



**THE ROAD DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (ZAMBIA)**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)**

**(CONSULTANCY SERVICES)**

**Great North Road (T2) Upgrade Project, Zambia**

**Project No. RDA/CS/OIS/003/24**

**CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION OF THE  
REHABILITATION OF 161.5KM OF THE GREAT NORTH ROAD (T2) - FROM MPIKA  
TO CHINSALI IN MUCHINGA PROVINCE OF ZAMBIA**

**CLARIFICATION No. 2 to the Request for Proposals**

Find herewith the responses to the queries raised on the Request for Proposal for the above tender.

Prospective Bidders are also informed that as per Addendum No. 1 (<http://www.rda.org.zm/>) the deadline for submission of proposals has been changed from 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 10:30 hours (Zambian local Time) to **5<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 10:30 hours (Zambian local Time)**.

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Query</b>	<b>Amendments/Clarifications to RFP</b>
1.	<p>Bidders enquired as follows: Dear Sir,</p> <p>We kindly ask you to clarify the following point: In Section 7. Terms of Reference xii. Road Safety Specialist (1 for both lots) page 142, it is indicated that the specialist will conduct a safety star rating on the existing road (pre-construction) another rating will be conducted in the final design and a Safer Road Investment Plan will be elaborated after completion.</p> <p>Please clarify if the Safer Road Investment Plan is one of the deliverables to be elaborated by the Engineer and if yes please provide the requirements of the same.</p>	<p>Bidders are hereby informed as follows:</p> <p>As stated in the RFP, the Road Safety Specialist will be responsible for conducting a road safety star rating in line with the International Road Assessment Programme (iRAP) protocol and any reports shall be in line with these protocols. The “Safer Road Investment Plan” is not one of the deliverables to be elaborated by the Engineer and or to be submitted by the Consultant. However, the reports submitted should be in line with these requirements.</p>
2.	<p>Bidders enquired as follows: Dear Sir, with reference to the above-mentioned project, we kindly ask you to clarify the following point:</p> <p>Directive to the Engineer tasks under TOR’s page 152, include deep review of geometric design and hydrological/hydraulic design.</p>	<p>Bidders are hereby informed as follows:</p> <p>The Directive to the Engineer tasks under TOR’s page 152, does not refer to “deep review of geometric design and hydrological/hydraulic design”.</p> <p>The inputs under the Inception Phase are not planned to be carried out within the first 4 weeks. The submission of the Inception Report for the Works Tender and Pre-Mobilisation Phase (Inception Phase) is required four (4)</p>



	<p>Please clarify if that task is supposed to be performed during the 3 months Inception stage. Moreover, please clarify who amongst the experts, is supposed to perform the hydrological/hydraulic design review.</p> <p>TOR's 18. Reporting a) Inception Report for works tender and pre-mobilization phase (Inception phase) on page 129 states that the Inception report shall be submitted after 4 weeks from contract's signing and that this will provide details of the review of the bidding documents, details of tender process including queries, clarification, tender opening, evaluation of tender and recommendation to EIB, and comments and recommendation on successful contractor's methodology on mobilization plant equipment and staff. Moreover, in TOR's page 134 it is stated that the services provided at the Inception stage will be paid as Lump Sum. Our first comment is that it seems unrealistic that all the above tasks can be carried out within the first 4 weeks. Moreover, given that the only deliverable envisaged during this stage is the Inception report, it is not clear what tasks will be performed during the remaining 2 months of this phase also considering that Inception stage services are meant to be fully paid after the Inception report submission.</p> <p>Please clarify.</p>	<p>weeks after the finalization of Contract signing with the Contractor(s)</p> <p>The tasks to be performed during this Inception Phase are detailed in the five milestones, on Page 109 and 110 of the RFP.</p> <p>The Inception Phase is 3 months in duration and the timelines for the deliverables for the Directive to the Engineer is clearly stipulated on Pg 149, which is actually spread out over 6 months.</p> <p>This query has already been mostly answered in the Clarification No. 1 (<a href="http://www.rda.org.zm/">http://www.rda.org.zm/</a> ).</p> <p>Bidders are further advised to understand the difference between the "Inception Report for Works Tender and Pre-Mobilisation Phase (Inception Phase)", and the "Inception Report for Works Phase", and the inputs for each, as clearly indicated in the TOR item 4. 18.</p>
3.	Access to responses to queries and or any Addenda.	<p>Bidders are informed that access to responses to queries are available at the Client's address or website: (<a href="http://www.rda.org.zm/">http://www.rda.org.zm/</a> ).</p> <p>Note the deadline for queries is fourteen (14) days prior to the submission deadline as per of Section 2. Instructions to Consultants (ITC). Clause 13.1.</p>

Kindly note that all conditions of the RFP remains the same.

Yours Faithfully,



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