-income-and-region.html).</p>					
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2.3.3 Production Capacity

Criteria	Compliance Requirements				Documents
Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
<p>The Bidder or manufacturer shall demonstrate⁴ that it can supply the type, size, and quantity of the goods as required by Purchaser in accordance with the Delivery and Completion Schedule in Section V (Schedule of Supply).</p>	<p>Must meet requirement</p>	<p>Must meet requirement</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>	<p>Form EXP – 4</p>

⁴ Bidder or Manufacturer shall provide evidence of production output.

Section IV. Bidding Forms

Notes on Bidding Forms

The Purchaser shall include in the Bidding Documents all Bidding Forms that the Bidder shall fill out and include in its Bid. The forms contained in this section are to be completed by the Bidder and submitted as part of its Bid. As specified in this Section, these forms are the Letter of Technical Bid, Letter of Price Bid, the Bid Security, Price Schedules and the Bidder's Qualification Information Forms.

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Letter of Technical Bid

(The Bidder shall accomplish the Letter of Technical Bid in its Letter Head Clearly showing the Bidders Complete name and address.)

Date: _____

Contract No.: _____

Invitation for Bid No.: _____

To: _____

We, the undersigned, declare that:

- (a) We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Document, including Addenda issued in accordance with Instructions to Bidders (ITB) Clause 9.
- (b) We offer to supply in conformity with the Bidding Document and in accordance with the delivery schedule specified in the Section V (Schedule of Requirements), the following Goods and Related Services: *[insert a brief description of the goods and related services]*
- (c) Our Bid consisting of the Technical Bid and the Price Bid shall be valid for a period of *[insert validity period as specified in ITB 20.1 of the BDS]* days from the date fixed for the bid submission deadline in accordance with the Bidding Document, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period;
- (d) Our firm, including any subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract, have nationalities from eligible countries in accordance with ITB 4.8 and meet the requirements of ITB 3.4 & 3.5
- (e) We are not participating, as a Bidder or as a subcontractor/supplier, in more than one Bid in this bidding process in accordance with ITB 4.3(e), other than alternative Bids in accordance with ITB 14;
- (f) Our firm, its affiliates or subsidiaries, including any Subcontractors or Suppliers for any part of the contract, has not been declared ineligible by DP, under the Purchaser's country laws or official regulations or by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council;
- (g) We are not a government owned entity/We are a government owned entity but meet the requirements of ITB 4.5;⁵

⁵ Slect one of the options

(h) We declare that, we including any subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract do not have any conflict of interest in accordance with ITB 4.3 and we have not been punished for an offense relating to the concerned profession or business.

(i) The following commissions, gratuities, or fees, if any, have been paid or are to be paid with respect to the bidding process or execution of the Contract:

Name of Recipient	Address	Reason	Amount
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

(If none has been paid or is to be paid, indicate “none.”)

(j) We declare that we are solely responsible for the authenticity of the documents submitted by us. The document and information submitted by us are true and correct. If any document/information given is found to be concealed at a later date, we shall accept any legal actions by the purchaser.

(k) We agree to permit GoN/DP or its representative to inspect our accounts and records and other documents relating to the bid submission and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the GoN/DP.

Name _____

In the capacity of _____

Signed _____

Duly authorized to sign the Bid for and on behalf of _____

Date _____

Letter of Price Bid

The Bidder must accomplish the Letter of Price Bid in its letterhead clearly showing the Bidder's complete name and address.

Date:

Name of the contract:

Invitation for Bid No.:

To:.....

We, the undersigned, declare that:

- (a) We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Documents, including Addenda issued in accordance with Instructions to Bidders (ITB) Clause 9;
- (b) We offer to supply in conformity with the Bidding Document and in accordance with the delivery schedule specified in the **Section V** (Schedule of Requirements), the following Goods and Related Services: *[insert a brief description of the goods and related services]*

(c) The total price of our Bid, excluding any discounts offered in item (d) below, is:

[Incase of only one lot/package, insert the total Bid Price in words and figures];

[Incase of multiple lots/packages, insert the total price of each lot/package]

(d) The discounts offered and the methodology for their application are:

The discounts offered are: *[specify in detail each discount offered]*

The exact method of calculations to determine the net price after application of discounts is shown below: *[specify in detail the method that shall be used to apply the discounts];*

(e) Our bid shall be valid for a period of *[insert validity period as specified in ITB 20.1]* days from the date fixed for the bid submission deadline in accordance with the Bidding Documents, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period;

- (f) If our bid is accepted, we commit to obtain a performance security in accordance with the Bidding Document;
- (g) We understand that this bid, together with your written acceptance thereof included in your notification of award, shall constitute a binding contract between us, until a formal contract is prepared and executed;
- (h) We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest evaluated bid or any other bid that you may receive;
- (i) We agree to permit the Employer/DP or its representative to inspect our accounts and records and other documents relating to the bid submission and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Employer.
- (j) We confirm and stand by our commitments and other declarations made in connection with the submission of our Letter of Technical Bid.

Name:

In the capacity of.....

Signed

Duly authorized to sign the Bid for and on behalf of.....

Date.....

ELI-1: Bidder's Information Form

[The Bidder shall fill in this Form. No alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.]

1.	Bidder's Legal Name:	<i>[insert full name]</i>
2.	In case of JV, legal name of the representative member and of each member:	<i>[insert full name of each member in the JV and specify the representative member]</i>
3.	Bidder's Country of Registration:	<i>[insert country of registration]</i>
4.	Bidder's Year of Registration:	<i>[insert year of incorporation]</i>
5.	Bidder's Legal Address in Country of Registration	<i>[insert street/number/town or city/country]</i>
6.	Bidder's trading address:	<i>[insert street/number/town or city/country]</i>
7.	Bidder's Telephone/Fax numbers:	<i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city codes]</i>
8.	Bidder's Email Address:	<i>[insert email address]</i>
9.	Bidder's Authorized Representative Information:	
	Name:	<i>[insert full name]</i>
	Address:	<i>[insert street/number/town or city/country]</i>
	Telephone/Fax numbers:	<i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city codes]</i>
	Email Address:	<i>[insert email address]</i>
<p>Attached are copies of the following documents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In case of a single entity, articles of incorporation or constitution and company incorporation/registration of the legal entity named above, in accordance with ITB 4.2 and ITB 4.8 2. Authorization to represent the firm or Joint Venture named above, in accordance with ITB 22.2 3. In case of a Joint Venture, a letter of intent to form a Joint Venture or Joint Venture agreement, in accordance with ITB 4.2 4. In case of a government-owned enterprise, any additional documents not covered under 1 above required to comply with ITB 4.5 		

ELI-2: Joint Venture Information Form

Each member of the Joint Venture must fill out this form separately to provide information relating to each JV member.

1.	Bidder's legal name:	<i>[insert full name]</i>
2.	Joint Venture Partner's legal name:	<i>[insert full name of Joint Venture Partner]</i>
3.	Joint Venture Partner's Country of Registration:	<i>[insert country of registration]</i>
4.	Joint Venture Partner's Legal Address in Country of Registration:	<i>[insert street/number/town or city/country]</i>
5.	Joint Venture Partner's Trading address	<i>[insert street/number/town or city/country]</i>
6.	Joint Venture Partner's Year of Registration:	<i>[insert year of registration]</i>
7.	Joint Venture Partner's Telephone/Fax numbers:	<i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city codes]</i>
8.	Joint Venture Partner's Email Address:	<i>[insert email address]</i>
9.	Joint Venture Partner's Authorized Representative Information:	
	Name:	<i>[insert full name]</i>
	Address:	<i>[insert street/number/town or city/country]</i>
	Telephone/Fax numbers:	<i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city codes]</i>
	Email Address:	<i>[insert email address]</i>
<p>1. Articles of incorporation or constitution and company incorporation/registration of the legal entity named above, in accordance with ITB ITB 4.2 and ITB 4.8</p> <p>2. Authorization to represent the firm named above, in accordance with ITB 22.2</p> <p>3. In the case of a government-owned enterprise, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law, in accordance with ITB 4.5</p>		

Form LIT 1: Pending Litigation Form

Each Bidder or member of a JV must fill in this form

Choose one of the following:

- No pending litigation, arbitration or any other material events impacting the net worth and/or liquidity of the bidder.
- Below is a description of all pending litigation, arbitration involving the Bidder or any other material events impacting the net worth and/or liquidity of the bidder (or each Joint Venture partner if Bidder is a Joint Venture).

Year	Matter in Dispute	Value of Pending Claim in NRs	Value of Pending Claim as a Percentage of Net Worth
<i>[insert year]</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract Identification: <i>[indicate complete Contract name, number, and any other identification]</i> • Name of Purchaser: <i>[insert full name]</i> • Address of Purchaser: <i>[insert street/city/country]</i> • Matter in dispute: <i>[indicate main issues in dispute]</i> • Party who initiated the dispute: <i>[indicate "Purchaser" or "Supplier"]</i> • Status of dispute: <i>[indicate if it is being treated by under Arbitration or being dealt with by the Judiciary]</i> 	<i>[insert amount]</i>	<i>[insert amount]</i>

Form FIN-1: Financial Situation Form

Each Bidder must fill out this form.

In case of a Joint Venture, each Joint Venture Partner must fill out this form separately and provide the Joint Venture Partner's name:

Joint Venture Partner: *[Insert Name of Joint Venture Partner]*

Financial Data for PreviousYears (in NRs)		
Year 1:	Year 2:	Year

Information from Balance Sheet

Total Assets (TA)			
Total Liabilities (TL)			
Net Worth = TA-TL			
Current Assets (CA)			
Current Liabilities (CL)			
Working Capital = CA-CL			

Information from Income Statement

Total Revenues			
Profits Before Taxes			
Profits After Taxes			

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

- All such documents reflect the standalone financial situation of the legal entity or entities comprising the Bidder and not the Bidder's parent companies, subsidiaries, or affiliates.
- Historic financial statements must be audited by a certified accountant.
- Historic financial statements must be complete, including all notes to the financial statements.
- Historic financial statements must correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited (no statements for partial periods shall be requested or accepted).

Form FIN-2: Average Annual Turnover Form

Each Bidder must fill out this form.

The information supplied should be the Annual Turnover of the Bidder or each partner of a Joint Venture in terms of the amounts billed to clients for each year for work in progress or completed to NRs at the end of the period reported.

In case of a Joint Venture, each Joint Venture Partner must fill out this form separately and provide the Joint Venture Partner's name:

Joint Venture Partner: [Insert Name of Joint Venture Partner]

Annual Turnover Data for the Last..... Years	
Year	Amount (in NRs)
Average Annual Turnover	

Form FIN-3: Financial Resources Form

Specify proposed sources of financing, such as liquid assets⁶, unencumbered real assets, and other financial means (other than any contractual advance payments) available to meet the total cash flow requirements of the subject contract

Financial Resources		
No.	Source of financing	Amount (in NRS)
1		
2		
3		

⁶ Liquid assets mean cash and cash equivalents, short-term financial instruments, short-term available-for-sale-securities, marketable securities, trade receivables, short-term financing receivables, and other assets that can be converted into cash within one (1) year.

Form EXP-1: General Experience

[The following table shall be filled in for the Bidder and for each member of a JV. Each contract shall be supported by Signed Contract Agreement or any other relevant evidence.]

[Identify contracts that demonstrate continuous supply over the past [number] years. List contracts chronologically, according to their commencement (starting) dates.]

General Experience			
Starting Year	Ending Year	Contract Identification	Role of Bidder
<i>[indicate year]</i>	<i>[indicate year]</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract name: <i>[insert full name]</i> • Brief description of the supply performed by the Bidder: <i>[describe supply performed briefly]</i> • Amount of contract: <i>[insert amount]</i> • Name of Purchaser: <i>[indicate full name]</i> • Address: <i>[indicate street/number/town or city/country]</i> 	<i>[insert "Prime Supplier"(Single entity or JV member) or "Subcontractor"]</i>

Form EXP-2: Specific Experience Form

[The following table shall be filled in for contracts performed by the Bidder and by each member of a JV. Each contract shall be supported by Signed Contract Agreement or any other relevant evidence.]

