

**L4343 MON, ADB Project Number 48186-008 - Regional Road Construction and Maintenance for the 3rd phase. CW1 Construction of a new asphalt paved road for the section from Myangad to the intersection with Naranbulag – Ulaangom road (163km)**

**Questions & Answers Q&A03.**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Question</b>	<b>Response</b>
QA03-01	After receiving the tender document, we consider a more flexible time that may facilitate us to provide a competitive and considerate bid due to we have to pay a site visit and collect data thoroughly to the project site. Thus, we hereby request you to extend the submission date of the tender at least 14 (Fourteen) days from the stipulated date (i.e. 15-04-2024) kindly.	No. The deadline for bid submission will not be extended.
QA03-02	Please clarify the location and details of the borrow and disposal sites and quarries for this project. What are the rights and obligations of the contractor regarding the borrow and disposal sites and quarries?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Regarding locations, please refer to response QA01-9 for an explanation that “<i>Bidders should make their own investigations regarding material sources in accordance with General Conditions of Contract clause 4.10 Use of Site Data</i>”.</li> <li>2) Regarding rights and obligations please refer to Volume 2, Clause 118, Provision of Land “<i>The acquisition of all land required for borrow, stockpile and spoil areas and quarries as defined in Section 600 of this Specification and access roads thereto and land for deviations outside the road reserve, site laboratories, Engineer’s offices, houses, inspection huts and land required by the Contractor for his own camps, offices, stores, workshops, houses, Temporary Works or any other purpose shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.</i>” etc., and “<i>On or before completion of the Works and when so instructed by the Engineer, the Contractor shall, insofar as in the opinion</i></li> </ol>

		<p><i>of the Engineer is reasonable and practicable, restore all such land to the same condition that it was in immediately prior to the occupation of that land by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the Engineer.”</i></p> <p>Further details are also given in Volume 2, Clause 603.</p>
QA03-03	Can contractors choose their own location around the project to carry out prefabricated components such as beams, circular culverts, and box culverts?	Yes.
QA03-04	Is temporary land provided to contractors for temporary construction purposes? Is it provided free of charge?	No. Please refer to Volume 2, Clause 603, Provision of Land.
QA03-05	On page 30 of the bidding documents, it is mentioned that bidders are required to submit a design update plan. However, the technical proposal table on page 54 of the bidding documents does not include any chapters or sub-items related to design updates. Do bidders need to prepare a design update plan? If so, should they include the design update plan in the technical proposal or bind it separately into a volume?	<p>1) The technical proposal contents list is given on page 58 of the bidding documents, Volume 1, Section 4, and includes 6 items which are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Site Organization</li> <li>2. Method Statement</li> <li>3. Mobilization Schedule</li> <li>4. Construction Schedule</li> <li>5. Environmental, Health and Safety Management Plan (EHSMP)</li> <li>6. Environmental, Health and Safety Code of Conduct</li> </ol> <p>2) <u>The technical proposal for design updating should be included in the method statement (mentioned as item 2 in the list above)</u></p> <p>3) Volume 1, Section 3, Clause 1.1 (Page 30 of the bid documents) is mistaken since it lists the scope of works rather than aspects of the Technical proposal to be evaluated. The existing text lists items a) to h), and will be revised by issue of an addendum to show a new list as follows:</p> <p><i>“The Bidder’s Technical Proposal will be assessed to confirm their technical adequacy in terms of:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>a) Design updating,</i></li> <li><i>b) Possibility of meeting the Construction Schedule stipulated in the Bidding Documents, taking due consideration of time for updating the detailed design, and the winter season,</i></li> </ol>

		<p><i>c) Identification of sources of compliant materials for the principal construction materials and their transport routes to the Site, and</i></p> <p><i>d) Feasibility of technical solutions, construction methods,”</i></p>
QA03-06	In 2.4.2 (a), "One contract outside the home country that has been satisfactorily and substantially completed where the value of the Bidder's participation was at least US\$5 million that has been successfully or is substantially completed." The contract be in the road sector or any other sector?	<p>It may be in any sector.</p> <p>Clause 2.4.2(a) requirement for experience outside the home country does not state any restriction on the sector of the experience.</p>
QA03-07	For the 200mm thick gravel base, the drawings describe the stabilizing with a certain amount of cement, but the BOQ list does not describe the stabilization with cement, which shall prevail?	<p><u>The BOQ pay item and quantity takes precedence over the 2012 drawings i.e. the bid is to be submitted for pay item 5.02 in accordance with Specification clause 1129 for “Crushed stone base, compacted thickness 200 mm.”</u></p> <p>This is as stated in Volume 2, Part A Design Specification, Section 1.6 Table regarding “Pavement design” the column of action by the Contractor is shown as <i>“Revise pavement design as follows:....Change base course from Cement Treated Base (CTB) to Crushed Stone Base (CS), with layer thickness unchanged. For specification of CS refer to Section 1100 of this Specification”</i> and the column “Action already taken in the BOQ compared to 2012 design” shows <i>“Pay items revised”</i>.</p>
QA03-08	Can a Bid-securing declaration be applied for this project?	<p>Yes, bid-securing declaration is a permitted option. Please refer to QA01-02.</p>
QA03-09	Please specify the payment method, payment currency, and payment terms (including but not limited to payment in milestone mode, kilometer mode, or actual measurement method in the current month, etc.)	<p>1) Method of measurement is actual measurement method.</p> <p>Volume 1, Section 7 shows general conditions of contract are Conditions of Contract for Construction for Building and Engineering Works Designed by the Employer (“Red book”) Second edition 2017 in which Clause 14.1 The Contract Price states <i>“Unless otherwise stated in the Particular Conditions:....</i></p> <p><i>(c) any quantities which may be set out in the Bill of Quantities or other Schedule(s) are estimated quantities and are not to be taken as the actual and correct quantities: (i) of the Works</i></p>

