PHILIPPINE BIDDING DOCUMENTS

SERVICES OF AN I.C.T. COMPANY TO PROVIDE AN INTEGRATED WEB-BASED SOLUTION FOR PROCUREMENT AND ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (PAMS) (PART I)



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Preface

These Philippine Bidding Documents (PBDs) for the procurement of Consulting Services through Competitive Bidding have been prepared by the Government of the Philippines (GoP) for use by all branches, agencies, departments, bureaus, offices, or instrumentalities of the Government, including government-owned and/or -controlled corporations (GOCCs), government financial institutions (GFIs), state universities and colleges (SUCs), local government units (LGUs), and autonomous regional government. The procedures and practices presented in this document have been developed through broad experience, and are for mandatory use in projects that are financed in whole or in part by the GoP or the World Bank or any foreign government/foreign or international financing institution in accordance with the provisions of the 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act 9184 (R.A. 9184).

The Bidding Documents shall clearly and adequately define, among others: (a) the objectives, scope, and expected outputs and/or results of the proposed contract; (b) the minimum eligibility requirements of bidders, such as track record to be determined by the Head of the Procuring Entity; (c) the expected contract duration, delivery schedule and/or time frame; and (d) the obligations, duties, and/or functions of the winning bidder.

In order to simplify the preparation of the Bidding Documents for each procurement, the PBDs groups the provisions that are intended to be used unchanged in Section II. Eligibility Documents of Part I; and Section II. Instructions to Bidders (ITB) and Section IV. General Conditions of Contract (GCC) of Part II. Data and provisions specific to each procurement and contract should be included in Section III. Eligibility Data Sheet (EDS) of Part I, Section III. Bid Data Sheet (BDS), and Section V. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) of Part II. The forms to be used are provided in the attachments.

Care should be taken to check the relevance of the provisions of the Bidding Documents against the requirements of the specific Consulting Services to be procured. The following general directions should be observed when using the documents:

- (a) All the documents listed in the Table of Contents are normally required for the procurement of Consulting Services. However, they should be adapted as necessary to the circumstances of the particular Project.
- (b) These PBDs are divided into Part I and Part II, which shall be both made available from the time the Request for Expression of Interest is first advertised/posted until the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids
- (c) Specific details, such as the "name of the Procuring Entity" and "address for proposal submission," should be furnished in the EDS, BDS, and SCC. The final documents should contain neither blank spaces nor options.
- (d) This Preface and the footnotes or notes in italics included in the Request for Expression of Interest, EDS, BDS, SCC, Terms of Reference, and Appendices are not part of the text of the final document, although they contain instructions that the Procuring Entity should strictly follow. The Bidding

- Documents should contain no footnotes except Section VII. Bidding Forms of Part II since these provide important guidance to Bidders.
- (e) The criteria for evaluation and the various methods of evaluation in the ITB should be carefully reviewed. Only those that are selected to be used for the procurement in question should be retained and expanded, as required in the BDS. The criteria that are not applicable should be deleted from the BDS.
- (f) The cover should be modified as required to identify the Bidding Documents as to the names of the Project, Contract, and Procuring Entity, in addition to date of issue.
- (g) If modifications must be made to bidding procedures, they can be presented in the BDS. Modifications for specific Project or Contract should be provided in the SCC as amendments to the Conditions of Contract. For easy completion, whenever reference has to be made to specific clauses in the EDS, BDS, or SCC these terms shall be printed in bold type face on Section II. Eligibility Documents, Section I. Instructions to Bidders, and Section III. General Conditions of Contract, respectively.

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Section I. Request for Expression of Interest

Notes on Request for Expression of Interest

The Request for Expression of Interest provides information that enables potential Bidders to decide whether to participate in the procurement at hand. The Request for Expression of Interest shall be:

- (a) Posted continuously in the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) website and the website of the Procuring Entity concerned, if available, and the website prescribed by the foreign government/foreign or international financing institution, if applicable, seven (7) calendar days starting on the date of advertisement; and
- (b) Posted at any conspicuous place reserved for this purpose in the premises of the Procuring Entity concerned for seven (7) calendar days, as certified by the head of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) Secretariat of the Procuring Entity concerned.
- (c) Advertised at least once in a newspaper of general nationwide circulation which has been regularly published for at least two (2) years before the date of issue of the advertisement, subject to Sections 21.2.1(c) of the IRR of R.A. 9184¹;

Apart from the essential items listed in the Bidding Documents, the Request for Expression of Interest should also indicate the following:

- (a) The date of availability of the Bidding Documents, the place where it may be secured and the deadline for submission of the Expression of Interest (EOI) together with the application for eligibility;
- (b) The set of criteria and rating system for short listing of prospective bidders to be used for the particular contract to be Bid, which shall consider the following, among others:
 - (i) Applicable experience of the consultant and members in case of joint ventures, considering both the overall experiences of the firms or, in the case of new firms, the individual experiences of the principal and key staff,

in a newspaper of general nationwide circulation.

¹ Two years after effectivity of the 2016 Revised IRR of RA 9184 on **28 October 2016**, advertisement in a newspaper of general nationwide circulation shall no longer be required. However, a Procuring Entity that cannot post its opportunities in the PhilGEPS for justifiable reasons shall continue to publish its advertisements

including the times when employed by other consultants;

- (ii) Qualification of personnel who may be assigned to the job vis-à-vis extent and complexity of the undertaking; and
- (iii) Current workload relative to capacity;
- (c) The number of consultants to be short listed and the procedure to be used in the evaluation of Bids of short listed consultants, *i.e.*, QBE or QCBE; and if QCBE, the weights to be allocated for Technical and Financial Proposals; and
- (d) The contract duration.

In the case of WB funded projects, the Request for Expression of Interest shall be sent to all who have expressed an interest in undertaking the services as a result of any General Procurement Notice issued. In addition, it shall also be sent to all heads of associations of consultants within the area where the project will be undertaken.

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR (REI NO. 2021 – 012)

Services of an I.C.T. Company to provide an integrated web-based solution for Procurement and Asset Management System (PAMS)

- 1. The Tourism Promotions Board, through the 2021 Approved Corporate Operating Budget² intends to apply the sum of Nine Million Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos Only (PhP9,800,000.00) being the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) to payments under the contract for REI No. 2021 012: Services of an I.C.T. Company to provide an integrated web-based solution for Procurement and Asset Management System (PAMS). Bids received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected at the opening of the financial proposals.
- 2. The Tourism Promotions Board now calls for the submission of eligibility documents for Services of an I.C.T. Company to provide an integrated web-based solution for Procurement and Asset Management System (PAMS)³. Eligibility documents of interested consultants must be duly received by the BAC Secretariat on or before 14 May 2021 at 09:30 A.M., sent to bac sec@tpb.gov.ph. The opening of the eligibility documents is on 14 May 2021 via Zoom virtual platform. Applications for eligibility will be evaluated based on a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from the BAC Secretariat of the Tourism Promotions Board through emails bac_sec@tpb.gov.ph and/or farhan_ambiong@tpb.gov.ph and inspect the Bidding Documents during office hours from 08:00 A.M. 05:00 P.M.
- 4. A complete set of Bidding Documents may be acquired by interested Bidders on 4 May 1 June 2021, send your request to bac_sec@tpb.gov.ph and/or farhan_ambiong@tpb.gov.ph and upon payment of the applicable fee for the Bidding Documents, pursuant to the latest Guidelines issued by the GPPB, in the amount of Ten Thousand Pesos Only (PhP10,000.00).

It may also be downloaded free of charge from the website of the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS) and the website of the Procuring Entity, provided that Bidders shall pay the applicable fee for the Bidding Documents not later than the submission of their bids.

³ A brief description of the terms of reference of the Consulting Service should be provided, including outputs/deliverables, location of project, and other information necessary to enable potential bidders to decide whether or not to respond to the invitation.

² In the case of National Government Agencies, the General Appropriations Act and/or continuing appropriations; in the case of GOCCs, GFIs, and SUCs, the Corporate Budget for the contract approved by the governing Boards; in the case of LGUs, the Budget for the contract approved by the respective Sanggunian. (Section 5(a), R.A. 9184)

- 5. The BAC shall draw up the short list of consultants from those who have submitted Expression of Interest, including the eligibility documents, and have been determined as eligible in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act 9184 (RA 9184), otherwise known as the "Government Procurement Reform Act", and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR). The short list shall consist of *five (5)* 4 *prospective bidders* who will be entitled to submit bids.
- 6. The criteria and rating system for short listing are:

	PARTICULARS	RATING
l. /	APPLICABLE EXPERIENCE OF THE FIRM	50%
A.	Must be duly-registered with the SEC for at least ten (10) years in	20%
	the ICT business	
	With more than 10 years of experience (20%)	
	With 10 years of experience (15%)	
	With less than 10 years of experience (0% - disqualified)	
B.	Directly employing programmers/ developers and database	5%
	administrators	
C.	Must have implemented within the past ten (10) years a similar	25%
	program/solution used by at least 3 government offices / entity	
	which should be verifiable by the TPB	
	Have implemented more than 3 similar government projects	
	with at least one (1) GOCC – (25%)	
	Have implemented more than 3 similar government projects	
	– (20%)	
	Have implemented 3 similar government projects and similar	
	projects for private companies – (15%)	
	Have implemented 3 similar government projects – (10%)	
II. Q	UALIFICATION OF PERSONNEL WHO MAY BE ASSIGNED TO THE JOB	40%
Note	: Bidder to submit CV using TPF 6 Form which need not be notarized	
	Project Manager has more than five (5) years of technical	
	experience in the ICT industry and the two (2) analysts and	
	two (2) programmers have more than three (3) years of	
	technical experience in the ICT industry – (40%)	
	Project Manager has exactly five (5) years of technical	
	experience in the ICT industry and/or the two (2) analysts	
	and two (2) programmers <u>have exactly or more than three</u>	
	(3) years of technical experience in the ICT industry –(35%)	
	Project Manager has exactly five (5) years of technical	
	experience in the ICT industry and/or the two (2) analysts	
	and two (2) programmers have exactly three (3) years of	
	technical experience in the ICT industry – (30%)	
III. C	URRENT WORKLOAD RELATIVE TO CAPACITY	10%

⁴ For World Bank financed contract, the short list should be six (6) Consultants.

	TOTAL	100%
	With more than one ongoing projects for every 5 direct employees – (5%)	
	With a ratio of 1:5 ongoing project vs direct employees or better – (10%)	

Criteria	Percentage Weight
Total	100%
Factor Rating	
Applicable Experience of the Firm	* (.50) =
Qualification of Personnel who may be assigned to the job	* (.40) =
Current Workload relative to Capacity	* (.10) =

Passing Rate: 80%

Shortlisted bidders may be invited to present their Plan, Approach and Methodology for the Project. Each bidder is given a **30 minutes** to present excluding the Question and Answer stage.

- 7. Bidding will be conducted through open competitive bidding procedures using non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion as specified in the IRR of RA 9184.
 - Bidding is restricted to Filipino citizens/sole proprietorships, cooperatives, and partnerships or organizations with at least sixty percent (60%) interest or outstanding capital stock belonging to citizens of the Philippines.
- 8. The Procuring Entity shall evaluate bids using the **Quality Cost Based Evaluation/Selection (QCBE/QCBS)**. The **Tourism Promotions Board** shall indicate the weights to be allocated for the Technical and Financial Proposals]. The criteria and rating system for the evaluation of bids shall be provided in the Instructions to Bidders.
- 9. The contract shall be completed on the below provided **Schedule of Requirements to commence from the date of acceptance and receipt of the approved Notice to Proceed (NTP)**, with details as follows:

Accomplishments	Percentage Weight 100%
Upon submission to and approval of TPB of the Project Implementation Plan	15%
Upon submission to and approval of TPB of the System Analysis and Design Document (including flow charts, wireframes, all forms/output reports, requirements traceability matrix, etc.	25%
Upon Completion of Development and Turn-Over for System Testing, and sign-off of User Acceptance Testing	40%

Upon System GO-LIVE, submission of source code, completion	10%
of user training and Project Sign-Off	
Retention up to end of warranty	10%

- 10. The *Tourism Promotions Board* reserves the right to reject any and all bids, declare a failure of bidding, or not award the contract at any time prior to contract award in accordance with Section 41 of RA 9184 and its IRR, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders.
- 11. For further information, please refer to:

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BAC Secretariat, Tourism Promotions Board
4th Floor Legaspi Towers 300, Roxas Boulevard, Manila
Tel. No. (8) 525-9318 local 268
E-mail: bac sec@tpb.gov.ph/farhan ambiong@tpb.gov.ph

12. As may visit the *Tourism Promotions Board (TPB)* and other websites:

For downloading of Bidding Documents: <u>www.tpb.gov.ph</u>. For the actual posting of the requirement: <u>www.philgeps.gov.ph</u>.

4 May 2021

(Sgd.)

ATTY. VENANCIO C. MANUEL III

Chairperson

Bids and Awards Committee

Section II. Eligibility Documents

Notes on the Eligibility Documents

This Section provides the information necessary for prospective bidders to prepare responsive Eligibility Documents in accordance with the requirement of the Procuring Entity.

The provisions contained in this Section are to be used unchanged. Additional information or requirements specific to each procurement shall be specified in the EDS.

1. Eligibility Criteria

- 1.1. The following persons/entities shall be allowed to participate in the bidding for Consulting Services:
 - (a) Duly licensed Filipino citizens/sole proprietorships;
 - (b) Partnerships duly organized under the laws of the Philippines and of which at least sixty percent (60%) of the interest belongs to citizens of the Philippines;
 - (c) Corporations duly organized under the laws of the Philippines and of which at least sixty percent (60%) of the outstanding capital stock belongs to citizens of the Philippines;
 - (d) Cooperatives duly organized under the laws of the Philippines; or
 - (e) Persons/entities forming themselves into a joint venture, *i.e.*, a group of two (2) or more persons/entities that intend to be jointly and severally responsible or liable for a particular contract: Provided, however, That Filipino ownership or interest thereof shall be at least sixty percent (60%). For this purpose, Filipino ownership or interest shall be based on the contributions of each of the members of the joint venture as specified in their JVA.
- 1.2. When the types and fields of Consulting Services involve the practice of professions regulated by law, those who will actually perform the services shall be Filipino citizens and registered professionals authorized by the appropriate regulatory body to practice those professions and allied professions specified in the EDS.
- 1.3. If the Request for Expression of Interest allows participation of foreign consultants, prospective foreign bidders may be eligible subject to the conditions stated in the EDS.
- 1.4. Government owned or -controlled corporations (GOCCs) may be eligible to participate only if they can establish that they (a) are legally and financially autonomous, (b) operate under commercial law, and (c) are not attached agencies of the Procuring Entity.

2. Eligibility Requirements

- 2.1. The following eligibility requirements, together with the Eligibility Documents Submission Form, shall be submitted on or before the date of the eligibility check specified in the Request for Expression of Interest and Clause 5 for purposes of determining eligibility of prospective bidders:
 - (a) Class "A" Documents –

Legal Documents

(i) PhilGEPS Certificate of Registration and Membership in accordance with Section 8.5.2 of the IRR, except for foreign bidders participating in the procurement by a Philippine Foreign Service Office or Post, which shall submit their eligibility documents under Section 24.1 of the IRR, provided, that the winning Consultant shall register with PhilGEPS in accordance with Section 37.1.4 of the IRR:

Technical Documents

- (ii) Statement of the prospective bidder of all its ongoing and completed government and private contracts, including contracts awarded but not yet started, if any, whether similar or not similar in nature and complexity to the contract to be bid, within the relevant period provided in the EDS. The statement shall include, for each contract, the following:
 - (ii.1) the name and location of the contract;
 - (ii.2) date of award of the contract;
 - (ii.3) type and brief description of consulting services;
 - (ii.4) consultant's role (whether main consultant, subconsultant, or partner in a JV)
 - (ii.5) amount of contract;
 - (ii.6) contract duration; and
 - (ii.7) certificate of satisfactory completion or equivalent document specified in the <u>EDS</u> issued by the client, in the case of a completed contract;
- (iii) Statement of the consultant specifying its nationality and confirming that those who will actually perform the service are registered professionals authorized by the appropriate regulatory body to practice those professions and allied professions in accordance with Clause 1.2, including their respective curriculum vitae.
- (b) Class "B" Document -

If applicable, the Joint Venture Agreement (JVA) in case the joint venture is already in existence, or duly notarized statements from all the potential joint venture partners in accordance with Section 24.1(b) of the IRR of RA 9184.

- 2.2. The eligibility requirements or statements, the bids, and all other documents to be submitted to the BAC must be in English. If the eligibility requirements or statements, the bids, and all other documents submitted to the BAC are in foreign language other than English, it must be accompanied by a translation of the documents in English. The documents shall be translated by the relevant foreign government agency, the foreign government agency authorized to translate documents, or a registered translator in the foreign bidder's country; and shall be authenticated by the appropriate Philippine foreign service establishment/post or the equivalent office having jurisdiction over the foreign bidder's affairs in the Philippines. The English translation shall govern, for purposes of interpretation of the bid.
- 2.3. Prospective bidders may obtain a full range of expertise by associating with individual consultant(s) and/or other consultants or entities through a JV or subcontracting arrangements, as appropriate. However, subconsultants may only participate in the bid of one short listed consultant. Foreign Consultants shall seek the participation of Filipino Consultants by entering into a JV with, or subcontracting part of the project to, Filipino Consultants.

3. Format and Signing of Eligibility Documents

- 3.1. Prospective bidders shall submit their eligibility documents through their duly authorized representative on or before the deadline specified in Clause 5.
- 3.2. Prospective bidders shall prepare an original and copies of the eligibility documents. In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
- 3.3. The Eligibility Documents Submission Form shall be signed by the duly authorized representative/s of the Bidder. Failure to do so shall be a ground for the rejection of the eligibility documents.
- 3.4. Any interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialed by the duly authorized representative/s of the prospective bidder.

4. Sealing and Marking of Eligibility Documents

4.1. Prospective bidders shall enclose their original eligibility documents described in Clause 2.1, in a sealed envelope marked "ORIGINAL – ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTS". Each copy thereof shall be similarly sealed duly marking the envelopes as "COPY NO. ____ - ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTS". These envelopes containing the original and the copies shall then be enclosed in one single envelope.

4.2. The original and the number of copies of the eligibility documents as indicated in the <u>EDS</u> shall be typed or written in ink and shall be signed by the prospective bidder or its duly authorized representative/s.

4.3. All envelopes shall:

- (c) contain the name of the contract to be bid in capital letters;
- (d) bear the name and address of the prospective bidder in capital letters;
- (e) be addressed to the Procuring Entity's BAC specified in the EDS;
- (f) bear the specific identification of this Project indicated in the $\overline{\text{EDS}}$; and
- (g) bear a warning "DO NOT OPEN BEFORE..." the date and time for the opening of eligibility documents, in accordance with Clause 5.
- 4.4 Eligibility documents that are not properly sealed and marked, as required in the bidding documents, shall not be rejected, but the bidder or its duly authorized representative shall acknowledge such condition of the documents as submitted. The BAC shall assume no responsibility for the misplacement of the contents of the improperly sealed or marked eligibility documents, or for its premature opening.

5. Deadline for Submission of Eligibility Documents

Eligibility documents must be received by the Procuring Entity's BAC at the address and on or before the date and time indicated in the Request for Expression of Interest and the EDS.

6. Late Submission of Eligibility Documents

Any eligibility documents submitted after the deadline for submission and receipt prescribed in Clause 0 shall be declared "Late" and shall not be accepted by the Procuring Entity. The BAC shall record in the minutes of submission and opening of eligibility documents, the Bidder's name, its representative and the time the eligibility documents were submitted late.

7. Modification and Withdrawal of Eligibility Documents

7.1. The prospective bidder may modify its eligibility documents after it has been submitted; provided that the modification is received by the Procuring Entity prior to the deadline specified in Clause 5. The prospective bidder shall not be allowed to retrieve its original eligibility documents, but shall be allowed to submit another set equally sealed, properly identified, linked to its original bid marked as "ELIGIBILITY MODIFICATION" and stamped "received" by the BAC. Modifications received after the applicable deadline

shall not be considered and shall be returned to the prospective bidder unopened.

- 7.2. A prospective bidder may, through a letter of withdrawal, withdraw its eligibility documents after it has been submitted, for valid and justifiable reason; provided that the letter of withdrawal is received by the Procuring Entity prior to the deadline prescribed for submission and receipt of eligibility documents.
- 7.3. Eligibility documents requested to be withdrawn in accordance with this Clause shall be returned unopened to the prospective bidder concerned. A prospective bidder that withdraws its eligibility documents shall not be permitted to submit another set, directly or indirectly, for the same project. A prospective bidder that acquired the eligibility documents may also express its intention not to participate in the bidding through a letter which should reach and be stamped by the BAC before the deadline for submission and receipt of eligibility documents.

8. Opening and Preliminary Examination of Eligibility Documents

8.1. The BAC will open the envelopes containing the eligibility documents in the presence of the prospective bidders' representatives who choose to attend, at the time, on the date, and at the place specified in the <u>EDS</u>. The prospective bidders' representatives who are present shall sign a register evidencing their attendance.

In case the submitted eligibility envelopes cannot be opened as scheduled due to justifiable reasons, the BAC shall take custody of the said envelopes and reschedule the opening on the next working day or at the soonest possible time through the issuance of a Notice of Postponement to be posted in the PhilGEPS website and the website of the Procuring Entity concerned.

- 8.2. Letters of withdrawal shall be read out and recorded during the opening of eligibility documents and the envelope containing the corresponding withdrawn eligibility documents shall be returned unopened to the withdrawing prospective bidder.
- 8.3. The eligibility documents envelopes and modifications, if any, shall be opened one at a time, and the following read out and recorded:
 - (h) the name of the prospective bidder;
 - (i) whether there is a modification or substitution; and
 - (j) the presence or absence of each document comprising the eligibility documents vis-à-vis a checklist of the required documents.

8.4. The eligibility of each prospective bidder shall be determined by examining each bidder's eligibility requirements or statements against a checklist of requirements, using non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion, as stated in the Request for Expression of Interest, and shall be determined as either "eligible" or "ineligible." If a prospective bidder submits the specific eligibility document required, he shall be rated "passed" for that particular requirement. In this regard, failure to submit a requirement, or an incomplete or patently insufficient submission, shall be considered "failed" for the particular eligibility requirement concerned. If a prospective bidder is rated "passed" for all the eligibility requirements, he shall be considered eligible to participate in the bidding, and the BAC shall mark the set of eligibility documents of the prospective bidder concerned as "eligible." If a prospective bidder is rated "failed" in any of the eligibility requirements, he shall be considered ineligible to participate in the bidding, and the BAC shall mark the set of eligibility documents of the prospective bidder concerned as "ineligible." In either case, the BAC chairperson or his duly designated authority shall countersign the markings.

9. Short Listing of Consultants

- 9.1. Only prospective bidders whose submitted contracts are similar in nature and complexity to the contract to be bid as provided in the <u>EDS</u> shall be considered for short listing.
- 9.2. The BAC shall draw up the short list of prospective bidders from those declared eligible using the detailed set of criteria and rating system to be used specified in the EDS.
- 9.3. Short listed consultants shall be invited to participate in the bidding for this project through a Notice of Eligibility and Short Listing issued by the BAC.

10. Protest Mechanism

Decision of the Procuring Entity at any stage of the procurement process may be questioned in accordance with Section 55 of the IRR of RA 9184.