Contract of Similar Nature			
Item	Information		
Contract Identification	<i>[insert contract name and reference identification number, if applicable]</i>		
Award date	<i>[insert day, month, year, e.g., 10 January, 2022]</i>		
Completion date	<i>[insert day, month, year, e.g., 12 July, 2022]</i>		
Role in Contract <i>[check the appropriate box]</i>	Prime supplier		Sub contractor <input type="checkbox"/>
	Single entity <input type="checkbox"/>	JV Member <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total Contract amount	<i>[insert total contract amount]</i>		<i>[Insert Currency]</i>
Description of the contract performed by the Bidder	<i>[Insert brief description of contract to justify similarity]</i>		
If partner in a JV or subcontractor, specify participation of total Contract amount	<i>[Insert percent of total]</i>		<i>[Insert Amount]</i>
Purchaser's Name:	<i>[Insert full name]</i>		
Purchaser's Address:	<i>[indicate street / number / town or city / country]</i>		
Purchaser's Telephone/fax number:	<i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city area codes]</i>		
Purchaser's E-mail:	<i>[insert E-mail address, if available]</i>		

The Bidder shall complete this form for each contract completed.

Form EXP - 3: Technical Experience

Fill out one (1) form per contract. Each contract shall be supported by Signed Contract Agreement or any other relevant evidence.

Technical Experience				
Name of Product				
Manufacturer:		Address and Nationality:		
(i) Product has been in production for at least. years.	Description of Goods	Year of Production		Number of units produced
	<i>[insert description of Goods]</i>	<i>[insert years]</i>		<i>[insert number]</i>
(ii) Product (or equipment) has been sold a minimum of. units of similar type and specification over the last three (3) years.	Description of Goods	Year of Production		Number of units that has been sold
	<i>[insert description of Goods]</i>	<i>[insert years]</i>		<i>[insert number]</i>
(iii) Product has been in operation for a minimum of. years.	Description of Goods	Number of units that has been sold and years		Details of purchasers
	<i>[insert description of Goods]</i>	<i>[insert number]</i>	<i>[insert year]</i>	<i>[insert name, adress (street / number / town or city / country), telephone/fax numbers with country and city code, email adresses if available]</i>

Form EXP - 4: Production Capacity

Fill out one (1) form per product and manufacturer.

Production Capacity	
Name of Product	
Manufacturer:	Address and Nationality:
Production facility 1 (include location):	<i>[Insert description of goods and production capacity]</i>
Production facility 2 (include location):	<i>[Insert description of goods and production capacity]</i>
Production facility 3 (include location):	<i>[Insert description of goods and production capacity]</i>

Form Spec-1: Bidder's proposed Specification Form

The bidder shall fill this form to provide the information on technical specifications and standards of offered goods. Bidder's Proposed Technical Specifications and Standards in column 4 shall comply with the Purchaser Requirement (Specifications and standards) specified by the Purchaser in the Schedule of Requirements.

Item No.	Name of Goods or Related Service	Country of Origin and Brand	Bidder's Proposed TS and Standards	Reference page/ no. / Catalogue page/ no.	Status of compliance ⁷
1	2	3	4	5	6
<i>[insert item No.]</i>	<i>[insert name]</i>	<i>[insert country of Origin and Brand name]</i>	<i>[insert TS and Standards]</i>	<i>[insert reference page or no. / catalogue page or no. if any]]</i>	<i>[insert status]</i>

⁷ *The bidder shall state as Fully compliance or Partially compliance or Compliance*

Price Schedule Forms

*[The Bidder shall fill in these Price Schedule Forms in accordance with the instructions indicated. The list of line items in column 1 of the **Price Schedules** shall coincide with the List of Goods and Related Services specified by the Purchaser in the Schedule of Requirements.]*

Price Schedules

Price Schedule: Goods Manufactured in Nepal

[ITB 15.7 (a), Goods manufactured in Nepal]								Date: _____ ICB No: _____	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Line Item N°	Description of Goods	Delivery Date as defined by Incoterms	Quantity and physical unit	Unit price EXW	Total EXW price per line item (Col. 4×5) 15.7(a)(i)	Price per line item for inland transportation and other services required to convey the Goods to their final destination ITB 15.7(a)(iii)	Cost of local labor, raw materials and components from with origin in Nepal % of Col. 5	Sales and other taxes payable per line item if Contract is awarded (in accordance with ITB 15.7(a)(ii))	Total Price per line item (Col. 6+7) 15.7(a)(iv)
<i>[insert number of the item]</i>	<i>[insert name of Good]</i>	<i>[insert quoted Delivery Date]</i>	<i>[insert number of units to be supplied and name of the physical unit]</i>	<i>[insert EXW unit price]</i>	<i>[insert total EXW price per line item]</i>	<i>[insert the corresponding price per line item]</i>	<i>[Insert cost of local labor, raw material and components from within the Purchase's country as a % of the EXW price per line item]</i>	<i>[insert sales and other taxes payable per line item if Contract is awarded]</i>	<i>[insert total price per item]</i>
Total Price									

Name of Bidder *[insert complete name of Bidder]* Signature of Bidder *[signature of person signing the Bid]* Date *[insert date]*

Note: Column 5 and 6: Currencies in accordance with ITB 16

Column 7 and 9: In Nepali Currency

Goods Manufactured Outside the Nepal, to be Imported

[ITB 15.7(b), goods to be imported]						Date: _____		
						ICB No: _____		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Line Item N°	Description of Goods	Country of Origin	Delivery Date as defined by Incoterms	Quantity and physical unit	Unit price CIP <i>[insert place of destination]</i> in accordance with ITB 15.7(b)(i)	CIP Price per line item (Col. 5x6) 15.7(b)(i)	Price per line item for inland transportation and other services required in Nepal to convey the Goods to their final destination specified in BDS 15.7(b)(ii)	Total Price per Line item (Col. 7+8) 15.7(b)(iv)
<i>[insert number of the item]</i>	<i>[insert name of good]</i>	<i>[insert country of origin of the Good]</i>	<i>[insert quoted Delivery Date]</i>	<i>[insert number of units to be supplied and name of the physical unit]</i>	<i>[insert unit price CIP per unit]</i>	<i>[insert total CIP price per line item]</i>	<i>[insert the corresponding price per line item]</i>	<i>[insert total price of the line item]</i>
							Total Price	

Name of Bidder *[insert complete name of Bidder]*

Signature of Bidder *[signature of person signing the Bid]*

Date *[Insert Date]*

Note: Column 6 and 7: Currencies in accordance with ITB 16

Column 8: In Nepali Currency

Price Schedule: Goods Manufactured Outside Nepal, already imported

[ITB 15.7 (c)), Goods already imported]

Date: _____

ICB No: _____

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Line Item N°	Description of Goods	Country of Origin	Delivery Date as defined by Incoterms	Quantity and physical unit	Unit price including Custom Duties and Import Taxes paid, in accordance with ITB 15.7(c)(i)	Custom Duties and Import Taxes paid per unit in accordance with ITB 15.7(c)(ii) , [to be supported by documents]	Unit Price net of custom duties and import taxes, in accordance with ITB 15.7(c) (iii) (Col. 6 minus Col.7)	Price per line item net of Custom Duties and Import Taxes paid, in accordance with ITB 15.7 (c)(iii) (Col. 5×8)	Price per line item for inland transportation and other services required in Nepal to convey the goods to their final destination, as specified in BDS in accordance with ITB 15.7 (c)(v)	Sales and other taxes paid or payable per item if Contract is awarded (in accordance with ITB 15.7 (c)(iv)	Total Price per line item (Col. 9+10) ITB 15.7 (c)(vi)
<i>[insert number of the item]</i>	<i>[insert name of Goods]</i>	<i>[insert country of origin of the Good]</i>	<i>[insert quoted Delivery Date]</i>	<i>[insert number of units to be supplied and name of the physical unit]</i>	<i>[insert unit price per unit]</i>	<i>[insert custom duties and taxes paid per unit]</i>	<i>[insert unit price net of custom duties and import taxes]</i>	<i>[insert price per line item net of custom duties and import taxes]</i>	<i>[insert price per line item for inland transportation and other services required in Nepal]</i>	<i>[insert sales and other taxes payable per item if Contract is awarded]</i>	<i>[insert total price per line item]</i>
Total Bid Price											

Name of Bidder *[insert complete name of Bidder]*

Signature of Bidder *[signature of person signing the Bid]*

Date *[insert date]*

Note: Column 6,7, 8 and 9: Currencies in accordance with ITB 16

Column 10 and 11: In Nepali Currency

Price and Completion Schedule - Related Services

Date: _____
ICB No: _____

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Service No.	Description of Services (excludes inland transportation and other services required in Nepal to convey the goods to their final destination)	Country of Origin	Delivery Date at place of Final destination	Quantity and physical unit	Unit price	Total Price per Service (Col. 5*6 or estimate)
<i>[insert number of the Service]</i>	<i>[insert name of Services]</i>	<i>[insert country of origin of the Services]</i>	<i>[insert delivery date at place of final destination per Service]</i>	<i>[insert number of units to be supplied and name of the physical unit]</i>	<i>[insert unit price and currency per item]</i>	<i>[insert total price and currency per item]</i>
Total Bid Price						

Name of Bidder *[insert complete name of Bidder]*

Signature of Bidder *[signature of person signing the Bid]*

Date *[insert date]*

Notes:

Column 6 and 7: Currencies in accordance with ITB Clause 16

Prices are to be quoted inclusive of all custom duties, sales and other similar taxes applicable in Nepal and payable on the Related Services, if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder

Bid Security

Bank Guarantee

Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office
(On Letter head of the Bank)

[This is the format for the Bid Security to be issued on the letterhead by a Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law of Nepal]

[insert Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office]

Date: *[insert date]*

Beneficiary: *[insert Name and Address of Purchaser]*

BID GUARANTEE No.: *[insert number]*

We have been informed that *[insert name of the Bidder]* (hereinafter called "the Bidder") intends to submit its bid to you (hereinafter called "the Bid") for the execution of *[insert name of contract]* under Invitation for Bids No. *[insert IFB number]* ("the IFB").

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

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

- (a) has withdrawn or modifies its Bid:
 - i) during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid, in case of electronic submission
 - (ii) from the period twenty-four hours prior to bid submission deadline up to the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid, in case of hard copy submission; or
- (b) does not accept the correction of errors in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders (hereinafter "the ITB"); or
- (c) changes the prices or substance of the bid while providing information pursuant to clause 29.1 of ITB; or
- (d) having been notified of the acceptance of its Bid by the Purchaser during the period of bid validity, (i) fails or refuses to execute the Contract Agreement, or (ii) fails or refuses to furnish the performance security, in accordance with the ITB.
- (e) is involved in fraud and corruption in accordance with the ITB.

This guarantee will expire: (a) if the Bidder is the successful Bidder, upon our receipt of copies of the contract signed by the Bidder and the performance security issued to you upon the instruction of the Bidder; and (b) if the Bidder is not the successful Bidder, upon the earlier of (i) our receipt of a copy of your notification to the Bidder of the name of the successful Bidder; or (ii) thirty (30) days after the expiration of the Bidder's bid which comes to be *[insert the date]*.

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

This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees, ICC Publication No. 758⁸.

. . .Bank's seal and authorized signature(s) . . .

[Note: All italicized text is for use in preparing this form and shall be deleted from the final product.]

Manufacturer's Authorization Letter

[This letter of authorisation should be on the letterhead of the manufacturer and should be signed by the person with the proper authority to sign documents that are binding on the manufacturer]

⁸ As the case may be, ICC Publication No. 758 (or subsequent ICC Publications) may be used. In such cases, modify the Publication number.

