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Republic of Maldives

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DEVELOPMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ESIA) FOR THE INTERIM HAZARDOUS WASTE STORAGE FACILITY IN R. VANDHOO

Request for proposal (RFP) - Single Envelope

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Section 1

Tender Sheet

Reference	Tende	r Reference					
No:							
1	Tender Name:						
2	Bid queries submission timeline and Address:						
	Location: Ministry of Climate Change, I	Environment a	nd Energy				
	Date: 05/12/2024 (Thursday)						
	Time: 12:00pm						
	Email: procurement@environment.gov.i	nv					
	CC: POPs.chem@environment.gov.mv						
	Telephone No: 3018300						
3	Bid Clarification Deadline and	Date:	Time:				
	Address:	08/12/2024	12:00pm				
	Location: Ministry of Climate Change,	(Sunday)					
	Environment and Energy						
4	Proposal submission deadline:	Date:		Time: 10:00am			
	Location: Ministry of Climate Change,	12/12/2024 (*	Thursday)				
	Environment and Energy - Reception						
5	Submission instruction						
	Proposals must be delivered in sealed en	velopes titled					
	"Do not Open Before 12th December			-			
	Environmental and Social Impact Ass						
	Waste Storage Facility in R. Vandho	oo" and the s	ubmitting p	arty's name and			
	address						
	Late proposals will be rejected.						
6	Submission address						
	Procurement Section	. 15					
	Ministry of Climate Change, Environment						
	Green Building, Handhuvaree Hingun, M	Taafannu					
	Male', 20392, Republic of Maldives						

	Email: procurement@environment.gov.mv	
	Website: www.environment.gov.mv	
	Project name: Review and Update of the National Impl	ementation Plan for the
	Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants	s in Maldives
7	Bid Opening:	Time: 10:05am
	Proposals will be opened in the presence of the	Date: 12/12/2024 (Thursday)
	proponents' representatives who choose to be present	
	at the address below at the time of proposal opening.	
8	Evaluation Criteria on Annex 13	

Section 2

Instruction for Bidders

A. General Information

- 1. Introduction

 1.1 This bid is opened to parties who can provide the goods/services mentioned in the tender sheet. The requirements of the goods/services have been detailed in the information sheet.
- 2. Eligible Bidders 2.1 This bid is opened to all the registered businesses.
 - 2.2 If any other parties except for the parties mentioned in 2.1 are eligible for proposing the bid it will be stated in the tender sheet.
- 3. Bid Document 3.1 The bid must be complied as stated in the annex 1 along with and signing the documents stated in the bidder's checklist as one whole

document.

3.2 Bids must be typed in English language in an easy-to-read font. Or if written by hand, it should be legible. All pages of the tender shall bear the signature and stamp of the tenderer or his designee. Each page of the tender shall also be

numbered in order to indicate the number of pages.

- 3.3 3.3.1 If a person other than the Managing Director signs the bid, a copy of the "Power of Attorney" stating that the person is authorized to sign the bid should be submitted.
 - 3.3.2 If a person other than the managing partner of the partnerships signs the bid, a copy of the power of attorney stating that the person is authorized to sign the bid shall be submitted.
 - 3.3.3 If any person other than the Chairman of the Cooperative Societies signs the bid, a copy of the Power of Attorney stating that the person is authorized to sign the bid shall be submitted.

- 4.Number of Bids submitted
- 4.1 Each bidder may submit 1 (one) bid. If any bidder submits more than one bid, all bids submitted by that bidder will be cancelled.
- Cost of preparingBid
- 5.1 All expenses incurred in preparing and submitting the bid shall be borne by the bidder. The ministry shall not be responsible for any expenses incurred in this regard.
- 6. Other principles
- 6.1 If the bidder is a close relative of an employee who works in the Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy or any Ministry under the Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy the bidder must disclose it in Disclaimer of Conflict of Interest form in annex. If such information is not disclosed the tender will be canceled without further notice.

B. Documents relating to the bid

- 7. Sections of the tender book
- 7.1 Documents related to bid are included in the list below and in amendments.
 - 7.1.1 Bid Sheet (Section-1)
 - 7.1.2 Instructions to Bidders (Section-2)
 - 7.1.3 General and Special Provisions of the Agreement (Section-3
 - 7.1.4 Annex (Section 4)
 - 7.1.5 Works Related Information (Section–5)
- 8. Clarification of information regarding the bid
- 8.1 It is the responsibility of the Bidder to obtain any further information regarding the information contained in this Bid Book or in connection with this Bid.
- 8.2 Amendments issued in accordance with Section 9.1 shall .form part of the Bid

TERMS OF REFERENCE 9. Changes to the 9.1 If it is deemed necessary to make a change to the bid before tender the expiry of the bid opening period, an amendment (deduction/addition) can may be made. 10. Language used 10.1 The bidder shall prepare the bid in Dhivehi or English in in the tender accordance with the sample given with the bid. C. Preparation of bids 11. Money used in 11.1 The bidder shall submit the bid price in Maldivian Currency the bid (MVR). 12.Proposing the 12.1 If it is a GST registered entity, the price should be inclusive of GST. The amount paid for GST should be clearly stated. price 13.Duration 13.1 Unless agreed otherwise, the deadline for the work shall be in days including all the public holidays. 13.2 The period offered for the work shall be reasonable for the performance of the work. 13.3 The expiry date of the bid shall be at least 120 days from the date of submission of the bid. 13.4 If the bidder has given more time than the time given by the Ministry for the works specified in the bid, the bid will be rejected.