Section III. Eligibility Data Sheet

Notes on the Eligibility Data Sheet

This Section is intended to assist the Procuring Entity in providing the specific information and requirements in relation to corresponding clauses in the Eligibility Documents, and has to be prepared for each specific procurement.

The Procuring Entity should specify in this Section the information and requirements specific to the circumstances of the Procuring Entity, the processing of the eligibility, and the rules that will apply in the determination and evaluation of eligibility.

In preparing this Section, the following aspects should be checked:

- (a) Information that specifies and complements provisions of the Eligibility Documents must be incorporated.
- (b) Amendments and/or supplements, if any, to provisions of the Eligibility Documents as necessitated by the circumstances of the specific procurement, must also be incorporated.

Eligibility Data Sheet

Eligibility Documents				
1.2	The Tourism Promotions Board is inviting qualified I.C.T. Company with the following guidelines provided in the Terms of Reference of this project namely Services of an I.C.T. Company to provide an integrated web-based solution for Procurement and Asset Management System (PAMS).			
	The I.C.T. Company must have following set of qualifications:			
	 Must be duly-registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for at least ten (10) years Must be in the ICT business specializing in applications development, business solutions integration, and information systems development, and directly employing programmers/ developers and database administrators (DBA). Must have implemented within the past ten (10) years a similar program/solution used by at least 3 government offices / entity which should be verifiable by the TPB. Must have competent full-time staff that implement and support the project. A list of these personnel and their CVs shall be submitted using form TPF 6. Bidder must be able to make a presentation (maximum of 30) 			
	minutes) of their Plan, Approach and Methodology. To provide the said data, the Bidder shall submit the following documents as part of the bid as follows:			
	Certification that the firm directly employs programmers/developers and database administrators (DBA) – indicate the number of directly employed programmers/ developers and DBA;			
	Statement of all completed projects within the past 10 years, and statement of all ongoing projects;			
	3. Curriculum Vitae using the TPF-6 format of the personnel assigned to this project; and			
	4. Notarized Certification or affidavit that bidder has not defaulted on any similar ICT contract with any Philippine Government or Private Agency.			

1.3	No further instructions.
2.1(a)(ii)	The statement of all ongoing and completed government and private contracts shall include all such contracts within the past ten (10) years prior to the deadline for the submission and receipt of eligibility documents.
2.1(a)(ii.7)	Attach the proof of satisfactory completion of completed contracts and other supporting documents in any of the following: Certificate of Satisfactory Completion of the Project, signed and approved Notice of Award and/or Notice to Proceed (for government projects and requirements) or equivalent Contract of Agreement, as proof that the project has been undertaken by and/or awarded to the Consultant/Firm.
0	For the Curriculum Vitae (CV) of the key personnel, use TPF6. Format of Curriculum Vitae (CV) for Proposed Professional Staff, this not required to be notarized.
0	 The Eligibility Documents must be submitted in compressed archive folder, with the link or the compressed folder sent by e-mail to: bac_sec@tpb.gov.ph on or before 14 May 2021 at 09:30 A.M. The folder must be password-protected, password will only be sent to the above-mentioned e-mail address only upon the request of the presiding BAC representative during the opening of the eligibility documents. The subject title of the e-mail must be in this format: Eligibility Documents_(Company Name)_(Project Title) The Eligibility Documents Folder must contain two (2) subfolders, the filename for each subfolder shall be as follows: Legal Documents Technical Documents
(e)	ATTY. VENANCIO C. MANUEL III Chairperson Bids and Awards Committee Tourism Promotions Board 4 th Floor, Legaspi Towers 300, Roxas Boulevard, Manila
(f)	REI No. 2021 – 012: Services of an I.C.T. Company to provide integrated web-based solution for Procurement and Asset Management System (PAMS).
0	The address for submission of eligibility documents is: via e-mail, send to bac_sec@tpb.gov.ph

The deadline for submission of eligibility documents is: 14 May 2021, 09:30 A.M. The timestamp as reflected on the BAC Secretariats' official e-mail shall serve and the basis of the official time the link/document is received. The BAC Secretariat shall generate an e-mail response confirming the time and date of receipt of the link to the financial and technical proposals. The prospective bidders shall send an e-mail to the BAC Secretariat for the name and e-mail address of the representatives once the bid submission is duly acknowledged. As much as practicable a maximum of four (4) representatives per company is recommended. The link will be provided to prospective bidders who submitted the bid on or before 14 May 2021, 09:30 A.M. For proper identification and to be acknowledged in the meeting, the name of the representatives shall follows this format: (Company Name)_(Name of the Representatives). 0 The place of opening of eligibility documents is: Via virtual platform, Zoom The date and time of opening of eligibility documents is: 14 May 2021, 10:00 A.M. 0 No further instructions. 0 The detailed set of criteria and rating system to be used by the Procuring Entity for the short listing of consultants is as follows: **Particulars Rating** APPLICABLE EXPERIENCE OF THE FIRM 50% I. Must be duly-registered with the SEC for at least ten 20% (10) years in the ICT business With more than 10 years of experience (20%) With 10 years of experience (15%) With less than 10 years of experience (0% disqualified) Directly employing programmers/ developers and 5% database administrators Must have implemented within the past ten (10) 25% years a similar program/solution used by at least 3 government offices / entity which should be verifiable by the TPB Have implemented more than similar

government projects with at least one (1) GOCC – (25%)	
Have implemented more than 3 similar	
government projects – (20%)	
Have implemented 3 similar government	
projects and similar projects for private	
companies – (15%)	
Have implemented 3 similar government	
projects – (10%)	
II. QUALIFICATION OF PERSONNEL WHO MAY BE	40%
ASSIGNED TO THE JOB	
Note: Bidder to submit CV using TPF 6 Form which need	
not be notarized	
Project Manager has more than five (5) years	
of technical experience in the ICT industry and	
the two (2) analysts and two (2) programmers	
have <u>more than three (3) years</u> of technical	
experience in the ICT industry – (40%)	
Project Manager has <u>exactly five (5) years</u> of	
technical experience in the ICT industry and/or	
the two (2) analysts and two (2) programmers	
have exactly or more than three (3) years of	
technical experience in the ICT industry –(35%)	
Project Manager has exactly five (5) years of	
technical experience in the ICT industry and/or	
the two (2) analysts and two (2) programmers	
have <u>exactly three (3) years</u> of technical	
experience in the ICT industry – (30%)	100/
III. CURRENT WORKLOAD RELATIVE TO CAPACITY	10%
With a ratio of 1:5 ongoing project vs direct	
employees or better – (10%)	
With more than one ongoing projects for every 5 direct employees – (5%)	
TOTAL	100%
Factor Rating	100/0
Applicable Experience of the Firm	* (.50) =
Qualification of Personnel who may be assigned to the job	* (.40) =
Current Workload relative to Capacity	* (.10) =

Passing rate: 80%

Shortlisted bidders may be invited to present their Plan, Approach and Methodology for the Project. Each bidder is given a **30 minutes** to present excluding the Question and Answer stage.

*** Nothing Follows ***

Section I. Notice of Eligibility and Short Listing

[Insert Date]

[Name and Address of Short Listed Consultant]

Dear [Addressee]:

- 1. The [insert name of Procuring Entity] (hereinafter called "Procuring Entity" has received financing (hereinafter called "funds") from [insert name of Funding Source] (hereinafter called the "Funding Source") toward the cost of [insert name of project]. The Procuring Entity intends to apply a portion of the funds in the amount of [insert amount of ABC] to eligible payments under the contract for [insert name of contract] for which the Bidding Documents is issued.
- 2. The Procuring Entity now invites bids to provide the following Consulting Services: [insert short description of objectives and scope of the project]. More details on the services are provided in the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the project.
- 3. The Consultant shall be selected and employed in accordance with [insert evaluation procedure] procedures as described in the Bidding Documents.
- 4. This notice has been addressed to the following short listed consultants:
 - [Insert list of short listed consultants]
- 5. It is not permissible for you to transfer this invitation to any other consultant.
- 6. The Bidding Documents may be acquired at [indicate address] during [insert office hours, e.g. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.] {Insert if necessary: upon payment of an applicable fee for the Bidding Documents, pursuant to the latest Guidelines issued by the GPPB, in the amount of [insert amount in Pesos].}
- 7. The [insert name of the Procuring Entity] will hold a Pre-Bid Conference on [insert time and date] at [insert address for Pre-Bid Conference, if applicable], which shall be open to all short listed consultants. 5

Yours sincerely,	
[Insert signature, name, and title o	f the
Procuring Entity's Representative]	

⁵ May be deleted in case the ABC is less than One Million Pesos (PhP1,000,000) where the Procuring Entity may not hold a pre-bid conference.

Bidding Documents

Republic of the Philippines

SERVICES OF AN I.C.T. COMPANY TO PROVIDE AN INTEGRATED WEB-BASED SOLUTION FOR PROCUREMENT AND ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (PAMS) (PART II)



Government of the Republic of the Philippines

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⁶ If applicable.

Section II. Instructions to Bidders

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A. General

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The Procuring Entity named in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS) shall select an individual, sole proprietorship, cooperative, partnership, corporation, or a joint venture (JV) (hereinafter referred to as "Consultant") from among those short listed, in accordance with the evaluation procedure specified in the BDS.
- 1.2. The Procuring Entity has received financing (hereinafter called "funds") from the source indicated in the <u>BDS</u> (hereinafter called the "Funding Source") toward the cost of the Project named in the <u>BDS</u>. The Procuring Entity intends to apply a portion or the whole of the funds to payments for this Project.
- 1.3. Consultants are invited to submit bids composed of a technical proposal and a financial proposal for Consulting Services required for this Project described in the <u>BDS</u>. Bids shall be the basis for contract negotiations and ultimately for a signed contract with the selected Consultant.
- 1.4. If the <u>BDS</u> indicates that the Project will be completed in phases, each phase must be completed to the Procuring Entity's satisfaction prior to the commencement of the next phase.
- 1.5. Consultants must familiarize themselves with local conditions and take them into account in preparing their bids. To obtain firsthand information on the project and on the local conditions, Consultants are encouraged to visit the Procuring Entity before submitting a bid and to attend the pre-bid conference specified in ITB Clause 7.
- 1.6. The Consultants' costs of preparing their bids and negotiating the contract, including a visit to the Procuring Entity, are not reimbursable as a direct cost of the project.
- 1.7. Consultants shall not be under a declaration of ineligibility for corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices issued by the Funding Source or the Procuring Entity in accordance with ITB Clause 3.1.

2. Conflict of Interest

2.1. The Funding Source's policy requires that Consultants provide professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold the Procuring Entity's interests paramount, without any consideration for future work, and strictly avoid situations where a conflict of interest shall arise with their other projects or their own interests. Consultants shall not be hired for any project that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other entities, or that may place them in a position of not being able to

carry out the Project in the best interest of the Procuring Entity. Without limitation on the generality of this rule, Consultants shall not be hired under the circumstances set forth below:

- (k) If a Consultant combines the function of consulting with those of contracting and/or supply of equipment for the same Project;
- (1) If a Consultant is associated with, affiliated to, or owned by a contractor or a manufacturing firm with departments or design offices offering services as consultants unless such Consultant includes relevant information on such relationships along with a statement in the Technical Proposal cover letter to the effect that the Consultant shall limit its role to that of a consultant and disqualify itself and its associates from work in any other capacity that may emerge from the Project (including bidding for any part of the future project). The contract with the Consultant selected to undertake the Project shall contain an appropriate provision to such effect; or
- (m) If there is a conflict among consulting projects, the Consultant (including its personnel and subconsultants) and any subsidiaries or entities controlled by such Consultant shall not be recruited for the relevant project. The duties of the Consultant depend on the circumstances of each case. While continuity of consulting services may be appropriate in particular situations where no conflict exists, a Consultant cannot be recruited to carry out a project that, by its nature, shall result in conflict with a prior or current project of such Consultant. Examples of the situations mentioned are when a Consultant engaged to prepare engineering design for an infrastructure project shall not be recruited to prepare an independent environmental assessment for the same project; similarly, a Consultant assisting a Procuring Entity in privatization of public assets shall not purchase, nor advise purchasers, of such assets; or a Consultant hired to prepare Terms of Reference (TOR) for a project shall not be recruited for the project in question.
- 2.2. Consultants shall not be related to the Head of the Procuring Entity (HoPE), members of the BAC, the TWG, and the BAC Secretariat, the head of the PMO or the end-user unit, and the project consultants, by consanguinity or affinity up to the third civil degree. The prohibition shall apply as follows:
 - (a) If the Consultant is an individual or sole proprietorship, then to himself;
 - (b) If the Consultant is a partnership, then to all its officers and members;

- (c) If the Consultant is a corporation, then to all its officers, directors and controlling stockholders;
- (d) If the Consultant is a cooperative, to all its officers, directors, and controlling shareholders or members; or
- (e) If the Consultant is a JV, the provisions of items (a), (b), (c), or (d) of this Section shall correspondingly apply to each of the members of the said joint venture, as may be appropriate.

Relationship of the nature described above or a failure to comply with the provisions of this clause will result in the rejection of the Consultant's bid.

- 2.3. Subject to the provisions of ITB Clause 2, any previous or ongoing participation by the Consultant, its professional staff, or its affiliates or associates under a contract with the Funding Source or the Procuring Entity in relation to this Project may result in the rejection of its bid. Consultants should clarify their situation in that respect with the Procuring Entity before preparing its bid.
- 2.4. Failure by a Consultant to fully disclose potential conflict of interest at the time of Bid submission, or at a later date in the event that the potential conflict arises after such date, shall result in the Procuring Entity and/or the Funding Source seeking the imposition of the maximum administrative, civil and criminal penalties up to and including imprisonment.
- 2.5. Consultants are discouraged to include officials and employees of the Government of the Philippines (GoP) as part of its personnel. Participation of officials and employees of the GoP in the Project shall be subject to existing rules and regulations of the Civil Service Commission.
- 2.6. Fairness and transparency in the selection process require that Consultants do not derive unfair competitive advantage from having provided consulting services related to the Project in question. To this end, the Procuring Entity shall make available to all the short listed consultants together with the Bidding Documents all information that would in that respect give each Consultant a competitive advantage.

3. Corrupt, Fraudulent, Collusive, Coercive, and Obstructive Practices

- 3.1. The Procuring Entity as well as the Consultants shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of the contract. In pursuance of this policy, the Procuring Entity:
 - (a) defines, for purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - (i) "corrupt practice" means behavior on the part of officials in the public or private sectors by which they improperly and

unlawfully enrich themselves, others, or induce others to do so, by misusing the position in which they are placed, and includes the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of any such official in the procurement process or in contract execution; entering, on behalf of the GoP, into any contract or transaction manifestly and grossly disadvantageous to the same, whether or not the public officer profited or will profit thereby, and similar acts as provided in Republic Act 3019.

- (ii) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Procuring Entity, and includes collusive practices among Bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels and to deprive the Procuring Entity of the benefits of free and open competition.
- (iii) "collusive practices" means a scheme or arrangement between two or more Bidders, with or without the knowledge of the Procuring Entity, designed to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels.
- (iv) "coercive practices" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons, or their property to influence their participation in a procurement process, or affect the execution of a contract;

(v) "obstructive practice" is

- deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering (aa) or concealing of evidence material to an administrative proceedings or investigation or making statements to investigators in order to materially impede an administrative proceedings or investigation the Procuring Entity or any foreign government/foreign or international financing institution into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the administrative proceedings or investigation or from pursuing such proceedings or investigation; or
- (bb) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the inspection and audit rights of the Procuring Entity or any foreign government/foreign or international financing institution herein.

- (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has engaged in any of the practices mentioned in this Clause for purposes of competing for the contract.
- 3.2. Further, the Procuring Entity will seek to impose the maximum civil, administrative, and/or criminal penalties available under applicable laws on individuals and organizations deemed to be involved in any of the practices mentioned in ITB Clause 3.1(a).
- 3.3. Furthermore, the Funding Source and the Procuring Entity reserve the right to inspect and audit records and accounts of a Consultant in the bidding for and performance of a contract themselves or through independent auditors as reflected in the GCC Clause 51.

4. Consultant's Responsibilities

- 4.1. The Consultant or its duly authorized representative shall submit a sworn statement in the form prescribed in Section VII. Bidding Forms as required in ITB Clause 10.2(d).
- 4.2. The Consultant is responsible for the following:
 - (a) Having taken steps to carefully examine all of the Bidding Documents;
 - (b) Having acknowledged all conditions, local or otherwise, affecting the implementation of the contract;
 - (c) Having made an estimate of the facilities available and needed for this Project, if any;
 - (d) Having complied with its responsibility to inquire or secure Supplemental/Bid Bulletin/s as provided under ITB Clause 8.4.
 - (e) Ensuring that it is not "blacklisted" or barred from bidding by the GoP or any of its agencies, offices, corporations, or LGUs, including foreign government/foreign or international financing institution whose blacklisting rules have been recognized by the GPPB;
 - (f) Ensuring that each of the documents submitted in satisfaction of the bidding requirements is an authentic copy of the original, complete, and all statements and information provided therein are true and correct;
 - (g) Authorizing the Head of the Procuring Entity or its duly authorized representative/s to verify all the documents submitted;
 - (h) Ensuring that the signatory is the duly authorized representative of the Bidder, and granted full power and authority to do, execute and

perform any and all acts necessary to participate, submit the bid, and to sign and execute the ensuing contract, accompanied by the duly notarized Special Power of Attorney, Board/Partnership Resolution, or Secretary's Certificate, whichever is applicable;

- (i) Complying with the disclosure provision under Section 47 of RA 9184 and its IRR in relation to other provisions of Republic Act 3019;
- (j) Complying with existing labor laws and standards, in the case of procurement of services. Moreover, bidder undertakes to:
 - (i) Ensure the entitlement of workers to wages, hours of work, safety and health and other prevailing conditions of work as established by national laws, rules and regulations; or collective bargaining agreement; or arbitration award, if and when applicable.

In case there is a finding by the Procuring Entity or the DOLE of underpayment or non-payment of workers' wage and wage-related benefits, bidder agrees that the performance security or portion of the contract amount shall be withheld in favor of the complaining workers pursuant to appropriate provisions of Republic Act No. 9184 without prejudice to the institution of appropriate actions under the Labor Code, as amended, and other social legislations.

(ii) Comply with occupational safety and health standards and to correct deficiencies, if any.

In case of imminent danger, injury or death of the worker, bidder undertakes to suspend contract implementation pending clearance to proceed from the DOLE Regional Office and to comply with Work Stoppage Order; and

- (iii) Inform the workers of their conditions of work, labor clauses under the contract specifying wages, hours of work and other benefits under prevailing national laws, rules and regulations; or collective bargaining agreement; or arbitration award, if and when applicable, through posting in two (2) conspicuous places in the establishment's premises; and
- (k) Ensuring that it did not give or pay, directly or indirectly, any commission, amount, fee, or any form of compensation, pecuniary or otherwise, to any person or official, personnel or representative of the government in relation to any procurement project or activity.

Failure to observe any of the above responsibilities shall be at the risk of the Consultant concerned.

- 4.3. It shall be the sole responsibility of the prospective bidder to determine and to satisfy itself by such means as it considers necessary or desirable as to all matters pertaining to this Project, including: (a) the location and the nature of the contract, project, or work; (b) climatic conditions; (c) transportation facilities; (c) nature and condition of the terrain, geological conditions at the site communication facilities, requirements, location and availability of construction aggregates and other materials, labor, water, electric power and access roads; and (d) other factors that may affect the cost, duration and execution or implementation of the contract, project, or work.
- 4.4. The Procuring Entity shall not assume any responsibility regarding erroneous interpretations or conclusions by the Consultant out of the data furnished by the Procuring Entity. However, the Procuring Entity shall ensure that all information in the Bidding Documents, including supplemental/bid bulletins issued are correct and consistent.
- 4.5. Before submitting their bids, the Consultants are deemed to have become familiar with all existing laws, decrees, ordinances, acts and regulations of the GoP which may affect the contract in any way.
- 4.6. The Consultant shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of his bid, and the Procuring Entity will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.
- 4.7. Consultants should note that the Procuring Entity will only accept bids from those that have paid the applicable fee for the Bidding Documents at the office indicated in the Request for Expression of Interest.

5. Origin of Associated Goods

Unless otherwise indicated in the <u>BDS</u>, there is no restriction on the origin of Goods other than those prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations.

6. Subcontracts

- 6.1. Unless otherwise specified in the <u>BDS</u>, the Consultant may subcontract portions of the Consulting Services to an extent as may be approved by the Procuring Entity and stated in the <u>BDS</u>. However, subcontracting of any portion shall not relieve the Consultant from any liability or obligation that may arise from the contract for this Project.
- 6.2. Subconsultant must comply with the eligibility criteria and the documentary requirements specified in the <u>BDS</u>. In the event that any subconsultant is found by the Procuring Entity to be ineligible, the

- subcontracting of such portion of the Consulting Services shall be disallowed.
- 6.3. The Consultant may identify the subconsultant to whom a portion of the Consulting Services will be subcontracted at any stage of the bidding process or during contract implementation. If the Consultant opts to disclose the name of the subconsultant during bid submission, the Consultant shall include the required documents as part of the technical component of its bid. A subconsultant that is identified by the Consultant during contract implementation must comply with the eligibility criteria and documentary requirements and secure approval of the Procuring Entity.

B. Contents of Bidding Documents

7. Pre-Bid Conference

- 7.1. If so specified in the <u>BDS</u>, a pre-bid conference shall be held at the venue and on the date indicated therein, to clarify and address the Consultants' questions on the technical and financial components of this Project.
- 7.2. The pre-bid conference shall be held at least twelve (12) calendar days before the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids, but not earlier than seven (7) calendar days from the determination of the shortlisted consultants. If the Procuring Entity determines that, by reason of the method, nature, or complexity of the contract to be bid, or when international participation will be more advantageous to the GoP, a longer period for the preparation of bids is necessary, the pre-bid conference shall be held at least thirty (30) calendar days before the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids.
- 7.3. Consultants are encouraged to attend the pre-bid conference to ensure that they fully understand the Procuring Entity's requirements. Non-attendance of the Consultant will in no way prejudice its bid; however, the Consultant is expected to know the changes and/or amendments to the Bidding Documents as recorded in the minutes of the pre-bid conference and the Supplemental/Bid Bulleting. The minutes of the pre-bid conference shall be recorded and prepared not later than five (5) calendar days after the pre-bid conference. The minutes shall be made available to prospective bidders not later than five (5) days upon written request.
- 7.4. Decisions of the BAC amending any provision of the bidding documents shall be issued in writing through a Supplemental/Bid Bulletin at least seven (7) calendar days before the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids.

8. Clarifications and Amendments to Bidding Documents

- 8.1. Shortlisted consultants may request for clarification(s) on and/or an interpretation of any part of the Bidding Documents. Such a request must be in writing and submitted to the Procuring Entity at the address indicated in the <u>BDS</u> at least ten (10) calendar days before the deadline set for the submission and receipt of bids.
- 8.2. The BAC shall respond to the said request by issuing a Supplemental/Bid Bulletin to be made available to all those who have properly secured the Bidding Documents at least seven (7) calendar days before the deadline for the submission and receipt of Bids.
- 8.3. Supplemental/Bid Bulletins may also be issued upon the Procuring Entity's initiative for purposes of clarifying or modifying any provision of the Bidding Documents not later than seven (7) calendar days before the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids. Any modification to the Bidding Documents shall be identified as an amendment.
- 8.4. Any Supplemental/Bid Bulletin issued by the BAC shall also be posted in the PhilGEPS and the website of the Procuring Entity concerned, if available and at any conspicuous place in the premises of the Procuring Entity concerned. It shall be the responsibility of all Consultants who have properly secured the Bidding Documents to inquire and secure Supplemental/Bid Bulletins that may be issued by the BAC. However, Consultants who have submitted bids before the issuance of the Supplemental/Bid Bulletin must be informed and allowed to modify or withdraw their bids in accordance with ITB Clause 20.