Date: *[insert date of Bid Submission]*

IFB No.: *[insert number]*

To: *[insert complete name and address of Purchaser]*

WHEREAS *[insert complete name of Manufacturer or Manufacturer's authorized agent]* who are official manufacturers of *[insert type of goods manufactured]* having factories at *[insert full address of Manufacturer's factories]*, do hereby authorize *[insert complete name of Bidder]* exclusively to submit a Bid in relation to the Invitation for Bids indicated above, the purpose of which is to provide the following Goods, manufactured by us *[insert name and/or brief description of the goods]* and to subsequently sign the Contract.

We hereby extend our full guarantee and warranty in accordance with Clause 27 of the General Conditions of Contract, with respect to the Goods offered by the above firm.

Name: *[insert complete name of person signing the Authorization]*

In the capacity of: *[insert legal capacity of person signing the Authorization]*

Signed: *[insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown above]*

Duly authorized to sign the Authorization for and on behalf of: *[insert complete name of Manufacture]*

Date: *[insert date of signing]*

Section V. Schedule of Requirements

The Schedule of Requirements shall be included in the Bidding Documents by the Purchaser, and shall cover, at a minimum, a description of the Goods and Related Services to be supplied and the Delivery Schedules.

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 IV.

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List of Goods and Related Services

The purpose of the List of Goods and Related Services (LGRS) is to briefly describe and specify the quantities of each of the Goods and Related Services that the Purchaser requires the Bidder to include in its Bid. As a part of the SR, the LGRS constitutes a Contract document and, therefore, it is a part of the Contract. The Purchaser must prepare the LGRS and include it as a part of the SR.

If the Goods and Related Services are grouped in lots/packages, the Purchaser must state here whether Bidders are permitted to submit Bids for individual lots or not. For example:

[Alternative 1. Insert: “The Goods and Related Services are grouped in lots. Bids on individual lots are not permitted. Only Bids for all of the lots/Packages will be accepted.”]

[Alternative 2. Insert: “The Goods and Related Services are grouped in lots. Bidders shall have the option of submitting Bids for one, any combination, or all of the lots/Packages. Lots/Packages shall not be further sub-divided for the purpose of bidding.”]

Lot/Package No. : <i>[if applicable]</i>				
Lot/Package Name : <i>[if applicable]</i>				
Item No.	Name of Goods or Related Services	Description ⁹	Unit of Measurement	Quantity

Lot/Package No. : <i>[if applicable]</i>				
Lot/Slice/Package Name : <i>[if applicable]</i>				
Item No.	Name of Goods or Related Services	Description	Unit of Measurement	Quantity

Lot/Package No. : <i>[if applicable]</i>				
Lot/Slice/Package Name : <i>[if applicable]</i>				

⁹ Description of Goods or related services is to be inserted in this column

Item No.	Name of Goods or Related Services	Description	Unit of Measurement	Quantity

Delivery and Completion Schedule

Delivery shall take place in compliance with the dates, duration, and locations indicated below:

(I) in case of Delivery schedule is not determined as evaluation criteria

[The Purchaser shall fill in this table from column 1 to 6]

Line Item No	Description of Goods	Quantity	Physical unit	Final Destination	Delivery (as per Incoterms) Date
<u>1.</u>	<u>2.</u>	<u>3.</u>	<u>4.</u>	<u>5.</u>	<u>6.</u>
<i>[insert item No]</i>	<i>[insert description of Goods]</i>	<i>[insert quantity of item to be supplied]</i>	<i>[insert physical unit for the quantity]</i>	<i>[insert place of delivery]</i>	<i>[insert the number of days following the date of effectiveness the Contract]</i>

(II) in case of Delivery schedule is determined as evaluation criteria

[The Purchaser shall fill in this table from column 1 to 7]

Line Item No	Description of Goods	Quantity	Physical unit	Final Destination as specified in BDS	Delivery (as per Incoterms) Date	
					Earliest Delivery Date	Final Delivery Date
<u>1.</u>	<u>2.</u>	<u>3.</u>	<u>4.</u>	<u>5.</u>	<u>6.</u>	<u>7.</u>
<i>[insert item No]</i>	<i>[insert description of Goods]</i>	<i>[insert quantity of item to be supplied]</i>	<i>[insert physical unit for the quantity]</i>	<i>[insert place of delivery]</i>	<i>[insert the number of days following the date of effectiveness the Contract]</i>	<i>[insert the number of days following the date of effectiveness the Contract]</i>

Note: The date of effectiveness of contract shall be as of signing the contract



1. List of Goods and Related Services

Items Required	Quantity
Drive Test System for Benchmarking of 4 operators	1 Set
UE Devices in Chassis	20
Scanner	1
Basic License for Voice and Data	20
License for Streaming with PEVQ-S for VMOS	4
Licenses for MOS (POLQA)	4
License for OTT and Social Media	4
Licenses for Scanner	1
Control Laptop for DT with required software and license	1
Backpack System for Benchmarking	1 Set
UE Connectivity with required licenses	12
Scanner Connectivity with required licenses	1
UE Devices for Backpack	Not Required Separately (Reused from DT devices)
Scanner	Not Required Separately (Reused from DT devices)
Control Laptop or tablet for Backpack with software and licenses	1
B-Party System	1 Lot
UE Devices	8 (2 UE per operator)
Voice and Data Licenses	8
MOS Licenses(POLQA)	4 (1 UE per operator)
Post Processing System	1 Lot
Post Processing Software	2
Workstation for Post Processing	2
Licenses	2 User, 2G-5G, NPS Feature
Laser Printer	1
Vehicle	1
Factory Inspection Tests	1 Lot
Installation and Testing Services	1 Lot
Training Services	1 Lot
Warranty Services	1 Lot

Note: The items breakdown e.g. hardware, software and licenses may differ from supplier to supplier. All hardware, software and licenses required to fulfill the technical requirements described in **Section V(3): Technical Specifications** shall be included in the offer. Bidders are encouraged to provide detailed breakdown of line items while filling Price Schedule.

2. Delivery Schedule:

Latest delivery dates for all items: 90 days from the date of opening of L/C.

Installation and Testing Shall begin within 30 days from the date of delivery and shall be completed within another 30 days.

3. Technical Specifications

1. Background

Clause No.	Requirements	Compliance Statement	Remarks
1.	<p>Background</p> <p>Nepal Telecommunications Authority (the Authority), in its endeavor to ensure that the licensed mobile services operators provide reliable and quality mobile services to the public, wishes to carry out regular measurement of QoS and KPI that is available in the different technologies in operator’s network. In this regard, the Authority intends to procure automated QoS monitoring and benchmarking tool and related services from qualified suppliers. The benchmarking tool shall consist of both data collection units and data post processing, analysis and reporting unit and shall measure and benchmark all the services that are provided to the general public by Nepal’s licensed mobile network operators.</p> <p>Bids are invited on the basis of the terms and conditions illustrated in this bid document, for which the bidders shall submit the detailed technical proposal for provision of Automated QoS Monitoring and Benchmarking Tool. The bidders shall have proven expertise supplying and installing Automated QoS Monitoring and Benchmarking Solutions.</p> <p>The technical specifications, supplier’s experience requirements, service requirements and other specifications are detailed in below paragraphs of this document.</p>		
2.	<p>Scope of Works</p> <p>The scope of supply and services works under this specifications shall be as mentioned in below clauses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Supply of Drive Test based Network Benchmarking Tool ii. Supply of backpack based walk test tool iii. Supply of B-party devices for automated drive testing iv. Supply of hardware and software for post processing and reporting 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> v. Supply of vehicle with mounting arrangements for drive testing tools vi. Supply of Inverter and Power System for vehicle mounted drive test tools vii. Supply of UPS for B-Party viii. Supply of spare UE ix. Supply of Accessories (spare UEs, spare cables, printers etc.) x. Installation, testing and commissioning for vehicle mounted drive test system xi. Installation, testing and commissioning of backpack drive test system xii. Installation, testing and commissioning of post processing and reporting software xiii. Factory Inspection xiv. Foreign Training xv. Warranty Services xvi. Technical Support Services 		
3.	General Specifications		
3.1.	The offer shall include complete Automated Quality of Service (QoS) Monitoring and Benchmarking Tool that has capacity to test, benchmark and report QoS across mobile operators. The measured QoS shall reflect the quality of experience (QoE) that end users receive while using different services and different mobile technologies operated by different operators.		
3.2.	The offered benchmarking tool shall consist of complete ecosystem of mobile network QoS benchmarking system. The QoS benchmarking system shall consist of QoS and KPI measurement drive test system with all required software, hardware and UE devices, backpack system for measurement in indoor environment, and post processing system with required hardware, software applications and reporting tools.		
3.3.	The offered benchmarking tool shall be capable of measuring all the QoS and KPI parameters of multiple services and multiple network operators in a single drive test campaign.		
3.4.	The bidder shall offer the most modern and latest version of the benchmarking and post processing tools as released by the manufacturer.		
3.5.	All the hardware, software and licenses required to measure QoS and obtain benchmarking results for the test categories and number of operators defined in this document shall be included in the offer.		

3.6.	The licenses for the benchmarking system, including for drive test system, backpack system and post processing software shall be Perpetual License. In case, some third party licenses are required to fulfill certain features required but the providers of such license do not sell perpetual license, the bid shall include such licenses for a minimum period of 3 years from the date of acceptance of the system. The offer shall clearly indicate such licenses and their prices in Price Schedule.		
3.7.	The offered tools shall carry out measurement and post processing of KPIs of all major radio technologies including 2G (GSM, GPRS, EDGE), 3G (WCDMA, HSPA, HSPA+) and 4G (LTE and LTE-A) and 5G, with both FDD and TDD supported. The offered tools shall be able to measure and process parameters of VOLTE, ViLTE , VoNR, Carrier Aggregation and 4x4 MIMO.		
3.8.	<p>The benchmarking system shall measure and report the following QoS and KPI parameters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Coverage measurement of 2G, 3G, 4G, 5G (Serving Cell Levels) ii. Call Setup Success Rate (CSSR) iii. Call Drop Rate iv. MOS of speech using POLQA 3 (ITU P.863) Video MOS as per ITU-T J.34 vi. Call Setup Time (CS, CSFB, VOLTE) vii. Handover Success Rate viii. SMS Success Rate ix. HTTP Download and Upload Throughput x. HTTP Download and Upload Success Rate xi. SMS End to End Delivery Time xii. Ping Success and Ping Delay xiii. Packet Loss xiv. FTP Upload and Download Throughput xv. FTP Upload and Download Success Rate xvi. Streaming Services Test xvii. OTT Services (Viber, Whatsapp etc.) xviii. Able To support to Ookla speed testing xix. Post processing must comply to technical ability to support network performance index analysis according to NPS ETSI TR 103 559 		