D. Submission of bids

14. How to close the	14.1	The name, address and telephone number of the bidder shall
bid		be written on the outside of the envelope.
	14.2	Bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed as per the bid sheet.
15. Deadline for submission of bids	15.1	The deadline for submission of bids for this work or service will be mentioned in the bid sheet.
16. Procedure for late bids	16.1	Bids submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.
	16.2	Bids sent by email and fax will not be accepted.

E. Bid opening and evaluation

- 17. Bid opening
- 17.1 If the date scheduled for opening of bids is fixed as a public holiday by the Government for any reason, the opening of bids will be held on the deadline specified in the bid sheet of the next official day.
- 17.2 Any problem with the calculation of qualifying tenders will be corrected as follows.
- 17.3 If the amount in the bid differs from the amount in Dhivehi, the correct amount shall be deemed to be the amount in Dhivehi.
- 18. Bid Evaluation
- 18.1 The Ministry reserves the right to reject bids if the required information and documents are not submitted in connection with the notice. The Ministry also reserves the right to reject incomplete bids after acceptance. The Ministry reserves the right to cancel bids if the prices offered are inadequate.
- 19. Determination of the bidder
- 19.1 The successful and unsuccessful bidders will be notified in writing. Following this notice, unsuccessful bidders shall be given 3 (three) days to submit a complaint relating to the bid. The reason for the unsuccessful bid shall be stated upon request by the complainant within this period.
- 19.2 The contract with the successful bidder shall be signed after considering the submissions and answering the questions raised by the unsuccessful bidders within the period specified in 19.1.
- 20. Selection and notification of the successful bidder
- 20.1 The agreement shall be signed after addressing the complaints and the questions raised by the unsuccessful bidders that have been submitted within the period specified in Article 19.1.
- 21. Signing the agreement
- 21.1 If the work is abandoned after signing the agreement or if the work is not completed after signing the agreement, action

- will be taken as per Chapter 11 of the Public Finance Regulation.
- 21.2 If the agreement is not signed within the stipulated time frame as stipulated in Chapter 11 of the Public Finance Regulation, the decision to award this work will be canceled and action will be taken as mentioned in Chapter 11 of the Public Finance Regulation.
- 21.3 The amount stated in the bid sheet shall be submitted as performance guarantee.

F. securities to be Submitted

- 22. Bid Security
- 22.1 The bid security of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them within 7 (seven) days from the date of notification to the successful bidder.
- 22.2 If a bidder withdraws from the bid after the opening of the bid or if the successful bidder cancels the bid after receiving the certificate of success, the bid security submitted by the bidder will be forfeited to the State.
- 23. Advance and Advance payment guarantee
- 23.1 If an advance is requested, the advance may be issued in accordance with the Public Finance Regulation.
- 23.2 Advance will be issued if the total value of the procurement exceeds MVR 250,000 (Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Rufiyaa)
- 23.3 If an advance is requested, the advance shall be requested within 45 (forty-five) days of taking over the work.
- 23.4 If the advance is requested for, a security or guarantee issued by a government recognized bank or financial institution established in Maldives shall be submitted as advance payment guarantee.

23.5 Advance shall not exceed 15% (fifteen percent) of the total cost of the work. The advance payment will be deducted from bills submitted during work or service provision in proportion to the total value of the contract.

24. Performance guarantee

- 24.1 If the bid price is above MVR.500,000/-, the successful bidder shall submit as performance guarantee a security or guarantee issued by a Government recognized bank or financial institution established in Maldives for this project.
- 24.2 If the successful bidder does not submit the performance guarantee within the period given to him, the decision to award the work will be canceled and the bid security submitted by the bidder will be forfeited to the State.

25.Case filing and case investigation

- 25.1 As per the Public Finance Regulation 11.02 filing and investigating of complaints against irregularities in a tender shall be submitted under the finance regulation circular number 13-K/CIR/2018/01 annex 17 through form PR-14.
- 25.2 As mentioned in Rule 11.02 of the Public Finance
 Regulation, irregularities in a tender shall be submitted in
 PR-14 form "Bidder Complaint Form-First Stage" in annex
 18 of Finance Circular No. 13-K/CIR/2018/01.
- 25.3 Upon submission of irregularities in a tender as per Rule 11.02 of the Public Finance Regulation, within 14 (fourteen) days from the date of filing of the complaint, the matter shall be decided and the decision shall be sent to the complainant in writing under circular number 13-K/CIR/2018/01 annex 19 reply shall be prepared and notified in the PR-14 form (Response of Procurement Officer to the Tender Issue).

