

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

Re-Advertisement

For Supply and Delivery of Two Wheel Drive SUV Vehicle Reference No.: UNDP/RFQ/02/2017

NAME & ADDRESS OF FIRM	DATE: February 8, 2017	
	REFERENCE: UNDP/RFQ/02/2017 Re-Add	

Dear Sir / Madam:

We kindly request you to submit your quotation for **Supply and Delivery of Two Wheel Drive SUV Vehicle**, as detailed in Annex 1 of this RFQ. When preparing your quotation, please be guided by the form attached hereto as Annex 2.

Quotations may be submitted on or before **February 20, 2017, 1700hrs** and via **Ahand delivery** to the address below:

United Nations Development Programme

United Nation House Pulchowk, Lalitpur, Nepal UNDP Registry

Tel: 5523200 and Fax: 5523991; 5523986,

It shall remain your responsibility to ensure that your quotation will reach the address above on or before the deadline. Quotations that are received by UNDP after the deadline indicated above, for whatever reason, shall not be considered for evaluation. If you are submitting your quotation by email, kindly ensure that they are signed and in the .pdf format, and free from any virus or corrupted files.

Please take note of the following requirements and conditions pertaining to the supply of the abovementioned good/s:

Delivery Terms [INCOTERMS 2010] (Pls. link this to price schedule)	□ FCA □ CPT ☑ CIP Kathmandu (If payment is to be provided to your principal company, please submit authorization letter from your principal stating that you are authorized to bid on their behalf.) □ Other
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Customs clearance, if			
needed, shall be done by:	Supplier/Offeror (UNDP will provide Exemption Certificate and		
	necessary documents for custom clearance)		
	☐ Freight Forwarder		
Exact Address/es of Delivery	Effective Development Financing and Coordination (EDFC)		
Location/s (identify all, if	Ministry of Finance, Singhadurbar		
multiple)	Kathmandu, Nepal		
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	N/A		
UNDP Preferred Freight			
Forwarder, if any			
	N/A		
Distribution of shipping			
documents (if using freight			
forwarder)			
Latest Expected Delivery	■ within 3 months af	ter the issuance of the purchase order	
Date and Time (if delivery	☐ As per Delivery Scho	edule attached [if delivery will be staggered]	
time exceeds this, quote may	Time: [pls. indicate]		
be rejected by UNDP)	Time Zone of Reference	e: [pls. indicate]	
Delivery Schedule	⊠Required		
	☐ Not Required		
Packing Requirements			
Mode of Transport	□ AIR	⊠LAND	
	⊠SEA	□OTHER	
Preferred	⊠United States Dolla	rs	
Currency of Quotation	☐Local Currency: NPR		
Value Added Tax on Price	☐ Must be inclusive o	f VAT and other applicable indirect taxes	
Quotation	\square Must be exclusive of	f VAT and other applicable indirect taxes	
(Not Applicable)		•	
After-sales services required	☑ Warranty for minin	num 1 year from the date of supply.	
	□ Technical Support		
	☐ Provision of Service	Unit when pulled out for maintenance/ repair	
Deadline for the Submission	COB, Monday, Februa	ry 20, 2017 and 1700hrs (local time)	
of Quotation			
All documentations, including	□ English		
catalogs, instructions and	☐ French		
operating manuals, shall be	☐ Spanish		
in this language	□ Others		
	☑ Duly Accomplished Form as provided in Annex 2, and in		
Mandatory Documents to be	•	st of requirements in Annex 1;	
submitted	☑ Quality Certificates (ISO, etc.); if applicable;		
	□ Latest Business Reg		
	 ✓ Latest Tax (VAT/PAN) Registration Certificate; ☐ List of similar projects completed within last 2 years; 		
	☐ List of similar project	cts completed within last 2 years:	
		cts completed within last 2 years; of experience on similar goods/services.	

