



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

Issuing Date: 09 February, 2021 Phnom Penh, CAMBODIA RURAL ROADS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT III (RRIP-III) Description of Work: CW/F (Improve 38 Roads, 365.24 km in five Provinces)

- EDCF Loan No. KHM-24The Ministry of Rural Development (MRD) has applied for a Loan from the Export-Import Bank of Korea from the resources of the Economic Development Cooperation Fund (EDCF) of the Republic of Korea in the amount of USD 60 Million toward the cost of Rural Roads Improvement Project III (RRIP-III), and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the civil works contract, CW/F package, for the captioned project. Bidding will be governed by the Export-Import Bank of Korea's eligible rules and procedures.
- 2. The Project Executing Agency, MRD, now invites sealed bids from eligible General Contractors from Korea for Civil Works within a duration of 32 months for the Contract Package CW/F, improving 38 roads with a total length of 365.24 km located in five (5) provinces including Kampong Chhnang, Kandal, Kampong Speu, Takeo and Kampot province.

The works to be carried out in the Project site are as follows but not limited to;

- Improvement of rural road, generally on the current alignment, unless otherwise indicated, by the construction of embankment and DBST & Concrete Pavement;
- Raising of the road level in areas subject to frequent flooding;
- Improvement/New construction of existing bridges after investigation of current condition;
- Improvement/New construction of structures for the drainage system (culverts);
- Soil Investigation for a bridge foundation and new bridge construction;
- Plan and Execute Civil Works at Site respect to the Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) under the supervision of the Engineer.
- 3. Bidding will be conducted through the Competitive Bidding (CB) procedure specified in the Guideline for Procurement under EDCF Loans, and is open to all eligible bidders (Korean national and extensive experiences with road construction) that must meet the following minimum qualification criteria.

Key Criteria	
Minimum average annual construction turnover of 37.00 million USD for the last 3 years	
Availability of financial resources not less than 4.5 million USD	
Completion of at least 2 similar contracts with each value of not less than 37.0 million USD	within the last
5 years as follows.	
O Similar contract shall include the following components under the work.	
Road rehabilitation/improvement/new	
Bridge new or improvement	
Bridge new or improvement	41 141

Completion of at least 1 contract with a value of minimum construction experience in key activities within the last 5 years as follows

- Pavement(DBST or Asphalt Concrete): 800,000 sq.m, and
- Embankment: 600,000 cu.m
- Note: refer to Section III of the bidding document for more detailed qualification
- 4. Interested eligible Bidders may request further information, if any, to the Ministry of Rural Development via e-mail stated in para 8 on the IFB form the next day after this issuance to **<u>29 March 2021</u>**, 5:00 p.m. local time.
- 5. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by any interested Bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of 500 USD. The method of payment will be through the bank transfer.

The documents will be available to pick up only at the office stipulated in BDS during the working hours (8:00~12:00 & 14:00~17:00) from Monday to Friday except public holidays (with POA and bank receipt).

Any interested eligible companies can also purchase a complete set of bidding documents in electronic files (e.g. PDF format documents) by submitting an application with the bank transfer receipt to the following e-mail address stipulated in para 8.

The payment shall be made through the bank transfer to the following bank account:

- Bank Name: NATIONAL BANK OF CAMBODIA
- Bank Address:22-24 Norodom Blvd, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

- Account Name: MRD:Rural Road Imp Prj2-ADB3151 RGC
- Account No.: 00000015885
- SWIFT Code: NCAMKHPP
- 6. Bids must be delivered to the address below at, before <u>12 April 2021</u> at 10:00 a.m. (Cambodian Local Time). All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of *1,000,000 USD*. Late bids shall be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidder's representatives who choose to attend at the address below at 10:15 a.m. on the same day thereafter in the presence of bidder's representatives.

It shall be noted that all the bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes, and any late or unsealed bids are subject to rejection. The bidders who sent their bids by air mail/courier service shall submit the receipt of courier and/or its tracking number to the Project Management Unit (PMU) in advance, however, the PMU is not responsible for any damages or losses occurred in transit.

The bidders are *not allowed* to submit the Bid through the Cambodian Embassy in Seoul.

If Bidder's representatives may not attend the bid opening, the Bidder shall submit a letter to the Employer before the bid opening stating that it, notwithstanding the absence of its representative from the bid opening, will accept results of the bid opening.

Considering the transparency of the bid opening process, all the bidders should attend directly at the bid opening. However, if any bidders cannot attend directly, they can propose to the PMU to attend bid opening through video conference with prior confirmation at least 1 week before. The EDCF's representative in Phnom Penh office will be invited to join the meeting as an observer. In addition, the PMU will not be responsible for any interruptions or any system errors during online bid opening process.

- 7. The original signed 'Declaration of Participation in Economic Development Cooperation Fund (EDCF) Financed Projects' in the bidding documents must be delivered to The Export-Import Bank of Korea, (38, Eunhaeng-ro, Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul 150-996, Republic of Korea), and one copy of the original signed must be delivered to the Employer on the submission of Bid not later than <u>12 April 2021</u> at 10:00 am. The form is available in *Section 4-Bidding Form of Volume I*.
- 8. The Ministry of Rural Development will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of Bids.

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