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Project Number: TES/2023/G-020

## **INVITATION FOR BIDS**

## Procurement of 20 Manageable Switches (48 ports), 24 Port Manageable Switch for Atolls, SD-WAN Connectivity Hardware and Firewalls

- 1. The Government of the Republic of Maldives has received financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of **Responsive COVID-19 Vaccination for Recovery Project under the Asia Pacific Vaccine Access Facility (APVAX)** and part of this financing will be used for payment under the Contract Package named above.
- 2. The Ministry of Finance, on behalf of Ministry of Health ("the Purchaser") invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the **Procurement of 20 Manageable Switches (48 ports), 24 Port Manageable Switch for Atolls, SD-WAN Connectivity Hardware and Firewalls.**
- 3. Open Competitive Bidding (OCB) will be conducted in accordance with ADB's <u>Single Stage: One-Envelope</u> bidding procedure and is open to all Bidders from eligible countries as described in the Bidding Document.
- 4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:
  - Minimum average annual turnover of MVR 12 million or USD 800,000 calculated as total payments received by the Bidder for contracts completed or under execution over the last three (3) years.
  - Successful completion as main supplier within the last seven (7) years, of at least 2 contracts each valued at MVR 4.5 million or USD 300,000 with nature, and complexity similar to the scope of supply described in Section 6 (Schedule of Supply).

For the complete eligibility and qualification requirements, Bidders should refer to the Bidding Document.

5. To obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents, Bidders should contact:

Ms. Fathimath Rishfa Ahmed Chief Procurement Executive National Tender Ministry of Finance, Ameenee Magu, Malé, 20379 Republic of Maldives, Tel: (960) 3349113, (960) 3349106, (960) 3349147 E-Mail: <u>hawwa.nazla@finance.gov.mv</u> <u>tender@finance.gov.mv</u>

- Interested Bidders shall register with the Ministry of Finance, from 07<sup>th</sup> January 2024 to 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024 between 8:00 hours and 14:00 hours on all working days by:
  - a) payment of a non-refundable Registration fee of MVR 1,500.00 (Maldivian Rufiyaa One Thousand Five Hundred) or USD 100.00 (United States Dollar One Hundred), through our online payment portal - Ban'deyri Pay (<u>https://bandeyripay.finance.gov.mv/</u>), or by electronic transfer to a designated bank account, information of which can be requested through email to above given email addresses, and;
  - b) Once the payment has been confirmed, the Bidder shall be registered upon submitting in person or by electronic mail, the following information:
    - Name and Address of the Bidder
    - Name, Email address and contact number of the Contact Person(s)
    - Copy of the Payment/Transaction Receipt.
- 7. A complete set of Bidding documents and related documentation shall be available on the Ministry of Finance website <u>www.finance.gov.mv</u> for downloading. The Ministry of Finance shall not be held liable for any information not received by the Bidder, and it is the Bidder's responsibility to verify the website for the latest information related to this invitation for bid.
- 8. Deliver your bid:
  - to the address above
  - on or before 11:00:00 hours Maldivian Time on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024
  - together with bid security as described in the Bidding Document
- 9. Bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for bid submission in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend. Late bids will be rejected.
- 10. The Purchaser will not be responsible for any cost or expense incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids.
- 11. This Invitation for Bid is also published in the following websites. <u>www.finance.gov.mv</u> <u>www.gazette.gov.mv</u> <u>www.adb.org</u>

04<sup>th</sup> January 2024