C. Preparation of Bids

9. Language of Bids

The eligibility requirements or statements, the bids, and all other documents to be submitted to the BAC must be in English. If the eligibility requirements or statements, the bids, and all other documents submitted to the BAC are in foreign language other than English, it must be accompanied by a translation of the documents in English. The documents shall be translated by the relevant foreign government agency, the foreign government agency authorized to translate documents, or a registered translator in the foreign bidder's country; and shall be authenticated by the appropriate Philippine foreign service establishment/post or the equivalent office having jurisdiction over the foreign bidder's affairs in the Philippines. The English translation shall govern, for purposes of interpretation of the bid.

10. Documents Comprising the Bid: Technical Proposal

10.1. While preparing the Technical Proposal, Consultants must give particular attention to the following:

- (a) The Technical Proposal shall not include any financial information. Any Technical Proposal containing financial information shall be declared non-responsive.
- (b) For projects on a staff-time basis, the estimated number of professional staff-months specified in the <u>BDS</u> shall be complied with. Bids shall, however, be based on the number of professional staff-months estimated by the Consultant.
- (c) Proposed professional staff must, at a minimum, have the experience indicated in the <u>BDS</u>, preferably working under conditions similar to those prevailing in the Republic of the Philippines.
- (d) No alternative professional staff shall be proposed, and only one Curriculum Vitae (CV) may be submitted for each position.
- 10.2. The Technical Proposal shall contain the following information/documents:
 - (a) Technical Proposal Submission Form shall be the cover letter of the Technical Proposal, using the form prescribed in Section VII. Bidding Forms (TPF 1).
 - (b) Bid security as prescribed in ITB Clause 15. If the bidder opts to submit the bid security in the form of:
 - (i) a bank draft/guarantee or an irrevocable Letter of Credit issued by a foreign bank, it shall be accompanied by a confirmation from a Universal or Commercial Bank; or
 - (ii) a surety bond accompanied by a certification coming from the Insurance Commission that the surety or insurance company is authorized to issue such instrument.
 - (c) Information indicated in the paragraphs below must be provided by the Consultant and each partner and/or subconsultant, if any, following the formats described in the Technical Proposal Forms:
 - (i) A brief description of the organization and outline of recent experience of the Consultant and each partner and/or subconsultant on projects of a similar and related nature as required in form TPF 2. Consultant's References. For each project, the outline should indicate inter alia, the project, contract amount and the Consultant's involvement. Information should be provided only for those projects for which the Consultant was legally contracted by itself or as one of the major participating consultants within an association. Whenever applicable, the experience of individual experts from projects completed independently or

when associated with consultants other than the one with whom the individual is currently associated with cannot be claimed as the experience of the current consultant or any one of its partners and/or subconsultants, but can be claimed by the individuals themselves in their CVs. Consultants should be prepared to substantiate the claimed experience if so requested by the Procuring Entity.

- (ii) Comments, if any, on the TOR (TPF 3. Comments and Suggestions of Consultant on the Terms of Reference and on Data, Services, and Facilities to be Provided by the Procuring Entity) to improve performance in carrying out the Project. Innovativeness shall be appreciated, including workable suggestions that could improve the quality/effectiveness of the Project. In this regard, unless the Consultant clearly states otherwise, it shall be assumed by the Procuring Entity that work required to implement any such improvements, are included in the inputs shown on the Consultant's Staffing Schedule. It shall include a list of facilities requested by the Consultant to be provided by the Procuring Entity, if any, in addition to those shown on the Data Sheet that may include support facilities such as: counterpart staff, office space, local transportation, equipment, domestic administrative support, etc. that would be needed to carry out the project.
- (iii) A concise, complete, and logical description of how the Consultant's team shall carry out the services to meet all requirements of the TOR using TPF 4. Description of the Methodology and Work Plan for Performing the Project.
- (iv) An organization chart of the key and support staff indicating their tasks and relationships amongst the Consultant and any partner and/or subconsultant, the Procuring Entity, the Funding Source and the GoP, and other parties or stakeholders, if any, involved in the project using TPF 5. Team Composition and Task.
- (v) The name, age, nationality, background employment record, and professional experience of each nominated expert including ongoing projects, with particular reference to the type of experience required for the tasks assigned should be presented in the CV format shown in TPF 6. Format of Curriculum Vitae (CV) for Proposed Professional Staff. Only one duly notarized CV for each consultant involved in the Project may be submitted for each position.
- (vi) The Procuring Entity requires that each expert confirm that the content of his/her CV is correct and the experts

themselves should sign the certification of the CV. In addition, the expert should submit a signed written commitment stating that the expert shall work for the Project once awarded the contract. A zero rating shall be given to a nominated expert if the expert:

- (vi.1) is proposed for a domestic position but is not a Filipino citizen;
- (vi.2) failed to state nationality on the CV; or
- (vi.3) the CV is not signed in accordance with paragraph (v) above.
- (vii) A Time Schedule (TPF 7. Time Schedule for Professional Personnel) indicating clearly the estimated duration in terms of person-months (shown separately for work in the field and in the home office) and the proposed timing of each input for each nominated expert, including domestic experts, if required, using the format shown. The schedule shall also indicate when experts are working in the project office and when they are working at locations away from the project office.
- (viii) A work plan showing in graphical format (bar chart) the timing of major activities, anticipated coordination meetings, and deliverables such as reports required under the TOR using TPF 8. Activity (Work) Schedule.
- (d) Sworn statement in accordance with Section 25.3 of the IRR of RA 9184 and using the form prescribed in Section VII. Bidding Forms.

11. Documents Comprising the Bid: Financial Proposal

- 11.1. All information provided in a Consultant's Financial Proposal shall be treated as confidential. The Financial Proposal must be submitted in hard copy using the format shown in Financial Proposal Forms.
- 11.2. The Financial Proposal requires completion of six (6) forms, particularly, FPF 1, FPF 2, FPF 3, FPF 4, FPF 5, and FPF 6. FPF 1. Financial Proposal Submission Form should form the covering letter of the Financial Proposal. Form FPF 2. Summary of Costs FPF 3. Breakdown of Price per Activity, FPF 4. Breakdown of Remuneration per Activity, FPF 5. Reimbursables per Activity, and FPF 6. Miscellaneous Expenses, relate to the costs of consulting services under two distinct categories, namely: (a) Remuneration; and (b) Reimbursable Expenditures.
- 11.3. Remuneration is divided into billing rate estimates for international and domestic consultants. Reimbursable Expenditures are divided into per diem

rates for international and domestic consultants and costs for other reimbursable expenditure items required to perform the consulting services.

- 11.4. The list of experts, and their respective inputs, identified in Financial Proposal Forms, must match the list of experts and their respective inputs shown in Technical Proposal Forms.
- 11.5. The Consultant shall be subject to Philippine taxes on amounts payable by the Procuring Entity under the contract through mandated withholding by local tax authorities of specified percentages of such amounts or otherwise. The BDS details the taxes payable.
- 11.6. The Financial Proposal should clearly estimate, as a separate amount, the local taxes (including social security), duties, fees, levies, and other charges imposed under the applicable law, on the Consultants, the subconsultants, and its personnel (other than Philippine Nationals or permanent residents of the Philippines).
- 11.7. Unless otherwise provided in the <u>BDS</u>, total calculated bid prices, as evaluated and corrected for minor arithmetical corrections, such as computational errors, which exceed the approved budget for the contract (ABC) shall not be considered.

12. Alternative Bids

Consultants participating in more than one bid or associating with any other entity other than those already provided in its eligibility documents and allowed by the Procuring Entity shall be disqualified.

13. Bid Currencies

- 13.1. All bid prices shall be quoted in Philippine Pesos unless otherwise provided in the <u>BDS</u>. However, for purposes of bid evaluation, bids denominated in foreign currencies shall be converted to Philippine currency based on the exchange rate prevailing on the day of the bid opening.
- 13.2. If so allowed in accordance with ITB Clause 13.1, the Procuring Entity for purposes of bid evaluation and comparing the bid prices will convert the amounts in various currencies in which the bid price is expressed to Philippine Pesos at the exchange rate as published in the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) reference rate bulletin on the day of the bid opening.
- 13.3. Unless otherwise specified in the <u>BDS</u>, payment of the contract price shall be made in Philippine Pesos.

14. Bid Validity

- 14.1. Bids shall remain valid for the period specified in the <u>BDS</u> which shall not exceed one hundred twenty (120) calendar days from the date of the opening of bids.
- 14.2. In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the bid validity period, the Procuring Entity may request Consultants to extend the period of validity of their bids. The request and the responses shall be made in writing. The bid security described in ITB Clause 15 should also be extended corresponding to the extension of the bid validity period at the least. A Consultant may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security, but his bid shall no longer be considered for further evaluation and award. A Consultant granting the request shall not be required or permitted to modify its bid.

15. Bid Security

15.1. The Consultant shall submit a Bid Securing Declaration or any form of Bid Security in an amount stated in the <u>BDS</u>, which shall be not less than the percentage of the ABC in accordance with the following schedule:

Form of Bid Security	Amount of Bid Security (Not less than the Percentage of the ABC)
a) Cash or cashier's/manager's check issued by a Universal or Commercial Bank.	
For biddings conducted by LGUs, the cashier's/manager's check may be issued by other banks certified by the BSP as authorized to issue such financial instrument.	
b) Bank draft/guarantee or irrevocable letter of credit issued by a Universal or Commercial Bank: Provided, however, that it shall be confirmed or authenticated by a Universal or Commercial Bank, if issued by a foreign bank.	Two percent (2%)
For biddings conducted by LGUs, the Bank Draft/ Guarantee, or irrevocable letter of credit may be issued by other banks certified by the BSP as	

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The Bid Securing Declaration mentioned above is an undertaking which states, among others, that the bidder shall enter into contract with the Procuring Entity and furnish the performance security required under ITB Clause 31, within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the Notice of Award, and commits to pay the corresponding amount as fine, and be suspended for a period of time from being qualified to participate in any government procurement activity in the event it violates any of the conditions stated therein as provided in the guidelines issued by the GPPB.

- 15.2. The bid security should be valid for the period specified in the <u>BDS</u>. Any bid not accompanied by an acceptable bid security shall be rejected by the Procuring Entity as non-responsive.
- 15.3. No bid securities shall be returned to the Consultants after the opening of bids and before contract signing, except to those that failed or declared as post-disqualified, upon submission of a written waiver of their right to file a request for reconsideration and/or protest or lapse of the reglementary period without having filed a request for reconsideration or protest. Without prejudice on its forfeiture, bid securities shall be returned only after the bidder with the Highest Rated Responsive Bid (HRRB) has signed the contract and furnished the performance security, but in no case later than the expiration of the bid security validity period indicated in ITB Clause 15.2.
- 15.4. Upon signing and execution of the contract pursuant to ITB Clause 31, and the posting of the performance security pursuant to ITB Clause 32, the Consultant's bid security will be discharged, but in no case later than the bid security validity period as indicated in ITB Clause 15.2.
- 15.5. The bid security may be forfeited:
 - (a) if a Consultant:

- (i) withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity specified in ITB Clause 15.2;
- (ii) does not accept the correction of errors pursuant to ITB Clause 11.7;
- (iii) has a finding against the veracity of the required documents submitted in accordance with ITB Clause 27.2;
- (iv) submission of eligibility requirements containing false information or falsified documents;
- (v) any submission of bids that contain false information or falsified documents, or the concealment of such information in the bids in order to influence the outcome of eligibility screening or any other stage of the public bidding;
- (vi) allowing the use of one's name, or using the name of another for purposes of public bidding;
- (vii) withdrawal of a bid, or refusal to accept an award, or enter into contract with the Government without justifiable cause, after the Bidder had been adjudged as having submitted the LCRB;
- (viii) refusal or failure to post the required performance security within the prescribed time;
- (ix) refusal to clarify or validate in writing its bid during postqualification within a period of seven (7) calendar days from receipt of the request for clarification;
- any documented attempt by a Bidder to unduly influence the outcome of the bidding in his favor;
- (xi) failure of the potential joint venture partners to enter into the joint venture after the bid is declared successful; or
- (xii) all other acts that tend to defeat the purpose of the competitive bidding, such as habitually withdrawing from bidding, submitting late Bids or patently insufficient bid, for at least three (3) times within a year, except for valid reasons.

(b) if the successful Consultant:

(i) fails to sign the contract in accordance with ITB Clause 31;

- (ii) fails to furnish performance security in accordance with ITB Clause 32; or
- (iii) any other reason stated in the <u>BDS</u>.

16. Format and Signing of Bids

- 16.1. Consultants shall submit their bids through their duly authorized representative using the appropriate forms provided in Section VII. Bidding Forms on or before the deadline specified in the ITB Clause 18 in two (2) separate sealed bid envelopes, and which shall be submitted simultaneously. The first shall contain the technical proposal and the second shall contain the financial proposal.
- 16.2. Forms as mentioned in ITB Clause 16.1 must be completed without any alterations to their format, and no substitute form shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled in with the information requested.
- 16.3. The Consultant shall prepare an original of the first and second envelopes as described in ITB Clauses 10 and 11. In addition, the Consultant shall submit copies of the first and second envelopes. In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
- 16.4. Each and every page of the Technical Proposal Submission Form and the Financial Proposal Submission Form under Section ____ hereof shall be signed by the duly authorized representative/s of the Consultant. Failure to do so shall be a ground for the rejection of the bid.
- 16.5. Any interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialed by the duly authorized representative/s of the Consultant.

17. Sealing and Marking of Bids

- 17.1. Unless otherwise indicated in the <u>BDS</u>, Consultants shall enclose their original technical proposal described in ITB Clause 10, in one sealed envelope marked "ORIGINAL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL", and the original of their financial proposal in another sealed envelope marked "ORIGINAL FINANCIAL PROPOSAL", sealing them all in an outer envelope marked "ORIGINAL BID".
- 17.2. Each copy of the first and second envelopes shall be similarly sealed duly marking the inner envelopes as "COPY NO. ___ TECHNICAL PROPOSAL" and "COPY NO. ___ FINANCIAL PROPOSAL" and the outer envelope as "COPY NO. ___", respectively. These envelopes containing the original and the copies shall then be enclosed in one single envelope.

17.3. The original and the number of copies of the bid as indicated in the <u>BDS</u> shall be typed or written in ink and shall be signed by the bidder or its duly authorized representative/s.

17.4. All envelopes shall:

- (a) contain the name of the contract to be bid in capital letters;
- (b) bear the name and address of the Consultant in capital letters;
- (c) be addressed to the Procuring Entity's BAC in accordance with ITB Clause 18.1;
- (d) bear the specific identification of this bidding process indicated in the ITB Clause 1.2; and
- (e) bear a warning "DO NOT OPEN BEFORE..." the date and time for the opening of bids, in accordance with ITB Clause 18.
- 17.5. Bid envelopes that are not properly sealed and marked, as required in the bidding documents, shall not be rejected, but the bidder or its duly authorized representative shall acknowledge such condition of the Bid as submitted. The BAC or the Procuring Entity shall assume no responsibility for the misplacement of the contents of the improperly sealed or marked Bid, or for its premature opening.

D. Submission and Opening of Bids

18. Deadline for Submission of Bids

Bids must be received by the Procuring Entity's BAC at the address and on or before the date and time indicated in the BDS.

19. Late Bids

Any bid submitted after the deadline for submission and receipt of bids prescribed by the Procuring Entity, pursuant to ITB Clause 18, shall be declared "Late" and shall not be accepted by the Procuring Entity. The BAC shall record in the minutes of Bid submission and opening, the Consultant's name, its representative and the time the late bid was submitted.

20. Modification and Withdrawal of Bids

20.1. The Consultant may modify its bid after it has been submitted; provided that the modification is received by the Procuring Entity prior to the deadline prescribed for submission and receipt of bids. The Consultant shall not be allowed to retrieve its original bid, but shall be allowed to submit another bid equally sealed, properly identified in accordance with ITB Clause 17.4, linked to its original bid marked as "TECHNICAL

MODIFICATION" or "FINANCIAL MODIFICATION" and stamped "received" by the BAC. Bid modifications received after the applicable deadline shall not be considered and shall be returned to the Consultant unopened.

- 20.2. A Consultant may, through a letter of withdrawal, withdraw its bid after it has been submitted, for valid and justifiable reason; provided that the letter of withdrawal is received by the Procuring Entity prior to the deadline prescribed for submission and receipt of bids. The letter of withdrawal must be executed by the authorized representative of the Bidder identified in the Omnibus Sworn Statement, a copy of which should be attached to the letter.
- 20.3 Bids requested to be withdrawn in accordance with ITB Clause 20.1 shall be returned unopened to the Bidders. A Consultant, who has acquired the bidding documents, may also express its intention not to participate in the bidding through a letter which should reach and be stamped by the BAC before the deadline for submission and receipt of bids. A Consultant that withdraws its bid shall not be permitted to submit another bid, directly or indirectly, for the same contract.
- 20.4 No bid may be modified after the deadline for submission of bids. No bid may be withdrawn in the interval between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Consultant on the Financial Bid Form. Withdrawal of a bid during this interval shall result in the forfeiture of the Consultant's bid security, pursuant to ITB Clause 15.5, and the imposition of administrative, civil, and criminal sanctions as prescribed by R.A. 9184 and its IRR.

E. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids

21. Opening and Preliminary Examination of Bids

- 21.1 Only bids from short listed bidders shall be opened and considered for award of contract. These short listed bidders, whether single entities or JVs, should confirm in their Technical Proposal Submission Form that the information contained in the submitted eligibility documents remains correct as of the date of bid submission.
- 21.2 The BAC shall open the bids immediately after the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids in public, as specified in the <u>BDS</u>. In case the bids cannot be opened as scheduled due to justifiable reasons, the BAC shall take custody of the bids submitted and reschedule the opening on the next working day or at the soonest possible time through the issuance of a Bulletin to be posted at the PhilGEPS website and the website of the Procuring Entity concerned.
- 21.3 To determine each bidder's compliance with the documents prescribed in **ITB** Clause 10, the BAC shall open the first envelope (Technical Proposal) and

check the submitted documents of each bidder in accordance with ITB Clause 10.2 to ascertain if they are all present, using a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion. If a bidder submits the required document, it shall be rated "passed" for that particular requirement. In this regard, bids that fail to include any requirement or are incomplete or patently insufficient shall be considered as "failed". Otherwise, the BAC shall rate the said first bid envelope as "passed".

- 21.4 Letters of withdrawal shall be read out and recorded during bid opening, and the envelope containing the corresponding withdrawn bid shall be returned to the Consultant unopened
- 21.5 All members of the BAC who are present during bid opening shall initial every page of the original copies of all bids received and opened.
- 21.6 All technical envelopes shall be resealed. Those rated "passed" shall be secured for the detailed technical bid evaluation, while those rated "failed" will be secured for purposes of possible filing of a request for reconsideration unless the bidder waives its right to file a request for reconsideration, in which case, the envelope shall be returned to the bidder immediately.
- 21.7 The Procuring Entity shall prepare the minutes of the proceedings of the bid opening that shall include, as a minimum: (a) names of Bidders, their bid price (per lot, if applicable, and/or including discount, if any), bid security, findings of preliminary examination, and whether there is a withdrawal or modification; and (b) attendance sheet. The BAC members shall sign the abstract of bids as read.

22. Process to be Confidential

- 22.1 Members of the BAC, including its staff and personnel, as well as its Secretariat and TWG, are prohibited from making or accepting any kind of communication with any Consultant regarding the evaluation of their bids until the approval by the HoPE of the ranking of shortlisted Consultants, unless otherwise allowed in the BDS or in the case of ITB Clause 23.
- 22.2 Any effort by a bidder to influence the Procuring Entity in the Procuring Entity's decision in respect of bid evaluation, bid comparison or contract award will result in the rejection of the Consultant's bid.

23. Clarification of Bids

To assist in the evaluation, comparison and post-qualification of the bids, the Procuring Entity may ask in writing any Consultant for a clarification of its bid. All responses to requests for clarification shall be in writing. Any clarification submitted by a Consultant in respect to its bid and that is not in response to a request by the Procuring Entity shall not be considered.

24. Bid Evaluation

- 24.1 For the evaluation of bids, numerical ratings shall be used. In order to eliminate bias in evaluating the Bids, it is recommended that the highest and lowest scores for each Consultant for each criterion shall not be considered in determining the average scores of the Consultants, except when the evaluation is conducted in a collegial manner.
- 24.2 For complex or unique undertakings, such as those involving new concepts/technology or financial advisory services, participating short listed consultants may be required, at the option of the Procuring Entity concerned, to make an oral presentation to be presented by each Consultant, or its nominated Project Manager or head, in case of consulting firms, within fifteen (15) calendar days after the deadline for submission of Technical Proposals.
- 24.3 The entire evaluation process, including the submission of the results thereof to the HoPE for approval, shall be completed in not more than twenty-one (21) calendar days after the deadline for receipt of bids. The bid with the highest rank shall be identified as the Highest Rated Bid. The HoPE shall approve or disapprove the recommendations of the BAC within two (2) calendar days after receipt of the results of the evaluation from the BAC.
- 24.4 All participating short listed consultants shall be furnished the results (ranking and total scores only) of the evaluation after the approval by the HoPE of the ranking. Said results shall also be posted in the PhilGEPS and the website of the Procuring Entity, if available, for a period of not less than seven (7) calendar days.

25 Evaluation of Technical Proposals

- 25.1 The BAC shall then conduct a detailed evaluation of technical bids following the procedures specified in the <u>BDS</u> depending on the evaluation procedure identified in the Request for Expression of Interest and ITB Clause 1.1.
- 25.2 The BAC evaluates the Technical Proposals on the basis of their compliance with the requirements under ITB Clause 10 and responsiveness to the TOR using the following criteria:
 - Quality of personnel to be assigned to the Project which covers suitability of key staff to perform the duties for the Project and general qualifications and competence including education and training of the key staff;
 - (b) Experience and capability of the Consultant which include records of previous engagement and quality of performance in similar and in other projects; relationship with previous and current clients; and, overall work commitments, geographical distribution of

current/impending projects and attention to be given by the consultant. The suitability of the Consultant to the Project shall consider both the overall experiences of the firm and the individual experiences of the principal and key staff including the times when employed by other consultants; and

- (c) Plan of approach and methodology with emphasis on the clarity, feasibility, innovativeness and comprehensiveness of the plan approach, and the quality of interpretation of project problems, risks, and suggested solutions.
- 25.3 The BAC shall assign numerical weights and the minimum required technical score to each of the above criteria which shall be indicated in the BDS. A Bid shall be rejected at this stage if it does not respond to important aspects of the TOR or if it fails to achieve the minimum Technical Score (St) indicated in the BDS.
- 25.4 Technical Proposals shall not be considered for evaluation in any of the following cases:
 - (a) late submission, i.e., after the deadline set in the ITB Clause 18;
 - (b) failure to submit any of the technical requirements provided under this ITB and TOR;
 - (c) the Consultant that submitted a Bid or any of its partner and/or subconsultant belongs to one of the conflict of interest cases as described in ITB Clauses 2.1(k) to (c) and failed to make a proper statement to that effect in the cover letter; or
 - (d) the Technical Proposal included any cost of the services.

