

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY

MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

Ref. No. 21904 / DOR Date: 23 August 2023

Request for Bids

Hybrid Performance-Based Contract (One-Envelope Bidding Process Without Pregualification)

Employer

: Department of Roads, Ministry of Public Works and Transport

Proiect Contract title : The Southeast Asia Regional Economic Corridor and Connectivity Project (P176088)

: Local Road Climate Resilient Improvement and Maintenance in Xayabouly Province (Road No. 3660, 3635 and 3643)

Country

: Lao PDR

IDA Credit No.: 7102-LA

RFB No.

: HPBC-LR-NCB-XAY-LOT-2023 (CW-005)

Issued on : 28 August 2023

- 1. The Government of Lao PDR has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Southeast Asia Regional Economic Corridor and Connectivity Project (P176088), and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Local Road Climate Resilient Improvement and Maintenance in Xayabouly Province (Road Number 3660, 3635 and 3643). For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank's Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing.
- 2. The Ministry of Public Works and Transport of Lao PDR now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Works and Services required as follows:
 - 1) The Improvement of climate resilient and safety of Road No. 3660, From Souvannaphoum Village (Threeway intersection of Road no.4) to Buabarn Village for a total length of 32 km long, Paklay district in Xayabouly province. The existing road locates on mountainous areas and passes through built-up community areas in the villages of Souvannaphoum, Nakarng, Pangkham, Khoksavanh, Thamixay, Huaymodsom and Namai (7 villages and 6 schools);
 - 2) The Improvement of climate resilient and safety of Road Number 3635, Form Muang Village to Pangzang Village for a total length of 15 km long, Khop district in Xayabouly province. The existing road locates on mountainous areas and passes through built-up community areas in the villages of Donekhoun, Lem, Thongmen, Nakha and Paxang (5 villages and 4 schools); and
 - 3) The Improvement of climate resilient and safety of Road Number 3643, From Thong village to Pangbong village to Keodonkhoun Village for a total length of 13 km long, Ngeun district in Xayabouly province. The existing road locates on mountainous areas and passes through built-up community areas in the villages of Thong, Bualuang and Pangbong (3 villages and 3 schools).

With DBST/or Gravel wearing course pavement, related structural and drainage works as well as ancillary works. The works are expected to be carried out over a 2 years period, followed by a 3 years maintenance period after completion of upgrading works. A margin of preference will not be applicable.

- 3. Bidding will be conducted through **National Competitive Procurement using Request for Bids (RFB)** as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for Investment Project Financing (IPF) Borrowers November 2020 edition" ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
- 4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the Project Management Unit, Department Planning and Finance, Ministry of Public Works and Transport and inspect the bidding document during office hours, 08:00 to 16:00 hours at the address given below.
- 5. The bidding document in English may be purchased by interested eligible Bidders upon the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of 4.000.000 Kip or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency. The method of payment will be cash or cashier's cheque. The document will be sent by airmail for overseas delivery and surface mail or courier for local delivery.
- 6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **13 October 2023**, 14:00 hours local Lao PDR time. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on **13 October 2023**, 14:30 hours local Lao PDR time.
- 7. All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of USD 60,000 (Sixty thousand United States Dollars) or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency or in Lao Kip (LAK).
- 8. Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.
- 9. The address (es) referred to above is (are):

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