

## **INVITATION TO BID**

For selection of INDIAN EPC FIRM for construction of "Irrigation Infrastructure in the Jamastran Valley Turnkey Project" under Line of Credit from Exim Bank of India

- 1. The Government of Honduras has received a Line of Credit of US Dollars 26.5 million from the Export Import Bank of India (Exim Bank) for financing the Development of Agriculture and Irrigation Infrastructure in the Jamastran Valley, Project.
- 2. The government of Honduras intends to apply part of the proceeds of this Credit to cover eligible payments under the contract for selection of an Indian EPC firm for construction of Irrigation Infrastructure in Jamastran Valley.
- 3. Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock i.e. Secretaria de Agricultura y Ganaderia (SAG) on behalf of the Government of Honduras now invites eligible Indian EPC firms to submit their bid for "Construction of the Irrigation Infrastructure in Jamastran Valley Turnkey Project". The eligibility is restricted to Indian companies registered in India.
- 4. The "Development of Agriculture and Irrigation Infrastructure Project" in valley of Jamastran is located in the central-eastern\*region of Honduras and 22Km from the Danlí city with 19,696 hectares of land. The valley of Jamastran has great agriculture potential and the installations of irrigation systems are required. The "Construction of the Irrigation Infrastructure" includes
  - 11 units of irrigation.
    - Each unit will consist of collection system from river, reservoir, pumping station, distribution up to the plots including the filtering and control mechanism.
    - 4 units from Hato River water source to irrigate 1,184 hectares
    - 2 units from San Antonio water source to irrigate 352 hectares
    - 5 units from San Francisco water source to irrigate 690 hectares
  - Modular drip irrigation system
    - Each system will consist of deep well borehole, submersible pump, distribution and diesel generators for standby power supply

The project completion period is 24 months. As per loan conditions a minimum of 75% of goods and services must have origin in India.

- 5. The EPC Bidder should meet the following eligibility criteria:
  - The bidder must be a company incorporated and registered in India and must be in business for more than ten (10) Years.
  - Average Annual Turnover and its associate company for the last five consecutive years should be above US\$ fifty (50) million and bidder shall provide copies of audited balance sheets for the last five (5) years.
  - The bidder should have a total credit limit of at least US\$ thirty (30) million available from its bankers.
  - Quality Systems of the bidder should be ISO 9001 compliant.



 Bidders having executed projects in past ten (10) years or currently having under execution projects of any nature in Latin America and Caribbean countries will be preferred.

Bidding companies who are not manufacturers can associate with manufacturers of equipments and must attach "Manufacturer Authorization Certificate" in their

bid.

Bidder should have experience of similar nature projects in agriculture or irrigation or water supply and should have a minimum of 2 (two) on-going or completed projects in last 10 (ten) years.

Bidder or its associate manufacturer should have undertaken or is presently undertaking at least one single irrigation project covering area of 5000 Ha or more.

5. Bidding shall be carried out as "Single Stage - Two Envelope System". Indian firms must submit their bid in English language in accordance with the tender document and broadly as follows.

Envelope - 1 (Technical & Commercial)

Bid letter

Receipt of purchase of tender document.

Financial Reports

Company brochures, product catalogues, specifications, technical deviations

**Bid Security** 

Manufacturer Authorization Certificates

Envelope - 2 (Financial & Price Bid)

- Price Schedules
- 6. A pre-bid meeting and site visit has been scheduled for June 22, 2015 and Indian bidders are advised to attend the same. Government of Honduras makes it mandatory for Indian bidders to visit the project site to get them acquainted with the local site conditions and factor them while preparing the bid. A certificate will be issued to each bidding company after completion of the site visit and should be presented with the bid.
- 7. The bids must be valid for a period of 120 days from the date of bid closing.
- 8. The bid must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a bank guarantee for US\$ 200,000 valid for 30 days beyond the bid validity. The Bank Guarantee should be issued by a first class bank in India.
- 9. In the event of contract being awarded, the Bidder must present a performance bank guarantee for an amount of 10% of the contract value within 30 days of notification of award and before signing the contract. The bid security will be returned bidder only after submission of performance guarantee.



10. Complete set of tender documents may be obtained, by written request to the address given below during working hours 09:00 am- 05:00 pm. on Mondays to Fridays, except on public holidays and on payment of L.10,000.00 (TEN THOUSAND LEMPIRAS) or equivalent in US Dollars, non-refundable, through receipt TGR-1

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11. Bids should be submitted in ONE ORIGINAL and THREE COPIES, in English language in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Invitation to Bid for – Construction of the Irrigation Infrastructure in Jamastran Valley Turnkey Project" must be delivered to the address below on or before 10.00 hours local time on **Monday, 03 August 2015**.

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Bids will be opened on **Monday, 03 August 2015** at 10:30 am Honduras time in presence of bidders who choose to attend the bid opening. Only representative of companies who have submitted their bids will be allowed to witness bid opening. Electronic submission and late submission of bids shall not be accepted irrespective of the circumstances.

9. The decision of Secretaria de Agricultura y Ganaderia will be final and binding on all.

Ing. Jacobo Paz Bodden. Secretario de Agricultura y Ganadería Colonia Loma Linda, Avenida la FAO Tegucigalpa Republic of Honduras