26 Opening and Evaluation of Financial Proposals

- 26.1 Financial Proposals shall be opened on the date indicated in the BDS.
- 26.2 The Financial Proposals opened shall be evaluated based on the evaluation procedure indicated in ITB Clause 1.1 using the corresponding procedure provided in the <u>BDS</u>.

27 Negotiations

- 27.1 Negotiations with the Consultant that submitted the Highest Rated Bid shall be held at the address indicated in the <u>BDS</u>. The aim is to reach agreement on all points.
- 27.2 Negotiations shall cover the following:
 - (a) Discussion and clarification of the TOR and Scope of Services;

- (b) Discussion and finalization of the methodology and work program proposed by the Consultant;
- (c) Consideration of appropriateness of qualifications and pertinent compensation, number of man-months and the personnel to be assigned to the job, taking note of over-qualified personnel to be commensurate with the compensation of personnel with the appropriate qualifications, number of man-months and schedule of activities (manning schedule);
- (d) Discussion on the services, facilities and data, if any, to be provided by Procuring Entity concerned;
- (e) Unless otherwise indicated in the <u>BDS</u>, discussion on the Financial Proposal submitted by the Consultant; and
- (f) Provisions of the contract.
- 27.3 Having selected the Consultant on the basis of, among other things, an evaluation of the proposed key professional staff, the Procuring Entity expects to negotiate a contract on the basis of the experts named in the Before contract negotiations, the Procuring Entity shall require assurances that the experts shall be actually available. The Procuring Entity shall not consider substitutions during contract negotiations except for justifiable reason as may be determined by the Procuring Entity, such as illness, death, or resignation, unless both parties agree that undue delay in the selection process makes such substitution unavoidable or that such changes are critical to meet the objectives of the Project. If this is not the case and if it is established that key staff were offered in the bid without confirming their availability, the Consultant may be disqualified. Once the contract has been awarded, no replacement shall be allowed until after fifty percent (50%) of the personnel's man-months have been served, except for justifiable reasons as may be determined by the Procuring Entity. Violators shall be fined an amount equal to the refund of the replaced personnel's basic rate, which should be at least fifty percent (50%) of the total basic rate for the duration of the engagement.
- 27.4 Negotiations shall include a discussion of the technical proposal, the proposed methodology (work plan), staffing and any suggestions made by the Consultant to improve the TOR. The Procuring Entity and Consultant shall then work out the final TOR, staffing, and bar charts indicating activities, staff, periods in the field and in the home office, staff-months, logistics, and reporting. The agreed work plan and final TOR shall then be incorporated in Appendix I and form part of the contract. Special attention shall be paid to getting the most the Consultant can offer within the available budget and to clearly defining the inputs required from the Procuring Entity to ensure satisfactory implementation of the Project.

27.5 The financial negotiations shall include a clarification of the Consultant's tax liability in the Philippines, if any, and the manner in which it shall be reflected in the contract; and shall reflect the agreed technical modifications in the cost of the services. The negotiations shall conclude with a review of the draft form of the contract. To complete negotiations, the Procuring Entity and the Consultant shall initial the agreed contract. If negotiations fail, the Procuring Entity shall invite the Consultant whose Bid received the second highest score to negotiate a contract. If negotiations still fail, the Procuring Entity shall repeat the process for the next-in-rank Consultant until the negotiation is successfully completed.

28 Post Qualification

- 28.1 The BAC shall determine to its satisfaction whether the Consultant that is evaluated as having submitted the Highest Rated Bid (HRB) complies with and is responsive to all the requirements and conditions specified in the Eligibility Documents and ITB Clauses 10 and 11.
- 28.2 Within a non-extendible period of five (5) calendar days from receipt by the Consultant of the notice from the BAC that it submitted the Highest Rated Bid, the Consultant shall submit its latest income and business tax returns filed and paid through the BIR Electronic Filing and Payment System (EFPS) and other appropriate licenses and permits required by law and stated in the BDS.

Failure to submit any of the post-qualification requirements on time, or a finding against the veracity thereof, shall disqualify the bidder for award. Provided, in the event that a finding against the veracity of any of the documents submitted is made, it shall cause the forfeiture of the bid security in accordance with Section 69 of the IRR of RA 9184.

- 28.3 The determination shall be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Consultant's qualifications submitted pursuant to ITB Clauses 10 and 11, as well as other information as the Procuring Entity deems necessary and appropriate, using a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion, which shall be completed within a period of twelve (12) calendar days.
- 28.4 If the BAC determines that the Consultant with the Highest Rated Bid passes all the criteria for post-qualification, it shall declare the said bid as the Consultant with the HRRB, and recommend to the HoPE the award of contract to the said Consultant at its submitted price or its calculated bid price, whichever is lower, subject to ITB Clause 30.3.
- 28.5 A negative determination shall result in rejection of the Consultant's bid, in which event the BAC shall proceed to the next Highest Rated Bid with a fresh period to make a similar determination of that Consultant's capabilities to perform satisfactorily. If the second Consultant, however,

fails the post qualification, the procedure for post qualification shall be repeated for the Consultant with the next Highest Rated Bid, and so on until the HRRB is determined for recommendation of contract award.

- 28.6 Within a period not exceeding fifteen (15) calendar days from the determination by the BAC of the HRRB and the recommendation to award the contract, the HoPE or his duly authorized representative shall approve or disapprove the said recommendation.
- 28.7 In the event of disapproval, which shall be based on valid, reasonable, and justifiable grounds as provided for under Section 41 of the IRR of RA 9184, the HoPE shall notify the BAC and the Consultant in writing of such decision and the grounds for it. When applicable, the BAC shall conduct negotiations, and if successful, post-qualification of the Consultant with the next Highest Rated Bid. A request for reconsideration may be filed by the bidder with the HoPE in accordance with Section 37.1.3 of the IRR of RA 9184.

29 Reservation Clause

- 29.1 Notwithstanding the eligibility, short listing, or post-qualification of a Consultant, the Procuring Entity concerned reserves the right to review its qualifications at any stage of the procurement process if it has reasonable grounds to believe that a misrepresentation has been made by the said Consultant, or that there has been a change in the Consultant's capability to undertake this Project from the time it submitted its eligibility requirements. Should such review uncover any misrepresentation made in the eligibility and bidding requirements, statements or documents, or any changes in the situation of the Consultant which will affect its capability to undertake the project so that it fails the preset eligibility or bid evaluation criteria, the Procuring Entity shall consider the said Consultant as ineligible and shall disqualify it from submitting a bid or from obtaining an award or contract.
- 29.2 Based on the following grounds, the Procuring Entity reserves the right to reject any and all bids, declare a failure of bidding at any time prior to the contract award, or not to award the contract, without thereby incurring any liability, and make no assurance that a contract shall be entered into as a result of the bidding:
 - (a) If there is *prima facie* evidence of collusion between appropriate public officers or employees of the Procuring Entity, or between the BAC and any of the bidders, or if the collusion is between or among the bidders themselves, or between a bidder and a third party, including any act which restricts, suppresses or nullifies or tends to restrict, suppress or nullify competition;

- (b) If the Procuring Entity's BAC is found to have failed in following the prescribed bidding procedures; or
- (c) For any justifiable and reasonable ground where the award of the contract will not redound to the benefit of the GoP as follows:
 - (i) If the physical and economic conditions have significantly changed so as to render the project no longer economically, financially or technically feasible as determined by the HoPE;
 - (ii) If the project is no longer necessary as determined by the HoPE; and
 - (iii) If the source of funds for the project has been withheld or reduced through no fault of the Procuring Entity.
- 29.3 In addition, the Procuring Entity may likewise declare a failure of bidding when:
 - (a) No bids are received;
 - (b) All prospective bidders are declared ineligible;
 - (c) All bids fail to comply with all the bid requirements or there is no successful negotiation, or fail post-qualification; or
 - (d) The bidder with the HRRB refuses, without justifiable cause to accept the award of contract, and no award is made in accordance with Section 40 of the IRR of RA 9184.

F. Award of Contract

30. Contract Award

- 30.1 Subject to ITB Clause 28, the HoPE or its authorized representative shall award the contract to the Bidder whose bid has been determined to be the HRRB.
- 30.2 Prior to the expiration of the period of bid validity, the Procuring Entity shall notify the successful Consultant in writing that its bid has been accepted, through a Notice of Award duly received by the Consultant or its authorized representative personally or by registered mail or electronically, receipt of which must be confirmed in writing within two (2) days by the Consultant with the HRRB and submitted personally or sent by registered mail or electronically to the Procuring Entity.
- 30.3 Notwithstanding the issuance of the Notice of Award, award of contract shall be subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Submission of the following documents within the (10) calendar days from receipt of the Notice of Award:
 - (i) Valid JVA, if applicable;
 - (ii) In the case of procurement by a Philippine Foreign Service Office or Post, the PhilGEPS Registration Number of the winning foreign consultant; and/or
 - (iii) SEC Certificate of Registration of the foreign consulting firm, and/or the authorization or license issued by the appropriate GoP professional regulatory body of the foreign professionals engaging in the practice of regulated professions and allied professions, where applicable.
- (b) Posting of the performance security in accordance with ITB Clause 32;
- (c) Signing of the contract as provided in ITB Clause 31; and
- (d) Approval by higher authority, if required, as provided in Section 37.3 of the IRR of RA 9184.

31. Signing of the Contract

- 31.1 At the same time as the Procuring Entity notifies the successful Bidder that its bid has been accepted, the Procuring Entity shall send the Contract Form to the Bidder, which contract has been provided in the Bidding Documents, incorporating therein all agreements between the parties.
- 31.2 Within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the Notice of Award, the successful Bidder shall post the required performance security and sign and date the contract and return it to the Procuring Entity.
- 31.3 The Procuring Entity shall enter into contract with the successful Bidder within the same ten (10) calendar day period provided that all the documentary requirements are complied with.
- 31.4 The following documents shall form part of the contract:
 - (1) Contract Agreement;
 - (2) Bidding Documents;
 - (3) Winning bidder's bid, including the Technical and Financial Proposals, and all other documents/statements submitted (e.g., bidder's response to request for clarifications on the bid), including corrections to the bid, if any, resulting from the Procuring Entity's bid evaluation;

- (4) Performance Security;
- (5) Notice of Award of Contract; and
- (6) Other contract documents that may be required by existing laws and/or specified in the <u>BDS</u>.

32. Performance Security

- 32.1 Unless otherwise provided in the <u>BDS</u>, to guarantee the faithful performance by the winning Consultant of its obligations under the contract, it shall post a performance security within a maximum period of ten (10) calendar days from the receipt of the Notice of Award from the Procuring Entity and in no case later than the signing of the contract.
- 32.2 The performance security shall be denominated in Philippine Pesos and posted in favor of the Procuring Entity in an amount not less than the percentage of the total contract price in accordance with the following schedule:

	Amount of Performance Security
Form of Performance Security	(Not less than the Percentage of the
	Total Contract Price)
(a) Cash or cashier's/manager's check issued by a Universal or Commercial Bank; For biddings conducted by the LGUs, the Cashier's/Manager's Check may be issued by other banks certified by the BSP as authorized to issue such financial instrument.	
(b) Bank draft/guarantee or irrevocable letter of credit issued by a Universal or Commercial Bank: Provided, however, that it shall be confirmed or authenticated by a Universal or Commercial Bank, if issued by a foreign bank; and/or For biddings conducted by the LGUs, the Bank Draft/	Five percent (5%)
Guarantee or Irrevocable Letter of Credit may be issued by	

other banks certified by the BSP as authorized to issue such financial instrument.	
(c) Surety bond callable upon demand issued by a surety or insurance company duly certified by the Insurance Commission as authorized to issue such security.	Thirty percent (30%)

32.3 Failure of the successful Consultant to comply with the above-mentioned requirement shall constitute sufficient ground for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the bid security, in which event the Procuring Entity shall have a fresh period to initiate negotiation and if successful, complete post-qualification of the second Highest Rated Bid. The procedure shall be repeated until the HRRB is identified and selected for recommendation of contract award. However if no Consultant had a successful negotiation or passed post-qualification, the BAC shall declare the bidding a failure and conduct a re-bidding with re-advertisement, if necessary.

33. Notice to Proceed

- 33.1 Within seven (7) calendar days from the date of approval of the contract by the appropriate government approving authority, the Procuring Entity shall issue the Notice to Proceed together with copies of the approved contract to the successful Consultant. All notices called for by the terms of the contract shall be effective only at the time of receipt thereof by the successful Consultant.
- 33.2 The contract effectivity date shall be the date of contract signing. The Consultant shall commence performance of its obligations only upon receipt of the Notice to Proceed.

34. Protest Mechanism

Decision of the Procuring Entity at any stage of the procurement process may be questioned in accordance with Section 55 of the IRR of RA 9184.

Section III. Bid Data Sheet

Notes on the Bid Data Sheet

Section III is intended to assist the Procuring Entity in providing the specific information in relation to corresponding clauses in the ITB, and has to be prepared for each specific procurement.

The Procuring Entity should specify in the BDS information and requirements specific to the circumstances of the Procuring Entity, the processing of the procurement, the applicable rules regarding bid price and currency, and the bid evaluation criteria that will apply to the bids. In preparing Section III, the following aspects should be checked:

- (a) Information that specifies and complements provisions of Section II must be incorporated.
- (b) Amendments and/or supplements, if any, to provisions of Section II as necessitated by the circumstances of the specific procurement, must also be incorporated.

Bid Data Sheet

ITB Clause	
1.1	The Procuring Entity is <i>Tourism Promotions Board</i>
	The evaluation procedure is:
	Quality Cost-Based Evaluation/Selection (QCBE/QCBS)
	QCBE/QCBS —Technical and Financial Scores are combined to determine the winner. ABC is stated and Financial Proposal above this amount are rejected.
1.2	The Funding Source is:
	The Government of the Philippines (GoP) through 2021 Approved Corporate Operating Budget.
	The name of the project is Services of an I.C.T. Company to provide an integrated web-based solution for Procurement and Asset Management System (PAMS).
1.3	Rationale:
	Pursuant to Section 36 of Republic Act (RA) Number 9593, the Tourism Promotions Board (TPB), is responsible for marketing and promoting the Philippines domestically and internationally as a major global tourism and meetings, incentives, conventions and exhibitions (MICE) destination, to draw a sizeable number of tourists and tourism investments to the country.
	To ensure achievement of its mandate, the TPB needs office systems, tools and infrastructure to provide the needed administrative support to its marketing operations, including procurement, maintenance, tracking and disposal of assets, and other administrative support in compliance with relevant rules and regulations.
	To improve efficiency in tracking assets and payments, TPB needs a comprehensive solution for the procurement, inventory, issuance, tracking and disposal of current and future properties and assets of the corporation. At present, TPB Procurement and General Services Division (PGSD) use MS Excel files and Google Sheets to manage these separate

processes. An integrated solution that tracks the corporation's assets from "womb to tomb" is expected to improve the management of these assets and more effectively provide the support to TPB's operating units. Objective: General The primary objective of the TPB –Procurement and Asset Management System (TPB-PAMS) is to provide an integrated web-based solution for the budget planning, procurement, inventory, issuance, tracking and disposal of current and future properties and assets of TPB, for more efficient management of resources and compliance with regulatory requirements. **SPECIFIC** The TPB aims to efficiently manage its assets through use of a custombuilt, integration-capable, and scalable application solution with cloudaccess capability, supported by the necessary hardware infrastructure to: a) Systematize the budget planning and procurement activities and records of TPB; b) Provide a common and accessible platform for the inventory, tagging, issuance tracking, valuation, monitoring and disposal of the same; and c) Collect and manage the data needed for reporting and compliance with regulatory requirements such as submission of the Preparation of the Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP), Annual Procurement Plan (APP), Procurement Monitoring, and Inventory Reports. 1.4 The Project shall not be phased. No further instructions. 5 6.1 Subcontracting is not allowed. 6.2 Not applicable. 7.1 The Procuring Entity will hold a pre-bid conference for this Project on 20 May 2021, 10:00 A.M., and through video-conferencing/web casting via virtual platform, Zoom. 8.1 The Procuring Entity's address is:

	Tourism Promotions Board
	4 th Floor, Legaspi Towers 300, Roxas Boulevard, Manila
	Contact Person:
	ATTY. VENANCIO C. MANUEL III
	Chairperson, Bids and Awards Committee
	Telephone: (8)525 – 9318 local 206
	E-mail: vince_manuel@tpb.gov.ph
10.1(b)	Not applicable.
10.1(c)	a. The Bidder's Project Team should be composed of at least five (5) expert staff in the customization and implementation of the system
	Project Manager (1) with the following qualifications:
	 At least five (5) years technical experience in the ICT industry;
	 Have undertaken project management responsibility over ICT
	staff on project which involve the development, customization, implementation, operation and support of any ICT systems as shown in his / her CV; and
	 Has worked as a Project Manager in one company as shown in his / her CV.
	Systems/Business Analyst (2) with the following qualifications:
	 At least three (3) years technical experience in the ICT industry;
	 Have undertaken project systems/business analysis responsibility on project which involve the development, customization, implementation of any ICT systems; and
	 Has worked as a Systems/Business Analyst in one company as shown in his / her CV.
	Senior Programmer (2)with the following qualifications:
	 At least three (3) years technical experience in the ICT industry;
	Have undertaken project programming responsibility on project which involve the development, customization, implementation of any ICT proteons as above in his 4 bas CV and
	of any ICT systems as shown in his / her CV; and
	 Has worked as a Programmer in one company as shown in his CV.
	b. The Bidder must submit the current and updated resumes /
	curriculum vitae/s of all the team members that will be deployed for this project.

	The scope and coverage, and other information shall be found in Annex A "Terms of Reference".
11.5	Taxes: [Specify Consultant's liability: nature, sources of information]
11.7	The ABC is Nine Million Eight Hundred Thousand Pesos Only (PhP9,800,000.00), inclusive of all applicable taxes and fees.
	Any bid with a financial component exceeding this amount shall not be accepted.
13.1	The bid prices shall be quoted in Philippine Pesos .
13.3	No further instructions.
14.1	Bids will be valid until 29 September 2021 or 120 days.
15.1	Select one, delete the rest.
	If the Funding Source is the GoP or WB: The bid security shall be limited to a Bid Securing Declaration or any of the following forms and amounts:
	 The amount of not less than 2% of ABC or One Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Pesos Only (PhP196,000.00), if bid security is in cash, cashier's/manager's check, bank draft/guarantee or irrevocable letter of credit; or
	 The amount of not less than 5% of ABC or Four Hundred Ninety Thousand Pesos Only (PhP490,000.00), if bid security is in Surety Bond.
	Use the revised Bid Securing Declaration form found in <i>Annex B "Revised Forms"</i>
15.2	The bid security shall be valid until 29 September 2021 or 120 days.
15.5(b)(iii)	No further instructions.
17.1	No further instructions.
17.3	The Technical and Financial Documents must be submitted separately in compressed archive folders, with the link/compressed folders send to e-mail: bac_sec@tpb.gov.ph on or before 1 June 2021, 09:30 A.M.
	The folders must be password-protected, passwords will only be sent to the above-mentioned e-mail address only upon the request of the presiding BAC representative during the Bid Opening.
	The subject title of the e-mail must be in this format:

Technical Documents_(Company)_(Project Title) Financial Documents (Company) (Project Title)

Filename for the content of the **Technical Proposal** shall be as follows:

- a. TPF1. Cover Letter of the Technical Proposal
- b. Bid Security
- c. TPF2. Consultants References
- d. TPF3. Comments and Suggestions of Consultant on the Terms of Reference on the deliverables required by the Procuring Entity (if applicable)
- e. TPF4. Description of the Methodology and Work Plan for Performing the Project
- f. TPF5. Team Composition and Task
- g. TPF6. Format of Curriculum Vitae (CV) for Proposed Professional Staff
- h. TPF7. Time Schedule for Professional Personnel
- i. TPF8. Activity (Work) Schedule
- j. Omnibus Sworn Statement (use the revised from found in Annex B "Revised Forms"

Filename for the content of the **Financial Proposal** shall be as follows:

- a. FPF1. Financial Proposal Submission
- b. FPF2. Summary
- c. FPF3. Breakdown of Price per Activity
- d. FPF4. Breakdown of Remuneration per Activity
- e. FPF5. Reimbursable per Activity
- f. FPF6. Miscellaneous Expenses

The address for submission of bids is:

via E-mail, send to the BAC Secretariat's official e-mail address at **bac sec@tpb.gov.ph**

The timestamp as reflected on the BAC Secretariats` official e-mail shall serve and the basis of the official time the link/document is received. The BAC Secretariat shall generate an e-mail response confirming the time and date of receipt of the link to the financial and technical proposals.

The link will be provided to shortlisted bidders who submitted the bids on or before 1 June 2021, 09:30 A.M.

E-mail the BAC Secretariat for the name and e-mail addresses of your representatives once the bid submission is duly acknowledged. As much as practicable a maximum of four (4) representatives per company is recommended.

	For proper identification and to be acknowledged in the meeting, the name of the representatives shall follows this format: (Company Name)_(Name of the Representatives).
21.2	The address for opening of bids is:
	via virtual platform, Zoom.
	The date and time for opening of bids is:
	1 June 2021, 10:00 A.M.
22.1	No further instructions.
	The place of bid opening is:
	via virtual platform, Zoom.
	The date and time of bid opening is:
	1 June 2021, 10:00 A.M.
25.1	The following processes for the opening and evaluation of bids shall be adopted for Quality Cost-Based :
	a) The technical proposal together with the financial proposal shall be considered in the ranking of consultants. The technical proposals shall be evaluated first using the criteria in ITB Clause 25.2. The financial proposals of the consultants who meet the minimum technical score shall then be opened.
	b) The financial and technical proposals shall be given corresponding weights with the financial proposal given a minimum weight of fifteen percent (15%) up to a maximum of forty percent (40%). The weight of the technical criteria shall be adjusted accordingly such that their total weight in percent together with the weight given to the financial proposal shall add to one hundred percent (100%). The BAC shall rank the consultants in descending order based on the combined numerical ratings of their technical and financial proposals and identify the Highest Rated Bid.
	c) The HoPE shall approve or disapprove the recommendations of the BAC within two (2) calendar days after receipt of the results of the evaluation from the BAC.
	d) After approval by the HoPE of the Highest Rated Bid, the BAC shall, within three (3) calendar days, notify and invite the consultant with the Highest Rated Bid for negotiation in accordance with ITB Clause 27.