	 ☑ Written Self-Declaration of not being included in the UN Security Council 1267/1989 list, UN Procurement Division List or other UN Ineligibility List; ☑ Manufacturer's Authorization of the Company as a Sales Agent (if Supplier is not the manufacturer); ☑ Product brochure (Highlighting the matched specification as per required specification mentioned in the bidding document) ☑ Certificate of Exclusive Distributorship in the country (if applicable, and if Supplier is not the manufacturer); ☐ Evidence/Certification of Environmental Sustainability ("Green" Standards) of the Company or the Product being supplied;
Bid Security (Not Applicable)	Required
(Not Applicable) Validity of Bid Security	Amount: Form: 90 days from the last day of Bid submission
(Not Applicable)	30 days from the last day of bid sabinission
Period of Validity of Quotes starting the Submission Date	 ☐ 60 days ☑ 90 days ☐ 120 days In exceptional circumstances, UNDP may request the Vendor to extend the validity of the Quotation beyond what has been initially indicated in this RFQ. The Proposal shall then confirm the extension in writing, without any modification whatsoever on the Quotation.
Partial Quotes	☑ Not permitted
Payment Terms	 □ 100% upon certification on completion of the installation work □ 100 % Payment will be made after the delivery of the goods
Liquidated Damages	☑ Will be imposed Liquidated Damages for delay of service would be: 0.5% of contract for every day of delay, up to a maximum duration of 10 days. Thereafter, the contract may be terminated by UNDP without notice.
Evaluation Criteria [check as many as applicable]	 ☑ Technical responsiveness/Full compliance to requirements and lowest price¹Comprehensiveness of after-sales services ☑ Full acceptance of the PO/Contract General Terms and Conditions ☑ Acceptance of samples as per the technical specification ☐ Earliest Delivery / Shortest Lead Time ☐ Others
UNDP will award to:	☑ One and only one supplier☐ One or Multiple supplier based on outcome of evaluation.
Type of Contract to be Signed	☑ Purchase Order☐ Long-Term Agreement☐ Other Type/s of Contract –

¹ UNDP reserves the right not to award the contract to the lowest priced offer, if the second lowest price among the responsive offer is found to be significantly more superior, and the price is higher than the lowest priced compliant offer by not more than 10%, and the budget can sufficiently cover the price difference. The term "more superior" as used in this provision shall refer to offers that have exceeded the pre-determined requirements established in the specifications.

Special conditions of Contract Conditions for Release of Payment	 ☑ Cancellation of PO/Contract if the delivery/completion is delayed by 2 weeks ☑ Others; Advance payment of the vehicle can be provided, upon submission of bank guarantee for the full amount. ☑ Upon delivery inspection of the vehicle by Project ☐ Passing all Testing [specify standard, if possible] ☐ Completion of Training on Operation and Maintenance [specify no. of trainees, and location of training, if possible ☐ Others [pls. specify]
Annexes to this RFQ	 ☑ Terms of Reference (Annex 1) ☑ Price Schedule (Annex 2) ☑ General Terms and Conditions / Special Conditions (Annex 3) ☐ Others [pls. specify, if any] Non-acceptance of the terms of the General Terms and Conditions (GTC) shall be grounds for disqualification from this procurement process.
Contact Person for Inquiries (Written inquiries only)	Registry, UNDP Nepal UN House, Pulchowk, Lalitpur, Nepal Email: query.procurement.np@undp.org Written inquiries must be submitted mentioning RFQ Ref: UNDP/RFQ/02/2017 Re-Add (SM), on or before 17:00 Nepal Standard Time on 13 February 2017. UNDP shall upload the response of inquiries in the website by 14 February 2017 http://www.np.undp.org/content/nepal/en/home/operations/procu rement.html. Inquiries received after the above date and time shall not be entertained. Any delay in UNDP's response shall be not used as a reason for extending the deadline for submission, unless UNDP determines that such an extension is necessary and communicates a new deadline to the Proposers. UNDP shall have no obligation to respond nor can UNDP confirm that the query was officially received; When inquiries are sent with the different subject line even to the designated email address. When inquiries are sent to other person/s or address/es, even if they are UNDP staff. For queries for information already available in the bidding document.

Goods offered shall be reviewed based on completeness and compliance of the quotation with the minimum specifications described above and any other annexes providing details of UNDP requirements.

The quotation that complies with all of the specifications, requirements and offers the lowest price, as well as all other evaluation criteria indicated, shall be selected. Any offer that does not meet the requirements shall be rejected.

Any discrepancy between the unit price and the total price (obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity) shall be re-computed by UNDP. The unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected. If the supplier does not accept the final price based on UNDP's re-computation and correction of errors, its quotation will be rejected.

After UNDP has identified the lowest price offer, UNDP reserves the right to award the contract based only on the prices of the goods in the event that the transportation cost (freight and insurance) is found to be higher than UNDP's own estimated cost if sourced from its own freight forwarder and insurance provider.

