

Clarification Questions and Answers (#1)

Invitation to Bid: (ITB/2019/MWI10/002)

Rehabilitation of Post Offices in Malawi

Q1. ceiling boards - what type (Nulite or celotex)?

A1. The ceiling boards to be fixed shall match the existing and therefore the bidder should visit the site to ascertain for himself the type of materials.

Q2. Fumigation - please provide us with floor areas of the buildings to be fumigated

A2. The entire building is to be fumigated hence measured as an item and the bidder should visit the site to ascertain the areas of the building.

Q3. Cubicle dry wall and glass - please provide as with a sketch as we do not know how the cubicle is shaped (Limbe)

A3. Overall dimensions of the cubicle drywall and glass is given in the Bills of Quantities, and there are standard drywall partitions in the market and therefore the bidder should provide shop drawings with his tender

Q4. Hoarding in preliminaries - are we expected to provide hoarding when working?

A4. Yes, as a matter of proper site operations temporary hoarding is expected to be provided when working for 'protection of general public and the occupants of adjacent premises and for meeting the requirements of national and local regulations'

Q5. Plywood - there is no thickness indicated (Mayani)

A5. The thickness should match the existing on the counters and bidder should visit site to ascertain for himself the type and thickness of materials to be used.

Q6. Blockboards - please specify what we are going to do to the blockboards (Nkanda)

A6. Existing blockboards are to be replaced so the contractor shall supply and fix new ones to match the existing and therefore the bidder should visit the site to ascertain for himself the type of material to be used.

Q7. Cistern - is it ceramic or plastic (Dwangwa)

A7. Existing cisterns are to be replaced and bidder should visit site to ascertain for himself the type of material to be used.

Q8. As the condition of the tender you advertised that your organization would conduct a pre-bid meeting unfortunately we got lost on our way to your offices so that we could attend the meeting but we arrived late as the meeting was about to end.

A8. Sorry to hear that you could not join the meeting in time. The pre-bid meeting minutes and other documents related to ITB will be uploaded in the advertisement website tomorrow. Please check via the link <https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice/91528>

Or http://procurement-notice.undp.org/view_notice.cfm?notice_id=56240

Q9. We would like to know on the submission of the bid how many copies should we submit and on the bid submission form how are we going to fill it as the project consists 3 different lots.

A9. One copy is fine for bid submission. The ITB consists of 3 Lots, but bidder could submit any lot. The technical and financial bid forms are separate for each Lot. Bidder has to select the appropriate forms depend on the submission. The rest submission forms are mandatory to be submitted, except JV form. The JV form is required for the submission with Joint Venture.

Q10. The other thing we want clarification its on the CV format you have provided should we use it for all the personnel that would be involved in the project.

A10. The CV is required for the focal person (assigned engineer). One focal for one Lot only.

Q11: And on the Quality Assurance procedure and Risk Mitigation measure our company has what it's called a Method Statement that highlights all that and would it be okay to attach it in our bid document.

A11. Yes.

Q12. what you mean by 2pack roof seal and door protector (is it supplying and fixing door bulgar bars)? And on ceiling boards what kind of ceiling boards should we replace?

A12. Bidder should not read part of a sentence but rather the whole description of the item to get the full context. A typical description in the BoQs reads 'Roof sealing of 175m2 with 2 pack roof sealing compound on every nail cup/head'. 2 pack is a trades name for an asphalt-based roof sealing compound and therefore should not be read in part. The bidder is required to supply and apply the compound on every nail cup/head in accordance with manufacturer's printed instructions and the objective is seal the whole roof against leaks from rainwater.

The door protectors should be made of tube bars (steel - the sizes of the tubes were indicated on the BOQ's). sometimes are referred to bar protectors

Celling boards can either be 'Nulite' or 'Celotex' but the bidder should visit site to ascertain the actual material as he is required to supply and fix new ceiling boards to match the existing.

Q13. LED Bulbs there's 100watts, 20 watts, 60watts. Can you clarify how many watts are you referring to in your LED bulbs

A13. Preferably 100 watts.

Q14. Clarification on Door protector 220cmx90cm

A14. These are bar protectors, made of steel tubes. The size of the tubes was indicated on the BOQ's. they are more like trellidors just that these are locally made by welders.

Q15. Clarification on Window protector 150cmx70cm

A15. same as above. Just that the spaces in between should be very close to prevent access of entry.

Q16. What protectors are you referring to?

A16. Just like trellidors only that these would be locally made as stated above.