25.3	The numerical weight and the minimum required for each criterion are as
	follows:

	Criteria	Weigh %
I.	Quality of Personnel to be assigned to the	25%
	Project	
1.1	Required qualifications and experience of the	
	following key personnel in organizing B2B/B2C	
	events:	
	a. Project Manager	
	b. Two (2) System/Business Analyst	
	c. Two (2) Senior Programmer	
Cov	ering the suitability of the key staff to perform the	
dut	ies of the particular assignment and general	
qua	lifications and competence including education and	
trai	ning of the key staff and similar projects handled	
by p	personnel (based on submitted CVs)	
Key	personnel involved in the project must have:	
• 1	The Project Manager, the two (2) analysts and two	
	(2) programmers have experience in working in	
	similar government projects in the past 5 years –	
	(25%)	
•	The Project Manager, one analyst and one	
	programmer assigned to the project have	
	experience in working in similar government	
	projects in the past 5 years — (20%)	
•	Only the Project Manager has experience in	
	working in similar government projects in the past	
	5 years – (15%)	
•	Only one of the project team members has	
	experience in working in similar government	
	projects in the past 5 years — (10%)	
•	None of the project team members has experience	
	in similar government projects – (0%)	
II.	Firm Experience and Capability	25%
1.	Millst De Olliv-registeren with the Section at least i	
	Must be duly-registered with the SEC for at least ten (10) years in the ICT business – (10%)	

 10 years – (10%) Registered with SEC in ICT business for exactly 10 years – (5%) 	
 2. Must have implemented within the past ten (10) years a similar program/solution used by at least 3 government offices / entity which should be verifiable by the TPB – (15%) Have implemented more than 3 similar government projects with at least one (1) GOCC – (15%) Have implemented 3 similar government projects and other similar projects in the private sector – (10%) Have implemented 3 similar government projects only – (5%) 	
III. Statement of Plan, Approach and	
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Methodology	50%
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Methodology The Statement of Plan, Approach and Methodology should comply with the requirements as stated in Sections 3-13 above TOTAL	100% Percentage Weight
Methodology The Statement of Plan, Approach and Methodology should comply with the requirements as stated in Sections 3-13 above TOTAL Criteria	100% Percentage
Methodology The Statement of Plan, Approach and Methodology should comply with the requirements as stated in Sections 3-13 above TOTAL Criteria Factor Rating	100% Percentage Weight

The minimum ST required to pass is 80%.

Technical Proposal – 80% Financial Proposal – 20%

The BAC and TWG – Consulting Services will evaluate both the Technical and Financial Proposals of the Service Providers based on the technical requirements of the project and the post evaluation by the TWG – CS.

The attention of the Consultant is drawn to Technical Proposal Forms – Bids must adhere to the maximum number of pages outline in Clause 10.2 (b).

The opening of Financial Proposal shall be on 1 June 2021, after the evaluation of quality is completed and the BAC determined the Consultants whose Bids met the minimum qualifying mark or were found responsive to the Bidding Documents and Terms of Reference (TOR) of this requirement.

The place of opening of the **Financial Envelope** is: *via virtual platform,* **Zoom.**

Financial Proposals shall be opened in public.

A maximum of 30 minutes will be given to each agency/bidder for its presentation of the Technical Proposal before the Opening of the Financial Envelope. The allotted time excludes the question and answer part of the activity.

26.2 For Quality Cost Based Evaluation (QCBE):

After the evaluation of quality is completed, the Procuring Entity shall notify those Consultants whose Bids did not meet the minimum qualifying mark or were considered non-responsive to the Bidding Documents and TOR, indicating that their Financial Proposals shall be returned unopened after completing the selection process. The Procuring Entity shall simultaneously notify the Consultants that have secured the minimum qualifying mark, indicating the date and time set for opening the Financial Proposals. The opening date shall not be sooner than two weeks after the notification date unless otherwise specified in ITB Clause 26.1. The notification may be sent by registered letter, facsimile, or electronic mail.

The Financial Proposals shall be opened publicly in the presence of the Consultants' representatives who choose to attend. The name of the Consultant, the quality scores, and the proposed prices shall be read aloud and recorded when the Financial Proposals are opened. The Procuring Entity shall prepare minutes of the public opening.

The BAC shall determine whether the Financial Proposals are complete, *i.e.*, whether all the documents mentioned in **ITB** Clause 11 are present and all items of the corresponding Technical Proposals that are required to be priced are so priced. If not, the Procuring Entity shall reject the proposal. The BAC shall correct any computational errors, and convert prices in various currencies to the Philippine Peso at the rate indicated in **ITB** Clause 13. The Financial Proposal shall not exceed the ABC and shall be deemed to include the cost of all taxes, duties, fees, levies, and other charges imposed under the applicable laws. The evaluation shall include all such taxes, duties, fees, levies, and other charges imposed under the applicable laws; where special tax privileges are granted to a particular class or nationality of Consultant by virtue of the GoP's international

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	commitments, the amount of such tax privileges shall be included in the Financial Proposal for purposes of comparative evaluation of Bids.
	The lowest Financial Proposal (FI) shall be given a Financial Score (Sf) of 100 points. The Sf of other Financial Proposals shall be computed based on the formula indicated below:
	Sf = 100 × FI/F
	Where:
	Sf is the financial score of the Financial Proposal under consideration,
	Fl is the lowest Financial Proposal, and
	F is the Financial Proposal under consideration.
	Using the formula $S = St \times T\% + Sf \times F\%$, the Bids shall then be ranked according to their combined St and Sf using the weights (St is the technical score of the Technical Proposal under consideration; $T = the$ weight given to the Technical Proposal; $F = the$ weight given to the Financial Proposal; $T + F = 1$) indicated below:
	T [From 0.6 to 0.85]; and
	F [From 0.15 to 0.4];
	provided that the total weights given to the Technical and Financial Proposals shall add up to 1.0.
27.1	The address for negotiations is:
	To be identified in the issuance of Notice of Negotiation.
27.2(e)	No negotiations pertaining to the Financial Proposal shall be undertaken.
28.2	Certification that the firm directly employs programmers/developers and database administrators (DBA) — indicate the number of directly employed programmers/ developers and DBA.
31.4.6	Following are the additional deliverables to be implemented by the winning bidder:
	a) Customization of the TPB - PAM based on the desired internal processes of TPB.b) Installation of the servers, database server, and application server; and the required software for the system.

32.1	If Performance Securing Declaration is used as an alternative performance security, use the revised form which shall be found in Annex B: "Revised Forms"
33.2	The effective date of the contract is based on the provided Schedule of Requirements and to commence two (2) days from the date of acceptance and receipt of the approved Notice to Proceed (NTP).

Section IV. General Conditions of Contract

Notes on the General Conditions of Contract

The GCC, SCC, and other documents listed therein, expressing all the rights and obligations of the parties, should be completed.

The GCC herein shall not be altered. Any changes and complementary information, which may be needed, shall be introduced only through the SCC in Section V.

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1. Definitions

- 1.1 Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms whenever used in this Contract have the following meanings:
 - (a) "Applicable Law" means the laws and any other instruments having the force of law in the Philippines as they may be issued and enforced from time to time.
 - (b) "Consultant" refers to the short listed consultant with the HRRB determined by the Procuring Entity as such in accordance with the ITB.
 - (c) "Consulting Services" refer to services for Infrastructure Projects and other types of projects or activities of the Government of the Philippines (GoP) requiring adequate external technical and professional expertise that are beyond the capability and/or capacity of the Procuring Entity to undertake such as, but not limited to: (i) advisory and review services; (ii) pre-investment or feasibility studies; (iii) design; (iv) construction supervision; (v) management and related services; and (vi) other technical services or special studies.
 - (d) "Contract" means the agreement signed by the Parties, to which these General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and other sections of the Bidding Documents are attached.
 - (e) "Effective Date" means the date on which this Contract comes into full force and effect.
 - (f) "Foreign Currency" means any currency other than the currency of the Philippines.
 - (g) "Funding Source" means the entity indicated in the **SCC**.
 - (h) "GCC" means these General Conditions of Contract.
 - (i) "Government" means the Government of the Philippines (GoP).
 - (j) "Local Currency" means the Philippine Peso (Php).
 - (k) "Member," in case the Consultant is a Joint Venture (JV) of two (2) or more entities, means any of these entities; and "Members" means all these entities.
 - (l) "Party" means the Procuring Entity or the Consultant, as the case may be, and "Parties" means both of them.
 - (m) "Personnel" means persons hired by the Consultant or by any Subconsultant as employees and assigned to the performance of the Services or any part thereof; "Foreign Personnel" means such persons

who at the time of being so hired had their domicile outside the Government's country; "Local Personnel" means such persons who at the time of being so hired had their domicile inside the Philippines; and "Key Personnel" means the Personnel referred to in **GCC** Clause 39.

- (n) "Procuring Entity" refers to any branch, constitutional commission or office, agency, department, bureau, office or instrumentality of the Government, including GOCC, GFI, SUC, LGU, and autonomous regional government procuring Goods, Consulting Services, and Infrastructure Projects.
- (o) "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract by which the GCC may be amended or supplemented.
- (p) "Services" means the work to be performed by the Consultant pursuant to this Contract, as described in Appendix I.
- (q) "Subconsultant" means any person or entity to whom/which the Consultant subcontracts any part of the Services in accordance with the provisions of **GCC** Clause 50.
- (r) "Third Party" means any person or entity other than the Government, the Procuring Entity, the Consultant or a Subconsultant.

2. Headings

The headings shall not limit, alter or affect the meaning of this Contract.

3. Location

The Services shall be performed at such locations as are specified in Appendix I and, where the location of a particular task is not so specified, at such locations, whether in the Philippines or elsewhere, as the Procuring Entity may approve.

4. Law Governing Contract and Services

- 4.1 This Contract, its meaning and interpretation, and the relation between the Parties shall be governed by the Applicable Law.
- 4.2 The Consultant shall perform the Services in accordance with the Applicable Law and shall take all practicable steps to ensure that any Subconsultant, as well as the Personnel of the Consultant and any Subconsultant, complies with the Applicable Law. The Procuring Entity shall notify the Consultant in writing of relevant local customs, and the Consultant shall, after such notification, respect such customs.
- 4.3 If, after the date of this Contract, there is any change in the Applicable Law with respect to taxes and duties which increases or decreases the cost

incurred by the Consultant in performing the Services, then the remuneration and reimbursable expenses otherwise payable to the Consultant under this Contract shall be increased or decreased on a no loss-no gain basis, and corresponding adjustments shall be made to the ceiling amounts specified in GCC Clause 52, provided that the cost is within the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC).

5. Language

This Contract has been executed in the English language, which shall be the binding and controlling language for all matters relating to the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.

6. Consultants and Affiliates Not to Engage in Certain Activities

- 6.1 The Consultant agrees that, during the term of this Contract and after its termination, the Consultant and any entity affiliated with the Consultant, as well as any Subconsultant and any entity affiliated with such Subconsultant, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works, or consulting services for any project resulting from or closely related to this Contract other than the Services and any continuation thereof provided there is no current or future conflict.
- 6.2 The Consultant shall not engage, and shall cause their Personnel as well as their Subconsultants and their Personnel not to engage, either directly or indirectly, in any of the following activities:
 - (a) during the term of this Contract, any business or professional activities in the Government's country which would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Contract; and
 - (b) after the termination of this Contract, such other activities as may be specified in the SCC.

7. Authority of Member in Charge

In case the Consultant is a JV, the Members hereby authorize the entity specified in the <u>SCC</u> to act on their behalf in exercising all the Consultant's rights and obligations towards the Procuring Entity under this Contract, including without limitation the receiving of instructions and payments from the Procuring Entity.

8. Resident Project Manager

If required by the <u>SCC</u>, the Consultant shall ensure that at all times during the Consultant's performance of the Services in the Government's country, a resident project manager, acceptable to the Procuring Entity, shall take charge of the performance of such Services.

9. Entire Agreement

This Contract, including the documents specified in Section 37.2.3 of the IRR of RA 9184, contains all covenants, stipulations and provisions agreed by the Parties. No agent or representative of either Party has authority to make any statement, representation, promise, or agreement not set forth herein of which the Parties shall not be bound by or be liable for.

10. Modification

Unless otherwise specified in the <u>SCC</u>, no modification of the terms and conditions of this Contract, including any modification of the scope of the Services shall be allowed. Pursuant to <u>GCC</u> Clause 14 hereof, however, each Party shall give due consideration to any proposal for modification made by the other Party.

11. Relationship of Parties

- 11.1 Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing a relation of employer and employee or of principal and agent as between the Procuring Entity and the Consultant. The Consultant, subject to this Contract, has complete charge of its Personnel and Subconsultants, if any, performing the Services and shall be fully responsible for the Services performed by them or on their behalf hereunder.
- 11.2 The Consultant shall during the performance of the Services be an independent contractor, retaining complete control over its Personnel, conforming to all statutory requirements with respect to all its employees, and providing all appropriate employee benefits.

12. Authorized Representatives

Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed, under this Contract by the Procuring Entity or the Consultant may be taken or executed by the officials specified in the **SCC**.

13. Good Faith

The Parties undertake to act in good faith with respect to each other's rights under this Contract and to adopt all reasonable measures to ensure the realization of the objectives of this Contract.

14. Operation of the Contract

The Parties recognize that it is impractical for this Contract to provide for every contingency which may arise during the life of this Contract, and the Parties hereby agree that it is their intention that this Contract shall operate fairly as between them, and without detriment to the interest of either of them; and that, if during the term of this Contract either Party believes that this Contract is operating unfairly, the

Parties shall use their best efforts to agree on such action as may be necessary to remove the cause or causes of such unfairness, but no failure to agree on any action pursuant to this Clause shall give rise to a dispute subject to arbitration in accordance with **GCC** Clause 34 hereof.

15. Notices

- 15.1 Any notice, request or consent required or permitted to be given or made pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing. Any such notice, request or consent shall be deemed to have been given or made when received by the concerned party, either in person or through an authorized representative of the Party to whom the communication is addressed, or when sent by registered mail, telex, telegram or facsimile to such Party at the address specified in the <u>SCC</u>.
- 15.2 Notice shall be deemed to be effective as specified in the SCC.
- 15.3 A Party may change its address for notice hereunder by giving the other Party notice of such change pursuant to the provisions listed in the SCC with respect to GCC Clause 15.2.

16. Warranty as to Eligibility

- 16.1 The Consultant represents, warrants, and confirms that it, as well as its Subconsultant, if any, is eligible, *i.e.*, has the legal personality to act as a consultant in accordance with Part I, Section II. Eligibility Documents issued for this project.
- 16.2 The Consultant shall fulfill its obligations under this Contract by using knowledge according to the best accepted professional standards. The Consultant shall exercise all reasonable skill, care and diligence in the discharge of duties agreed to be performed and shall work in the best interest of the GoP.

17. Confidentiality

Except with the prior written consent of the Procuring Entity, the Consultant and the Personnel shall not at any time communicate to any person or entity any confidential information acquired in the course of the Services, nor shall the Consultant and the Personnel make public the recommendations formulated in the course of, or as a result of, the Services. For purposes of this clause, "confidential information" means any information or knowledge acquired by the Consultant and/or its Personnel arising out of, or in connection with, the performance of the Services under this Contract that is not otherwise available to the public.

18. Payment

- 18.1 In consideration of the Services performed by the Consultant under this Contract, the Procuring Entity shall make to the Consultant such payments and in such manner as is provided by GCC Clause 53 of this Contract. However, the Procuring Entity may refuse to make payments when the terms and conditions of the contract are not satisfactorily performed by the Consultant.
- 18.2 Subject to the ceilings specified in GCC Clause 52 hereof, the Procuring Entity shall pay to the Consultant: (i) remuneration as set forth in GCC Clause 53.2; and (ii) reimbursable expenditures as set forth in GCC Clause 53.4. Said remuneration shall not be subject to price adjustment.
- 18.3 All payments under this Contract shall be made to the account of the Consultant specified in the <u>SCC</u>.

19. Currency of Payment

Unless otherwise specified in the <u>SCC</u>, all payments shall be made in Philippine Pesos.

20. Liability of the Consultant

Subject to additional provisions, if any, set forth in the <u>SCC</u>, the Consultant's liability under this Contract shall be as provided by the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

21. Insurance to be Taken Out by the Consultant

- 21.1 The Consultant, at its own cost, shall be responsible for taking out or maintaining any insurance policy against any risk related to the project.
- 21.2 The Procuring Entity undertakes no responsibility in respect of life, health, accident, travel or any other insurance coverage for the Personnel or for the dependents of any such Personnel.

22. Effectivity of Contract

The contract effectivity date shall be the date of contract signing, provided that the effectiveness of the conditions, if any, listed in the **SCC** have been met.

23. Commencement of Services

The Consultant shall begin carrying out the Services starting from the effectivity date of this Contract, as mentioned in **GCC** Clause 22.

24. Expiration of Contract

Unless sooner terminated pursuant to **GCC** Clauses 27 or 28 hereof, this Contract shall terminate at the end of such time period after the effectivity date as shall be specified in the **SCC**.

25. Force Majeure

- 25.1 For purposes of this Contract the terms "force majeure" and "fortuitous event" may be used interchangeably. In this regard, a fortuitous event or force majeure shall be interpreted to mean an event which the Consultant could not have foreseen, or which though foreseen, was inevitable. It shall not include ordinary unfavorable weather conditions; and any other cause the effects of which could have been avoided with the exercise of reasonable diligence by the Consultant.
- 25.2 The failure of a Party to fulfill any of its obligations hereunder shall not be considered to be a breach of, or default under, this Contract insofar as such inability arises from an event of force majeure, provided that the Party affected by such an event has taken all reasonable precautions, due care and reasonable alternative measures, all with the objective of carrying out the terms and conditions of this Contract.
- 25.3 Unless otherwise agreed herein, force majeure shall not include:
 - (a) any event which is caused by the negligence or intentional action of a Party or such Party's Subconsultants or agents or employees;
 - (b) any event which a diligent Party could reasonably have been expected to both take into account at the time of the conclusion of this Contract and avoid or overcome in the carrying out of its obligations hereunder;
 - (c) insufficiency of funds or failure to make any payment required hereunder; or
 - (d) the Procuring Entity's failure to review, approve or reject the outputs of the Consultant beyond a reasonable time period.
- 25.4 A Party affected by an event of force majeure shall take all reasonable measures to remove such Party's inability to fulfill its obligations hereunder immediately or within a reasonable time.
- 25.5 A Party affected by an event of force majeure shall notify the other Party of such event as soon as possible, and in any event not later than fifteen (15) days following the occurrence of such event, providing evidence of the nature and cause of such event, and shall similarly give notice of the restoration of normal conditions as soon as possible.
- 25.6 The Parties shall take all reasonable measures to minimize the consequences of any event of force majeure.

- 25.7 Any period within which a Party shall, pursuant to this Contract, complete any action or task, shall be extended for a period equal to the time during which such Party was unable to perform such action as a direct and proximate result of force majeure.
- 25.8 During the period of their inability to perform the Services as a direct and proximate result of an event of force majeure, the Consultant shall be entitled to continue receiving payment under the terms of this Contract as well as to be reimbursed for additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred by it during such period for the purposes of the Services and in reactivating the Services after the end of such period, provided that such costs are still within the total contract price. However, the foregoing provision shall not apply if the Procuring Entity suspends or terminates this Contract in writing, notice thereof duly received by the Consultant, pursuant to GCC Clauses 26 and 27 hereof with the exception of the direct and proximate result of force majeure.
- 25.9 Not later than fifteen (15) days after the Consultant, as the direct and proximate result of an event of force majeure, has become unable to perform a material portion of the Services, the Parties shall consult with each other with a view to agreeing on appropriate measures considering the circumstances.
- 25.10 In the case of disagreement between the parties as to the existence, or extent of force majeure, the matter shall be submitted to arbitration in accordance with GCC Clause 34 hereof.

26. Suspension

- 26.1 The Procuring Entity shall, by written notice of suspension to the Consultant, suspend all payments to the Consultant hereunder if the Consultant fail to perform any of their obligations due to their own fault or due to force majeure or other circumstances beyond the control of either party (e.g. suspension of civil works being supervised by the consultant) under this Contract, including the carrying out of the Services, provided that such notice of suspension:
 - (a) shall specify the nature of the failure; and
 - (b) shall request the Consultant to remedy such failure within a period not exceeding thirty (30) days after receipt by the Consultant of such notice of suspension.
- 26.2 The Consultant may, without prejudice to its right to terminate this Contract pursuant to GCC Clause 28, by written notice of suspension, suspend the Services if the Procuring Entity fails to perform any of its obligations which are critical to the delivery of the Consultant's services such as, non-payment of any money due the Consultant within forty-five

(45) days after receiving notice from the Consultant that such payment is overdue.

27. Termination by the Procuring Entity

- 27.1 The Procuring Entity shall terminate this Contract when any of the following conditions attends its implementation:
 - (a) Outside of force majeure, the Consultant fails to deliver or perform the Outputs and Deliverables within the period(s) specified in the Contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the Procuring Entity pursuant to a request made by the Consultant prior to the delay;
 - (b) As a result of force majeure, the Consultant is unable to deliver or perform a material portion of the Outputs and Deliverables for a period of not less than sixty (60) calendar days after the Consultant's receipt of the notice from the Procuring Entity stating that the circumstance of force majeure is deemed to have ceased;
 - (c) In whole or in part, at any time for its convenience, the HoPE may terminate the Contract for its convenience if he has determined the existence of conditions that make Project Implementation economically, financially or technically impractical and/or unnecessary, such as, but not limited to, fortuitous event(s) or changes in law and National Government policies;
 - (d) If the Consultant is declared bankrupt or insolvent as determined with finality by a court of competent jurisdiction; in which event, termination will be without compensation to the Consultant, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the Procuring Entity and/or the Consultant;
 - (e) In case it is determined prima facie that the Consultant has engaged, before or during the implementation of this Contract, in unlawful deeds and behaviors relative to contract acquisition and implementation, such as, but not limited to, the following: corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, and obstructive practices; drawing up or using forged documents; using adulterated materials, means or methods, or engaging in production contrary to rules of science or the trade; and any other act analogous to the foregoing. For purposes of this clause, corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, and obstructive practices shall have the same meaning as that provided in ITB Clause 3.1(a):
 - (f) The Consultant fails to remedy a failure in the performance of their obligations hereunder, as specified in a notice of suspension

pursuant to GCC Clause 15.2 hereinabove, within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice of suspension or within such further period as the Procuring Entity may have subsequently approved in writing;

- (g) The Consultant's failure to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration proceedings pursuant to GCC Clause 34 hereof; or
- (h) The Consultant fails to perform any other obligation under the Contract.
- 27.2 In case of termination, written notice shall be understood to mean fifteen (15) days for short term contracts, *i.e.*, four (4) months or less, and thirty (30) days for long term contracts.

28. Termination by the Consultant

The Consultant must serve a written notice to the Procuring Entity of its intention to terminate this Contract at least thirty (30) calendar days before its intended termination. This Contract is deemed terminated if no action has been taken by the Procuring Entity with regard to such written notice within thirty (30) calendar days after the receipt thereof by the Procuring Entity. The Consultant may terminate this Contract through any of the following events:

- (a) The Procuring Entity is in material breach of its obligations pursuant to this Contract and has not remedied the same within sixty (60) calendar days following its receipt of the Consultant's notice specifying such breach;
- (b) The Procuring Entity's failure to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration pursuant to GCC Clause 34 hereof
- (c) As the direct and proximate result of force majeure, the Consultant is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) days; or
- (d) The Procuring Entity fails to pay any money due to the Consultant pursuant to this Contract and not subject to dispute pursuant to GCC Clause 32 hereof within eighty four (84) days after receiving written notice from the Consultant that such payment is overdue.

