

**“BALANCE WORK OF PROPOSED 6 NOS. STORAGE TANKS AT KOLONNAWA INSTALLATION
- STAGE 2”**

RESPONSE OF CPSTL FOR THE QUERIES RAISED BY THE BIDDERS UP TO 13.09.2024.

No.	Queries/Clarifications	CPSTL Answer
1	Please provide a soft copy or a clear set of drawings, as the available hard copy is unclear due to the A4 size	Bidders can obtain soft copies from Procurement Function.
2	There are coloured areas in the 'Rate in USD' column in the BOQ. Are we not allowed to price these areas under the USD portion?	Not allowed.
3	The new oil tank is located within the area of the old tanks. What isolation measures need to be taken during construction? Are there any specific requirements?	CPSTL requirements are mentioned in the Bidding Document.
4	Are there any requirements on the time of construction work, age restrictions, etc., what are the details? What documents are required for doing special types of work and ordinary operators need to provide for admissions? Can the special operations qualifications issued by the relevant authorities in China be recognized?	Rules and regulations of GOSL are applicable. Other requirements are mentioned in the Bidding Document.
5	For the interface pipelines connecting the site with the existing system that require cleaning, who is responsible for this task, and how will it be verified?	CPSTL
6	How to confirm the demolition content? How to confirm the demolition quantity?	As directed by the Engineer. 87 piles (if required).
7	Can you provide on-site public facilities such as water and electricity network, where can the distribution cabinets be located, and what is their capacity? Will this capacity meet the site's needs? If not, what measures will be taken, and who will provide them?	All required details are given in the Bidding Document.
8	Can the site provide a pre-fabrication area? Do the conditions meet the requirements for sandblasting (or shot blasting) and pre-fabrication? Is it possible to provide utilities such as water and electricity? Will secondary transportation costs be considered, and how will they be calculated?	Such area is not available within CPSTL. N/A N/A N/A

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9	<p>For construction work in the old tank area, where transport vehicles and cranes cannot approach the tanks, will there be compensation for the increased costs of material transfer and crane operations?</p> <p>Are there established standards for such compensation?</p>	<p>All costs should be included in the rate.</p> <p>No.</p>
10	<p>For the construction site, are the distribution cabinets and electrical equipment designed to meet explosion-proof requirements?</p> <p>Is it divided by region or overall requirements?</p> <p>Is there anything specific?</p>	<p>Contractor needs to adhere to the rules and regulation of Fire and Safety, CPSTL.</p>
11	<p>Are the old tank farms and oil Wells around them protected before operation? How to operate?</p>	<p>Construction site need to be isolated with fire barriers.</p>
12	<p>Who will provide the water for tank testing?</p> <p>What are the requirements for the water source, such as distance and whether temporary piping is needed?</p> <p>What are the drainage requirements?</p>	<p>Relevant details are specified in Clause No. 6.6.6.5 of Specifications in Bidding Document.</p> <p>To the main drainage system</p>
13	<p>Can the owner provide complete underground piping, electrical control diagrams, or other relevant documentation for concealed works, and confirm it on-site to ensure the smooth execution of excavation and related activities?</p>	<p>CPSTL will provide relevant documents to the successful bidder.</p>
14	<p>The parts of the engineering content in the drawing cannot be completely clear: winding ladder, maintenance platform, manhole quantity specifications, railings, drainage holes, etc.</p>	<p>Bidders can obtain soft copies from Procurement Function.</p>
15	<p>Is it unclear whether the construction of the floating plate inside the tank is included?</p>	<p>Procure, supply, install and testing of IFR is included in BOQ Item No. B.60 and C.69</p>
16	<p>Specific requirements for material corrosion protection?</p> <p>Anti-corrosion registration, anti-corrosion coating, coating thickness requirements, etc. Who provides the materials?</p> <p>Do you need to spray LOGO and other signs?</p>	<p>All relevant details are given in the Bidding Document.</p>
17	<p>Which party shall purchase the equipment such as the sampler in the tank and install it?</p>	<p>Bidders are supposed to quote only for the scope in the BOQ.</p>

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18	<p>How can the quantities be determined if the pipeline drawings do not provide specific parameters?</p> <p>Who is responsible for purchasing the materials?</p>	<p>These are straight forward pipelines; site visit can be arranged if needed.</p> <p>Contractor is responsible</p>
19	<p>Whether it includes other engineering quantities in the tank farm, including but not limited to electrical control works, water supply and drainage works, fire breakwater, etc</p>	<p>Bidders are supposed to quote only for the scope in the BOQ.</p>
20	<p>This refers to Clauses 4.2 (c) and 5.2 of Bidding Data regarding the work experience of the partners in the Joint Venture.</p> <p>We would like to request you to accept that if the partner in charge of JV meets 100% of clause 4.2 (C), then JV becomes eligible.</p>	<p>Accepted, in order to enhance the competitiveness under the condition that the tank construction shall be fully undertaken by the partner in charge, while the conditions of Clause 5.2 of the Bidding Data remain unchanged.</p>
21	<p>As per clause 15.1, we request you to consider LKR: USD portion as 60:40 since most of tanks foundation works completed and remaining works mostly depends on imports of tank materials. USD portion is not sufficient for the said construction works.</p>	<p>LKR: USD portion is prevailed as 75:25</p>
22	<p>As per clause 22.1, we request you to extend the time for the bid by one month until 27th Oct 2024 due to presidential election in Sri Lanka, further study on project due to high risk of balance work, material price can be changed by higher numbers due to the election as experienced in Sri Lanka, takes more times for getting experience certification from foreign countries as per clause 4.2(c) in bidding data.</p>	<p>CPSTL extended the time for the bid up to 27.10.2024</p>
23	<p>As per clause 31.1 in the bidding data, 15% allowed preferences for domestic bidders. We request you to wave off this condition, because the balance works mainly involve with materials imports from another country and many foreign countries participated for this tender and to encourage them to get best competitive price for this bid.</p>	<p>CPSTL is unable to wave off this condition, as this has been specified in the Procurement Guideline Clause No. 7.9.5 and Public Finance Circular No 442.</p>