	<p>xx. Post processing tools should be able to access via URL on any machine at any location</p> <p>xxi. • Post processing tools should be able to Support from L0 to L2 Drill-Down function</p>		
3.9.	<p>It shall be possible to define the followings for data tests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. File size for FTP test ii. Abort timeout for FTP iii. Maximum transfer time for FTP iv. Abort timeout for HTTP v. Maximum time for HTTP loading vi. Maximum time for Ping RTT 		
4.	Specifications of Drive Test (Data Measurement) Tools		
4.1.	<p>The drive test (data measurement) system shall be a highly efficient multi device system that is capable of creating and executing various work orders and measuring diverse QoS data for benchmarking of the operators' networks. The drive test tool shall record all required time and geo stamped RF parameters and QoS indices.</p>		
4.2.	<p>The offered tools that shall be used to measure QoS parameters in the field shall at least carry out the following measurements for at least 4 operators.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Voice long call with MOS – 1 device ii. Voice short call and SMS test – 1 device iii. HTTP download, upload and browsing, and Ping test – 1 Device iv. FTP download and upload – 1 device v. Streaming and OTT Services – 1 Device <p>Based on above, total device requirement for drive test system is 20 (excluding scanner). At least 1 device for each operator (Total 4) shall have streaming and OTT licenses. All devices shall have voice and data measurement licenses. All test devices included in the measurement system shall be able to carry out measurement in any technology.</p>		
4.3.	<p>The drive test tool shall carry out tests based on user defined scripts. The tool shall provide easy interface for creating and modifying scripts. It shall be possible to save, import and export</p>		

	scripts. The tool shall also carry out tests manually if the user so requires.		
4.4.	The tool shall work with minimum supervision and control activity required in the field with most test configurations pre-loaded into the system before the start of the drive test campaign.		
4.5.	The drive test system shall display in real time the technology used, route information, measured RF parameters and events in the control laptop.		
4.6.	<p>The offered system shall be able to measure the RF coverage level of all technology (2G, 3G, 4G,5G) of all operators in single drive test. Such measurements shall be carried out using a scanner. The Scanner shall have following characteristics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Min Detection Level – 140 dBm for LTE ii. Min Detection Level -150 dBm dBm for 5G NR iii. Min Detection Level -110 for GSM iv. GSM, WCDMA, LTE FDD, LTE TDD and 5G NR Technologies v. 1.4-20MHz channel bandwidth for LTE vi. Simultaneous measurements in different technologies with a single unit vii. 4 Layer DL MIMO Support viii. GSM Bands (900, 1800MHz) ix. WCDMA Bands (900, 2100 MHz) x. LTE Bands (Band 3,5,8,20, 28, 40, 41,42,43) xi. 5G NR Bands (FR1) xii. Automatic Channel detection Automatic Channel detection should be supported, and support real-time detection during drive test and should not limited to stationary detection. xiii. GPS Accuracy $\pm 2.5m$ xiv. Support both windows laptop and Android device xv. Should be able to provide BTS position estimation during drive test 		
4.7.	The scanner used in the benchmarking system shall detect all the active channels, levels and bandwidth. The report generated shall show the coverage levels of 2G, 3G, 4G,5G serving cells of different operators and in different frequency bands, in the customized thresholds.		
4.8.	The drive test and data collection tasks with the offered tools shall		

	be fully automated.		
4.9.	It shall be possible to configure each device in drive test to latch to and measure in free mode (in any best available technology) or locked to any particular system, band, cell, PCI, ARFCN, UARFCN, EARFCN.		
4.10.	The accuracy of power measurement shall be better than $\pm 1/2$ dB.		
4.11.	All the measurements shall be carried out using UEs internal antenna.		
4.12.	<p>The drive test system shall consist of one control laptop with associated software application for managing the activity. The drive test tool shall have a single interface that can carry out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Management of test scripts for devices ii. Device status iii. Information on on-going test progress iv. Start and stop test orders for any and all devices. Able to perform Start, pause, resume and stop test orders for any and all devices but not limit to it, should be able to restart the last test campaign v. Display of connected cells, neighbors, received levels, quality vi. Display Layer 2 and Layer 3 messages and events vii. Replay measurements <p>All hardware (laptop) and software required for managing the measuring devices through such interface shall be included in the offer.</p>		
4.13.	The drive test tool shall support various chips in devices including Qualcomm, Samsung etc.		
4.14.	The offered devices shall be capable of working in 2G, 3G, 4G and 5G NR networks and shall support 1 Gbps DL and 150Mbps UL data rates, 4 layer MIMO reception and carrier aggregation.		
4.15.	The test terminals shall support latest GSM and WCDMA voice codecs including FR, EFR, HR, AMR, WB-AMR.		
4.16.	The offered drive test tool and devices shall support GSM(900MHz, 1800MHz), WCDMA (900MHz, 2100 MHz), LTE and LTE-A and 5G in 700-900MHz (Band 5,8,20,28,n5,n8, n20, n28), 1800MHz (Band 3,n3), 2100MHz (Band 1,n1), 2300MHz(Band 40,n40), 2600MHz (Band 41, n41) , 3300-3800 MHz (Band n78).		
4.17.	The measuring devices shall have inbuilt GPS. The offer shall include shall also include an external GPS that is connected to the Drive Test Tool to log the correct GPS. The routes and measured parameters shall be plotted with respect to GPS co-ordinates.		
4.18.	The drive test system with devices shall be arranged in a chassis or a frame that shall be installed in a vehicle. Such chassis or frame shall be portable but will generally remain in the vehicle. It shall be		

	possible to easily disassemble the devices (UEs) for safe storage to avoid theft.		
4.19.	All the measuring devices (UEs) shall be easily connected by the cables to a chassis system. The chassis systems shall be connected to the laptop by cable or wireless channel (e.g. Bluetooth, Wifi).		
4.20.	The offered system shall be powered from inverter supplied by vehicle 12V battery. Additional battery, if required, shall be fitted to meet power requirements. There shall be back-up for measurement for 15 minutes in the absence of vehicle battery power. The inverter included shall support the load requirement of the entire drive test system.		
4.21.	The bidder shall arrange B-Party measuring devices required for automated testing. The measuring devices for B party shall be installed in NTA office premises. All hardware, software, and licenses required for the B-party shall be included. The number of devices in B-Party shall be 2 devices (one with MOS License) per operator.		
4.22.	The drive test tool shall provide visualizations of measured parameters (e.g. LAC, TAC, CI, BCCH, PSC, PCI, receive levels, receive quality etc. for serving and neighbor cells), events and routes in relevant formats e.g. line graph, bar graph, texts, etc. and shall provide decoding and display of Layer 2 and 3 messages for all technologies.		
4.23.	The drive test tool shall provide visualization of measured parameters in map view with use of on line or offline google and open street maps.		
4.24.	It shall be possible to import and export drive test routes to the drive test tools.		
4.25.	The drive test system shall provide real time alerts and failure detection.		
4.26.	Normal handling during installation and storage shall not have any adverse effects upon the equipment.		
4.27.	All measurements shall be recorded in automatically saved log files. It shall be possible to configure how log files are generated e.g. one log file per device/ sessions/cycles file naming suffix etc. Able to define how long a campaign shall last and if user like to have one measurement file per session/cycles.		
5.	Technical Specifications for Backpack System for Measurement		
5.1.	The offer shall include a back pack solution for QoS data collection for indoor use or for places where driving is not possible.		
5.2.	The backpack system shall carry out all measurements and log all parameters as detailed for drive test system in Clause 4 above, to produce benchmarking reports. The log files requirement for the backpack system shall be same as for the drive test system.		

5.3.	The backpack system shall provide measurement with 12 UE devices and one scanner.		
5.4.	The UE devices and scanner offered for the drive test as required in Clause 4 above shall be reused for use with backpack also. No separate UE and scanner devices shall be required.		
5.5.	All required licenses for devices and scanner connection shall be provided.		
5.6.	The backpack system shall work with internal battery which when fully charged shall provide measurement duration of at least 3 hours.		
5.7.	The backpack walk test campaign shall be controlled by a wirelessly connected laptop computer or a tablet. Such control laptop or tablet shall provide interface for management of measurement activities, management of test scripts, monitoring device status, monitoring test progress, and viewing of measured data.		
5.8.	No separate B-Party devices shall be required for backpack. The same B-party devices as offered for the drive test shall be used for backpack walk test also. (Two activity occurring at different times).		
6.	Technical Specifications for Post Processing Tool		
6.1.	The post processing tool shall import and analyze log files from multiple RF data collection tools including the drive test system detailed in Clause 4, backpack system detailed in Clause 5, and the RF Scanners and post process the raw data to produce meaningful benchmarking reports and visualizations of KPI, Events and QoS parameters in required format.		
6.2.	The offered post processing tool shall work for multi-technology (2G, 3G, 4G, 5G) across different chipsets and measuring devices.		
6.3.	After the post processing of the measured data, the tool shall generate comprehensive benchmarking report providing the performance of each operator in terms of each service and KPI.		
6.4.	The post processing tool shall provide complete benchmarking of the coverage levels of different technology of different operators.		
6.5.	List of KPIs that shall constitute the benchmarking of the operators is listed in Clause 7 of this chapter.		
6.6.	The offer shall include workstations and necessary software and licenses for post processing of measured data. The post processing software shall provide license for 2 users and for all the technologies (2G, 3G, 4G,5G).		
6.7.	The offered workstations for post processing shall have enough resources (CPU, memory, hard disk etc.) to process log files from at least 5000km of drive tests for all the services defined in clause		

	3.8 above in one session.		
6.8.	The post processing software shall be capable of analyzing all the services (voice with MOS , video, HTTP and FTP UL and DL, Streaming services, Ping, web browsing, VoLTE) for each operator and produce report for each operator, services and KPI index.		
6.9.	Post processing tool shall provide all major KPIs related to coverage, quality, throughput, success and failures etc. for GSM, 3G, LTE, LTE-A, VOLTE technologies.		
6.10.	The post processing software shall support the following features <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Cell Level Analysis ii. Operator Level Analysis iii. Layer 2 and Layer 3 message search, filter iv. Customized threshold for each KPI parameter 		
6.11.	The post processing software shall produce analytical reports of abnormal events like call drop, blocked calls, Data failures, low receive levels, low quality, interference etc. for different operators.		
6.12.	The post processing software shall generate reports from a single or multiple log files as required by the user.		
6.13.	The post processing tool shall generate report as defined in user-defined templates and pre-defined templates.		
6.14.	The post processing software shall produces the results in the form of tables, graphs, charts, maps etc.). The reports shall be exportable in PDF, MS word and excel formats.		
6.15.	It shall be possible to filter data analysis and reporting based on operator, UE, services and technology.		
6.16.	The KPI and reporting format shall be fully adjustable and configurable		
6.17.	The tool shall provide visualizations of various measured parameters (received levels, quality, serving and neighbor cells, events, data throughputs etc.).		
6.18.	It shall be possible to generate Network Performance Score (NPS) based on KPIs and utilizing the weights given to different KPIs, Services and Geography. The weights shall be configurable. NPS reporting shall be as defined in ETSI 103 559.		
6.19.	The post processing tool shall be capable of loading, processing and generating KPI reports from log files of other tools (TEMS, NEMO, R&S SwissQual).		
6.20.	The post processing tool shall be able to export single or multiple metrics including RF parameters, QoS and events in various formats like CSV, TAB, KML, KMZ etc.		
6.21.	The tool shall be able to provide capability to drill down and analyze events		
6.22.	The offer shall include one set of color laser printer (600x600 dpi, LAN and USB connected, print speed min 20ppm for A4, paper size A4 and Letter).		