26.Submitting for Independent Review Committee for reconsideration

26.1 In submitting to the Independent Review Committee for administrative review of a tender as mentioned in Chapter 11.02 of the Public Finance Regulation, the tender issue shall be referred to in annex 21 of Public Finance Circular No. 13-K/CIR/2018/0 The complaint may be submitted to

the Independent Review Committee through Form PR-1 (Appeal stage).

Section 3

General and special provisions of the agreement

27.Definitions	27.1	"Owner of the Work" means a place within the jurisdiction of the Ministry required to carry out the Work.
	27.2	"Contractor" means the person submitting the tender for the performance of the work.
	27.3	"Work" means the service or works described in the tender sheet.
	27.4	"Work Price" means the amount paid to the Contractor upon completion of the Work in accordance with the Agreement.
	27.5	"Agreement" means the agreement between the Employer and the Contractor regarding the work.
28. Exchange of documents	28.1	The parties to this Agreement shall give all notices to each other in connection with this Agreement, generally in the Dhivehi and English language, in writing.
	28.2	Documents sent from one party to the other shall be sent by hand or by registered post, or to the designated email address specified in the bid.
	28.3	If you wish to change the address in this Agreement, you must notify the other party in writing.
29. Assignment of work to a third party	29.1	No assignment under this Agreement may be assigned to another party.
30. Taking over of goods and services	30.1	The date and time of delivery of the materials to the Ministry shall be notified to the Work Wheeler before the materials are delivered to the Ministry.

- 30.2 Once the materials are brought to the Ministry, the contractor (the Ministry) will take over the quantity of the materials.
- 30.3 The owner of work will check that the goods/services have been received as per the agreement after the Ministry takes over. If the work is completed in accordance with the specification after checking the quality, the goods/services will be deemed to have been received in accordance with the agreement. The service/goods provided in violation of the agreement will be returned.

31.Contarct Duration

- 31.1 The goods/services shall be delivered within the period specified in the agreement
- 31.2 In the event of an extension of the contractor's control or a natural event/disaster or manufacturing-related matter, the event/disaster or manufacturing-related event shall be submitted to the Contractor before the expiry of the deadline.
- 31.3 Even if an extension is requested for any reason, the extension will be granted in accordance with the Finance Rules.

32. Penalty and cancellation of agreement

32.1 If the work or services (excluding consultancy) are not completed within the agreed period, liquidated damages will be deducted in accordance with Article 10.65 of the Financial Rules.

32.2 If the total value of the bid is below MVR.5,000,000/-, the deduction shall be equal to the total value multiplied by 0.005 multiplied by the number of days exceeding the period.

Liquidated Damages = CP*0.005*LD

If the total value of the tender exceeds MVR. 5,000,000/-, the deduction shall be equal to the total value multiplied by 0.0025 multiplied by the number of days overdue.

Liquidated Damages = CP*0.0025*LD

CP (Contact Price): Total contract value

LD (Late Duration): days beyond the term of the contract

- 32.3 If the Contractor is required to pay for the period of delay, the bill submitted by the Contractor shall be paid for the remaining amount after deducting the amount specified in the bill.
- 32.4 The Ministry reserves the right to terminate the contract if the liquidated damages exceed 15% of the total cost of the work.

33. Termination of the Agreement

- 33.1 The Ministry reserves the right to cancel the contract in whole or in part if it is found that the work is not being carried out as specified in the contract.
- 33.2 If the agreement is terminated for any reason, within 3 working days, the details of the work completed and unfinished work shall be signed by both parties. A list of all the Contractor's items at the work site shall be taken within 3 days. We cannot be held responsible for any problems with any of these items after this period.

34. Other things

34.1 If, after signing the Agreement, the parties become aware that any law or regulation of the Government conflicts with this Agreement or if such law or regulation is enacted, this Agreement shall not be null and void. If such a provision becomes incorporated into this Agreement, both parties agree to maintain this Agreement without termination, albeit by amending such provision.

35. Taxes and other fees

35.1 Taxes, customs duties, import license fees and any other fees payable in connection with this work shall be paid by the contractor.

36. Modification of the agreement (Amendments)

36.1 Any provision of this Agreement may be modified only by agreement signed between the parties.

37. The law applicable to the agreement

37.1 This Agreement shall be governed by, and enforced in accordance with, the laws and regulations of the Republic of Maldives.

38. Dispute

- 38.1 If any dispute arising out of this Agreement cannot be resolved by negotiation between the parties, the matter shall be submitted to a court of law in Maldives.
- 38.2 Any deficiencies in this Agreement shall be resolved by negotiation between the parties. If not resolved, the case shall be referred to a court of law in Maldives.