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24	<p>A.s per clause 4.2 (c) "Documentary proof shall be certified by the Embassy, consular General office or foreign ministry" We request you to wave off this due to following reasons,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Some countries our branch offices closed after completed the project. 2. It is very difficult to get certification for completed projects in different countries, since we have to go through the client to the said above offices. (They do not directly response us (the contractor)) 3. Above said offices do not promptly response for our emails etc. Because once we request above certification, then they have to refer to the government office (Our Employer and get feedback from them and issue certification. We have lots of experience that it is very difficult to get above certification from above authorities. <p>But we can submit all documentary evidence to justify the completed projects, (such as award, completion letters, BOQ, contract document etc.)</p>	<p>CPSTL has practiced this process in previous bids, and several bids with certification by the relevant embassies were received.</p>
25	<p>Here we would like to remind the owner that the foundation of 5 tanks has already been completed, and part of the piling for one tank has been carried out, all of which were constructed by another contractor before, the new contractor may conduct required tests, but these would only be partial checks on the strength of some of the piles or spot checks on the strength of the completed concrete, or a review and verification of the design drawings, However, no test can comprehensively cover all the completed work, nor can it fully guarantee the reliability of the construction quality. If, after the tank installation, water testing, or oil filling, any subsidence occurs in the piles or tank foundation, the owner is kindly requested to understand and exempt the new contractor from any liability.</p>	<p>All the piles were completed and tested to the satisfaction of the Employer. All test reports available and copies can be handed over to the selected bidder.</p>
26	<p>Experience required for each package is stipulated in the Bid Document under Sub - Clause 4.2 (c) of bidding data. It says</p>	<p>No.</p>

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	<p>"Construction experience of 10,000 m³ combined total capacity or higher vertical, above ground storage tanks as per API Standard 650 with internal floating roof, maximum of two storage tanks in a single project during last ten years is needed to qualify for this bid as a bidder.</p> <p>Please let us know the possibility of using our previous experience</p>	
27	<p>While studying the bid documents it is noted that, the required experience is adjusted more practical way in order to attract more domestic competitors and however, wish to know the method of evaluation of Bids when bidders submit their offers for Scenario 3, i.e. offer for both Package I &2.</p> <p>For Example; a bidder for Scenario 3 may distribute his price structure with an intention of eliminating other bidder by offering lowest price for the most competitive package.</p> <p>Hence, please specify how you are going to evaluate the bids submitted for Scenario 3, i.e. offer for both Package 1&2.</p>	<p>This has been clearly specified in the pre-bid meeting minutes.</p>
28	<p>As per clause 13.7 of CoC, non- adjustable elements have been mentioned in the bid data. Please clarify why following items have not entitled for price adjustment. B30-B37, C30, C39-C46, D17, D27-D337, G16, G31-G38, H14, H29-H36, J31, J40-J47. Because above all items belongs to carbon steel plates and other steel material and it represent considerable amount of the bid. So, we request you to allow above steel items to add as adjustable, because the material prices of Sri Lanka always going up and down as previous experience and as per the bulletins published by CIDA.</p>	<p>These items are not covered under CIDA price escalation bulletin.</p>
	<p>Dwg No. 1891-10_Piping and Dike Wall General Details- Tank B &C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is the size of the foam pipes of tank B & C? - How many foam pipes are there? - What is the size of the water drencher pipes of tank B & C? 	<p>Bidders can obtain soft copies from Procurement Function. All relevant details are mentioned in the drawings.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How many water drencher pipes are there? - How to tie-in with existing pipes? - Could you please tell me where these valves are located? 	
	<p>Dwg No. 1891-11_Piping and Dike Wall General Details- Tank G & H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is the size of the foam pipes of tank G & H? - How many foam pipes are there? - What is the size of the water drencher pipes of tank G & H? - How many water drencher pipes are there? 	<p>Bidders can obtain soft copies from Procurement Function. All relevant details are mentioned in the drawings.</p>
	<p>Dwg No. 1891-12_Piping and Dike Wall General Details- Tank J & D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is the size of the foam pipes of tank D? - How many foam pipes are there? - What is the size of the water drencher pipes of tank D? - How many water drencher pipes are there? - What is the size of the foam pipes of tank J? - How many foam pipes are there? - What is the size of the water drencher pipes of tank J? - How many water drencher pipes are there? 	<p>Bidders can obtain soft copies from Procurement Function. All relevant details are mentioned in the drawings.</p>

Abbreviation

- ITB - Instructions to Bidders of ICTAD/SBD/02
COC - Conditions of Contract of ICTAD/SBD/02

Note:-

Bidders shall refer “Standard Bidding Document - Procurement of Works – Major Contracts; ICTAD publication no. ICTAD/SBD/02, Second Edition, January 2007”, published by the Construction Industry development Authority (CIDA), Savsiripaya, 123, Wijerama Mawatha, Colombo 07 for ITB and COC.