

# **Ministry of Health and Wellness**

### MHPQ/WKS&S/2024-2025/Q25

# Open Advertised Bidding for Provision of Consultancy Services for a Feasibility Study for a Healthcare Waste Treatment Facility in Mauritius & Preparation of Supporting Documents for Project Implementation under GEF ISLANDS (MHPQ/WKS&S/2024-2025/Q25)

#### Addendum No. 2

Please refer to this Ministry's invitation for bids dated 16 April 2025 and Addendum No. 1 dated 12 May 2025 on the above subject.

- 2. Following queries received, please find below the corresponding information:
- Query 1: From the reading of the Tender documents, we would like to seek confirmation whether the Consultant will need to submit a temporary CIDB certificate or not.

Based on our experience as this is more about a financial and economics study with some engineering work, we do not feel a CIDB certificate is necessary.

Kindly please confirm whether CIDB is needed or not?

Reply 1: The Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) Act 2008 and the Building Control Act 2012 have been repealed and replaced by the Construction Industry Authority (CIA) Act 2023. Following the proclamation of the CIA Act on 01 April 2024, the Construction Industry Authority (CIA) was established and is now fully operational. As such, all previous registrations made under the CIDB Act are now to be made under the CIA Act 2023.

Any consultant whether local, foreign or JV intending to provide consultancy services in Mauritius, as defined in section 2(h) of the CIA Act, must hold a valid

certificate of registration with the Construction Industry Authority. Kindly refer to **Addendum No. 1** issued on this query for further details/clarifications.

## Query 2: Eligibility Condition set out in <u>Clause 1.8.1 (a) at page 13</u> of the RFP.

It is indicated that "In accordance with CIDB Act 2008, Consultants, whether local or foreign under an existing or intended joint venture operating in the construction sector have the statutory obligation to be registered with the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB), as appropriate, prior to bidding for the project".

The <u>Data Sheet at page 27 clause 1.8.1</u> further clarifies that "The Client shall not consider a proposal from a Consultant which does not satisfy the registration requirements as spelt out in this clause".

It is noted that the key objectives of the assignment are to carry out a detailed feasibility study on the potential of setting-up and operation of a healthcare waste treatment facility in Mauritius; to prepare an EIA report, ESIA report and ESMP for the healthcare waste treatment facility; to prepare the bidding documents; and to provide training and capacity-building to the staff. Accordingly, the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment deal with matters pertaining to healthcare/ bio-medic waste treatment options and feasibility analysis, training, etc.

It is therefore requested that the Eligibility condition pertaining to registration of the consultants with CIDB (which deals with the construction industry) should be removed as it is not critical to the proposed scope of work. Also, non-Mauritian firms who may have good expertise in the field would become ineligible as registration process with CIDB would take a long time.

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Query 3: Preparation of proposals set out in <u>Clause 3.3 (a) at page 16 of the RFP</u>

It is indicated that "For a Joint Venture to qualify for this assignment the lead member of the Joint Venture shall individually satisfy the experience criteria related to this assignment as defined by the Client".

It is requested that instead of the Lead Member, any member of the Joint Venture should be allowed to satisfy the experience criteria. <u>Kindly allow.</u>

**Reply 3:** This Clause 3.3 of the RFP is being maintained as follows: "For a Joint Venture to qualify for this assignment the lead member of the Joint Venture shall individually satisfy the experience criteria related to this assignment as defined by the Client":

Query 4: <u>Key Expert 6: Financial Expert</u>in Data Sheet at<u>page 34</u>of the RFP

In Education Qualification of the Financial Expert it is indicated "An undergraduate degree in finance, accounting or related fields and a postgraduate degree in finance, accounting or related fields" for maximum marks.

Since financial analysis for infrastructure projects is specialized activity, it is proposed that the Education Qualification of the Financial Expert be enhanced and made more focused as follows: "A postgraduate degree in Business Administration, Financial Management, Economics, or related fields". Kindly consider.

**Reply 4:** The educational requirements of the Financial Expert are being maintained as "An undergraduate degree in finance, accounting or related fields and a postgraduate degree in finance, accounting or related fields". The term "related fields" already caters for other specialisations related to finance and accounting.

Query 5: Clause 4.5 of the Data Sheet at page 28 of the RFP

It is indicated that "Bids should be deposited in the Bid Box located at the undermentioned address not later than Wednesday 28 May 2025 at 10.00 hrs (local time)"

Since the proposed project is a very extensive project that requires a large pool of experts having experience in the niche area of healthcare waste treatment, it is requested that the last date of submission be extended up to <u>27<sup>th</sup>June</u>, <u>2025</u>.

Reply 5: The deadline for submission of bids has been extended up to 11 June 2025 at 10.00 hrs (local time). Please refer to Addendum No. 1. Proposals will be opened on 11 June 2025 at 10.30 hrs(local time) in the presence of Consultant/ Consultancy Firm representatives who choose to attend at the same address mentioned in the Procurement Notice.

3. Bidders are kindly requested to take note of the above Addendum and submit their bids accordingly.

Acting Senior Chief Executive Ministry of Health and Wellness 16 May 2025