Section 4

Annex 1 <u>Documents and checklist to be submitted by the bidder</u>

The following related documents shall be submitted for the bids to be considered sufficiently responsive.

Applicants should submit their proposals containing the following documents and applicable Technical Proposal – Standard Forms and Financial Proposal – Standard Forms under ANNEX 1.

#	Documents to be submitted	\Box / \Box	Page No:
	Technical Proposal		
1	Proposal submission form - (Annex 2 -Tech Form 1) (signed by the owner		
	of the entity or person with power of attorney to sign)		
2	Approach, Methodology and Work Plan – (Annex 3 - Tech Form 2)		
3	A summary of the work plan must be presented in the format in Work		
	Schedule (Annex 4 - Tech Form 3) showing in the form of a bar chart the		
	timing proposed for each activity.		
4	Curriculum Vitae (CV) of the identified Lead Consultant and Specialist.		
	Copy of academic certificates and reference letters demonstrating		
	experiences listed in this TOR (required experiences and other experiences		
	relevant to this TOR must be specified clearly or highlighted) – (Annex 5 -		
	Tech Form 4)		
5	Completed Letter of Commitment (signed by the Lead Consultant) -		
	(Annex 6 -Tech Form 5)		
6	Cooperative Profile Sheet issued by the Ministry of Economic Development		
	Profile taken from website: www.business.egov.mv		
7	Tax Clearance Report		
8	Documentation of conflict or non-conflict of interest – (Annex 12)		
	Financial Proposal		
9	Financial Breakdown Form – (Annex 7 -FIN FIN – 1)		
10	Details of Financial Situation- (Annex 8- FIN FORM -2)		
11	Financial statements of the business for the year 2023,2022 & 2021		

12	Business entities that have not completed one year (from the date of business	
	registration to date of bid announcement) are required to submit the bank	
	statement of the business's bank account. (Bank statement should be from the	
	date of account opening to date of bid announcement)	
13	Average Annual Turnover – (Annex 9 - FIN FORM – 3)	
14	Line of Credit Letter – (Annex 10 - FIN FORM -4)	
15	Current Contract Commitments / Work in Progress –(Anne 11 -FIN FORM 5)	

Note 01: If bidder fails to submit any of the above listed document, their proposal will not be considered for further evaluation.

Annex 2 TECH FORM 1

		Proposal Submiss	ion For	m		
1.Bid	der Information					
1.1	Name:					
1.2	Address:					
2. Pro	ject Information					
2.1	Project Name:					
2.1	Tender No:					
3. Mi	nimum quantity,	price and duration of the goods/	services	s offered		
Detai	1			Price	Gst (8%)	Total
Durat	ion:		l		I	
4. De	claration:					
4.1 After due consideration of the information given for the provision of the above-mentioned works/services and the provisions of the Agreement, I / We hereby tender for the provision of these works or services at the above-mentioned price.						
4.2 I / We agree to accept and comply with this tender for 120 days from the date of submission						
	If the owner rec	quests to sign the agreement with	nin this	period, I	agree to si	gn the agreement
	and work in acc	cordance with the agreement.				
5. On	Behalf					
Name	e:			Sign	nature	Stamp
Desig	nation					
Date						

Annex 3 TECH FORM 2

Approach, Methodology and Work Plan

[Technical approach, methodology and work plan are key components of this Proposal. the Consultant is suggested to submit Proposal with the following areas clearly described:

- a) Methodology for each activity,
- b) Work Plan

a) Technical Approach and Methodology

[In this chapter the Consultant should explain your understanding of the objectives of the assignment, approach to the services, methodology for carrying out the activities and obtaining the expected output, and the degree of detail of such output. You should highlight the problems being addressed and their importance, and explain the technical approach you would adopt to address them. You should also explain the methodologies you propose to adopt and highlight the compatibility of those methodologies with the proposed approach.]

b) Work Plan

[In this chapter the Consultant should highlight the main activities and sub-activities of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the Client), and delivery dates of the reports. The proposed work plan should be consistent with the technical approach and methodology, showing understanding of the TOR and ability to translate them into a feasible working plan.]

Annex 4 TECH FORM 3

Work Schedule

Development of Environmenta	al and S	ocial In	npact A	ssessmo	ent (ES	IA) for	the Inte	rim Ha	ızardou	s Waste	e Storag	ge Facili	ity in R	. Vandl	100	
Deliverables	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6										
Inception Report: Including assessment methodology, consultation plan, and finalized TOR.																
Draft ESIA Report : Covering all tasks and incorporating initial findings.																
Final ESIA Report : Addressing all comments and revisions.																