29. Procedures for Termination of Contracts

The following provisions shall govern the procedures for the termination of this Contract:

(a) Upon receipt of a written report of acts or causes which may constitute ground(s) for termination as aforementioned, or upon its own initiative, the Procuring Entity shall, within a period of seven (7) calendar days, verify the

existence of such ground(s) and cause the execution of a Verified Report, with all relevant evidence attached;

- (b) Upon recommendation by the Procuring Entity, the HoPE shall terminate this Contract only by a written notice to the Consultant conveying such termination. The notice shall state:
 - that the contract is being terminated for any of the ground(s) aforementioned, and a statement of the acts that constitute the ground(s) constituting the same;
 - (ii) the extent of termination, whether in whole or in part;
 - (iii) an instruction to the Consultant to show cause as to why the contract should not be terminated; and
 - (iv) special instructions of the Procuring Entity, if any.

The Notice to Terminate shall be accompanied by a copy of the Verified Report;

- (c) Within a period of seven (7) calendar days from receipt of the Notice of Termination, the Consultant shall submit to the HoPE a verified position paper stating why this Contract should not be terminated. If the Consultant fails to show cause after the lapse of the seven (7) day period, either by inaction or by default, the HoPE shall issue an order terminating this Contract;
- (d) The Procuring Entity may, at anytime before receipt of the Consultant's verified position paper to withdraw the Notice to Terminate if it is determined that certain services subject of the notice had been completed or performed before the Consultant's receipt of the notice;
- (e) Within a non-extendible period of ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the verified position paper, the HoPE shall decide whether or not to terminate this Contract. It shall serve a written notice to the Consultant of its decision and, unless otherwise provided, this Contract is deemed terminated from receipt of the Consultant of the notice of decision. The termination shall only be based on the ground(s) stated in the Notice to Terminate; and
- (f) The HoPE may create a Contract Termination Review Committee (CTRC) to assist him in the discharge of this function. All decisions recommended by the CTRC shall be subject to the approval of the HoPE.

30. Cessation of Services

Upon termination of this Contract by notice of either Party to the other pursuant to **GCC** Clauses 27 or 28 hereof, the Consultant shall, immediately upon dispatch or receipt of such notice, take all necessary steps to bring the Services to a close in a

prompt and orderly manner and shall make every reasonable effort to keep expenditures for this purpose to a minimum. With respect to documents prepared by the Consultant and equipment and materials furnished by the Procuring Entity, the Consultant shall proceed as provided, respectively, by **GCC** Clauses 35 or 36 hereof.

31. Payment Upon Termination

Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to **GCC** Clauses 27 or 28 hereof, the Procuring Entity shall make the following payments to the Consultant:

- (a) remuneration pursuant to **GCC** Clause 53 hereof for Services satisfactorily performed prior to the effective date of termination;
- (b) reimbursable expenditures pursuant to **GCC** Clause 53 hereof for expenditures actually incurred prior to the effective date of termination; and
- (c) in the case of termination pursuant to **GCC** Clause 27(b) hereof, reimbursement of any reasonable cost incident to the prompt and orderly termination of this Contract including the cost of the return travel of the Personnel and their eligible dependents.

32. Disputes about Events of Termination

If either Party disputes whether an event specified in **GCC** Clause 27.1 or in **GCC** Clause 28 hereof has occurred, such Party may refer the matter to arbitration pursuant to **GCC** Clause 34 hereof, and this Contract shall not be terminated on account of such event except in accordance with the terms of any resulting arbitral award.

33. Cessation of Rights and Obligations

Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to **GCC** Clauses 27 or 28 hereof, or upon expiration of this Contract pursuant to **GCC** Clause 24, all rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall cease, except:

- (a) such rights and obligations as may have accrued on the date of termination or expiration;
- (b) the obligation of confidentiality set forth in GCC Clause 17 hereof; and
- (c) the Consultant's obligation to permit inspection, copying and auditing of their accounts and records set forth in GCC Clauses 51(b) and 51(c) hereof, any right which a Party may have under the Applicable Law.

34. Dispute Settlement

34.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever shall arise between the Parties in connection with the implementation of this Contract, the Parties

shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.

34.2 Any and all disputes arising from the implementation of this Contract shall be submitted to arbitration in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.

35. Documents Prepared by the Consultant and Software Developed to be the Property of the Procuring Entity

- 35.1 All plans, drawings, specifications, designs, reports, other documents and software prepared by the Consultant for the Procuring Entity under this Contract shall become and remain the property of the Procuring Entity, and the Consultant shall, prior to termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents to the Procuring Entity, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The Consultant may retain a copy of such documents and software. The plans, drawings, specifications, designs, reports, other documents and software, including restrictions on future use of such documents and software, if any, shall be specified in the SCC.
- 35.2 All computer programs developed by the Consultant under this Contract shall be the sole and exclusive property of the Procuring Entity; provided, however, that the Consultant may use such programs for its own use with prior written approval of the Procuring Entity. If license agreements are necessary or appropriate between the Consultant and third parties for purposes of development of any such computer programs, the Consultant shall obtain the Procuring Entity's prior written approval to such agreements. In such cases, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled at its discretion to require recovering the expenses related to the development of the program(s) concerned.

36. Equipment and Materials Furnished by the Procuring Entity

Equipment and materials made available to the Consultant by the Procuring Entity, or purchased by the Consultant with funds provided by the Procuring Entity, shall be the property of the Procuring Entity and shall be marked accordingly. Upon termination or expiration of this Contract, the Consultant shall make available to the Procuring Entity an inventory of such equipment and materials and shall dispose of such equipment and materials in accordance with the Procuring Entity's instructions. While in possession of such equipment and materials, the Consultant, unless otherwise instructed by the Procuring Entity in writing, shall insure it at the expense of the Procuring Entity in an amount equal to their full replacement value.

37. Services, Facilities and Property of the Procuring Entity

The Procuring Entity shall make available to the Consultant and the Personnel, for the purposes of the Services and free of any charge, the services, facilities and property described in Appendix V at the terms and in the manner specified in said appendix, provided that if such services, facilities and property shall not be made available to the Consultant as and when so specified, the Parties shall agree on:

- (a) any time extension that it may be appropriate to grant to the Consultant for the performance of the Services;
- (b) the manner in which the Consultant shall procure any such services, facilities and property from other sources; and
- (c) the additional payments, if any, to be made to the Consultant as a result thereof pursuant to **GCC** Clause 52 hereinafter which should be within the agreed contract ceiling.

38. Consultant's Actions Requiring Procuring Entity's Prior Approval

The Consultant shall obtain the Procuring Entity's prior approval in writing before taking any of the following actions:

- (a) appointing such members of the Personnel as are listed in Appendix III merely by title but not by name;
- (b) entering into a subcontract for the performance of any part of the Services, it being understood that:
 - (i) the selection of the Subconsultant and the terms and conditions of the subcontract shall have been approved in writing by the Procuring Entity prior to the execution of the subcontract; and
 - (ii) the Consultant shall remain fully liable for the performance of the Services by the Subconsultant and its Personnel pursuant to this Contract;
- (c) replacement, during the performance of the contract for any reason, of any Personnel as listed in Appendix III of this Contract requiring the Procuring Entity's prior approval; and
- (d) any other action that may be specified in the **SCC**.

39. Personnel

- 39.1 The Consultant shall employ and provide such qualified and experienced Personnel and Subconsultants as are required to carry out the Services.
- 39.2 The title, agreed job description, minimum qualification and estimated period of engagement in the carrying out of the Services of each of the Consultant's Key Personnel are described in Appendix III.
- 39.3 The Key Personnel and Subconsultants listed by title as well as by name in Appendix III are hereby approved by the Procuring Entity. In respect of other Key Personnel which the Consultant proposes to use in the carrying

out of the Services, the Consultant shall submit to the Procuring Entity for review and approval a copy of their biographical data and, in the case of Key Personnel to be assigned within the GoP, a copy of a satisfactory medical certificate attached as part of Appendix III. If the Procuring Entity does not object in writing; or if it objects in writing but fails to state the reasons for such objection, within twenty-one (21) calendar days from the date of receipt of such biographical data and, if applicable, such certificate, the Key Personnel concerned shall be deemed to have been approved by the Procuring Entity.

- 39.4 The Procuring Entity may request the Consultants to perform additional services not covered by the original scope of work but are determined by the Procuring Entity to be critical for the satisfactory completion of the Services, subject to GCC Clause 55.6.
- 39.5 No changes shall be made in the Key Personnel, except for justifiable reasons as may be determined by the Procuring Entity, as indicated in the SCC, and only upon prior approval of the Procuring Entity. If it becomes justifiable and necessary to replace any of the Personnel, the Consultant shall forthwith provide as a replacement a person of equivalent or better qualifications. If the Consultant introduces changes in Key Personnel for reasons other than those mentioned in the SCC, the Consultant shall be liable for the imposition of damages as described in the SCC.
- 39.6 Any of the Personnel provided as a replacement under GCC Clauses 39.5 and 39.7, the rate of remuneration applicable to such person as well as any reimbursable expenditures the Consultant may wish to claim as a result of such replacement, shall be subject to the prior written approval by the Procuring Entity. Except as the Procuring Entity may otherwise agree, the Consultant shall bear all additional travel and other costs arising out of or incidental to any removal and/or replacement, and the remuneration to be paid for any of the Personnel provided as a replacement shall not exceed the remuneration which would have been payable to the Personnel replaced.
- 39.7 If the Procuring Entity finds that any of the Personnel has committed serious misconduct or has been charged with having committed a criminal action as defined in the Applicable Law, or has reasonable cause to be dissatisfied with the performance of any of the Personnel, then the Consultant shall, at the Procuring Entity's written request specifying the grounds therefore, forthwith provide as a replacement a person with qualifications and experience acceptable to the Procuring Entity.

40. Working Hours, Overtime, Leave, etc.

40.1 Working hours and holidays for Key Personnel are set forth in Appendix III.

Any travel time prior to and after contract implementation shall not be considered as part of the working hours.

- 40.2 The Key Personnel shall not be entitled to claim payment for overtime work, sick leave, or vacation leave from the Procuring Entity since these items are already covered by the Consultant's remuneration. All leaves to be allowed to the Personnel are included in the staff-months of service set forth in Appendix III. Taking of leave by any Personnel should not delay the progress and adequate supervision of the Services.
- 40.3 If required to comply with the provisions of GCC Clause 43.1 hereof, adjustments with respect to the estimated periods of engagement of Key Personnel set forth in Appendix III may be made by the Consultant by prior written notice to the Procuring Entity, provided that:
 - (a) such adjustments shall not alter the originally estimated period of engagement of any individual by more than ten percent (10%); and
 - (b) the aggregate of such adjustments shall not cause payments under this Contract to exceed the ceilings set forth in GCC Clause 52.1 of this Contract. Any other such adjustments shall only be made with the Procuring Entity's prior written approval.

41. Counterpart Personnel

- 41.1 If so provided in Appendix III hereto, the Procuring Entity shall make available to the Consultant, as and when provided in such Appendix III, and free of charge, such Counterpart Personnel to be selected by the Procuring Entity, with the Consultant's advice, as shall be specified in such Appendix III. Counterpart Personnel shall work with the Consultant. If any member of the Counterpart Personnel fails to perform adequately any work assigned to such member by the Consultant which is consistent with the position occupied by such member, the Consultant may request the replacement of such member, and the Procuring Entity shall not unreasonably refuse to act upon such request.
- 41.2 The responsibilities of the Counterpart Personnel shall be specified in Appendix III, attached hereto, and the Counterpart Personnel shall not perform any work beyond the said responsibilities.
- 41.3 If Counterpart Personnel are not provided by the Procuring Entity to the Consultant as and when specified in Appendix III, and or if the Counterpart Personnel lack the necessary training, experience or authority to effectively undertake their responsibilities, the Procuring Entity and the Consultant shall agree on how the affected part of the Services shall be carried out, and the additional payments, if any, to be made by the Procuring Entity to the Consultant as a result thereof pursuant to GCC Clause 52 hereof.

42. Performance Security

- 42.1 Unless otherwise specified in the <u>SCC</u>, within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the Notice of Award from the Procuring Entity but in no case later than the signing of the contract by both parties, the Consultant shall furnish the performance security in any the forms prescribed in the ITB Clause 32.2.
- 42.2 The performance security posted in favor of the Procuring Entity shall be forfeited in the event it is established that the Consultant is in default in any of its obligations under the contract.
- 42.3 The performance security shall remain valid until issuance by the Procuring Entity of the Certificate of Final Acceptance.
- 42.4 The performance security may be released by the Procuring Entity and returned to the Consultant after the issuance of the Certificate of Final Acceptance subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) There are no pending claims against the Consultant or the surety company filed by the Procuring Entity;
 - (b) The Consultant has no pending claims for labor and materials filed against it; and
 - (c) Other terms specified in the SCC.
- 42.5 In case of a reduction of the contract value, the Procuring Entity shall allow a proportional reduction in the original performance security, provided that any such reduction is more than ten percent (10%) and that the aggregate of such reductions is not more than fifty percent (50%) of the original performance security.

43. Standard of Performance

- 43.1 The Consultant shall perform the Services and carry out their obligations hereunder with all due diligence, efficiency and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional techniques and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate advanced technology and safe and effective equipment, machinery, materials and methods.
- 43.2 The Consultant shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Contract or to the Services, as faithful advisers to the Procuring Entity, and shall at all times support and safeguard the Procuring Entity's legitimate interests in any dealings with Subconsultants or third parties.
- 43.3 The Consultant shall furnish to the Procuring Entity such information related to the Services as the Procuring Entity may from time to time reasonably request.

43.4 The Consultant shall at all times cooperate and coordinate with the Procuring Entity with respect to the carrying out of its obligations under this Contract.

44. Consultant Not to Benefit from Commissions, Discounts, etc.

The remuneration of the Consultant pursuant to **GCC** Clause 53 hereof shall constitute the Consultant's sole remuneration in connection with this Contract or the Services and, subject to **GCC** Clause 45 hereof, the Consultant shall not accept for their own benefit any trade commission, discount or similar payment in connection with activities pursuant to this Contract or to the Services or in the discharge of their obligations hereunder, and the Consultant shall use its best efforts to ensure that any Subconsultants, as well as the Personnel and agents of either of them, similarly shall not receive any such additional remuneration.

45. Procurement by the Consultant

If the Consultant, as part of the Services, has the responsibility of advising or procuring goods, works or services, for the Procuring Entity, the Consultant shall comply with any applicable procurement guidelines of the Funding Source, and shall at all times exercise such responsibility in the best interest of the Procuring Entity. Any discounts or advantages obtained by the Consultant in the exercise of such procurement responsibility shall be for the benefit of the Procuring Entity.

46. Specifications and Designs

- 46.1 The Consultant shall prepare all specifications and designs using the metric system and shall embody the best design criteria applicable to Philippine conditions. The Consultant shall specify standards which are accepted and well-known among industrial nations.
- 46.2 The Consultant shall ensure that the specifications and designs and all documentation relating to procurement of goods and services for this Contract are prepared on an impartial basis so as to promote national and international competitive bidding.

47. Reports

The Consultant shall submit to the Procuring Entity the reports, deliverables and documents in English, in the form, in the numbers, and within the time periods set forth in Appendix II.

48. Assistance by the Procuring Entity on Government Requirements

48.1 The Procuring Entity may assist the Consultant, Subconsultants, and Personnel in the payment of such taxes, duties, fees and other impositions as may be levied under the Applicable Law by providing information on the preparation of necessary documents for payment thereof.

- 48.2 The Procuring Entity shall use its best efforts to ensure that the Government shall:
 - (a) provide the Consultant, Subconsultants, and Personnel with work permits and such other documents as shall be necessary to enable the Consultant, Subconsultants, or Personnel to perform the Services;
 - (b) arrange for the foreign Personnel and, if appropriate, their eligible dependents to be provided promptly with all necessary entry and exit visas, residence permits, and any other documents required for their stay in the Philippines for the duration of the Contract;
 - (c) facilitate prompt clearance through customs of any property required for the Services and of the necessary personal effects of the foreign Personnel and their eligible dependents;
- (d) issue to officials, agents and representatives of the Government all such instructions as may be necessary or appropriate for the prompt and effective implementation of the Services; and
- (e) grant to foreign Consultant, any foreign Subconsultant and the Personnel of either of them the privilege, pursuant to the Applicable Law, of bringing into the Government's country reasonable amounts of foreign currency for purposes of the Services or for the personal use of the foreign Personnel and their dependents.

49. Access to Land

The Procuring Entity warrants that the Consultant shall have, free of charge, unimpeded access to all lands in the Philippines in respect of which access is required for the performance of the Services. The Procuring Entity shall be responsible for any damage to such land or any property thereon resulting from such access and shall indemnify the Consultant and each of the Personnel in respect of liability for any such damage, unless such damage is caused by the default or negligence of the Consultant or any Subconsultant or the Personnel of either of them.

50. Subcontract

50.1 Subcontracting of any portion of the Consulting Services, if allowed in the BDS, does not relieve the Consultant of any liability or obligation under this Contract. The Consultant will be responsible for the acts, defaults, and negligence of any subconsultant, its agents, servants or workmen as fully as if these were the Consultant's own acts, defaults, or negligence, or those of its agents, servants or workmen.

50.2 Subconsultants disclosed and identified during the bidding may be changed during the implementation of this Contract, subject to compliance with the required qualifications and the approval of the Procuring Entity.

51. Accounting, Inspection and Auditing

51.1 The Consultant shall:

- (a) keep accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the Services hereunder, in accordance with internationally accepted accounting principles and in such form and detail as shall clearly identify all relevant time changes and costs, and the bases thereof;
- (b) permit the Procuring Entity or its designated representative and or the designated representative of the Funding Source at least once for short-term Contracts, and annually in the case of long-term Contracts, and up to one year from the expiration or termination of this Contract, to inspect the same and make copies thereof as well as to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Procuring Entity; and
- (c) permit the Funding Source to inspect the Consultant's accounts and records relating to the performance of the Consultant and to have them audited by auditors approved by the Funding Source, if so required.
- 51.2 The basic purpose of this audit is to verify payments under this Contract and, in this process, to also verify representations made by the Consultant in relation to this Contract. The Consultant shall cooperate with and assist the Procuring Entity and its authorized representatives in making such audit. In the event the audit discloses that the Consultant has overcharged the Procuring Entity, the Consultant shall immediately reimburse the Procuring Entity an amount equivalent to the amount overpaid. If overpayment is a result of the Consultant having been engaged in what the Procuring Entity (or, as the case may be, the Funding Source) determines to constitute corrupt, fraudulent, or coercive practices, as defined in GCC Clause 27(e) and under the Applicable Law, the Procuring Entity shall, unless the Procuring Entity decides otherwise, terminate this Contract.
- 51.3 The determination that the Consultant has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, coercive practices shall result in the Procuring Entity and/or the Funding Source seeking the imposition of the maximum administrative, civil and criminal penalties up to and in including imprisonment.

52. Contract Cost

52.1 Except as may be otherwise agreed under GCC Clause 10, payments under this Contract shall not exceed the ceiling specified in the SCC. The

- Consultant shall notify the Procuring Entity as soon as cumulative charges incurred for the Services have reached eighty percent (80%) of this ceiling.
- 52.2 Unless otherwise specified in the <u>SCC</u>, the cost of the Services shall be payable in Philippine Pesos and shall be set forth in the Appendix IV attached to this Contract.

53. Remuneration and Reimbursable Expenditures

- 53.1 Payments of Services do not relieve the Consultant of any obligation hereunder.
- 53.2 Remuneration for the Personnel shall be determined on the basis of time actually spent by such Personnel in the performance of the Services including other additional factors indicated in the <u>SCC</u> after the date determined in accordance with GCC Clause 22, or such other date as the Parties shall agree in writing, including time for necessary travel via the most direct route, at the rates referred to, and subject to such additional provisions as are set forth, in the <u>SCC</u>.
- 53.3 Remuneration for periods of less than one month shall be calculated on an hourly basis for time spent in home office (the total of 176 hours per month shall apply) and on a calendar-day basis for time spent away from home office (1 day being equivalent to 1/30th of a month).
- 53.4 Reimbursable expenditures actually and reasonably incurred by the Consultants in the performance of the Services are provided in the <u>SCC</u>.
- 53.5 Billings and payments in respect of the Services shall be made as follows:
 - (a) The Procuring Entity shall cause to be paid to the Consultant an advance payment as specified in the SCC, and as otherwise set forth below. The advance payment shall be due after the Consultant provides an irrevocable standby letter of credit in favor of the Procuring Entity issued by an entity acceptable to the Procuring Entity in accordance with the requirements provided in the SCC.
 - (b) As soon as practicable and not later than fifteen (15) days after the end of each calendar month during the period of the Services, the Consultant shall submit to the Procuring Entity, in duplicate, itemized statements, accompanied by copies of receipted invoices, vouchers and other appropriate supporting materials, of the amounts payable pursuant to GCC Clauses 52.1 and 53 for such month. Separate monthly statements shall be submitted in respect of amounts payable in foreign currency and in local currency. Each separate monthly statement shall distinguish that portion of the total eligible costs which pertains to remuneration from that portion which pertains to reimbursable expenditures.

(c) The Procuring Entity shall cause the payment of the Consultant's monthly statements within sixty (60) days after the receipt by the Procuring Entity of such statements with supporting documents. Only such portion of a monthly statement that is not satisfactorily supported may be withheld from payment. Should any discrepancy be found to exist between actual payment and costs authorized to be incurred by the Consultant, the Procuring Entity may add or subtract the difference from any subsequent payments. Interest shall be paid for delayed payments following the rate provided in the SCC.

54. Final Payment

- 54.1 The final payment shall be made only after the final report and a final statement, identified as such, shall have been submitted by the Consultant and approved as satisfactory by the Procuring Entity. The Services shall be deemed completed and finally accepted by the Procuring Entity and the final report and final statement shall be deemed approved by the Procuring Entity as satisfactory ninety (90) calendar days after receipt of the final report and final statement by the Procuring Entity unless the Procuring Entity, within such ninety (90)-day period, gives written notice to the Consultant specifying in detail deficiencies in the Services, the final report or final statement. The Consultant shall thereupon promptly make any necessary corrections within a maximum period of ninety (90) calendar days, and upon completion of such corrections, the foregoing process shall be repeated.
- 54.2 Any amount which the Procuring Entity has paid or caused to be paid in accordance with this clause in excess of the amounts actually payable in accordance with the provisions of this Contract shall be reimbursed by the Consultant to the Procuring Entity within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Consultant of notice thereof. Any such claim by the Procuring Entity for reimbursement must be made within twelve (12) calendar months after receipt by the Procuring Entity of a final report and a final statement approved by the Procuring Entity in accordance with the above.

55. Lump Sum Contracts

- For Lump Sum Contracts when applicable, notwithstanding the terms of GCC Clauses 10, 18.1, 31(c), 41.3, 53.2, 53.3, 53.4, 53.5, and 54.1, the provisions contained hereunder shall apply.
- 55.2 Personnel Any replacement approved by the Procuring Entity in accordance with ITB Clause 27.3 shall be provided by the Consultant at no additional cost.
- 55.3 Staffing Schedule Should the rate of progress of the Services, or any part hereof, be at any time in the opinion of the Procuring Entity too slow to

ensure that the Services are completed in accordance with the Staffing Schedule, the Procuring Entity shall so notify the Consultant in writing and the Consultant shall at its sole cost and expense, thereupon take such steps as necessary, subject to the Procuring Entity's approval, or as reasonably required by the Procuring Entity, to expedite progress so as to ensure that the Services are completed in accordance with the Staffing Schedule.