At any time during the validity of the quotation, no price variation due to escalation, inflation, fluctuation in exchange rates, or any other market factors shall be accepted by UNDP after it has received the quotation. At the time of award of Contract or Purchase Order, UNDP reserves the right to vary (increase or decrease) the quantity of services and/or goods, by up to a maximum twenty-five per cent (25%) of the total offer, without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions.

Any Purchase Order that will be issued as a result of this RFQ shall be subject to the General Terms and Conditions attached hereto. The mere act of submission of a quotation implies that the vendor accepts without question the General Terms and Conditions of UNDP herein attached as Annex 3.

UNDP is not bound to accept any quotation, nor award a contract/Purchase Order, nor be responsible for any costs associated with a Supplier's preparation and submission of a quotation, regardless of the outcome or the manner of conducting the selection process.

Please be advised that UNDP's vendor protest procedure is intended to afford an opportunity to appeal for persons or firms not awarded a purchase order or contract in a competitive procurement process. In the event that you believe you have not been fairly treated, you can find detailed information about vendor protest procedures in the following link: http://www.undp.org/procurement/protest.shtml

UNDP encourages every prospective Vendor to avoid and prevent conflicts of interest, by disclosing to UNDP if you, or any of your affiliates or personnel, were involved in the preparation of the requirements, design, specifications, cost estimates, and other information used in this RFQ.

UNDP implements a zero tolerance on fraud and other proscribed practices, and is committed to identifying and addressing all such acts and practices against UNDP, as well as third parties involved in UNDP activities. UNDP expects its suppliers to adhere to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct found in this link: http://www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct_english.pdf

Thank you and we look forward to receiving your quotation.

Sincerely yours,

Deepak Shrestha, Procurement Analyst

February 8, 2017

Technical Specification of the Vehicle

2 Wheel Drive SUV Vehicle x 1 unit

Engine

Type 1.6 Ltr.

Displacement 1500-1600 CC

Minimum Power (ps/rpm) 123/6400

Minimum Torque (kg-m/rpm) 15.4/4,850

Brake

Front Brake Type Ventilated Disc Rear Brake type Drum Brakes

Steering Wheel

Steering Wheel Type Motor Power Assisted

Features:

Central Door Locking, Body Color Bumper, Automatic AC, Motor Driven (Electric) Power Steering, Front Power / Rear Power Windows, Touch Screen Audio -Video with Navigation system, Bluetooth, Steering Mounted Control with phone receiving facility, 2 Airbags, Automatic electric mirror, Tilt steering, Push Button Start with Smart Key and proximity sensors, Rear Ac Vents, Rear parking Sensors, Defogger and rear wiper, ABS with EBD. Alloy Wheel, Manual Transmission etc.

Detail Technical Specification of Two Wheel Drive SUV

S.N	Criteria	Requirement	Meets Specification
			(Yes/No)
1	General	 Four door, Right Hand Drive, Two Wheel Drive Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) Suitable to operate in rough and hilly road condition of Nepal. Gross vehicle weight not less than 1600 Kg. 	
2	Engine	 4 Strokes, 4 Cylinder, Petrol Engine. Engine Volume 1500 to 1600 cc. water cooled Engine, Developing maximum rated Power output not less than 120 ps at governed RPM. Minimum Torque (kg-m/rpm) 15.4/4,850 Shall be fully equipped with all accessories for efficient full load operation of the car. 	
3	Emission Standard	 The Emission standard of the vehicle should be capable of meeting applicable Nepal Vehicle EURO 3 Emission Standard which must be certified by Department of Transport Management Nepal. 	
4	Seat Capacity	The Vehicle shall have seating capacity of at least 5 passengers including driver.	

