



To : All Bidders

Date : 06 November 2023

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**DESIGN AND BUILD AND TURNKEY CONTRACTS OF 80 HOUSING  
UNITS ON AVAILABLE STATE LAND WITH EXISTING  
INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS AT SOUILLAC**  
Procurement Reference No: NHDC/OIB/09/2023/488

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**Clarification No. 2**

Following queries from Bidders, we enclose hereunder Clarification No. 2 for the  
aforementioned project.

Sn	Bidder's Queries	NHDC's Replies
1	<p><b><u>Existing Clause:</u></b></p> <p><b>ITB 34.1 - Section II. Bid Data Sheet: -</b></p> <p>A Margin of Preference shall apply as defined hereunder and in Section III-Evaluation and Qualification Criteria. The following procedure shall be used to apply the margin of Preference:</p> <p>(A) Responsive bids shall be classified into the following groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group A: bids offered by bidders meeting conditions satisfying eligibility for Margin of Preference and</li> <li>• Group B; all other bids;</li> </ul> <p>(a) For the purpose of further evaluation and comparison of bids only, all bids classified into Group B shall be increased by the</p>	<p>The provisions of the Bidding Document are being maintained.</p>



	<p>percentage(s) of preference allocated to those in Group A;</p> <p><b>Note: Saudi companies or a JV of Saudi/Mauritian Companies will obtain a margin of preference of 10% in the evaluation of the financial offers.</b></p> <p><b><u>Request for clarification/ Amendment:</u></b></p> <p>As the tender is opened for open international bidding, it is essential to consider the fairness and equality of opportunities for all eligible international bidders. The existing clause regarding the “Margin of Preference”, while intended to protect domestic/Saudi bidders, may inadvertently disadvantage eligible international bidders and hinder their interests. Therefore, we kindly request that this specific clause be deleted from the tender requirements in order to ensure a fair and equitable bidding process for all parties involved.</p>	
2	<p><b><u>Existing Clause:</u></b></p> <p><b>Clause 2.6, Key Personnel (Design &amp; Supervision Team): -</b></p> <p>Qualifications</p> <p>2. Professional Registration with respective councils of Mauritius</p> <p><b><u>Request for clarification/ Amendment:</u></b></p> <p>As the tender is opened for open international bidding, it is common for international bidders to have their own qualified team from their respective countries. Due to this arrangement, it may not be feasible for these individuals to obtain professional registration with the respective councils of Mauritius.</p>	<p>The provisions of the Bidding Document are being maintained.</p>







	<p>Considering this practical constraint, we kindly request that you remove the clause pertaining to “Professional Registration with respective councils of Mauritius” from the tender requirements.</p>	
3	<p><b><u>Existing Clause:</u></b></p> <p><b>INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB): -</b></p> <p>(1) NHDC/OIB/09/2023/342 Closing Date – <b>Friday 10 November 2023 up to 14.00 hours (local time) at latest.</b></p> <p>(2) NHDC/OIB/09/2023/487 Closing Date – <b>Friday 10 November 2023 up to 14.00 hours (local time) at latest.</b></p> <p>(3) NHDC/OIB/09/2023/483 Closing Date – <b>Monday 13 November 2023 up to 14.00 hours (local time) at latest.</b></p> <p>(4) NHDC/OIB/09/2023/484 Closing Date – <b>Monday 13 November 2023 up to 14.00 hours (local time) at latest.</b></p> <p>(5) NHDC/OIB/09/2023/485 Closing Date – <b>Wednesday 15 November 2023 up to 14.00 hours (local time) at latest.</b></p> <p>(6) NHDC/OIB/09/2023/486 Closing Date – <b>Wednesday 15 November 2023 up to 14.00 hours (local time) at latest.</b></p> <p>(7) NHDC/OIB/09/2023/481 Closing Date – <b>Thursday 16 November 2023 up to 14.00 hours (local time) at latest.</b></p> <p>(8) NHDC/OIB/09/2023/488</p>	<p>Please refer to Clarification No 1 issued on 30 Oct 23 available for download on the following link:</p> <p><a href="https://publicprocurement.govmu.org/publicprocurement/?page_id=775">https://publicprocurement.govmu.org/publicprocurement/?page_id=775</a></p> <p>As far as the closing date of bid submission is concerned, the provisions of the Bidding document are being maintained.</p>





**Closing Date – Friday 17 November 2023  
up to 14.00 hours (local time) at latest.**

**Request for clarification/ Amendment:**

There are some queries sent by us via our previous letter are remains still unanswered. You are requested to consider & reply our these and previous queries.

Additionally, this is an international EPC project, which require a reasonable time to design and estimate. Also, the Diwali festival season is during the submission which enable various holidays in India due to which the enquiries of rates from market get delayed.

So, considering theses facts we request to extend the bid submission date up to 3 weeks from current submission date for each project individually.

All other Terms and Conditions of the Bidding Documents remain unchanged.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of *Clarification No. 2* comprising **5** sheets (including the cover page) for the aforementioned project by signing the hereunder section and returning same by email on [nhdcom@intnet.mu](mailto:nhdcom@intnet.mu) or by fax on **(230) 468 6607**

The above clarification is also available on the Public Procurement Portal on the web address "[publicprocurement.govmu.org](http://publicprocurement.govmu.org)".

Yours faithfully,

**O. K. DABIDIN**  
CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

*Encs.*



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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CLARIFICATION**

*We acknowledge receipt of **Clarification No. 2** dated ..... for the  
contract quoted in reference.*

*Company Name* : .....

*Representative's Name* : .....

*Representative's Signature:* .....

*Date* : .....