- 55.4 Final payment pursuant to the Payment Schedule in Appendices IV and V shall be made by the Procuring Entity after the final report has been submitted by the Consultant and approved by the Procuring Entity.
- 55.5 Termination Upon the receipt or giving of any notice referred to in GCC Clause 29 and if the Consultant is not in default under this Contract and has partly or substantially performed its obligation under this Contract up to the date of termination and has taken immediate steps to bring the Services to a close in prompt and orderly manner, there shall be an equitable reduction in the maximum amount payable under this Contract to reflect the reduction in the Services, provided that in no event shall the Consultant receive less than his actual costs up to the effective date of the termination, plus a reasonable allowance for overhead and profit.
- 55.6 Unless otherwise provided in the <u>SCC</u>, no additional payment for variation order, if any, shall be allowed for this Contract.

56. Liquidated Damages for Delay

If the Consultant fails to deliver any or all of the Services within the period(s) specified in this Contract, the Procuring Entity shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under this Contract and under the Applicable Law, deduct from the contract price, as liquidated damages, a sum equivalent to one-tenth of one percent of the price of the unperformed portion of the Services for each day of delay based on the approved contract schedule up to a maximum deduction of ten percent (10%) of the contract price. Once the maximum is reached, the Procuring Entity may consider termination of this Contract pursuant to **GCC** Clause 27.

Section V. Special Conditions of Contract

Notes on the Special Conditions of Contract

Similar to the BDS in Section III, the Clauses in this Section are intended to assist the Procuring Entity in providing contract-specific information in relation to corresponding clauses in the GCC.

The provisions of Section V complement the GCC included in Section IV, specifying contractual requirements linked to the special circumstances of the Procuring Entity, the Procuring Entity's country, the sector, and the Services purchased. In preparing Section V, the following aspects should be checked:

- (a) Information that complements provisions of Section IV must be incorporated.
- (b) Amendments and/or supplements to provisions of Section IV, as necessitated by the circumstances of the specific purchase, must also be incorporated.

However, no special condition which defeats or negates the general intent and purpose of the provisions of Section IV should be incorporated herein.

Special Conditions of Contract

GCC Clause		
1.1(g)	The Funding Source is:	
	The Government of the Philippines (GoP).	
6.2(b)	For a period of two years after the expiration of this Contract, the Consultant shall not engage, and shall cause its Personnel as well as their Subconsultants and its Personnel not to engage, in the activity of a purchaser (directly or indirectly) of the assets on which they advised the Procuring Entity under this Contract nor in the activity of an adviser (directly or indirectly) of potential purchasers of such assets. The Consultant also agree that their affiliates shall be disqualified for the same period of time from engaging in the said activities.	
7	The Member in Charge is:	
	The authorized representative as declared in the Notarized Omnibus Sworn Statement.	
	(name of member, address, and other necessary contact information).	
8	The person designated as resident project manager in Appendix III shall serve in that capacity, as specified in GCC Clause 8.	
	Name of Project Manager:	
10	No further instructions.	
12	The Authorized Representatives are as follows:	
	For the Procuring Entity: MARIA ANTHONETTE C. VELASCO-ALLONES	
	For the Consultant:	
	NOTE: Name of authorized representative to be filled out by winning consultant prior to contract signing.	
15.1	The addresses are:	
	Procuring Entity: <i>Tourism Promotions Board</i> Attention: MARIA ANTHONETTE C. VELASCO-ALLONES	

	Head of the Procuring Entity Tourism Promotions Board 4th Floor, Legaspi Towers 300 Roxas Boulevard, Manila Consultants: [insert name of the Consultant] Attention: [insert name of the Consultant's authorized representative] Address: Facsimile: Email Address: NOTE: Contact details to be filled out by winning consultant prior to contract signing.	
15.2	Notice shall be deemed to be effective as follows: (a) in the case of personal delivery or registered mail, on delivery; (b) in the case of facsimiles, within 24 – hrs following confirmed transmission; or (c) in the case of telegrams, within 24 – hrs following confirmed transmission.	
18.3	State here Consultant's account where payment may be made. NOTE: Details of account to be filled out by winning consultant prior to contract signing. No further instructions.	
20	No additional provision.	
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22	None.	
24	The time period shall be upon the completion and turned over to and acceptance by the Tourism Promotions Board (TPB) within Six (6) months from the date of issuance of the approved Notice to Proceed.	
34.2	Any and all disputes arising from the implementation of this contract shall be submitted to arbitration in the Philippines according to the provisions of Republic Acts 876 and 9285, as required in Section 59 of the	

	IRR of RA 9184.	
35.1	Reports and other documents prepared by the Consultant for the Procuring Entity under this Contract shall become and remain the property of the Procuring Entity.	
38.1(d)	The Consultant's actions requiring the Procuring Entity's prior approval are the reports, decisions making, execution of the project as arranged during the course of the implementation of the project.	
39.5	The Consultant may change its Key Personnel only for justifiable reasons as may be determined by the Procuring Entity, such as death, serious illness, incapacity of an individual Consultant, resignation, among others, or until after fifty percent (50%) of the Personnel's man-months have been served. Violators will be fined an amount equal to the refund of the replaced Personnel's basic rate, which should be at least fifty percent (50%) of the total basic rate for the duration of the engagement.	
42.1	No further instructions.	
42.4(c)	No further instructions.	
52.1	The total ceiling amount in Philippine Pesos is [insert amount].	
	NOTE: The contract amount is to be filled out by the BAC Secretariat prior to contract signing.	
52.2	No further instructions.	
53.2	No additional instructions.	
53.4	Not applicable.	
53.5(a)	No advance payment is allowed.	
	Terms of Payment:	
	The work should be started within two (2) days upon receipt of Notice to Proceed. Payment shall be made upon Issuance of the Inspection and Acceptance Certificate by the Inspection and Acceptance Committee upon recommendation by the End-User, but consistent with the following project milestones and schedules:	
	No. Description Percentage Month %	

1	Upon submission and approval of TPB of the project implementation plan)	15%	Month 1
2	Upon System Requirement Approval and Sign-Off	25%	Month 2
3	Upon Completion of Development, Turn-Over for System Testing, and Sign-Off of User Acceptance Testing	40%	Month 4
4	Upon System GO-LIVE, submission of source code, completion of user training and Project Sign-Off	10%	Month 5
5	Retention	10%	End of Warranty

Milestone

	REQUIREMENTS / PER EVENT	DURATION
	Upon submission to and approval of TPB of the Project Implementation Plan	1 Month - 1 st
	Upon submission to and approval of TPB of the System Analysis and Design Document (including flow charts, wireframes, all forms/output reports, requirements traceability matrix, etc.	1 Month – 2 nd
	Upon Completion of Development and Turn-Over for System Testing, and sign-off of User Acceptance Testing	2 Months – 3 rd – 4 th
	Upon System GO-LIVE, submission of source code, completion of user training and Project Sign-Off	1 Month – 5 th
	Retention up to end of warranty	1 Month – 6 th
(c)	The interest rate is: Zero (0).	
55.6	No further instructions.	
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Section VI. Terms of Reference

Please refer to **Annex A: "Terms of Reference"**

TERMS OF REFERENCE PROCUREMENT and ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (PAMS)

As of 31 March 2021

I. RATIONALE

Pursuant to Section 36 of Republic Act (RA) Number 9593, the Tourism Promotions Board (TPB), is responsible for marketing and promoting the Philippines domestically and internationally as a major global tourism and meetings, incentives, conventions and exhibitions (MICE) destination, to draw a sizeable number of tourists and tourism investments to the country.

To ensure achievement of its mandate, the TPB needs office systems, tools and infrastructure to provide the needed administrative support to its marketing operations, including procurement, maintenance, tracking and disposal of assets, and other administrative support in compliance with relevant rules and regulations.

To improve efficiency in tracking assets and payments, TPB needs a comprehensive solution for the procurement, inventory, issuance, tracking and disposal of current and future properties and assets of the corporation. At present, TPB Procurement and General Services Division (PGSD) use MS Excel files and Google Sheets to manage these separate processes. An integrated solution that tracks the corporation's assets from "womb to tomb" is expected to improve the management of these assets and more effectively provide the support to TPB's operating units.

II. OBJECTIVES

GENERAL

The primary objective of the TPB – Procurement and Asset Management System (TPB-PAMS) is to provide an integrated web-based solution for the budget planning, procurement, inventory, issuance, tracking and disposal of current and future properties and assets of TPB, for more efficient management of resources and compliance with regulatory requirements.

SPECIFIC

The TPB aims to efficiently manage its assets through use of a custom-built, integration-capable, and scalable application solution with cloud-access capability, supported by the necessary hardware infrastructure to:

- d) Systematize the budget planning and procurement activities and records of TPB;
- e) Provide a common and accessible platform for the inventory, tagging, issuance tracking, valuation, monitoring and disposal of the same; and
- f) Collect and manage the data needed for reporting and compliance with regulatory requirements such as submission of the Preparation of the Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP), Annual Procurement Plan (APP), Procurement Monitoring, and Inventory Reports.

III. SCOPE AND COVERAGE

- 3.1 The service provider shall create and develop for TPB a Procurement and asset Management System (PAMS) based on this Terms of Reference and Scope of Work (TOR-SOW) with "Unlimited" number of user licenses / enterprise license;
- 3.2 The service provider shall ensure that the PAMS has the capacity to regularly generate regulatory reports herein indicated, which shall be compliant with the government required format and reporting. These reports should be customized as per TPB's requirements, available "out-of-the-box" upon installation of the software, and must have the capability to update the formats based on future government issuances.

The TPB-PAMS shall consist of the following sub-modules, namely:

❖ Procurement Planning Module (BTMS*)

- 1. Preparation of the Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP)
 - 1.1 Attachment of Terms of Reference, Technical Specifications and Scope of Works
 - 2.2 Determination of Procurement Method / Processing of Agency Procurement Request
- 2. Consolidation and Submission of the Annual Procurement Plan (APP)
- 3. Realignment, Supplementary and Re-allocation
- 4. Tracking of APP and PPMP History
- 5. Viewing of APP Draft

Procurement Management Module

- 1. Purchase Request(BTMS*)
- 2. Canvassing / Quotation / Bid Evaluation
- 3. Awarding
- 4. Purchase Order(BTMS*)
- 5. Purchase Order Adjustment
- 6. Contract Management
- 7. Delivery
- 8. Preparation of Disbursement Voucher(BTMS*)

Inventory Management Module

- 1. Fixed Assets
- 2. Inventory Custodian Slip
- 3. Supplies Inventory
- 4. Accountability Monitoring
- 5. Reporting
- 6. Disposal
- 7. Insurance
- 8. Vehicle/Fleet Management
- 9. Request for Allocation of Resources
- 10. Repair and Maintenance
- 11. Warehouse Management

^{*}These forms must be integrated with the Budget Treasury Management System (BTMS) of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM).

IV. DETAILED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

a. **GENERAL SYSTEM REQUIREMENT (minimum)**

	1. 360 View of Transactions
	1.1. Complete view of the transaction details on a single page
	1.2. Real time feeds on transaction status
	1.3. Better information delivered to end-users at a glance
	2. Notification and Alerts
Efficiency and Convenience	2.1. Sending of notifications to the appropriate users for every transaction via Email and SMS
Tools	2.2. Sending of notification via Email/SMS and alerts based on the frequency implemented for transaction turn-around time and for transactions that has scheduled alert notifications
	Sending of notification via Email/SMS based on the critical and re- order level set in monitoring of supplies
	Quick Search and Assists Filters
	3.1. Facility for quick search in all modules
	3.2. Filtering functionality for all tables and modules
	4. User Access Rights and Control Mechanism
	4.1. Shall have the facility to assign and update user access rights (add, view, modify, delete) per role (maker, reviewer, approver, viewer, auditor).
	4.2. Policy control level that will restrict/allow which modules and actions should be available to the end users
	4.3. Shall have the facility to restrict access to menus and data sources such as databases, tables and folders.
Configuration and Security	5. Workflow Management
Requirements	5.1. Dynamic workflow which allow the user to define different workflows for different types of jobs or processes and increases flexibility within a workspace and helps the administrators maintain all workflow processes in the system
	5.2. Use of email based software technology to increase the efficiency of a workflow by improving the coordination of the activities of the people involved.
	5.3. Workflow automation helps to ensure that at the right time the right person gets the right information about what needs to be done and

	in what order.
	6. Authentication and Audit Trail
	6.1. User authentication that allows the system to verify the identity of someone who connects or access the system. User authentication consisted of assigned username and password combination
	6.2. A functionality that log/captures the historical records of all transactions or events that happened in the system in based on the sequence events.
	6.3. A time stamp functionality that captures when and what time a transaction was processed or submitted shall include, but not limited to the following:
	- File Updating and Maintenance
	- Errors and abnormal activities in the system
	- User and system administrator activities
	- User log-on and log-off
	6.4. User activities relative to the stored information which include updating, printing, downloading, deletion, annotation, and other changes
	6.5. List of records/files removed from the active database for backup purposes
	6.6. Shall have the facility to view, print and download audit trail report in PDF, Excel and CSV file formats
	6.7. Shall have the facility to display current users of the system any time
	7. User Maintenance
	7.1. Shall have the facility to update user accounts
	7.2. Shall have the facility to configure user idle time to trigger automatic logout.
	8. Integration
	8.1. Share of libraries or transactions between systems
	8.2. Standard coding of items across systems
Integration Requirements	8.3. Uniform depreciation of properties
	8.4. Processing of Procurement and General Services Division (PGSD) Supplies purchases through Procurement system upon reaching re- orderable levels
	8.5. Employee viewing of accountabilities and any transactions from any

systems	
8.6. Single approving authority across systems per department	
8.7. Corporate viewing/printing of selected reports	
8.8. Corporate viewing/printing of libraries	
9. Linkage with Accounting System	
Note: In the absence of an accounting system, module must still be available	
9.1. Connection to Accounting System that will facilitate browsing, downloading and uploading of information or storage of information (summary of issuance, summary of depreciation cost, etc.)	
9.2. Facilitate creation of accounting entries (debit/credit) to be posted in the accounting system such as:	
9.3. ICS depreciation	
9.4. Supplies issuances	
9.5. Disposal thru:	
- Public Auction / Public Bidding	
- Sale thru Negotiation	
- Barter	
- Transfer to other Government Agency	
- Donation	
- Destruction or Condemnation	
- Or any other mode of disposal as mandated by the Government	
9.6. The Accounting System will maintain the General Ledger of PPEs (e.g. FFEs, IT Equipment) and supplies issuances to departments while the Fixed ICS & Supplies Monitoring shall maintain their corresponding Subsidiary Ledger.	
9.7. The proposed system should interface and be fully integrated with our plan / current corporate Accounting System and other related systems that will be providing and requiring information to and from the proposed system and should allow cross company/multi-company transaction. Accounting entries are automatic to	
Accounting System, hand-off file or uploading is not allowed.	
10. Linkage with Personnel Information System (PIS) or any Human Resource Management Information System (HRMIS)	
10.1. Capability to allow scheduled or ad-hoc upload from the PIS/Employee System of all or selected employee and organizational unit (sector, group or department) information.	

10.2. Capability to allow scheduled or ad-hoc upload of list of current Contractual employees.
10.3. Capability to allow scheduled or ad-hoc upload from the Employee System of all or selected employee and organizational unit (sector, group or department) information.
10.4. Shall have the facility to update user login credentials (user name, password).
10.5. Shall have the facility to support activation of a separate password policy, which includes, but not limited to, the following:
10.6. Password history
10.7. Password configuration (allowed characters, forbidden passwords, number of characters, etc.)

A. Procurement Planning Module (PPMP / APP)

The module shall be designed to optimize planning and financial control to promote sound business decisions, demonstrate accountability and efficient work flow, and to prompt appropriate and immediate action when and where necessary.

	Preparation of the Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP)
	1.1 Attachment of Terms of Reference, Technical Specifications and Scope of Works
	1.2 Determination of Procurement Method / Processing of Agency Procurement Request
	1.3 Facility for a department level preparation of Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP) with corresponding budget, all with details of items as required by Department of
Duningt	Budget and Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) like as follows:
Project Procurement	
Management	- PPMP No.
Plan (PPMP)	- Mode of Procurement
and Annual	- Implementing Unit details
Procurement	- Source of Funds
Plan (APP)	- Accounting Code Mapping - etc.
	Consolidation of Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP) to Annual Procurement Plan (APP)
	Functionality for adjustment of PPMP / APP based on approved budget reallocation, realignment or supplemental
	4. Tracks utilization of APP and remaining budget
	5. One click consolidation/reconsolidation of APP
	6. Printing of APP related reports such as APP-CSE, APP per Project etc.

B. Procurement Management Module

Purchase Requisition Process	Purchase Requisition (PR) Processing
	1.1. Facility to extract PR from the DBM-BTMS and/or encode and process PR details such as: - PR No. / Date of PR

	- Unit / Requesting Department	
	- Mode of Procurement	
	- PR Type	
	- Budget Verification	
	1.2. Facility to determine whether PR is to be processed through a certain mode of procurement such as but not limited to:	
	- Shopping	
	- Limited Source Bidding	
	- Direct Contracting	
	- Repeat Order	
	- Public Bidding	
	- Negotiated Procurement	
	Agency to Agency	
	Lease Venue	
	Will be procured thru PS-DBM	
	Emergency Cases	
	Small Value Procurement	
	1.3. Capable of tracking / referencing the PR items based on the approved Annual Procurement Plan	
	1.4. Capable of monitoring the status of PR	
	1.5. Capable of consolidating multiple PRs into 1 PR	
	1.6. Capable of creating PR from multiple PPMPs for procurement of Common-Supplies items	
	1.7. Capable of generating Procurement Monitoring Report	
	Indication of Procurement Method based on PPMP and APP	
Mode of	2.1. Compliance in the order of determining the procurement method	
Procurement Matrix	2.2. Generate applicable procurement report based on the procurement method used.	
	2.3. Generation of Agency Procurement Report (APR) containing all mandated information	
	3. Canvassing / Quotation / Bid Evaluation	
Canvassing	3.1. Capable of creating Request for Quotation (RFQ)	
	3.2. Allows quotations for both services and materials	

	3.3. Quotation ranking based on pre-defined canvassing criteria.
	3.4. Capability to prepare Abstract of Quotations
	3.5. Allows editing of Abstract of Quotations
	3.6. Functionality for Conversion incase of non-peso transaction
	3.7. Automatic email submission for RFQ/RSQ based on the email address of the supplier indicated in the supplier module
	3.8. Tracking of PhilGeps Posting Date
Awarding	4. Awarding
	4.1 Capability to prompt preparation of BAC Resolution after Bid Evaluation
	4.2 Capable to prepare/ print Notice of Award
Purchase Order	5. Purchase Order Processing / Contract / Notice to Proceed:
/ Contract / Notice to	- Approved Purchase Requisition to Purchase Orders
Proceed	- Allows various delivery dates for items in a Blanket Order
	- Allows extraction of POs generated from the DBM-BTMS
	5.1. Refers PO to PR or Quotation, or other reference document number
	5.2. Allows one PR to one PO: many PRs to one PO; and one PR to many PO's
	5.3. Approval routing for purchase Order through Workflow
	5.4. Monitors status of Purchase Orders
	5.5. Records invoice, Official Receipt Number for POs served and paid
	5.6. Shows audit trail of PO transaction
	5.7. Generation of Purchase Order (PO) containing all mandated information
	5.8. Segregated printing of PO for special cases like when two suppliers win the bidding process
	5.9. Browse related documents as required in the submission of a particular procurement documents (i.e. PR property Acknowledgement Receipt (PAR) abstract of quotations etc. whatever is required)
	5.10. Generation of petty cash voucher (PCV) for petty cash purchases
	5.11. Automatic generation of winning bidder/supplier yet manual selection shall be allowed.
	5.12. Generation of COA Transmittal Report

	5.13. Ability to compute penalty for delay in the delivery of items by
	the supplier in accordance to the law mandate
Purchase Order Adjustment	6. Purchase Order Adjustment
Adjustinent	6.1. Functionality to make adjustment to a specific Purchase order
	6.2. Identification of items to be adjusted per suppliers
	6.3. Updated PO regarding adjusted quantity and unit price
Contract Management	7. Contract / Agreement Management
wanagement	7.1 Capability to track multi-year contract
	7.2 Capability to track Contract Info, Vendor Details, Warranty Date and Amount
	7.3 Capability to track deliveries based on the PO/Contract
	7.4 Capability to monitor payment schedules and details
	7.5 Capability to evaluate the supplier/external provider and generate
	the summary of external providers' performance evaluation report
Preparation of Voucher	8. Preparation of Voucher for payment of purchase
/Accounting	8.1. Generation DV for payment of purchase
Entries	8.2. Automatic recording (feeding) of purchased items according to the
	category of inventory (fixed assets or supplies inventory)
	8.3. Categorization of items into fixed assets or supplies inventory
	8.4. Automatic listing of requirements/attachments for a certain transaction
	9. Generation of Accounting Entries
	9.1. Generate automatic accounting entries to approved purchases
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C. Property and Inventory Management Module

Delivery, receipt, Inspection, and	Delivery, receipt, Inspection, and acceptance of supplies, materials and Equipment	
acceptance of supplies, materials and Equipment	1.1. Generation of Inspection and Acceptance Reports (IAR) and credit transactions which allows processing of partial delivery and restriction of re-generation of IAR with the same transaction	
	2. Item Status	
	2.1. Able to classify materials in various categories	
	2.2. Monitors aging or shelf-life	
Item Status	2.3. Classifies inventory as: active or inactive (depending on movement), for repair, for disposal, for replacement, etc.	
	2.4. Able to identity which items are fast-moving or slow-moving	
	2.5. Computation or Recording and Monitoring of reorder point, maximum and minimum inventory levels	
	3. Item History Monitoring	
Item History	3.1. Automatically compute for year-to-date values for items purchased, used, and rejected	
Monitoring	3.2. Supports barcoding technologies	
	3.3. Allows automatic conversion from unit of measure to another unit of measure	
	4. Consolidated Features	
	4.1. History of item status (uncanvassed, delivered on time, etc.)	
Consolidated Features	4.2. Browsing / printing history of item status per supplier	
	4.3. Capable of transferring property accountability from one person to another	
	5. Items Receipt	
Items Receipt	5.1. Identifies schedule of deliveries to allow inquiries on inventory stock	
	5.2. Classification of inventory items according to status, e.g. in-transit, under inspection, etc.	