Annex 5 TECH FORM 4

		Curriculum Vitae
1.	Name of Consultant:	
	Role:	
2.	Education:	[Indicate college/university and other specialized education of staff member, giving names of institutions, degrees obtained, and dates of obtainment]:
3.	Membership of professional associations	
4.	Other Training	
5	Countries of work experience	[List countries where the Consultant has worked in the last ten years]:
6	Languages	[For each language indicate proficiency: good, fair, or poor in speaking, reading, and writing]:
7	Experience/ employment record	[Starting with present position, list in reverse order every employment held the Consultant since graduation, giving for each employment (see format here below): dates of employment, name of employing organization, positions held.] From [Month/Year] – To [Month/Year]: Employer: Positions held:
8		Job description: Name of project/ assignment:
0	Summary of projects / assignments undertaken / role	Experience classification: General / specific Scope of project/ assignment: From [Month/Year] – To [Month/Year]: Positions held:
9	Past commitments in projects with the Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy	Name of the Contract/Project: From [Month/Year] – To [Month/Year]: Positions held: Summary of role

Annex 6 TECH FORM 5

Letter of Commitment

(Lead Consultant)

[Location, Date]
To: [Name and address of Client]
Ref no:
Dear Sir/Madam,
I am writing to confirm my availability to provide services as the NIP Expert (lead) for the "Development of Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Interim Hazardous Waste Storage Facility in R. Vandhoo"- for the Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy.
I undertake, if this proposal is accepted, to complete and deliver the whole of the services assigned to me in the scope of services.
I undertake, if this proposal is accepted upon receipt of the Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy's notice, to commence performance of the services with due expedition and without delay.
Yours sincerely,
Name:
ID card No:
Date:
Signatory:
Note: CV should be submitted along with the supporting documents.

FIN FORM 1

Financial Breakdown Form

Date:

Reference No: (generated by the proponent)

Payment No.	Description	Price/Unit (MVR)	Total
1	Inception Report: Including assessment methodology, consultation plan, and finalized TOR.		
2	Draft ESIA Report: Covering all tasks and incorporating initial findings.		
3	Final ESIA Report: Addressing all comments and revisions.		
	Total:		
GST 8% / Applicable Tax			
Total with GST / Applicable Tax			

The quotation is valid for 120 days from the date of bid opening.

Indicate the total cost with detail cost to be paid in Maldivian Rufiya (MVR).

Note: The total contract price should be quoted inclusive of Goods and Services Tax (GST) or any applicable axes as per the Tax Legislation and must be shown in the breakdown.

Authorized Signature and stamp

FIN FORM 2

Details of Financial Situation

If the business has been registered for more than a year bidder must fill in this form

Financial Data for Previous 3 Years [MVR Equivalent]					
	Year 2023	Year 2022	Year 2021		
Information from Bala	ance Sheet				
Total Assets					
Total Liabilities					
Net Worth					
Current Assets					
Current Liabilities					
Working Capital					
Information from Inco	me Statement	1			
Total Revenues					
Profits Before Taxes					
Profits After Taxes					
-		(balance sheets including as indicated above, compl			
All such docu	ments reflect the financia	al situation of the Bidder.			
• Historic finan statements.	cial statements must be c	omplete, including all note	es to the financial		
• Histor	ric financial statements m	nust correspond to account	ing periods		

<u>FIN FORM 3</u> Average Annual Turnover

Each Bidder must fill in this form

Annual Turnover Data for the Last 3 Years				
Year	Amount	MVR		
	Currency	Equivalent		
2023				
2022				
2021				
Average Annual Turnover				

The information supplied should be the Annual Turnover of the Bidder in terms of the amounts billed to clients for each year for contracts in progress or completed at the end of the period reported.

FIN FORM 4

Line of Credit Letter

[letterhead of the Bank/Financing Institution]

[data	7
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[cont
To:[Name and address of the Contractor]
Dear,
You have requested {name of the bank/financing institution) to establish a line of credit for the
purpose of executing {insert Name and identification of Project}.
We hereby undertake to establish a line of credit for the aforementioned purpose, in the amount of
{insert amount}, effective upon receipt of evidence that you have been selected as successful bidder.
This line of credit will be valid through the duration of the contract awarded to you.
Authorized Signature:
Name and Title of Signatory:
Name of Agency:

FIN FORM 5

Current Contract Commitments/Works in Progress

Tenderers and each partner to a JV should provide information on their current commitments on all contracts that have been awarded, or for which a letter of intent or acceptance has been received, or for contracts approaching completion, but for which an unqualified, full completion certificate has yet to be issued.

No	Name of contract	Employer, contact address/tel/fax	Value of outstanding work (current MVR equity)	Estimated completion date	Average monthly invoicing over last six months (MVR/month)
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					

Annex 12 DISCLAIMER FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST Each Applicant must fill in this form