		<p><i>which the Contractor is required to execute, or (ii) for the purposes of Clause 12 [Measurement and Valuation];”</i></p> <p>2) Payment currencies will be as shown in the Schedule of Payment currencies submitted by the bidder (refer Volume 1, section 4, bidding forms). Volume 1, Section 7 and Section 8 clause 14.15 Currencies of Payment gives details.</p> <p>3) Payment method is by interim payment certificate, Volume 1, Section 7, clause 14.3 Application for Interim Payment gives details.</p>
QA03-10	What is the specific bid evaluation method of this project? Please clarify the bid evaluation method (including but not limited to technology, price scoring method, and bid awarding method)	<p>Please refer to</p> <p>a) Volume 1, Section 1, part E “Evaluation and Comparison of Bids”, and</p> <p>b) Volume 1, Section 3 “Evaluation and Qualification Criteria”.</p>
QA03-11	The schedule must include key milestones such as the completion of the updated design, obtaining professional appraisal, completing the environmental impact assessment, and applying for environmental construction permits, and the bidding documents for these works require <b>180</b> days to complete, and whether the approval time and procedures of the relevant government departments can meet the requirements.	<p>An addendum will be issued to revise the milestone to 270 days. The reasons for this are:</p> <p>1) 180 days may be too short to reliably achieve full completion all activities including approvals required for the milestone, and</p> <p>2) A milestone of 180 days would result in the achievement of the milestone in mid-winter which is unnecessary.</p>
QA03-12	Other functions of the bidding documents show that the weighing station is located in the CW1-3 bid section, but the BOQ shows that the weighing station is located in the provisional gold of the CW1-1 bid section, which needs to be clarified.	<p>Volume 1, Section 6, subclause 6 “Other features” has a table showing contract CW1-3 with weigh station. BoQ for CW1-3 includes pay item 0.02 for the Design and construction of a tollgate, toll building, and weigh station near Myangad River Bridge Hence there is no inconsistency in the bid documents.</p>
QA03-13	Is the location of the temporary water supply, temporary electricity, quarry, and soil pit coordinated and provided by the owner?	<p>No.</p> <p>1) Please refer to Volume 2, clause 122, Water and Power supply “<i>The Contractor shall: (a) provide at his own risk and cost all water, lighting and electric power required for use in the works and shall pay all costs, fees and charges in connection therewith and allow all sub-contractors use of the same....</i>”</p>

		2) Please refer to Volume 2, Clause 603, Provision of Land which gives details regarding quarries and borrow pits.
QA03-14	Does the road land scope include temporary traffic guidance, and if not, is the tem traffic guidance land acquisition responsible for the owner?	<p>1) Yes, temporary traffic control is required. Please refer to Volume 2, Section 900 Passage of Traffic</p> <p>2) No, traffic control land acquisition is not the responsibility of the Employer. Please refer to Volume 2, Clause 603, Provision of Land <i>“The Contractor and be responsible for obtaining landowners agreement and any relevant licenses or permits for all land required for borrow areas, quarries, stockpile areas, and spoil areas. In particular, the Contractor is responsible for the acquisition of all land required for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• quarry and borrow pits</li> <li>• stockpile and spoil areas</li> <li>• access roads thereto,</li> <li>• deviations outside the road reserve</li> <li>• The site laboratory,</li> <li>• The engineer's residential and office accommodation,</li> <li>• the Contractor's camps, offices, stores, workshops, houses, etc.,</li> <li>• Temporary Works or any other purpose shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.”</li> </ul> <p>In the above text, there is a typo and the text should read <i>“The Contractor shall be....”</i></p>
QA03-15	The pavement width of the bidding documents is: 7 meters wide carriage <sup>1</sup> shoulder + 1 meter shoulder = 9 meters, and the road width on the constructor meters wide carriageway + 2 meters shoulder + 2 meters shoulder = 11 meters, i prevail?	Please refer to response QA01-16.
QA03-16	The concept of milestones is proposed in the bidding documents, but no milestones are divided and defined. Please clarify the details.	<p>Please refer to</p> <p>a) Volume 1, Section 8, Para A, Sub-clause 4.25 Definition of Milestones, which gives details of the timing and scope of the milestone, and</p> <p>b) Volume 2, Part A Design Specification, which gives details of the required design updating.</p>

QA03-17	Due to the deepening of the design of the project, the preliminary preparation work, including the digestion of on-site survey information, etc., please clarify whether the deadline for bidding can be postponed for 2 weeks.	Please refer to response QA03-01 above.
QA03-18	The BOQ list will be described before the bid is not final, and the MS Excel file is required to be attached when bidding, please clarify the final version of quantities in order to complete the bidding process; Can the bidder adjust to the its own adjusted design?	Please refer to QA02-01 <u>Bidders are reminded to submit bids using the quantities shown in the BOQ. Do not adjust the quantities shown in the BOQ.</u>
QA03-19	Please clarify how to improve the price competitiveness of daywork items.	This is a competitive tender, we cannot offer any advice on how competitive pricing should be achieved.

**Bid Evaluation Committee.**