7.	Benchmarking Parameters		
7.1.	<p>The offered benchmarking tool (using drive test system, backpack system, post processing system and reporting tools) shall be able to produce the below QoS analysis for different operators and produce network performance score (NPS) based on criteria defined by the Purchaser</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Average Throughput UL (HTTP) ii. Average Throughput DL (HTTP) iii. % of UL Throughput > X Mbps (HTTP) iv. % of DL Throughput > X Mbps (HTTP) v. HTTP Connection Setup Time vi. Average Throughput UL (FTP) vii. Average Throughput DL (FTP) viii. % of UL Throughput > X Mbps (FTP) ix. % of DL Throughput > X Mbps (FTP) x. Web page access success rate xi. Average Delay in web page loading xii. Ping Success Rate xiii. Average Ping Delay xiv. FTP DL Success Rate (Overall, specific technology) xv. FTP UL Success Rate (Overall, specific technology) xvi. SMS Success Rate % xvii. SMS Reception Delay xxiii. % of SMS received within X seconds xix. Call Setup Success Rate (VOLTE, CSFB) xx. Call Setup Time (VoLTE, CSFB) xxi. % of Call Setup within X seconds xxii. Average Voice Quality MOS (POLQA MOS Score) xxiii. % of MOS > X xxiv. Call Drop Rate xxv. Handover Success Rate (all radio technologies) xxvi. % of 2G Availability xxvii. % of 3G Availability xxviii. % of 4G Availability xxix. % of 5G Availability xxx. Receive Level Distribution of each operator and each technology xxxi. % of receive level > X dbm (for each technology) xxxii. E-RAB Setup Success Rate xxxiii. Streaming Setup Success Rate xxxiv. Streaming Completion Success Rate xxxv. Streaming Service Access Time xxxvi. Streaming Video Resolution xxxvii. Social Media Success Rate xxxviii. Social Media Service Access Time 		

8.	Technical Specifications of Drive Test Vehicle		
8.1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Brand new right hand drive vehicle ii. Min 2100 CC 4 cylinder engine iii. 4 Wheel Drive iv. Ground Clearance 180mm or more v. 4 doors with 1 back door vi. Metallic Cab vii. Ventilated disc type front brakes, disc or drum type rear brakes viii. Normally at least 5 seats including driver, rear seats may be removed for fitting DT Chassis ix. Sufficient boot space to install drive test equipment chassis, computers and power x. Min 5 Speed manual transmission xi. Anti lock braking system xii. Compliant with emission standards set by Government of Nepal xiii. Year of manufacture 2021 or later xiv. Built-in Air condition xv. Power steering xvi. Power window xvii. Airbag for front driver and front passenger xviii. Seat belt in all seats xix. Rear and side view mirrors xx. Front fog Lamp xxi. One spare wheel xxii. Fuel tank capacity minimum 50L xxiii. Front and rear bumper xxiv. Audio with USB MP3 and radio player xxv. Standard tool sets xxvi. One year warranty from the date of delivery xxvii. Standard free servicing as provided by the vehicle supplier in Nepal's market xxviii. Vehicle tax paid for the FY in which the delivery is made xxix. Authorized distributor and service center in Nepal 		
8.2.	<p>The bidder may propose to supply the vehicle directly from abroad fitted with the relevant drive test systems. In such case, the price quoted shall include only the costs of the vehicle and any modification towards fitting the DT systems and shall exclude import duties and taxes applicable in Nepal.</p> <p>Alternatively, the bidder may supply the vehicle from the local dealer of the vehicle. In such case, the vehicle price shall include all the import duties and taxes and the costs toward the modification of the vehicle for fitting the DT systems.</p>		
9.	Factory Inspection Services		

9.1.	<p>Supplier shall invite the Purchaser’s personnel for testing and inspection of goods to be supplied at Supplier’s premises before shipment of goods in order to verify and confirm that the goods are as per the required specifications and the bid offer.</p> <p>The Factory inspection invitation shall be for 2 persons for 5 working days.</p> <p>The bidder shall submit the test procedures and schedules at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the factory inspection tests.</p> <p>The bidder shall quote the Price for the factory test. The price shall include only the costs to be incurred for the inspection and tests.</p> <p>All other costs toward the costs of airfare, accommodation of the inspection personnel, per diem allowances and insurance shall be borne by the Purchaser.</p>		
10.	Warranty Services		
10.1.	The Supplier warrants that all Goods supplied shall <u>be free</u> from defects in materials and workmanship and shall conform to the provisions and specifications of this specifications document.		
10.2.	During the Warranty Period, the equipment and the software shall be in compliance in all material respects with the specifications and shall be free from defects in workmanship and materials.		
10.3.	The Supplier shall, during the Warranty Period, without undue delay, repair or replace free of charge to the Purchaser any parts of the goods (both hardware and software) found to be faulty by reasons of defective materials, design or workmanship.		
10.4.	The supplier shall repair software bugs in the supplied software & provide software updates free of charge during the warranty period.		
10.5.	The warranty period shall be for the period of 12 months from the data of acceptance.		
10.6.	The Purchaser shall promptly notify the Supplier in writing or through email of any claims arising under this warranty. Upon receipt of such notice, the Supplier shall, within the reasonable period (maximum 30 days or as mutually agreed) and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective Goods or parts thereof, without costs to the Purchaser.		
10.7.	If the Supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the reasonable period the Purchaser 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 Purchaser may have against the Supplier under the Contract.		

10.8.	<p>During the warranty service, the Supplier shall provide technical support service through telephone, email or on-site visit if required to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Handle Purchaser’s questions on configuration and operation of the supplied system ii. Provide advice, consultation, and guidance on system use iii. Identify the cause of the problem and provide solution to bring back the system to normal operation 		
10.9.	In the case that the equipment problem cannot be solved through telephone support and remote access, the Supplier shall provide experienced personnel to analyze and eliminate the problem on-site. Such on site intervention shall not be delayed by more than one week from the date the need for such on-site intervention is realized		
10.10	The Purchaser shall, no later than 1 (one) month prior to the expiration of the Warranty Period, propose a maintenance agreement to the Supplier, and the Parties shall negotiate on the terms and conditions of the maintenance agreement in good faith so as to reach an agreement before the end of the Warranty Period.		
11.	Training Requirement		
11.1.	The Supplier shall provide training for the Purchaser’s personnel at manufacturer’s premises or training center.		
11.2.	The supplier shall conduct the training for 8 Personnel for a period of 7 working days in one lot.		
11.3.	The offer shall include cost of training including training fee and training materials. All other costs toward the cost of airfare, accommodation of the trainees, per diem allowances and insurance shall be borne by the Purchaser.		
11.4.	The training content and schedule shall be mutually agreed before the start of the training.		
12.	Installation and Testing Services		
12.1.	<p>The supplier shall be fully responsible for the installation and testing of the all the components of the supplied benchmarking system. This includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Installation of chassis and measuring devices and power in vehicle ii. Installation and testing of DT software iii. Installation and testing of Backpack System iv. Installation and testing of Post Processing 		

	System		
12.2.	The installation schedule shall be mutually agreed by the Supplier and the Purchaser.		
12.3.	The entire system is subject to acceptance testing after the completion of installation before handover to the Purchaser. Within seven (7) days after the installation of the Equipment is completed, the acceptance test shall be conducted by the Supplier under the supervision of the Purchaser.		
12.4.	Purchaser reserves the right to appoint any testing authority for carrying out acceptance testing of the supplied benchmarking system.		
12.5.	Acceptance testing shall consist of physical counting of the materials delivered and installed as well as verification of the technical performance of the equipment in accordance with the Technical Specifications mentioned in this bid document and the relevant standards. The Supplier shall be responsible for making good or to rectify, at its cost, any defects or deviations in required performance of the supplied system.		
12.6.	After completion of the Acceptance Testing, the Purchaser shall issue the Acceptance Certificate within five (7) days from the date of completion of the tests, if all the tests are successfully performed and any deficiency observed during the tests has been resolved.		
13.	Technical Documents		
13.1.	The supplier shall provide soft copy documents for installation and testing, and for the operation of supplied QoS benchmarking system. The documents shall be in English. The documents shall include general overview of the system, product details and operation manuals. The Purchaser shall have full ownership and copyright for copying the documents for use within the Purchaser's organization.		

Section VI. General Conditions of Contract

The GCC contain standard provisions that have been designed to remain unchanged and **to be used without modifying their text**. The GCC clearly identify the provisions that may normally need to be specified for a particular bidding process and require that such specification be introduced **through the SCC**.

The GCC are a Contract document and, therefore, are a part of the Contract.

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Section VI. General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

1.1. The following words and expressions shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them:

- (a) “Contract” means the Agreement entered into between the Purchaser and the Supplier, together with the Contract Documents referred to therein, including all attachments, appendices, and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
- (b) “Contract Documents” means the documents listed in the Agreement, including any amendments thereto.
- (c) “Contract Price” means the price payable to the Supplier as specified in the Agreement, subject to such additions and adjustments thereto or deductions there from, as may be made pursuant to the Contract.
- (d) “Day” means calendar day.
- (e) “Delivery” means the transfer of the Goods from the Supplier to the Purchaser in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Contract.
- (f) “Completion” means the fulfillment of the Related Services by the Supplier in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Contract.
- (g) “GCC” means the General Conditions of Contract.
- (h) “Goods” means all of the commodities, raw material, machinery and equipment, and/or other materials that the Supplier is required to supply to the Purchaser under the Contract.
- (i) “Purchaser’s Country” is the country specified in the Special Conditions of Contract (SCC).
- (j) “Purchaser” means the entity purchasing the Goods and Related Services, as specified in the SCC.
- (k) “Related Services” means the services incidental to the supply of the goods, such as insurance, installation, training and initial maintenance and other similar obligations of the Supplier under the Contract.
- (l) “SCC” means the Special Conditions of Contract.

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- (m) “Subcontractor” means any natural person, private or government entity, or a combination of the above, including its legal successors or permitted assigns, to whom any part of the Goods to be supplied or execution of any part of the Related Services is subcontracted by the Supplier.
 - (n) “Supplier” means the natural person, private or government entity, or a combination of the above, whose bid to perform the Contract has been accepted by the Purchaser and is named as such in the Agreement, and includes the legal successors or permitted assigns of the Supplier.
 - (o) “GoN” means the Government of Nepal.
 - (p) “The Site,” where applicable, means the place named in the SCC.

2. Contract Documents

- 2.3 Subject to the order of precedence set forth in the Agreement, all documents forming the Contract (and all parts thereof) are intended to be correlative, complementary, and mutually explanatory.

3. Fraud and Corruption

- 3.1 If the Purchaser determines that the Supplier has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices, in competing for or in executing the Contract, then the Purchaser may, after giving 14 days notice to the Supplier, terminate the Supplier's employment under the Contract and the provisions of GCC Clause 34.1 shall apply.

For the purposes of this Sub-Clause:

- (i) “corrupt practice” is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
- (ii) “fraudulent practice”¹⁰ is any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
- (iii) “collusive practice”¹¹ is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;

¹⁰ a “party” refers to a public official; the terms “benefit” and “obligation” relate to the procurement process or contract execution; and the “act or omission” is intended to influence the procurement process or contract execution.

¹¹ “parties” refers to participants in the procurement process (including public officials) attempting to establish bid prices at artificial, non competitive levels.

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- (iv) “coercive practice”¹² is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
 - (v) “obstructive practice” is
 - (aa) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a GoN/DP investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or
 - (bb) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the GoN/DP’s inspection and audit rights provided for under ITB Clause 3.5 and GCC Clause 25.

3.2 Without prejudice to any other rights of the Purchaser under this Contract, on the recommendation of the Purchaser, Public Procurement Monitoring Office may **blacklist** a Bidder/Supplier for its conduct for a period of one (1) to three (3) years on the following grounds and seriousness of the act committed by the bidder:

- (a) if it is established that the Supplier committed acts specified in ITB 3.2,
- (b) if it is established later that the Bidder has committed substantial defect in implementation of the contract or has not substantially fulfilled its obligations under the contract or the completed work is not of the specified quality as per the contract.

3.3 In case of DP funded bid, DP:

- (a) will cancel the portion of the loan allocated to a contract if it determines at any time that representatives of the Borrower or of a beneficiary of the loan engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices during the procurement or the execution of that contract, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Bank to remedy the situation;

¹² a “party” refers to a participant in the procurement process or contract execution.

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- (b) will sanction a firm or individual, including declaring them ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a Bank-financed contract if it at any time determines that they have, directly or through an agent, engaged, in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in competing for, or in executing, a Bank-financed contract; and
 - (c) will have the right to require that Suppliers to permit the Bank to inspect their accounts and records and other documents relating to the bid submission and contract performance and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

4. Interpretation

4.1 If the context so requires it, singular means plural and vice versa.

4.2 Incoterms

- (a) The meaning of any trade term and the rights and obligations of parties thereunder shall be as prescribed by Incoterms.
- (b) EXW, CIF, CIP, and other similar terms, shall be governed by the rules prescribed in the current edition of Incoterms, published by the International Chamber of Commerce at the date of the Invitation for Bids or **as specified in the SCC**.