5	Clutch	Dry, single plate.
		Speedometer
		Water Temperature,
6 Gauges		Fuel, oil Pressure,
		Transmission gauge etc. necessary for the
		efficient operation and maintenance.
7	Transmission	 Manual Shift At least Five Forward and One reverse.
8	Tires	Radial and Tubeless tires.
9	Ground	Not less than190 mm.
	Clearance	
10	Suspension	Front: McPherson Strut with coil spring.
	Suspension	Rear: Coupled Torsion Beam Axle Coil Spring.
11	Brakes	Front: Disc Type, Rear: Drum type
11	Diakes	Anti-Breaking System (ABS) With EBD.
12	Steering	Power Steering.
		1. Centrally locking 4 side doors and 1 tail gate.
		2. All metallic cabs with insulated roof.
		3. Laminated/tinted glass
		4. Wind screen washers and wiper
13	Body/Cab	5. Comfortable and adjustable seats front driver
	,	and co-passenger
		 Multipurpose Storage Box 2 sun visors.
		8. Power/manual Side View Mirrors both sides.
		9. Rear view mirror.
14	Chassis & Frame	Steel, Heavy duty
	Chassis & Franc	Head light, tail and rear light, turn signals.
		Front
		Lamps.
		2. Electrically Adjustable ORVM.
		3. Cabins Lights.
		4. Speedometer/ odometer.
		5. 1 spare Wheel with tire and tube.
		6. Suitable Jack and handle.
	Essential	7. Seat belts for driver and co-driver.
	Accessories	8. Touch Screen Audio System with Radio
		MW/FM, AUX, USB, iPod. Audio & Bluetooth
		Controls on Steering Wheel.
		 Air Conditioning System with rear AC Vents Central locking with Keyless entry.
		11. Seat head rest on driver
		10. All Power window (Manufacture Fitted)
		11. Front Two Airbag.
		12. Rear parking Camera with Sensor
4.5	lm atat!	All Sign and instruction in the vehicle shall be in
15	Instruction	English.

16	Manuals	 One copy of the Operators and owner's instruction and maintenance manual in English.
17	Proven performance. 1. Manufacturing year should becurrent year Production. 2. The bidder shall provide the manufacturer's data about of the performance of the unit performance curve of the engine.	
18	Service & Warranty • Manufacturer shall provide a minimum one year's warranty after delivery • First four Free servicing after acceptance.	
19	• A set of tools as per required for general maintenance by the Purchaser.	
20	Color	White.
21	Delivery	 Supplier shall deliver the vehicle to the place of the Purchaser.

FORM FOR SUBMITTING SUPPLIER'S QUOTATION²

(This Form must be submitted only using the Supplier's Official Letterhead/Stationery³)

٧	Ve, the undersigned, hereby accept in full the UNDP General Term	ns and Conditions, and
hereby o	ffer to supply the items listed below in conformity with the specifica	tion and requirements
of UNDP	as per RFQ Reference No	_:

Deliverables and Sub-Components	(a)	(b)	(c)
	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total Cost (a+b)
2 Wheel Drive SUV Vehicle as per technical	1		
specification (Annex 1)			
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III. Other Related Costs			
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GRAND TOTAL PRICE			
in USD inclusive (CIP Kathmandu)			
IN WORDS			
Delivery Days			
Availability of Spare Parts in Nepal			
Please provide a list of commonly used spare	☐ Yes	□ No	
parts and their prices in local currency			
Availability of Service Centers in Nepal	☐ Yes	□ No	

² This serves as a guide to the Supplier in preparing the quotation and price schedule.

³ Official Letterhead/Stationery must indicate contact details – addresses, email, phone and fax numbers – for verification purposes

TABLE 2: Offer to Comply with Other Conditions and Related Requirements

Other Information pertaining to our	Your Responses		nses
Quotation are as follows :	Yes, we will comply	No, we cannot comply	If you cannot comply, pls. indicate counter proposal
Delivery Lead Time			
Estimated weight/volume/dimension of the Consignment:			
Country/ies Of Origin ⁴ :			
Warranty and After-Sales Requirements			
a) Minimum one (1) year warranty on both parts and labor			
Validity of Quotation			
All Provisions of the UNDP General Terms and Conditions			
Other requirements [pls. specify]			

All other information that we have not provided automatically implies our full compliance with the requirements, terms and conditions of the RFQ.

[Name and Signature of the Supplier's Authorized Person]
[Designation]
[Contact address, email address and mobile number]
[Stamp]
[Date]

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⁴ If the country of origin requires Export License for the goods being procured, or other relevant documents that the country of destination may require, the supplier must submit them to UNDP if awarded the PO/contract.

