



MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT NEPAL (MCA-NEPAL)

Request for Information

Request for Information about upcoming 300 Km of 400 kV Electricity Transmission Line Works Contract under Electricity Transmission Project in Nepal

The Millennium Challenge Corporation (“MCC”) and the Government of Nepal (the “Government” or “GoN”) have entered into a Millennium Challenge Compact for Millennium Challenge Account assistance to help facilitate poverty reduction through economic growth in Nepal (the “Compact”) in the amount of approximately USD 500 million (“MCC Funding”). The Government is acting through the Millennium Challenge Account-Nepal (the “MCA-Nepal”) for the implementation of the projects funded under the Compact.

The goal of the Compact is to reduce poverty through economic growth. the Compact program includes two projects: (i) construction of about 300 kilometers of 400 kV electricity transmission lines, three substations, and technical assistance for the power sector; and (ii) technical assistance to improve the road maintenance regime and road maintenance works on about 300 kilometers of the strategic road network. The program would include the procurement of contractors and consultants for design, construction and supervision of electricity lines and substations, road maintenance works, including a variety of technical services, equipment and construction works in different geographic locations within Nepal. The Compact can be accessed at http://mcanp.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Millennium_Challenge_Compact.pdf

Summary of Expected Works: Construction of about 300 kilometers of double circuit 400 kV electricity transmission lines in Nepal’s mountainous terrain ranging up to 2,000 m elevation and three substations. The Transmission line may be divided into packages depending on the feedback to be received from this Request for Information.

The prospective Contractors are requested to provide below mentioned information so that MCA-Nepal can launch the bid document for works considering acceptable feedbacks received through this Request for Information. The information requested are as follows:

1. Name of the Organization, Address, Contact Person, email id of Contact Person.
2. Are you interested in our project and willing to bid for the projects and ready to come to Nepal for carrying out the works?
3. Your average Turn Over in last 5 Years.
4. Average coefficient of Current ratio in last three years (Current Assets / Current Liabilities).
5. Average coefficient of Debt ratio in last three years (Total Debt / Total Assets).
6. Your similar experience in transmission line and substation (based on FIDIC yellow book Conditions of Contracts) with value, capacity and length of transmission line in similar hilly terrain such as Nepal.

7. Based on your experience, what is the Length of 400 kV Transmission line you may carryout successfully in Hilly Terrain of Nepal in one year duration; under an international funded project? Please explain your assumptions.
8. Based on your experience, what is the anticipated time you foresee to implement 400 kV Substation under an international funded project in Nepal, and why? Please explain your assumptions.
9. Your experience in Working on electricity projects in Nepal. Please describe the implemented projects similar to this one.
 - a. Length
 - b. kV
 - c. Terrain (Hilly/Plain)
 - d. Duration
 - e. Issues encountered:
10. Will you please let us know:
 - a. What will be your preference in bidding (one bidding process with three lots for transmission line or substation) or
 - b. Bid for six separate bidding process (three for transmission line and three for substation) or
 - c. Present your own view.
11. We have provided 1) KMZ File (Note: Structure Locations ARE NOT Final), 2) Sample Tower Drawing for Estimating, Not for Construction (PDF), 3) Sample Foundation Drawing for Estimating, Not for Construction (PDF) and 4) information Response Sheet (Microsoft Excel Format) to the link <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/xkgy7g3f3i0xk4y/AAAZtAnVu5D0iFJF8GxK7vt3a?dl=0> Going through the information provided, please send us response to questions mentioned in the RFI and questions attached in the Excel sheet provided on the link to our email id MCANepalPA@cardno.com by **21th June 2019**.
12. What would you like to see in the biding document (Based on FIDIC Yellow Book Conditions of Contract with two stage envelop (technical and financial)) to complete the works as per quality, within budget and in a duration of two to two and half years, considering the anticipated challenge in Transmission Line and Substation Project in Nepal?

Important:

This is not a request for offers/proposal/expression of interest. MCA-Nepal is not hereby requesting the submission of proposals in response to this Request for Information notice. This is also not intended to be a shortlisting process. The purpose of this Request for Information notice are as follows:

- (a) Request Information from prospective Contractors.
- (b) Request comment and receive feedback from the market (if any) on works procurement to be launched and incorporate it, as applicable, into the Bidding

Documents to be launched.

- (c) Identify interested and qualified Contractors willing to submit company profile (preferably not more than 7 pages) and being placed on MCA-Nepal's mailing list to receive the Specific Procurement Notice (SPN) when it becomes available.

MCA-Nepal intends to publish a Specific Procurement Notice and release the Bidding Document with final Scope of Work/Employer's Requirement by October/November 2019.

This Request for Information notice does not obligate MCA-Nepal to release a Bidding Document or award a contract, nor does it commit MCA-Nepal to pay for costs incurred in response to this Request for Information notice.

Contractors interested in receiving the Bidding Document should register their interest by sending an e-mail, giving full contact details of the Contractor to the following address below. This will ensure that the prospective Contractors receive a copy of the Bidding Document and updates regarding the Bidding Document.

Millennium Challenge Account - Nepal

Hotel Yak & Yeti Convention Center, second floor, Durbar Marg

Kathmandu, Nepal.

Attention: Procurement Agent

Email: MCANepalPA@cardno.com with a copy to MCANepalPA@mcanp.org

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