4.3 Entire Agreement

The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the Purchaser and the Supplier and supersedes all communications, negotiations and agreements (whether written or oral) of parties with respect thereto made prior to the date of Contract.

4.4 Amendment

No amendment or other variation of the Contract shall be valid unless it is in writing, is dated, expressly refers to the Contract, and is signed by a duly authorized representative of each party thereto.

4.5 Nonwaiver

- (a) Subject to GCC Sub-Clause 4.5(b) below, no relaxation, forbearance, delay, or indulgence by either party in enforcing any of the terms and conditions of the Contract or the granting of time by either party to the other shall prejudice, affect, or restrict the rights of that party under the Contract, neither shall any waiver by either party of any breach of Contract operate as waiver of any subsequent or

continuing breach of Contract.

- (b) Any waiver of a party's rights, powers, or remedies under the Contract must be in writing, dated, and signed by an authorized representative of the party granting such waiver, and must specify the right and the extent to which it is being waived.

4.6 Severability

If any provision or condition of the Contract is prohibited or rendered invalid or unenforceable, such prohibition, invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions and conditions of the Contract.

5. Language

- 5.1 The Contract as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Contract exchanged by the Supplier and the Purchaser, shall be written in the language **specified in the SCC**. Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the Contract may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language specified in the SCC, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Contract, this translation shall govern.
- 5.2 The Supplier shall bear all costs of translation to the governing language and all risks of the accuracy of such translation.

6. Joint Venture, Consortium or Association

- 6.1 If the Supplier is a joint venture, consortium, or association, all of the parties shall be jointly and severally liable to the Purchaser for the fulfillment of the provisions of the Contract and shall designate one party to act as a leader with authority to bind the joint venture, consortium, or association. A bidder can submit only one bid either as a partner of the joint venture or individually. The composition or the constitution of the joint venture, consortium, or association shall not be altered without the prior consent of the Purchaser.
- 6.2 The contractor shall not handover the responsibility of the contract to any one member or some members of Joint Venture or any other parties, not involved in the contract.

7. Notices

- 7.1 Any Notice given by one party to the other pursuant to the Contract shall be in writing to the address **specified in the SCC**. The term "in writing" means communicated in written

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- form with proof of receipt.
- 7.2 A Notice shall be effective when delivered or on the Notice's effective date, whichever is later.
- 8. Governing Law** 8.1 The Contract shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of Nepal.
- 9. Settlement of Disputes** 9.1 The Purchaser and the Supplier shall make every effort to settle amicably by direct negotiation any disagreement or dispute arising between them under or in connection with the Contract.
- 9.2 Any dispute between the Parties as to matters arising pursuant to this Contract which cannot be settled amicably within thirty (30) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's request for such amicable settlement may be referred to Arbitration within 30 days after the expiration of amicable settlement period as specified in SCC.
- 10. Scope of Supply** 10.1 Subject to the SCC, the Goods and Related Services to be supplied shall be as specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements.
- 10.2 Unless otherwise stipulated in the Contract, the Scope of Supply shall include all such items not specifically mentioned in the Contract but that can be reasonably inferred from the Contract as being required for attaining Delivery and Completion of the Goods and Related Services as if such items were expressly mentioned in the Contract.
- 11. Delivery** 11.1 Subject to GCC Sub-Clause 32.1, the Delivery of the Goods and Completion of the Related Services shall be in accordance with the Delivery and Completion Schedule specified in the Section V, Schedule of Requirements. The details of documents to be furnished by the Supplier are **specified in the SCC**.
- 12. Supplier's Responsibilities** 12.1 The Supplier shall supply all the Goods and Related Services included in the Scope of Supply in accordance with GCC Clause 10, and the Delivery and Completion Schedule, as per GCC Clause 11.
- 13. Purchaser's Responsibilities** 13.1 Whenever the supply of Goods and Related Services requires that the Supplier obtain permits, approvals, and import and other licenses from public authorities in Nepal, the Purchaser shall, if so required by the Supplier, make its best effort to assist the Supplier in complying with such requirements in a timely and expeditious manner.

13.2 The Purchaser shall pay all costs involved in the performance of its responsibilities, in accordance with GCC Sub-Clause 13.1.

14. Contract Price

14.1 The Contract Price shall be as specified in the Agreement subject to any additions and adjustments thereto, or deductions there from, as may be made pursuant to the Contract.

14.2 Prices charged by the Supplier for the Goods delivered and the Related 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 the SCC.

15. Terms of Payment

15.1 The Contract Price shall be paid **as specified in SCC**.

15.2 The Supplier's request for payment shall be made to the Purchaser in writing, accompanied by invoices describing, as appropriate, the Goods delivered and Related Services performed, and by the documents submitted pursuant to GCC Clause 11.1 and upon fulfillment of all the obligations stipulated in the Contract.

15.3 Unless otherwise specified in the SCC, the Purchaser shall retain from each payment due to the Contractor the proportion stated in the SCC. Half of the total amount retained shall be repaid 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 and half when the supplier has submitted the evidence of submission of tax return to the concerned Internal Revenue Office.

15.4 Payments shall be made promptly by the Purchaser, no later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or request for payment by the Supplier, and the Purchaser has accepted it.

15.5 The currency or currencies in which payments shall be made to the Supplier under this Contract shall be as specified in the SCC.

15.6 In the event that the Purchaser fails to pay the Supplier any payment by its due date or within the period set forth in the GCC 15.4, the Purchaser shall pay to the Supplier interest on the amount of such delayed payment at the rate shown in the SCC, for the period of delay until due payment has been made.

16. Taxes and Duties

- 16.1 For goods supplied from outside Nepal, the Supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside Nepal. However, Tax deduction at source shall be applied as per taxation laws of Nepal.
- 16.2 For goods supplied from within the Nepal, the Supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted Goods to the Purchaser. Tax deduction at source shall be applied as per taxation law of Nepal.
- 16.3 If any tax exemptions, reductions, allowances or privileges may be available to the Supplier in Nepal, the Purchaser shall use its best efforts to enable the Supplier to benefit from any such tax savings to the maximum allowable extent.

17. Performance Security

- 17.1 The Supplier shall, within fifteen (15) days of the receipt of notification of Contract award, provide a Performance Security for the due performance of the Contract in the amounts and currencies specified in the SCC.
- 17.2 The proceeds of the Performance Security shall be payable to the Purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the Supplier's failure to complete its obligations under the Contract.
- 17.3 The Performance Security shall be denominated in the currency of the Contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the Purchaser, and shall be in one of the forms stipulated by the Purchaser in the SCC, or in another form acceptable to the Purchaser.
- 17.4 The Performance Security shall be discharged by the Purchaser 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.

18. Copyright

- 18.1 The copyright in all drawings, documents, and other materials containing data and information furnished to the Purchaser by the Supplier herein shall remain vested in the Supplier, or, if they are furnished to the Purchaser directly or through the Supplier by any third party, including suppliers of materials, the copyright in such materials shall remain vested in such third party.

19. Confidential

- 19.1 The Purchaser and the Supplier shall keep confidential and

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shall not, without the written consent of the other party hereto, divulge to any third party any documents, data, or other information furnished directly or indirectly by the other party hereto in connection with the Contract, whether such information has been furnished prior to, during or following completion or termination of the Contract. Notwithstanding the above, the Supplier may furnish to its Subcontractor such documents, data, and other information it receives from the Purchaser to the extent required for the Subcontractor to perform its work under the Contract, in which event the Supplier shall obtain from such Subcontractor an undertaking of confidentiality similar to that imposed on the Supplier under GCC Clause 19.

19.2 The Purchaser shall not use such documents, data, and other information received from the Supplier for any purposes unrelated to the Contract. Similarly, the Supplier shall not use such documents, data, and other information received from the Purchaser for any purpose other than the design, procurement, or other work and services required for the performance of the Contract.

19.3 The obligation of a party under GCC Sub-Clauses 19.1 and 19.2 above, however, shall not apply to information that:

- (a) the Purchaser or Supplier need to share with the Donor for Donor funded project or other institutions participating in the financing of the Contract;
- (b) now or hereafter enters the public domain through no fault of that party;
- (c) can be proven to have been possessed by that party at the time of disclosure and which was not previously obtained, directly or indirectly, from the other party; or
- (d) otherwise lawfully becomes available to that party from a third party that has no obligation of confidentiality.

19.4 The above provisions of GCC Clause 19 shall not in any way modify any undertaking of confidentiality given by either of the parties hereto prior to the date of the Contract in respect of the Supply or any part thereof.

19.5 The provisions of GCC Clause 19 shall survive completion or termination, for whatever reason, of the Contract.

20. Subcontracting

20.1 The Supplier shall notify the Purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under the Contract if not already

specified in the Bid. Subcontracting shall in no event relieve the Supplier from any of its obligations, duties, responsibilities, or liability under the Contract.

20.2 Subcontracts shall comply with the provisions of GCC Clauses 3.

21. Specifications and Standards

21.1 Technical Specifications and Drawings

- (a) The Supplier shall ensure that the Goods and Related Services comply with the technical specifications and other provisions of the Contract.
- (b) The Supplier shall be entitled to disclaim responsibility for any design, data, drawing, specification or other document, or any modification thereof provided or designed by or on behalf of the Purchaser, by giving a notice of such disclaimer to the Purchaser.
- (c) The Goods and Related Services supplied under this Contract shall conform to the standards mentioned in Section V, Schedule of Requirements and, when no applicable standard is mentioned, the standard shall be equivalent or superior to the official standards whose application is appropriate to the country of origin of the Goods.

21.2 Wherever references are made in the Contract to codes and standards in accordance with which it shall be executed, the edition or the revised version of such codes and standards shall be those specified in the Section V, Schedule of Requirements. During Contract execution, any changes in any such codes and standards shall be applied only after approval by the Purchaser and shall be treated in accordance with GCC Clause 32.

22. Packing and Documents

22.1 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. During transit, the packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation, and open storage. Packing case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the final destination of the Goods and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.

22.2 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 the SCC, and in any other instructions ordered by the Purchaser.

23. Insurance

23.1 Unless otherwise specified in the SCC, the Goods supplied under the Contract shall be fully insured, in a freely convertible currency from an eligible country, against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage, and delivery, in accordance with the applicable Incoterms or in the manner specified in the SCC.

24. Transportation

24.1 Obligations for transportation of the Goods shall be in accordance with the Incoterms specified in Sections V, Schedule of Requirements.

25. Inspections and Tests

25.1 The Supplier shall at its own expense and at no cost to the Purchaser carry out all such tests and/or inspections of the Goods and Related Services as are specified in Sections V, Schedule of Requirements.

25.2 The inspections and tests may be conducted on the premises of the Supplier or its Subcontractor, at point of delivery, and/or at the final destination of the Goods, or in another place in Nepal as specified in the SCC. Subject to GCC Sub-Clause 25.3, if conducted on the premises of the Supplier or its Subcontractor, all reasonable facilities and assistance, including access to drawings and production data, shall be furnished to the inspectors at no charge to the Purchaser.

25.3 The Purchaser or its designated representative shall be entitled to attend the tests and/or inspections referred to in GCC Sub-Clause 25.2, provided that the Purchaser bear all of its own costs and expenses incurred in connection with such attendance including, but not limited to, all traveling and board and lodging expenses.

25.4 Whenever the Supplier is ready to carry out any such test and inspection, it shall give a reasonable advance notice, including the place and time, to the Purchaser. The Supplier shall obtain from any relevant third party or manufacturer any necessary permission or consent to enable the Purchaser or its designated representative to attend the test and/or inspection.