General Terms and Conditions

1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE PURCHASE ORDER

This Purchase Order may only be accepted by the Supplier's signing and returning an acknowledgement copy of it or by timely delivery of the goods in accordance with the terms of this Purchase Order, as herein specified. Acceptance of this Purchase Order shall effect a contract between the Parties under which the rights and obligations of the Parties shall be governed solely by the terms and conditions of this Purchase Order, including these General Conditions. No additional or inconsistent provisions proposed by the Supplier shall bind UNDP unless agreed to in writing by a duly authorized official of UNDP.

2. PAYMENT

- 2.1 UNDP shall, on fulfillment of the Delivery Terms, unless otherwise provided in this Purchase Order, make payment within 30 days of receipt of the Supplier's invoice for the goods and copies of the shipping documents specified in this Purchase Order.
- 2.2 Payment against the invoice referred to above will reflect any discount shown under the payment terms of this Purchase Order, provided payment is made within the period required by such payment terms.
- 2.3 Unless authorized by UNDP, the Supplier shall submit one invoice in respect of this Purchase Order, and such invoice must indicate the Purchase Order's identification number.
- 2.4 The prices shown in this Purchase Order may not be increased except by express written agreement of UNDP.

3. TAX EXEMPTION

- 3.1 Section 7 of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations provides, inter alia, that the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs, is exempt from all direct taxes, except charges for utilities services, and is exempt from customs duties and charges of a similar nature in respect of articles imported or exported for its official use. In the event any governmental authority refuses to recognize UNDP's exemption from such taxes, duties or charges, the Supplier shall immediately consult with UNDP to determine a mutually acceptable procedure.
 - 3.2 Accordingly, the Supplier authorizes UNDP to deduct from the Supplier's invoice any amount representing such taxes, duties or charges, unless the Supplier has consulted with UNDP before the payment thereof and UNDP has, in each instance, specifically authorized the Supplier to pay such taxes, duties or charges under protest. In that event, the Supplier shall provide UNDP with written evidence that payment of such taxes, duties or charges has been made and appropriately authorized.

4. RISK OF LOSS

Risk of loss, damage to or destruction of the goods shall be governed in accordance with Incoterms 2010, unless otherwise agreed upon by the Parties on the front side of this Purchase Order.

5. EXPORT LICENCES

Notwithstanding any INCOTERM 2010 used in this Purchase Order, the Supplier shall obtain any export licences required for the goods.

6. FITNESS OF GOODS/PACKAGING

The Supplier warrants that the goods, including packaging, conform to the specifications for the goods ordered under this Purchase Order and are fit for the purposes for which such goods are ordinarily used and for purposes

expressly made known to the Supplier by UNDP, and are free from defects in workmanship and materials. The Supplier also warrants that the goods are contained or packaged adequately to protect the goods.

7. INSPECTION

- 7.1 UNDP shall have a reasonable time after delivery of the goods to inspect them and to reject and refuse acceptance of goods not conforming to this Purchase Order; payment for goods pursuant to this Purchase Order shall not be deemed an acceptance of the goods.
- 7.2 Inspection prior to shipment does not relieve the Supplier from any of its contractual obligations.

8. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT

The Supplier warrants that the use or supply by UNDP of the goods sold under this Purchase Order does not infringe any patent, design, trade-name or trade-mark. In addition, the Supplier shall, pursuant to this warranty, indemnify, defend and hold UNDP and the United Nations harmless from any actions or claims brought against UNDP or the United Nations pertaining to the alleged infringement of a patent, design, trade-name or trade-mark arising in connection with the goods sold under this Purchase Order.

9. RIGHTS OF UNDP

In case of failure by the Supplier to fulfil its obligations under the terms and conditions of this Purchase Order, including but not limited to failure to obtain necessary export licences, or to make delivery of all or part of the goods by the agreed delivery date or dates, UNDP may, after giving the Supplier reasonable notice to perform and without prejudice to any other rights or remedies, exercise one or more of the following rights:

- 9.1 Procure all or part of the goods from other sources, in which event UNDP may hold the Supplier responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- 9.2 Refuse to accept delivery of all or part of the goods.
- 9.3 Cancel this Purchase Order without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

10. LATE DELIVERY

Without limiting any other rights or obligations of the parties hereunder, if the Supplier will be unable to deliver the goods by the delivery date(s) stipulated in this Purchase Order, the Supplier shall (i) immediately consult with UNDP to determine the most expeditious means for delivering the goods and (ii) use an expedited means of delivery, at the Supplier's cost (unless the delay is due to <u>Force Majeure</u>), if reasonably so requested by UNDP.

