



Ministry of Finance and Treasury
Male' Republic of Maldives

Re- Construction of Harbour Project (Phase 2)

Amendment 2

Q1: Please confirm the bidders are allowed to quote in local and foreign currency according to Alternative B in ITB 15.1 Bid Data Sheet

Ans : Clause ITB 15.1 in the Bid Data Sheet to be changed as follows:

The currency(ies) of the bid and the payment currency(ies) shall be in accordance with Alternative B as described below:

Alternative B (Bidders allowed to quote in local and foreign currencies):

The unit rates and prices shall be quoted by the Bidder in the Bill of Quantities separately in the following currencies:

- (i) for those inputs to the Works that the Bidder expects to supply from within the Employer's country, in Maldivian Rufiyaa, the name of the currency of the Employer's country, and further referred to as "local currency"; and*
- (ii) for those inputs to the Works that the Bidder expects to supply from outside the Employer's country, in U S Dollars, further referred to as "foreign currency" and*
- (iii) GST shall be paid in Maldivian Rufiyaa. For each payment request (progress payment/advance payment request), GST component should be billed as a separate invoice in Maldivian Rufiyaa*

For the purpose of currency conversion, the exchange rate published by MMA one month prior to the bid submission date shall be used.

Q2: With reference to Section V of the bidding forms: BOQ is designed to be filled in by quoting in US dollars. Please confirm this is correct?

Bidders should fill the BOQ in US dollars. However, GST will be paid in Maldivian Rufiyaa.

Q3: Do bidders need to include GST in Price Tables or must it be quoted separately?

Bidders need to quote inclusive of GST. New BOQs with GST included is issued with this clarification. Please note there are no others changes to the BOQ.

Q4: As per Maldivian Law, foreign bidders shall pay 10% withholding tax. Please confirm that foreign bidders need to include w-tax in their price proposal.

As this project is funded by Islamic Development Bank, foreign bidders shall not be eligible to pay for withholding tax for this project.

Q5: Considering that the project is funded by IDB , please confirm if the project is duty free?

This is not a duty free project

Q6: Do bidders need to be registered in National Contractors Registry?

Bidders are not required to be registered in National Contractors Registry to submit bids. Only the winning bidder/bidders require to register prior to award.

Q7: Do bidders need to submit and attach a tax clearance report with the bid?

Locally registered companies are required to submit tax clearance report. This is not applicable to international bidders.

Q8: Please submit information about location and coordinates of benchmarks for each harbor?

Location and coordinates of Benchmarks will be given to the winning bidders at the time of mobilization.

Q9: There are some fixed US Dollar amounts shown in the BoQs. What are the implications of these figures to bidders prices>

The fixed amounts shown in BOQ summary page is allocated for DAYWORKS amounts which is kept as a lump-sum provision for machinery, manpower and materials in case any additional works have to be carried out besides the proposed BOQ provisions. Bidder may keep the same figures while submitting the bids.

Q10: In the BOQ under back filling of quay wall and in technical description it doesn't say anything about geotextile. Can you please confirm that geotextile will not be used?

A geotextile layer (minimum 1m wide and full height of gap) needs to be provided at all the gaps between 2 pre-cast quay wall panels.

Q11: Under 'Part A Contract Data' –minimum amount of third party insurance is USD 500,000 does this apply to all lots or for a single lot only?

Minimum amount of third party insurance is for each lot

Q12: LOT 4, Bill No 2, K.Thulusdhoo 2.5.5 states that 53,925 cbm required for back filling, However the dredging qty in Bill No 2, 2.3 is 35,920.cbm.

Could you please confirm that the quantities are correct, if so could you please let us know where will be the borrow area for the balance quantity to be back filled ?

For **Thulusdhoo**, the quantities of dredging and backfilling mentioned in the BOQ are correct. For additional backfill material, a borrow area (not far from the harbor) will be shown during project execution phase.