25.5 The Purchaser may require the Supplier to carry out any test and/or inspection not required by the Contract but deemed necessary to verify that the characteristics and performance of

the Goods comply with the technical specifications, codes and standards under the Contract, provided that the Supplier's reasonable costs and expenses incurred in the carrying out of such test and/or inspection shall be added to the Contract Price. Further, if such test and/or inspection impede the progress of manufacturing and/or the Supplier's performance of its other obligations under the Contract, due allowance will be made in respect of the Delivery Dates and Completion Dates and the other obligations so affected.

25.6 The Supplier shall provide the Purchaser with a report of the results of any such test and/or inspection.

25.7 The Purchaser may reject any Goods or any part thereof that fail to pass any test and/or inspection or do not conform to the specifications. The Supplier shall either rectify or replace such rejected Goods or parts thereof or make alterations necessary to meet the specifications at no cost to the Purchaser, and shall repeat the test and/or inspection, at no cost to the Purchaser, upon giving a notice pursuant to GCC Sub-Clause 25.4.

25.8 The Supplier agrees that neither the execution of a test and/or inspection of the Goods or any part thereof, nor the attendance by the Purchaser or its representative, nor the issue of any report pursuant to GCC Sub-Clause 25.6, shall release the Supplier from any warranties or other obligations under the Contract.

26. Liquidated Damages

26.1 Except as provided under GCC Clause 31, if the Supplier fails to deliver any or all of the Goods or perform the Related Services within the period specified in the Contract, the Purchaser may without prejudice to all its other remedies under the Contract, deduct from the Contract Price, as liquidated damages, a sum equivalent to the percentage specified in the SCC of the Contract Price for each day of delay until actual delivery or performance, up to a maximum deduction of the percentage specified in the SCC. Once the maximum is reached, the Purchaser may terminate the Contract pursuant to GCC Clause 34.

27. Warranty

27.1 The Supplier warrants that all the Goods are new, unused, and of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials, unless provided otherwise in the Contract.

27.2 Subject to GCC Sub-Clause 21.1, the Supplier further warrants that the Goods shall be free from defects arising

from any act or omission of the Supplier or arising from design, materials, and workmanship, under normal use in the conditions prevailing in Nepal.

27.3 Unless otherwise specified in the SCC, the 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 SCC.

27.4 The Purchaser shall give Notice to the Supplier stating the nature of any such defects together with all available evidence thereof, promptly following the discovery thereof. The Purchaser shall afford all reasonable opportunity for the Supplier to inspect such defects.

27.5 Upon receipt of such Notice, the Supplier shall, within the period specified in the SCC, expeditiously repair or replace the defective Goods or parts thereof, at no cost to the Purchaser.

27.6 If having been notified, the Supplier fails to remedy the defect within the period specified in the SCC, the Purchaser may proceed to take within a reasonable period such remedial action as may be necessary, at the Supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the Purchaser may have against the Supplier under the Contract.

28. Patent Indemnity

28.1 The Supplier shall, subject to the Purchaser's compliance with GCC Sub-Clause 28.2, indemnify and hold harmless the Purchaser and its employees and officers from and against any and all suits, actions or administrative proceedings, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any nature, including attorney's fees and expenses, which the Purchaser may suffer as a result of any infringement or alleged infringement of any patent, utility model, registered design, trademark, copyright, or other intellectual property right registered or otherwise existing at the date of the Contract by reason of:

- (a) the installation of the Goods by the Supplier or the use of the Goods in the country where the Site is located; and
- (b) the sale in any country of the products produced by the Goods.

Such indemnity shall not cover any use of the Goods or any part thereof other than for the purpose indicated by or to be reasonably inferred from the Contract, neither any infringement resulting from the use of the Goods or any part thereof, or any products produced thereby in association or combination with any other equipment, plant, or materials not supplied by the Supplier, pursuant to the Contract.

28.2 If any proceedings are brought or any claim is made against the Purchaser arising out of the matters referred to in GCC Sub-Clause 28.1, the Purchaser shall promptly give the Supplier a notice thereof, and the Supplier may at its own expense and in the Purchaser's name conduct such proceedings or claim and any negotiations for the settlement of any such proceedings or claim.

28.3 If the Supplier fails to notify the Purchaser within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice that it intends to conduct any such proceedings or claim, then the Purchaser shall be free to conduct the same on its own behalf.

28.4 The Purchaser shall, at the Supplier's request, afford all available assistance to the Supplier in conducting such proceedings or claim, and shall be reimbursed by the Supplier for all reasonable expenses incurred in so doing.

28.5 The Purchaser shall indemnify and hold harmless the Supplier and its employees, officers, and Subcontractors from and against any and all suits, actions or administrative proceedings, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any nature, including attorney's fees and expenses, which the Supplier may suffer as a result of any infringement or alleged infringement of any patent, utility model, registered design, trademark, copyright, or other intellectual property right registered or otherwise existing at the date of the Contract arising out of or in connection with any design, data, drawing, specification, or other documents or materials provided or designed by or on behalf of the Purchaser.

29. Limitation of Liability

29.1 Except in cases of gross negligence or willful misconduct :

- (a) neither party shall be liable to the other party for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the Supplier to pay liquidated damages to

the Purchaser; and

- (b) the aggregate liability of the Supplier to the Purchaser, whether under the Contract, in tort, or otherwise, shall not exceed the total Contract Price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment, or to any obligation of the Supplier to indemnify the Purchaser with respect to patent infringement.

30. Change in Laws and Regulations

30.1 Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, if after the date of the Invitation for Bids, any law, regulation, ordinance, order or bylaw having the force of law is enacted, promulgated, abrogated, or changed in Nepal where the Site is located (which shall be deemed to include any change in interpretation or application by the competent authorities) that subsequently affects the Delivery Date and/or the Contract Price, then such Delivery Date and/or Contract Price shall be correspondingly increased or decreased, to the extent that the Supplier has thereby been affected in the performance of any of its obligations under the Contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such additional or reduced cost shall not be separately paid or credited if the same has already been accounted for in the price adjustment provisions where applicable, in accordance with GCC Clause 14.

31. Force Majeure

31.1 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.

31.2 For purposes of this Clause, “Force Majeure” means an event or situation beyond the control of the Supplier that is not foreseeable, is unavoidable, and its origin is not due to negligence or lack of care on the part of the Supplier. Such events may include, but not be limited to, acts of the Purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, and freight embargoes.

31.3 If a Force Majeure situation arises, the Supplier shall promptly notify the Purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the Purchaser 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.

32. Change Orders and Contract Amendments

32.1 The Purchaser may at any time order the Supplier through Notice in accordance GCC Clause 7, to 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 Purchaser;
- (b) the method of shipment or packing;
- (c) the place of delivery; and
- (d) the Related Services to be provided by the Supplier.

32.2 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 in the Delivery and Completion 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 Purchaser's change order.

32.3 Prices to be charged by the Supplier for any Related Services that might be needed but which were not included in the Contract shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the Supplier for similar services.

33. Extensions of Time

33.1 If at any time during performance of the Contract, the Supplier or its Subcontractors should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the Goods or completion of Related Services pursuant to GCC Clause 11, the Supplier shall promptly, and at least twenty one (21) days before the expiry of procurement contract, notify the Purchaser in writing of the delay, its likely duration, and its cause. As soon as practicable after receipt of the Supplier's notice, the Purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at its discretion extend the Supplier's time for performance, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of the Contract.

33.2 Except in case of Force Majeure, as provided under GCC Clause 31, a delay by the Supplier in the performance of its Delivery and Completion obligations shall render the

Supplier liable to the imposition of liquidated damages pursuant to GCC Clause 26, unless an extension of time is agreed upon, pursuant to GCC Sub-Clause 34.1.

34. Termination

34.1 Termination for Default

- (a) The Purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of Contract, by Notice of default sent to the Supplier, may terminate the Contract in whole or in part:
 - (i) if the Supplier fails to deliver any or all of the Goods within the period specified in the Contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the Purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 33;
 - (ii) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation under the Contract.
 - (iii) The supplier uses the advance payment for matters other than the contractual obligations.
 - (iv) The purchaser may terminate the contract at any time in the following condition.
 - (a) does not commence the work as per the contract,
 - (b) abandons the contract with out completing,
 - (c) fails to achieve progress as per the contract.
- (b) In the event the Purchaser terminates the Contract in whole or in part, pursuant to GCC Clause 34.1(a), the Purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, Goods or Related Services similar to those undelivered or not performed, and the Supplier shall be liable to pay to the Purchaser for any whole costs for such similar Goods or Related Services. However, the Supplier shall continue performance of the Contract to the extent not terminated.
- (c) if the Supplier, in the judgment of the Purchaser has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices, as defined in GCC Clause 3, in competing for or in executing the Contract

34.2 Termination for Insolvency

The Purchaser may at any time terminate the Contract by giving Notice to the Supplier if the Supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In such event, termination will be without compensation to the Supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy that has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the Purchaser.

34.3 Termination for Convenience

- (a) The Purchaser, by written Notice sent to the Supplier, 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 Purchaser's convenience, the extent to which performance of the Supplier under the Contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.
- (b) The Goods that are complete and ready for shipment within seven (7) days after the Supplier's receipt of the Notice of termination shall be accepted by the Purchaser at the Contract terms and prices. For the remaining Goods, the Purchaser may elect:
 - (i) To have any portion completed and delivered at the Contract terms and prices; and/or
 - (ii) To cancel the remainder and pay to the Supplier an agreed amount for partially completed Goods and Related Services and for materials and parts previously procured by the Supplier.

35. Assignment

35.1 Neither the Purchaser nor the Supplier shall assign, in whole or in part, their obligations under this Contract, except with prior written consent of the other party.

Section VII. Special Conditions of Contract

The following Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) shall supplement the General Conditions of Contract (GCC). Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions herein shall prevail over those in the GCC.

GCC 1.1(i)	The Purchaser's country is: Nepal
GCC 1.1(j)	The Purchaser is: Nepal Telecommunications Authority
GCC 1.1 (p)	The Site is: Nepal Telecommunications Authority, Jamal, Kathmandu
GCC 4.2 (b)	The version of Incoterms shall be: 2020 or Higher
GCC 5.1	The language shall be: English
GCC 7.1	For notices , the Purchaser's address shall be: Name and Address of the Purchaser: Nepal Telecommunications Authority (NTA), Jamal, Kathmandu, Nepal Telephone number: +977-1-4255474 Facsimile number: +977-1-4255250 e-mail Address
GCC 9.2	In case of arbitration, the arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the arbitration procedures published by the Nepal Council of Arbitration (NEPCA) at Kathmandu, Nepal
GCC 10.1	The Scope of Supply shall be defined in: " Section V, Schedule of Requirements "
GCC 11.1	Details of shipping and documents to be furnished by the Supplier shall be: “For Goods supplied from abroad as per Incoterms CIP: Upon shipment, the Supplier shall notify the Purchaser and the Insurance Company by telex or fax the full details of the shipment, including Contract number, description of Goods, quantity, the vessel, the bill of lading number and date, port of loading, date of shipment, port of discharge, etc. The Supplier shall send the following documents to the Purchaser, with a copy to the Insurance Company: a) Five (5) copies of the Supplier's invoice showing the