Tender Name:	Click here to enter text.				
Advertisement No:	Click here to enter text.				
Advertisement Date:	Click here to enter text.				
I/We, the undersigned as the	e bidder, submitting the tender in t	respect of call for captioned te	nder, confirm:		
• that should I/We he	ave any "close relative" or "clos	se associate" working at Mini.	stry of Climate Change, Environment		
and Energy, I/We v	will disclose that information with	h this form. In this instance "c	close relative" and "close associate"		
represents the mean	ning stated in Section 19 of Regul	ation Number: 2023/R-158 (Pt	ublic Finance Regulation);		
• that I/We will discl	ose any conflict of interest in conf	nection to the contract with this	s form. A conflict of interest may arise		
in particular as a r	esult of economic interests, politic	cal or national affinities, or an	y other relevant connection or shared		
interest;					
• that I/We will info	orm the at Ministry of Climate (Change, Environment and End	ergy, without delay, of any situation		
constituting a confl	lict of interest or could give rise to	a conflict of interest;			
• that I/We have not i	made, and will not to make, any o	ffer of any type whatsoever fro	m which an advantage can be derived		
under the contract;					
• that I/We have not	granted, sought, attempted to obto	ain or accepted and will not gr	ant, seek, attempt to obtain, or accept		
any advantage, find	ancial or in kind, to or from any	party whatsoever, constituting	an illegal or corrupt practice, either		
directly or indirectl	ly, as an incentive or reward relat	ting to the award of the contrac	ct;		
• that I/We understa	• that I/We understand that the at Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy reserves the right to verify this				
information and the	at I am/We are aware of the cons	equences which may derive fro	om any false declaration in respect of		
the information req	quired by the awarding body as a	condition of participation in th	e contract procedure.		
☐ YES, I/We have "close	e relative" or "close associate"	please find the Details belo	OW.		
Name of the Staff(s):					
NID Card No.:					
Relationship with the Staf	ff:				
1					
□ NO , I/We do not have	"close relative" or "close asso	ciate"			
Details of the Bidder					
Details of the Bidder					
Name of the Bidder:		Stamp of the Bidding			
ivalle of the Diddel.		Company			
Signature of the Bidder:		Date:			

Criteria to be used for evaluation of bids

TECHNICAL SCORE

The following criteria will be applied during the evaluation of the proposals and attention should be paid while preparing the proposals. Points will be awarded only for assignments with supporting documents.

(A) Lead Consultant	Maximum Points			
 a) Academic Qualification [20] Points for minimum Master's Degree in a field related to Environmental Science, Environmental Engineering, or related fields. [5] additional points for a PhD in a related field. 	[25]			
 b) General Professional Experience [15] Points for a minimum of 10 years of professional experience in Environmental Science, Environmental Engineering, or related fields. [2.5] Additonal points for each additional year of experience (up to 4 years) beyond the required 10 years in a relevant field 	[25]			
 c) Specific Experiences: [5] Points for demonstrated experience in environmental advisory services, capacity building, and institutional strengthening. (Not a minimum requirement) [5] Familiarity with UNDP, GEF, or the World Bank safeguard policies (Not a minimum requirement) 	[10]			
(B) Optional Specialist (Not a minimum requirement)				
 a) Specific Experiences: [20] Points for demonstrated expertise and a minimum of 5 years or relevant experience in hazardous waste handling. (Not a minimum requirement) 	1 401			
(C) Approach, methodology and work plan				
Approach and methodology	[10]			

- Demonstration of an understanding of the objective of the assignment in the context of the project [5] points
- Proposal on methodology on carrying out the activities [5] points

Work Plan

- Proposed main activities of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the Client and delivery dates of the reports – [5] points
- Work plan being consistent with proposed Technical Approach and Methodology [2.5] points
- Work schedule [2.5] points

[10]

(Please outline the plan for the implementation of the main activities/tasks of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the Client), and tentative delivery dates of the reports. The proposed work plan should be consistent with the technical approach and methodology, showing your understanding of the TOR and ability to translate them into a feasible working plan. A list of the final documents (including reports) to be delivered as final output(s) should be included here. The work plan should be consistent with the Work Schedule Form.)

Total Technical Score [100]

Note: Only the proposals that will obtain a minimum of 45% out of 100 obtainable points will be qualified for the financial evaluation.

FINANCIAL SCORE

The formula for determining the financial scores is the following:

Sf=100 * Fm / F, in which Sf is the financial score, Fm is the <u>lowest price</u> and F is the price of the proposal under consideration.

The weights given to the Technical and Financial Proposals are:

T = [0.6], and F = [0.4]

FINANCIAL SITUATION EVALUATION

To be eligible the financial statements of the bidding party must show, minimum annual turnover of MVR 30,000.00, for the year 2023,2022 and 2021. (FIN FORM-3 Annual Turnover)

(or)

To be eligible the financial statements of the bidding party must show, Minimum value of **MVR 30,000.00**, for liquid asset, for the year 2023,2022 and 2021. – (**FIN FORM -2: Financial Situation**)

(or)

Business entities that have not completed one year (from the date of business registration to date of bid announcement) are required to submit the bank statement of the business's bank account. (bank statement should be from the date of account opening to date of bid announcement). To be eligible the business's bank statement must show a credit balance of minimum MVR 30,000.00

(or)

If bidding party is unable to meet any of the above requirement they shall submit 'Line of Credit Letter' As per the template in Fin form 4. Credit limit shall be no less than MVR 30,000.00 – (FIN FORM -4: Line of Credit Letter)

PRIORITY TO MSME'S

Below MVR 2,500,000

Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME's) will be assessed accordingly: The bidder with the highest ranking with a proposed price that doesn't exceed 15% of the price of the bidder with the overall highest ranking will be awarded.

Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation if there is no bidder as described in (a), bidders who belong to the same island as the project is carried out will be assessed accordingly: The bidder with the highest ranking with a proposed price that doesn't exceed 10% of the price of the bidder with the overall highest ranking will be awarded.

Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation if there is no bidder as described in (a) and (b), bidders who belong to the same atoll as the project is being carried out is checked and assessed accordingly: The bidder with the highest ranking with a proposed price that doesn't exceed 5% of the price of the bidder with the overall highest ranking will be awarded.

Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation if there is no bidder as described in (a), (b) and (c), all Maldivian bidders will be checked and assessed accordingly. The bidder with the highest ranking with the lowest proposed price will be awarded

Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation if there is no bidder as described in (a), (b), (c) and (d) all bidders will be assessed accordingly. The bidder with the highest ranking with the lowest proposed price will be awarded

Above MVR 2,500,000 - MVR 5,000,000

- (a) Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation, those bidders who belong to the same island as the project is carried out will be assessed accordingly: The bidder with the highest ranking with a proposed price that doesn't exceed 10% of the price of the bidder with the overall highest ranking will be awarded
- (b) Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation if there is no bidder as described in (a), bidders who belong to the same atoll as the project is being carried out is checked and assessed accordingly: The bidder with the highest ranking with a proposed price that doesn't exceed 5% of the price of the bidder with the overall highest ranking will be awarded.
- (c) Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation if there is no bidder as described in (a) and (b), all Maldivian bidders will be checked and assessed accordingly. The bidder with the highest ranking with the lowest proposed price will be awarded.
- (d) Among bidders who pass the technical and financial evaluation if there is no bidder as described in (a), (b) and (c), all bidders will be assessed accordingly. The bidder with the highest ranking with the lowest proposed price will be awarded.

CRITERIA ON CLASSIFYING REGIONAL BASED BUSINESS

- a) Check the bidders permanent address, if the bidder is a sole proprietorship
- b) Check the island to which the business is registered, if the bidder is not a sole proprietorship
- c) The bidder will be considered as a business working in one certain area, as per (a) and (b) accordingly:
- If the bidder is a sole proprietorship, the bidder's registered permanent address as of 1st January of the year the invitation for bid was issued will be considered OR
- If the business had been registered before the year in which the invitation for bid was issued, the island to which the business was registered as of 1st January of the year the invitation for bid was issued will be considered

OR

If the business had been registered within the year in which the invitation for bid was issued, the island to which the business was first registered will be considered.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy has overall responsibility for the management of the contract and contractual reporting obligations.

Documents and data provided by the government for the purpose of this assessment which is not of public nature shall be considered confidential and should not be disclosed to any other party.

All outputs and materials produced as part of this TOR shall be handed over to the project at the end of the contract and will become the sole property of Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy.

For domestic travel: land and sea travel (as per the schedule provided and agreed upon) will be directly financed by the project. **This does not include the DSA.**

Section 5 Details of services/materials/work required

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The Government of Maldives, with support from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and oversight by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), is implementing the project "Eliminating Persistent Organic Pollutants through Sound Management of Chemicals" (POPs Project). As part of this initiative, an interim hazardous waste storage facility is proposed at the Raa Vandhoo Regional Waste Management Facility (RWMF) to address the critical gap in hazardous waste management.

The Maldives faces growing challenges in safely managing hazardous chemicals and waste, including Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs), e-waste, and other hazardous materials. These materials have been accumulating without proper disposal or treatment mechanisms. The Waste Management Regulation prohibits open burning and uncontrolled dumping of hazardous waste, underscoring the urgent need for efficient and safe waste management systems.

The proposed interim facility will:

- Serve as a centralized hub for the receipt, temporary storage, and preparation of hazardous waste for environmentally sound disposal abroad.
- Leverage the existing infrastructure at the RWMF, originally established under the Maldives Environmental Management Project (MEMP), which has undergone upgrades and Environmental and Social Impact Assessments (ESIA) in 2012, 2019, and subsequent years.

OBJECTIVE

This TOR aims to engage a consultant to develop an ESIA for the interim facility in compliance with national and international standards, including those of the Maldives Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the GEF,UNDP, and the World Bank.

Note: The proposed project for establishing a Hazardous Waste Storage Facility will be classified as an associated facility under Environmental and Social Standard 1 (ESS1) of the World Bank Financed Maldives Clean Environment Project (MCEP) and the upgrade works currently being implemented at the Vandhoo Regional Waste Management Facility (RWMF). Accordingly, the World Bank's safeguard requirements will apply in full to the proposed facility.

