

## **Invitation for Bids (IFB)**

Date: **March 16, 2011**

**BANGLADESH**

### ***Deepening Medium Term Budget Framework and Strengthening Financial Accountability Project (Project A) under Strengthening Public Expenditure Management Program***

Grant Number: ***TF 095283-BD, Project ID: P117248***

IFB Title: ***Procurement of Wide Area Network Support Service for iBAS and Deepening MTBF***

IFB Number: ***DMTBF/WAN-iBAS/68/2010-11/817***

Contract: ***Wide Area Network Support Service for iBAS and Deepening MTBF***

Contract Package No.: ***G-32***

1. This Invitation for Bids (IFB) follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared in UNDB online on ***09 June 2010***.
2. The ***Peoples Republic of Bangladesh*** has received a ***multi-donor grant*** from the ***Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands (KEN), Royal Danish Embassy (RDE), the World Bank, Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Department of International Development (DFID), European Commission (EC) administered by International Development Association*** toward the cost of ***Deepening Medium Term Budget Framework and Strengthening Financial Accountability Project (Project-A) under Strengthening of Public Expenditure Management Program (SPEMP)***, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this ***grant*** to payments under the agreement(s) resulting from this IFB: ***Procurement of Wide Area Network Support Service for iBAS and Deepening MTBF, IFB Number: G-32***.
3. The ***Finance Division, Ministry of Finance*** serves as the implementing agency for the project and now invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for ***Wide Area Network Support Service for iBAS and Deepening MTBF***.
4. Bidding will be conducted using the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits, edition of ***May 2004 Revised October 2006 and May 2010***, and is open to all Bidders eligible as defined in these Guidelines, that meet the following minimum qualification criteria: ***(a) The Bidder must have been in business for the last five (05) years, (b) The Bidder must have completed minimum one (01) successful contract involving supply, installation and technical support for Information System and installation of data communication network involving a minimum of twenty (20) separate geographical sites or administrative districts in last three (03) years, (c) The Bidder must demonstrate present minimum average annual turnover of US\$1,000,000 equivalent calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed within the last five (05) years, (d) The Bidder must demonstrate minimum US\$500,000 equivalent present liquid asset and/or line of credit, net of current***

*commitments, (e) The local agent of the Bidder must have at least five (05) years proven experience in providing warranty support services, (f) The local agent's relationship with the Principal/Manufacturer shall be at least one (01) year, (g) The Bidder must enclose location/addresses preferably with trade license of existing service centers together with servicing facilities the centers have in seven administrative divisions and (h) The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence to demonstrate that the Goods it offers meet usage requirement.*

5. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from **Project Director, Deepening MTBF and Strengthening Financial Accountability Project, BTMC Bhaban, Level-7, 7-9, Karwan Bazar, Dhaka-1215, email: [ekra1958@yahoo.com](mailto:ekra1958@yahoo.com)** and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below from **10:00AM to 03:00PM Bangladesh Standard Time**. A pre-bid meeting which potential bidders may attend will be held on **March 29, 2011 at 02:00PM Bangladesh Standard Time**.
6. A complete set of bidding documents in **English** may be purchased by interested Bidders on submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of **Bangladesh Taka 14,000.00** or in **US Dollar 200**. The method of payment will be **Bank Draft/ Pay Order from a scheduled Bank located in Dhaka for BDT and cashier's check or Bank Draft drawn on a local scheduled Bank**. The Bidding Documents will have to be collected by authorized representative only.
7. Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before **02:00PM Bangladesh Standard Time on April 26, 2011**. **The amount of Bid Security required is Bangladesh Taka One Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand (BDT1,750,000) or in US Dollar Twenty-Five Thousand (US\$25,000)** (or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency). Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address below at **02:15PM Bangladesh Standard Time on April 26, 2011**.
8. The attention of prospective Bidders is drawn to (i) the fact that they will be required to certify in their bids that all software is either covered by a valid license or was produced by the Bidder and (ii) that violations are considered fraud, which can result in ineligibility to be awarded World Bank-financed contracts.

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