	<p>description of the Goods, quantity, unit price, and total amount;</p> <p>b) original and Four (4) copies of the negotiable, clean, on-board bill of lading marked —freight prepaid and four (4) copies of nonnegotiable bill of lading;</p> <p>c) Five (5) copies of the packing list identifying contents of each package;</p> <p>d) insurance certificate;</p> <p>e) Manufacturer’s or Supplier’s warranty certificate;</p> <p>f) inspection certificate, issued by the nominated inspection agency, and the Supplier’s factory inspection report; and</p> <p>g) Certificate of origin.</p> <p>The Purchaser shall receive the above documents at least one week before arrival of the Goods at the port or place of arrival and, if not received, the Supplier will be responsible for any consequent expenses.</p> <p>For Goods from within the Purchaser’s country as per Incoterm EXW:</p> <p>Upon delivery of the Goods to the transporter, the Supplier shall notify the Purchaser and send the following documents to the Purchaser:</p> <p>a) Five (5) copies of the Supplier’s invoice showing the description of the Goods, quantity, unit price, and total amount;</p> <p>b) delivery note, airway, railway receipt, or truck receipt;</p> <p>c) Manufacturer’s or Supplier’s warranty certificate;</p> <p>d) inspection certificate issued by the nominated inspection agency, and the Supplier’s factory inspection report; and</p> <p>e) Certificate of origin.</p> <p>The Purchaser, shall receive the above documents before the arrival of the Goods and, if not received, the Supplier will be responsible for any consequent expenses.</p>
GCC 14.2	<p>The prices charged for the Goods delivered and the Related Services to be performed shall be fixed for the duration of the contract.¹³</p>

¹³ If duration of contract is less than 12 months price adjustment shall not be applicable

<p>GCC 15.1</p>	<p>The terms of payment to be made to the Supplier under the contract shall be as follows:</p> <p>The payment shall be made:</p> <p>(a) through an irrevocable confirmed letter of credit opened in favour of the Supplier, or</p> <p>(b) through accounts section of the Purchaser,</p> <p>100% Payment for the Goods supplied from abroad shall be made through Irrevocable Letter of Credit (L/C) opened in favour of Supplier.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All payment under this contract shall be made only after deduction of withholding tax (TDS – Tax Deduction at Source) as per the Income tax law of Nepal. ● Supplier shall submit error free Pro-Forma Invoice within 7 days from the date of signing the Contract. NTA shall open L/C within 15 days from the date of receipt of the error free Pro-Forma invoice from Supplier. ● Opening of L/C For Extended Warranty One month prior to the completion of Warranty period, the Contractor shall submit Performance security amounting equivalent percentage as determined from GCC17.1 of the total price of Extended warranty.
<p>GCC 15.3</p>	<p>The proportion of payments retained is: <i>5 (five) percent</i></p>
<p>GCC 15.5</p>	<p>The currencies for payments shall be: <i>[indicate the currencies of payment]</i></p>
<p>GCC 15.6</p>	<p>The interest rate that shall be applied for payment delay is : 8%</p>

<p>GCC 17.1</p>	<p>The Supplier shall provide a Performance Security as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. If bid price of the bidder selected for acceptance is up to 15 (fifteen) percent less than the approved cost estimate, the performance security amount shall be 5 (five) percent of the bid price. II. For the bid price of the bidder selected for acceptance is more than 15 (fifteen) percent below of the cost estimate, the performance security amount shall be determined as follows: Performance Security Amount = [(0.85 x Cost Estimate – Bid Price) x 0.5] + 5% of Bid Price. <p>The Bid Price and Cost Estimate shall be exclusive of Value Added Tax.</p> <p>The Performance Security shall be valid for the period of<i>[insert the period of validity of performance security]</i></p> <p>The performance security shall be forfeited, in case the Supplier fails to complete the contractual obligation and rectify the defects within warranty period.</p>
<p>GCC 17.3</p>	<p>The types of acceptable Performance Securities are: A bank guarantee issued by Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law located in Nepal or commercial bank located abroad, acceptable to the Purchaser, in the format included in Section VIII, Contract Forms. Performance Security issued by foreign Bank must be counter – guaranteed by Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal.</p>
<p>GCC 22.2</p>	<p>The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall be: <i>[insert in detail the type of packing, the markings, and all documentation required. Consideration should be given to whether, during sea transport, the Goods should be transported under deck. The provision must further expressly provide details for markings and documentation to be required within and outside the packing cases.]</i></p>
<p>GCC 23.1</p>	<p>The insurance coverage shall be in accordance with: <i>[insert type of coverage, currency, and amount]</i></p> <p><i>[For example insert: “The Supplier must insure the Goods in an amount equal to 110 percent of the CIP or EXW price of the Goods from “Warehouse” to “Warehouse” on “All Risks” basis, including War Risks, Arson and Strikes.”]</i></p>

<p>GCC 25.2</p>	<p>Tests and Inspections specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements, shall be carried out at the following times or milestones, and places: <i>[Depending on the type of Goods to be procured, there may be a need to provide for special inspections and/or tests to be carried out. In particular, this will be the case when the Goods are designed specifically for the purpose of the Project in question or where due to the nature of the Goods, there is a need to ensure compliance with certain technical specifications and requirements at an early stage. If there is a need for such special inspections and/or tests, the SSC should mention specific testing methods and the timing or milestones and places where the tests and/or inspections are to be carried out.]</i> For example insert for each test: Goods: _____ Type of Test: _____ Time or Milestone: _____ Place: _____ Address: _____ Country: _____</p>
<p>GCC 26.1</p>	<p>The applicable rate of liquidated damages shall be: <i>0.05 percent of the Contract Price per day</i></p>
<p>GCC 26.1</p>	<p>The maximum amount of liquidated damages shall be: <i>ten (10) percent of the Contract Price.</i></p> <p>The contract shall be terminated, if liquidated damages exceeds 10 percent of the Contract Price and blacklisting process shall be initiated for the Supplier's failure to complete the contractual obligations.</p>
<p>GCC 27.3</p>	<p>The period of validity of the Warranty shall be: As per Technical Specification <i>ace</i></p>
<p>GCC 27.5 & 27.6</p>	<p>The Supplier shall correct any defects covered by the Warranty within: 10 days of being notified by the Purchaser of the occurrence of such defects</p>

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Letter of Intent

[on letterhead paper of the Purchaser]

..... date

Notes on Letter of Intent

The issuance of Letter of Intent is the information of the selection of the bid of the successful bidder by the Purchaser and for providing information to other unsuccessful bidders who participated in the bid as regards to the outcome of the procurement process. This standard form of Letter of Intent to Award should be filled in and sent to the successful Bidder only after evaluation and selection of substantially responsible lowest evaluated bid.

To: name and address of the Supplier

Subject: Issuance of letter of intent to award the contract

This is to notify you that, it is our intention to award the contract. for execution of the *.name of the contract and identification number, as given in the Contract Data/SCC* to you as your bid price *.amount in figures and words in Nepalese Rupees* as corrected and modified in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders is hereby selected as substantially responsive lowest evaluated bid.

Authorized Signature:

Name:

Title:

CC:
[Insert name and address of all other Bidders, who submitted the bid]

Letter of Acceptance

[on letterhead paper of the Purchaser]

..... date.

To: name and address of the Supplier

Subject: Notification of Award

This is to notify that your Bid dated date for execution of thename of the contract and identification number, as given in the Contract Data/SCC for the Contract price of Nepalese Rupees [insert amount in figures and words in Nepalese Rupees], as corrected in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders is hereby accepted in accordance with the Instruction to Bidders.

You are hereby instructed to contract this office to sign the formal contract agreement within 15 days. As per the Conditions of Contract, you are also required to submit Performance Security, as specified in SCC, consisting of a Bank Guarantee in the format included in Section VIII (Contract Forms) of the Bidding Document.

The amount of performance security shall be NRs.....[Insert amount] and validity period of performance security shall be[insert validity period].

The Purchaser shall forfeit the bid security, in case you fail to furnish the Performance Security and to sign the contract within specified period.

Authorized Signature:

Name and Title of Signatory:

Agreement Form

THIS AGREEMENT made on the *[insert number]* day of *[insert month]*, *[insert year]*, between *[insert complete name of Purchaser]* of *[insert complete address of Purchaser]* (hereinafter “the Purchaser”), of the one part, and *[insert complete name of Supplier]* of *[insert complete address of Supplier]* (hereinafter “the Supplier”), of the other part:

WHEREAS the Purchaser invited Bids for certain Goods and Related Services, viz., *[insert brief description of the Goods and Related Services]* and has accepted a Bid by the Supplier for the supply of those Goods and Related Services in the sum of NRs*[insert amount of contract price in words and figures including taxes]* (hereinafter “the Contract Price”).

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS:

1. In this Agreement words and expressions shall have the same meanings as are respectively assigned to them in the Conditions of Contract referred to.
2. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this Agreement, viz.:
 - (a) the Purchaser’s Notification to the Supplier of Award of Contract;
 - (b) the Bid Submission Form and the Price Schedules submitted by the Supplier;
 - (c) the Special Conditions of Contract;
 - (d) the General Conditions of Contract;
 - (e) the Schedule of Requirements; and
 - (f) *[indicate any other documents required as appropriate]*

This Contract shall prevail over all other Contract documents. In the event of any discrepancy or inconsistency within the Contract documents, then the documents shall prevail in the order listed above.

3. In consideration of the payments to be made by the Purchaser to the Supplier as indicated in this Agreement, the Supplier hereby covenants with the Purchaser to provide the Goods and Related Services and to remedy defects therein in conformity in all respects with the provisions of the Contract.
4. The Purchaser hereby covenants to pay the Supplier in consideration of the provision of the Goods and Related Services and the remedying of defects therein, the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the Contract at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Contract.

IN WITNESS whereof the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed in accordance with the laws of “Nepal” on the day, month, and year indicated above.

Signed by *[insert authorized signature for the Purchaser]* (for the Purchaser)

Signed by *[insert authorized signature for the Supplier]* (for the Supplier)

Performance Security

[insert complete name and number of Contract]

To: *[insert complete name of Purchaser]*

WHEREAS *[insert complete name of Supplier]* (hereinafter “the Supplier”) has received the notification of award for the execution of *[insert identification number and name of contract]* (hereinafter “the Contract”).

AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you in the aforementioned Contract that the Supplier shall furnish you with a security *[insert type of security]* issued by a reputable guarantor for the sum specified therein as security for compliance with the Supplier’s performance obligations in accordance with the Contract.

AND WHEREAS the undersigned *[insert complete name of Guarantor]*, legally domiciled in *[insert complete address of Guarantor]*, (hereinafter the “Guarantor”), have agreed to give the Supplier a security:

THEREFORE WE hereby affirm that we are Guarantors and responsible to you, on behalf of the Supplier, up to a total of *[insert currency and amount of 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, without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of *[insert currency and amount of guarantee in words and figures]* as aforesaid, without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your demand or the sum specified therein.

This security is valid until the *[insert day, month, year]*.

Name: *[insert complete name of person signing the Security]*

In the capacity of: *[insert legal capacity of person signing the Security]*

Signed: *[insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown above]*

Duly authorized to sign the security for and on behalf of: *[insert seal and complete name of Guarantor]*

Date: *[insert date of signing]*

Advance Payment Security

[insert complete name and number of Contract]

To: *[insert complete name of Purchaser]*

In accordance with the payment provision included in the Contract, in relation to advance payments, *[insert complete name of Supplier]* (hereinafter called “the Supplier”) shall deposit with the Purchaser a security consisting of *[indicate type of security]*, to guarantee its proper and faithful performance of the obligations imposed by said Clause of the Contract, in the amount of *[insert currency and amount of guarantee in words and figures]*.

We, the undersigned *[insert complete name of Guarantor]*, legally domiciled in *[insert full address of Guarantor]* (hereinafter “the Guarantor”), as instructed by the Supplier, agree unconditionally and irrevocably to guarantee as primary obligator and not as surety merely, the payment to the Purchaser on its first demand without whatsoever right of objection on our part and without its first claim to the Supplier, in the amount not exceeding *[insert currency and amount of guarantee in words and figures]*.

This security shall remain valid and in full effect from the date of the advance payment being received by the Supplier under the Contract until *[(insert day, month, year) Contract completion date may be a basis for this date]*.

Name: *[insert complete name of person signing the Security]*

In the capacity of: *[insert legal capacity of person signing the Security]*

Signed: *[insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown above]*

Duly authorized to sign the security for and on behalf of: *[insert seal and complete name of Guarantor]*

Date: *[insert date of signing]*