11. ASSIGNMENT AND INSOLVENCY

- 11.1. The Supplier shall not, except after obtaining the written consent of UNDP, assign, transfer, pledge or make other disposition of this Purchase Order, or any part thereof, or any of the Supplier's rights or obligations under this Purchase Order.
- 11.2. Should the Supplier become insolvent or should control of the Supplier change by virtue of insolvency, UNDP may, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies, immediately terminate this Purchase Order by giving the Supplier written notice of termination.

12. USE OF UNDP OR UNITED NATIONS NAME OR EMBLEM

The Supplier shall not use the name, emblem or official seal of UNDP or the United Nations for any purpose.

13. PROHIBITION ON ADVERTISING

The Supplier shall not advertise or otherwise make public that it is furnishing goods or services to UNDP without specific permission of UNDP in each instance.

14. CHILD LABOUR

The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates is engaged in any practice inconsistent with the rights set forth in the Convention on the Rights of the Child, including Article 32 thereof, which, inter alia, requires that a child shall be protected from performing any work that is likely to be hazardous or to interfere with the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health or physical, mental, spiritual, moral or social development.

Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

15. MINES

The Supplier represents and warrants that neither it nor any of its affiliates is actively and directly engaged in patent activities, development, assembly, production, trade or manufacture of mines or in such activities in respect of components primarily utilized in the manufacture of Mines. The term "Mines" means those devices defined in Article 2, Paragraphs 1, 4 and 5 of Protocol II annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions and Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects of 1980.

Any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate this Purchase Order immediately upon notice to the Supplier, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind of UNDP.

16. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

- **16.1 Amicable Settlement.** The Parties shall use their best efforts to settle amicably any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of, or relating to this Purchase Order or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof. Where the Parties wish to seek such an amicable settlement through conciliation, the conciliation shall take place in accordance with the UNCITRAL Conciliation Rules then obtaining, or according to such other procedure as may be agreed between the Parties.
- 16.2 Arbitration. Unless, any such dispute, controversy or claim between the Parties arising out of or relating to this Purchase Order or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof is settled amicably under the preceding paragraph of this Section within sixty (60) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's request for such amicable settlement, such dispute, controversy or claim shall be referred by either Party to arbitration in accordance with the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules then obtaining, including its provisions on applicable law. The arbitral tribunal shall have no authority to award punitive damages. The Parties shall be bound by any arbitration award rendered as a result of such arbitration as the final adjudication of any such controversy, claim or dispute.

17. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

Nothing in or related to these General Terms and Conditions or this Purchase Order shall be deemed a waiver of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs.

18. SEXUAL EXPLOITATION:

18.1 The Contractor shall take all appropriate measures to prevent sexual exploitation or abuse of anyone by it or by any of its employees or any other persons who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract. For these purposes, sexual activity with any person less than eighteen years of age, regardless of any laws relating to consent, shall constitute the sexual exploitation and abuse of such person. In addition, the Contractor shall refrain from, and shall take all appropriate measures to prohibit its employees or other persons engaged by it from, exchanging any money, goods,

services, offers of employment or other things of value, for sexual favors or activities, or from engaging in any sexual activities that are exploitive or degrading to any person. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the provisions hereof constitute an essential term of the Contract and that any breach of this representation and warranty shall entitle UNDP to terminate the Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind.

18.2 UNDP shall not apply the foregoing standard relating to age in any case in which the Contractor's personnel or any other person who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract is married to the person less than the age of eighteen years with whom sexual activity has occurred and in which such marriage is recognized as valid under the laws of the country of citizenship of such Contractor's personnel or such other person who may be engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract.

19.0 OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT:

The Contractor warrants that no official of UNDP or the United Nations has received or will be offered by the Contractor any direct or indirect benefit arising from this Contract or the award thereof. The Contractor agrees that breach of this provision is a breach of an essential term of this Contract.

20. AUTHORITY TO MODIFY:

Pursuant to the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP, only the UNDP Authorized Official possess the authority to agree on behalf of UNDP to any modification of or change in this Agreement, to a waiver of any of its provisions or to any additional contractual relationship of any kind with the Contractor. Accordingly, no modification or change in this Contract shall be valid and enforceable against UNDP unless provided by an amendment to this Agreement signed by the Contractor and jointly by the UNDP Authorized Official.