These requirements must be taken into account during the development of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA). This includes, but is not limited to, obtaining the approval of the Technical Terms of Reference (TOR) and the ESIA from the World Bank and all other relevant agencies as outlined in this TOR.

SCOPE OF ASSIGNMENT

The consultant will undertake the following tasks to prepare the ESIA, ensuring alignment with all applicable regulatory and safeguard requirements:

Key Activities:

- 1. **Technical Terms of Reference:** The consultant shall prepare a detailed technical Terms of Reference (TOR), covering all aspects of the study, in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of the Maldives and the UNDP and World Bank's Environmental and Social Safeguards Policies. The draft TOR shall be finalized after incorporating feedback received from stakeholders during the scoping exercise, as well as comments from EPA, UNDP, POPs PMU, MCEP and the World Bank.
- 2. **Project Description**: Provide a detailed description of the proposed interim hazardous waste storage facility, including site layout, infrastructure components, and operational activities. The operational activities shall be clearly laid out, indicating the specific types of hazardous waste and estimated quantity that will be brought, how it will be received at the RWMF island (details of containers, sea transfer vessels and at what frequency), weighed, and transferred from the habour to the storage facility. A process flow diagram shall be provided clearly indicating the transfer routes. Spillage prevention and occupational health and safety aspects shall be considered. An indicative fire safety and evacuation plan shall also be included.
- 3. **Baseline Environmental and Social Conditions**: Assess and document the current physical, biological, and socio-economic conditions of the project site and surrounding areas. This shall include, but not limited to, Groundwater Quality, Soil Condition, Vegetation Cover, Noise, and Air Quality at the Project Site, Environmentally Sensitive Sites (Vegetation Buffer, Turtle Nesting Beach, Mangrove area etc.) Hazard Vulnerability and Areas of Historical and Cultural Significance.
- 4. **Regulatory and Policy Framework**: Identify and outline relevant national regulations, international conventions, and safeguard standards applicable to the project.
- 5. **Analysis of Alternatives**: Evaluate and compare alternatives for project location, design, and operation, including the "no project" scenario.
- 6. **Impact Assessment**: Identify potential environmental and social impacts across all project phases (planning, construction, and operation).
- 7. **Mitigation Measures**: Propose measures to prevent, minimize, or offset adverse impacts including measures to prevent impacts on the turtle nesting beach in R Vandhoo.
- 8. **Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP)**: Develop a detailed plan outlining mitigation measure, monitoring protocols, and roles and responsibilities for ESMP implementation.
- 9. **Contingency Planning**: Outline measures for emergency preparedness and response.
- 10. **Monitoring and Reporting**: Propose a framework for monitoring project impacts and compliance, including indicators and reporting mechanisms.
- 11. **Stakeholder Engagement and Grievance Mechanism**: Conduct stakeholder consultations and establish a mechanism for addressing grievances. Waste Management Cooperation Limited, Waste Management and Pollution Control Department (WMPCD) of MCCEE including representatives of MCEP and other donor financed projects that are investing in Vandhoo RWMF, Utility Regulatory Authority (URA), the EPA and MNDF's fire and rescue services shall be consulted at the minimum.

12. **Final Reporting**: Summarize findings, recommendations, and outcomes in a structured ESIA report.

REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

Lead Consultant

Academic Qualification:

 Minimum Master's Degree in Environmental Science, Environmental Engineering, or related fields.

General Professional Experience:

• Minimum 10 years of experience conducting ESIAs, including mitigation and management planning.

Specific Experiences:

- Demonstrated experience in environmental advisory services, capacity building, and institutional strengthening.
- Familiarity with UNDP, GEF, or the World Bank safeguard policies.

Optional Specialist (Desirable):

Specific Experiences:

• Waste Management Specialist with at least 5 years of relevant experience and expertise in hazardous waste management.

DURATION OF THE CONSULTANCY

The assignment is expected to last 40 (Forty) calendar days, inclusive of EPA review and clearance

COORDINATION AND REPORTING

The consultant will report to the Project Manager (PM) of the POPs Project and coordinate with the PMU and relevant stakeholders. Key responsibilities include:

- Regular progress meetings and updates.
- Comprehensive documentation of all activities and findings.
- Submission of all deliverables in electronic format.

STANDARDS AND COMPLIANCE

The ESIA must adhere to:

• Maldives Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations.

- UNDP Environmental and Social Standards.
- World Bank Safeguard Policies.
- GEF requirements.

DELIVERABLES & PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Deliverable	Timeline	Payment %
Inception Report : Including assessment methodology, consultation plan, and finalized TOR.	Within 05 calendar days of contract signing.	40%
Draft ESIA Report : Covering all tasks and incorporating initial findings.	Within 30 calendar days of final TOR submission.	10%
Final ESIA Report : Addressing all comments and revisions.	Within 05 calendar days of draft report submission.	50%

Note: All geospatial data layers generated during the ESIA must be provided in GIS-compatible formats (e.g., ESRI Shapefiles, GeoTIFF).