5.3. Classifies all goods received according to standard item types	
5.4. Automatically updates for item cost upon receipt of new items, depending on evaluation. E.g. FIFO,LIFO	
5.5. Processes both partial and full deliveries on purchases	
5.6. Records details on quality inspections on received items, e.g. warehouse received, inspection date, inspection results, inspecting and reviewing personnel, etc.	
6. Items Issuance	
6.1. Processes receipts of non-stock items for further issuance, e.g. identity approved requests for supplies	
6.2. Using built-in workflow, informs requesting personnel of availability of items	
6.3. Processes goods issuance for projects departments, allocating the costs to corresponding cost centers	
6.4. Automatically updates quantities on hand	
7. Items Transfer	
7.1. Records information on inventory transfers, e.g. item to be transferred warehouse details, accountability information	
7.2. Processes warehouse to warehouse and warehouse to department transfers	
8. Maintenance of Supplies withdrawal Schedule	
8.1. Create a department level facility to support the current Supplies Withdrawal Slip (SWS) processes to be interfaced with the main system	
8.2. Able to monitor actual supplies utilization at department level	
8.3. Supplies Withdrawal Schedule per Department by encoding the issuance date	
9. Standard Stock Level of Supplies Inventory	
9.1. Determine standard level of supply for each inventory item	
9.2. Allow build-up of stocks more than the required level of supply for emergency purposes	
9.3. Viewing and printing of Re-order report	
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	5.4. Automatically updates for item cost upon receipt of new items, depending on evaluation. E.g. FIFO,LIFO 5.5. Processes both partial and full deliveries on purchases 5.6. Records details on quality inspections on received items, e.g. warehouse received, inspection date, inspection results, inspecting and reviewing personnel, etc. 6. Items Issuance 6.1. Processes receipts of non-stock items for further issuance, e.g. identity approved requests for supplies 6.2. Using built-in workflow, informs requesting personnel of availability of items 6.3. Processes goods issuance for projects departments, allocating the costs to corresponding cost centers 6.4. Automatically updates quantities on hand 7. Items Transfer 7.1. Records information on inventory transfers, e.g. item to be transferred warehouse details, accountability information 7.2. Processes warehouse to warehouse and warehouse to department transfers 8. Maintenance of Supplies withdrawal Schedule 8.1. Create a department level facility to support the current Supplies Withdrawal Slip (SWS) processes to be interfaced with the main system 8.2. Able to monitor actual supplies utilization at department level 8.3. Supplies Withdrawal Schedule per Department by encoding the issuance date 9. Standard Stock Level of Supplies Inventory 9.1. Determine standard level of supply for each inventory item 9.2. Allow build-up of stocks more than the required level of supply for emergency purposes 9.3. Viewing and printing of Re-order report

of Supplies Inventory	10.1. Viewing and printing of stock position sheet	
	10.2. Update of stock balances upon receipt of items purchased	
	11. Sub-Level Supplies Monitoring	
Sub-Level Supplies Monitoring	11.1. Capability to monitor stocks on hand per Department/Office Level	
	11.2. Capability to issue stocks to employee on a Department/Office Level	
	12. Withdrawal of Supplies Inventory / Request for Issuance of Supplies	
	12.1. Recording of supplies shall be done thru Barcoding technology with option to encode through keyboard in cases barcode scanning/reading is not possible (i.e. defective unit, unreadable sticker, etc.). This feature should be available in main warehouse and sub-warehouses	
Withdrawal of	12.2. Viewing and printing of supplies withdrawal	
Supplies Inventory / Request for Issuance	12.3. Department-level supplies withdrawal based on schedule and approved budget	
of Supplies	12.4. Department-level supplies emergency withdrawal	
	12.5. History of item movements	
	12.6. Department history of withdrawals and requests	
	12.7. Remote facility for issuing personnel	
	12.8. Adherence to FIFO (first-in, first-out) or queuing process of request and withdrawal	
	13. Inspection upon delivery of the items	
	13.1. Shall have the functionality to:	
	- Preview / generate exception reports when:	
Inspection upon	Duplicate records are detected	
delivery of the items	Incomplete records are detected	
	Upload is aborted	
	13.2. Should have the functionality to extract pertinent regular employee details necessary to process PAR or ICS.	
	14. Inventory of capitalized CPE	
Inventory of capitalized CPE	14.1. Allow selection of records to upload to the barcode scanner (all/by range).	
	14.2. Barcode scanner should be capable of identifying and recording the following:	

	- Item(s) belonging to the department	
	- Item(s) missing and	
	- Item(s) found but not in the master list	
	14.3. Capable of viewing and printing all properties recorded (i.e., by classification, etc.) as of inventory-taking date: and corresponding inspection status i.e., 'for inventory-taking', 'inventory done' or with update.	
	14.4. Capable to maintain a history of the results of inventory	
	14.5. Ability to identify items which are already inventoried to avoid double count.	
	14.6. Capability to view and print the results of the inventory, presented by date of the inventory, sorted by CPE item, employee or organizational unit (sector, group or department).	
	15. Asset Maintenance	
	15.1. Allows maintenance of Asset Master file information:	
	Asset Number	
	Asset Description	
	Asset Category	
	Manufacturer/Supplier	
	• Model	
	Serial Number	
	Tag Number	
	Accountability (Name of employee accountable for the asset)	
	Acquisition Date	
Asset Maintenance	Acquisition Cost	
	Estimated Cost	
	Estimated Life	
	Depreciation method (Straight Line Method)	
	Depreciation Date (service date)	
	Salvage value	
	Net book value	
	Insurance policy	
	Insurance number	
	Insurance Company	
	Insurance coverage/Amount	
	Others	
	15.2. Maintains the following Asset Status categories:	
	Issued / Re-issued	

	Disposed	
	Returned	
	Transfer	
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	15.3. Allows viewing of list of assets available for transfer	
	15.4. Tracks asset accountability history	
	15.5. Allows computation of depreciation using a specified depreciation method	
	15.6. Able to handle disposal, retirement, selling of assets	
	 Update Net Book Value of an asset that will be disposed, donate or sold 	
	15.7. Allows reinstatement of retired assets	
	15.8. Able to update asset quantity balance	
	15.9. Allows adjustments of asset information	
	• Cost	
	Salvage Value	
	Estimated useful Lite	
	Depreciation Method	
	15.10. Allows reclassification of an asset to another asset category	
	15.11. Allows entry of physical count of asset result	
	15.12. Captures required asset physical count information and routes to the appropriate personnel results of the physical count	
	15.13. Allows authorized personnel to view results of physical counts	
	15.14. Allows to record status/information of repairs and maintenance of an asset	
	15.15. Tracks, monitor, and updates the status of each repair	
-	15.16. Able to generate appropriate accounting entries for any asset movement and asset revaluation	
	15.17. Allows transfer of accounting entries to the General Ledger	
	15.18. Allows restriction of people who can enter or edit the ff:	
	asset information	
	run depreciation	
	transfer assets or change accountability information	
Asset, monitoring and	16. Preparation and Distribution of PAR (for Capitalized CPE)	

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Property Acknowledgement Receipt (PAR)	16.1. Should be able to select from the list of employees to whom the item(s) will be assigned; allow assignment of accountability on per items or per group of items.	
	16.2. Should generate a unique transaction code or number for every PAR generated	
	16.3. Should be capable of creating, cancelling and voiding PAR.	
	16.4. Allow viewing of the cancelled/voided PAR	
	16.5. Should allow printing and re-printing of PAR for a specific transaction or a range of PAR transactions.	
	16.6. Capability to view names of all employee to another	
	16.7. Capable of transferring accountabilities from one employee to another.	
	16.8. In case the requesting department failed to specify the name of the person responsible for the item, the system shall be default assign to the requesting employee as captured in the PR, with the option to manually encode the details.	
	17. Preparation and Distribution of ICS for expensed CPE	
	17.1. Should be able to select from the list of employees to whom the items will be assigned: allow assignment of accountability on per items or per group of items.	
	17.2. Should generate a unique transaction code or number for every ICS generated	
	17.3. Should be capable of creating, canceling and voiding ICS.	
	17.4. Allow viewing of the cancelled/voided ICS.	
ICS, monitoring and Property	17.5. Should allow printing and re-printing of ICS for a specific transaction or a range of PAR transactions	
Acknowledgement Receipt (PAR-ICS)	17.6. Capability to view names of all employees and all their accountabilities	
	17.7. Capable of transferring accountabilities from one employee to another	
	17.8. In case the requesting department failed to specify the name of the person responsible for the item, the system shall be default assign to the requesting employees as captured in the PR, with the option to manually encode the details.	
	17.9. Should have a facility capable in inquiring if the EUL of a certain items assigned to an employee has reached its EUL before a new item is issued.	

	17.10. The accountability for items that have reached its EUL shall be automatically archived by the system	
	18. Printing of Property/Stock/ICS (Barcode) Sticker for Items	
Barcoding Technology	Should have the functionality to print/reprint single or multiple barcode stickers as specified by Agency with the following details: - Property number / Stock Number / ICS Number - Item description	
	19. Monitoring of Capitalized CPE	
	19.1. Capable of re-assigning/reclassifying an item rom capitalized to expensed CPE or vice-versa	
	19.2. Capable of processing depreciation of capitalized CPE for posting to the Accounting System.	
Monitoring of Equipment	19.3. Able to display the current status of the CPE item, and display the history of transactions pertaining to the CPE item (e.g. transfer from one employee to another, re-assigned from capitalized to expensed CPE, turned-in, EUL rendered etc.)	
	19.4. Capability to have a history of transactions of every employee like PAR assignment, turn-in, lost property, payment on lost property, etc.	
	19.5. Capability to identify/inquire about the asset entitlement of an employee	
	20. Monitoring of Expensed CPE	
	20.1. Capability for re-assign/reclassify an item from expensed to capitalized CPE or vice-versa.	
Monitoring of ICS	20.2. Capability to view and print the list of items issued to each employee as of given date.	
J	20.3. Capability to view and print list of items that have reached its EUL	
	20.4. Generation of inspection and Receiving Report (IRR) under petty cash, cash and credit transactions which allows processing of partial delivery and restriction of re-generation of IRR with the same transaction	
	21. Transfer of Properties	
	21.1. Capable of generating the Agency Property Turn-in/Return slip.	
Transfer of Properties	21.2. Capable of transferring properly accountability from one person to another	
	21.3. Allow transfer of property either on per item or on a per group basis.	
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	22. Disposal of Properties	
	22.1. Capability to select, view and print data on turned-in properties to be evaluated for disposal—selected per date, CPE item, employee or organizational unit (sector, group or department).	
Disposition of	22.2. Capability to create and generate user-defined memo template for disposal	
Equipment / ICS	22.3. Capability to process property disposal based on the approved mode of disposal (sale or donation).	
	22.4. Capability to create and generate Pass-Out Slip / Gate pass	
	22.5. Capability to record, view and print audit trail of all disposal transactions (communicated, approved and completed).	
Maintenance and Assets	23. Maintenance / Repair Schedule	
	23.1. Capability to add Job Schedule with the details (i.e. responsible person for repair, job status, costing, etc.).	
	23.2. Capability to provide detailed scope and description of work.	
	23.3. Capability to print Job Order.	
	23.4. Facility to maintain repair history of a particular CPE.	
Motor Pool	24. Motor Pool	
	24.1. Capability to monitor and maintain Vehicles used for motor pool	
	24.2. Capability to monitor and track the trip details per vehicle, including fleet card	

REPORTS

Facility to regularly generate the following reports, which may be reformatted subject to the requirement of the users. These reports should be available out-of-the-box and should be available upon installation of the software (without the need of developing it during implementation).

- 1. PPMP Report as Mandated by the PS / GPPB
- 2. PPMP Report per Accounting Code Summary
- 3. PPMP Report per Project
- 4. PPMP Utilization Report
- 5. PPMP Schedule Withdrawal Utilization Report
- 6. PPMP Emergency Withdrawal Utilization Report
- 7. APP Report as Mandated by PS / GPPB
- 8. APP Consolidated Report
- 9. APP Collated Report
- 10. APP Report per Accounting Code Summary
- 11. APP CSE Report

- 12. APP per Project Report
- 13. APP/PPMP Adjustment/Amendment Comparison Report
- 14. Purchase Request Form as Mandated by GAM
- 15. Petty Cash Voucher Report
- 16. PR Items Audit Trail / PR Item Monitoring Report
- 17. Request for Quotation Form Report
- 18. Abstract of Quotation/Bids Report
- 19. BAC Resolution
- 20. Notice of Award
- 21. Notice to Proceed
- 22. Purchase Order
- 23. Obligation Request (OBR)
- 24. Disbursement Voucher
- 25. PO Instruction
- 26. Procurement Monitoring Report
- 27. Agency Procurement Report
- 28. Report on the Physical Count of Property, Plant and Equipment
- 29. Property Card
- 30. Property Acknowledgement Receipt (PAR) previously MR
- 31. Inspection and Acknowledgement Report (IAR)
- 32. Transfer Property Acknowledge Receipt (T-PAR)
- 33. Return Slip (RS)
- 34. Inventory and Inspection Report of Unserviceable Property (IIRUP)
- 35. List of Property Allocated for Donation to Other Government Agencies (LPAD)
- 36. Gate Pass
- 37. Report of Supplies and Materials Issues (RSMI)
- 38. Requisition and Issue Slip (RIS)
- 39. Report on the Physical Count of Inventories (RPCI)
- 40. Inventory of Custodian Slip (ICS)
- 41. Supplies Ledger Card
- 42. Stock Cards

OTHER REPORTS

- 1. PR Monthly Monitoring Report
- 2. PR Monitoring Report per Requesting Department/Office
- 3. External Providers' Performance Evaluation Report
- 4. Penalty Computation Report
- 5. Purchase Request Summary Report
- 6. Summary of APR Report
- 7. Summary of Cancelled PR's
- 8. Summary of PO Report
- 9. Summary of PR's processed by per MOP
- 10. Summary of Disregarded PR's
- 11. Summary of PR Transactions per Canvasser
- 12. Summary of RFQ/RSQ and AB Transaction per Canvasser
- 13. Summary of Purchase
- 14. Running Balance
- 15. Audit Logs
- 16. COA Transmittal Report
- 17. Monitoring of Posting of Procurement Project Small Value
- 18. Summary of Awarded/Completed Contracts and Ongoing Projects per MOP
- 19. PHILGEPS Posting Per Month
- 20. Detailed Summary of Awarded Contract thru Shopping Mode
- 21. Submission of Copy of Notice of Award to COA Shopping

- 22. Lapsing Schedule Report
- 23. Summary Report on Accountability per Department/Office
- 24. Summary Report on Accountability per Accountable Personnel
- 25. Consolidated Report on PAR Issuances
- 26. Consolidated Report on PAR Transfers
- 27. Consolidated Report on Returns
- 28. Summary Report on Deliveries per Month (w or w/o Insurance)
- 29. Summary Report on NGAS Items
- 30. Summary Report on Unserviceable Items
- 31. Commission of Account Request for Inspection (COA RFI)
- 32. Monthly Issuances Report Common Supplies
- 33. Monthly Receipts Report Common Supplies
- 34. Departmental Consumption Report Common Supplies
- 35. Summary of Receipts and Issuances IT Supplies
- 36. Monthly Issuances Report IT Supplies
- 37. Summary Breakdown of Common Supplies

V. OTHER DELIVERABLES

Following are the additional deliverables to be implemented by the winning bidder:

- a. Customization of the TPB PAMS based on the desired internal processes of TPB.
- b. Installation of the servers, database server, and application server; and the required software for the system.

VI. HOSTING, DEPLOYMENT AND MAINTENANCE

The solution shall be deployed on cloud environment of an approved host/provider, and accessible by any internet-enabled device of authorized users through a web browser. Please refer to the minimum specifications below:

			Windows Server 2019 Standard Operating System	12 Months
			MS SQL Server Standard Edition 2019	
		Database	8 cores CPU	
			16 GB RAM	
Non-HA	Production		300 GB Storage	
			Windows Server 2019 Standard Operating System	
	V	Web -	8 cores CPU	
			8 GB RAM	
			500 GB Storage	

VII. SECURITY

The solution shall implement the necessary enterprise-class security measures based on the best international practices and current/relevant standards to ensure the following:

- 1. Free from hacks and attacks from any malicious and harmful activities.
- 2. That only authorized users from the TPB to have access to the system.
- 3. That the system and the supplier shall comply with the pertinent laws, rules and regulations on cyber and information security

VIII. ACCESS

Access to the solution through a Cloud services, suitable web browser shall be through a secure protocol using an appropriate digitally signed and valid security certificate to enable encryption of traffic from the browser to the server. The solution shall be accessible using leading web browsers for any machines.

IX. MODULAR ARCHITECTURE

The system's features and capabilities can be expanded through activation/deactivation of various modules that compartmentalize functions into categories for ease of use and system development

X. EXPORT and IMPORT of DATA

The system shall support exporting of all database fields and records to a non-proprietary, license-free, universal format to allow data to be exchanged between varying database systems and architectures. The system shall also support importing of records from an external source, in order to assimilate bulk data when populating certain tables and databases of the solution. These includes migration and installation of the whole system to remote / colocation servers of TPB.

XI. INTEROPERABILITY

The solution must be able to exchange information and other transactional operations with other information systems of the TPB in the future.

The technologies used for the solution must allow for integration guaranteeing interoperability between two or more distinct information systems through an appropriate Application Programming Interface (API) or Software Development Kit (SDK).

XII. AUDIT TRAIL

The solution shall have a record of all transactions, insertions and modifications related to property and inventory files and corresponding databases as an audit trail for transparency and accountability.

XIII. ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

- a. Functional, Technical and User Manual documentation of the following:
 - TPB PAMS Features and Functionalities
 - Technical documentation / Training Manuals
 - User documentation / Training Manuals
 - How-to's video
 - > Easy access of the how-to's with-in the system with search and filtering functionality
- b. Quality, Security, and Performance Testing.

The Service Provider shall ensure that the application system project(s) are tested accordingly based on the quality, security and performance based on TPB's requirements. The Service Provider shall provide test plans and test case design and its results to TPB.

c. Training.

The winning Service Provider shall conduct a systems analysis and design of the procedures and processes in the development of the TPB - PAMS. They should provide and conduct trainings to the different users, and must conduct a User Acceptance Testing (UAT) for all deployed subsystems/modules prior to acceptance.

The Service Provider shall provide a Training Plan which includes the course design and method of delivery, specific areas to be covered and the corresponding date and times for each system areas. The plan must also indicate the recommended minimum qualifications of the participants. Training shall be provided to at least ten (10) selected personnel within thirty (30) days from the date of issuance of Certificate of User Acceptance or on the date and time as set by the TPB for such purpose. At a minimum, the training must include:

- Management Reports
- User/Processor Trainings
- User acceptance test
 - o The users after the training or during the training should be able to test the system
 - o If no errors have been encountered and has satisfied the project requirements, then the users should confirm that the system is running accordingly Administration, performance tuning and troubleshooting
- Technical support must be provided either on-site, via telephone or email to resolve technical and other related problems of the system. The Service Provider shall appoint a person possessing the necessary knowledge and technical expertise to serve as the single point of contact and shall be available at the time and manner indicated in the previous section to respond to queries or requests for technical support following Philippine local time and business hours. References to date and time shall be based on Philippine Standard Time.

d. Ownership of Data

All data, source code, resources pertaining to the system shall be delivered to TPB and owned exclusively by the TPB.

e. Compliance with Data Privacy Laws.

The Service Provide shall comply with the Republic Act No. 10173 otherwise known as the "Data Privacy Act of 2012", its Implementing Rules and Regulations and other relevant issuances of National Privacy Commission (NPC).

Personal data must be retained only for the period that is deemed necessary to serve the purpose by which the data was collected or obtained. For this purpose, the personal data processed by the Service Provider shall be disposed of after the fulfillment of its services under the contract. Upon the fulfillment of the services under the contract, any personal data processed by the Service Provider must be deleted and disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Data Privacy Act of 2012, its Implementing Rules and Regulations, and other issuances of the NPC. The deletion and disposal of data shall be done under the supervision of TPB. After the deletion and disposal of the data, the Service Provider must issue a certification that the data were indeed deleted and disposed of properly.

f. SUPPLIER QUALIFICATIONS

- a. The **Service Provider** shall conform to the following qualifications and provide sufficient proof as follows:
 - 14.1.1 Must be duly-registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for at least ten (10) years;
 - 14.1.2 Must be in the ICT business specializing in applications development, business solutions integration, and information systems development, and directly employing programmers/ developers and database administrators (DBA).
 - 14.1.3 Must have implemented within the past ten (10) years a similar program/solution used by at least 3 governmentoffices / entity which should be verifiable by the TPB.
 - 14.1.4 Must have competent full-time staff that implement and support the project. A list of these personnel and their CVs shall be submitted using form TPF 6.
- b. To provide the abovementioned data, the bidder shall submit the following documents as part of the bid:
 - i. Certification that the firm directly employs programmers/developers and database administrators (DBA) indicate the number of directly employed programmers/developers and DBA;
 - ii. Statement of all completed projects within the past 10 years, and statement of all ongoing projects;
 - iii. Curriculum Vitae using the TPF-6 format of the personnel assigned to this project; and iv. Notarized Certification or affidavit that bidder has not defaulted on any similar ICT contract with any Philippine Government or Private Agency.

g. QUALIFICATION OF PERSONNEL

- a. The Bidder's Project Team should be composed of at least five (5) expert staff in the customization and implementation of the system.
 - Project Manager (1) with the following qualifications:
 - ❖ At least five (5) years technical experience in the ICT industry;
 - Have undertaken project management responsibility over ICT staff on project which involve the development, customization, implementation, operation and support of any ICT systems as shown in his / her CV; and
 - ❖ Has worked as a Project Manager in one company as shown in his / her CV.
 - Systems/Business Analyst (2) with the following qualifications:
 - ❖ At least three (3) years technical experience in the ICT industry;
 - Have undertaken project systems/business analysis responsibility on project which involve the development, customization, implementation of any ICT systems; and
 - Has worked as a Systems/Business Analyst in one company as shown in his / her CV.
 - Senior Programmer (2) with the following qualifications:
 - ❖ At least three (3) years technical experience in the ICT industry;

- Have undertaken project programming responsibility on project which involve the development, customization, implementation of any ICT systems as shown in his / her CV; and
- ❖ Has worked as a Programmer in one company as shown in his CV.
- b. The Bidder must submit the current and updated resumes / curriculum vitae/s of all the team members that will be deployed for this project.

h. **PROJECT CONSTRAINTS**

The following constraints or requirements shall be noted:

- a. Adherence to national technology standards and international ICT best practices.
- b. The procurement of the ICT services will be based on local ICT standards and components readily available in the Philippines over the viable ICT life cycle, as well as government procurement rules or the Government Procurement Act of R.A. 9184 and its Revised IRR.
- c. The Service provider shall take into account the existing hardware, software and current network system in the TPB, and adapt its installation and testing accordingly.

i. SHORTLISTING CRITERIA AND RATING SYSTEM:

Based on section 24.5.3 of R.A. 9184, the criteria and rating system for the short listing of research/survey agencies is as follows:

		PARTICULARS	PERCENTAGE	RATING
l.	Applica	able Experience of the Firm		50%
	A.	Must be duly-registered with the SEC for at least ten (10) years in the ICT business – 20%	20%	
		With more than 10 years of experience (20%)		
		With 10 years of experience (15%)		
		With less than 10 years of experience (0% - disqualified)		
	В.	Directly employing programmers/ developers and database administrators – 5%	5%	
	C.	Must have implemented within the past ten (10) years a similar program/solution used by at least 3 government offices / entity which should be verifiable by the TPB – 25%	25%	
		Have implemented more than 3 similar government projects with at least one (1) GOCC – 25%		
		Have implemented more than 3 similar government projects – 20%		
		Have implemented 3 similar government projects and similar projects for private companies – 15%		
		Have implemented 3 similar government projects – 10%		
II.		cation of personnel who may be assigned to the project Bidder to submit CV using TPF 6 Form which need not be		40%
	the ICT	Manager has more than five (5) years of technical experience in industry and the two (2) analysts and two (2) programmers have than three (3) years of technical experience in the ICT industry -		
	40%			

	PARTICULARS	PERCENTAGE	RATING
	Project Manager has <u>exactly five (5) years</u> of technical experience in the ICT industry and/or the two (2) analysts and two (2) programmers <u>have exactly or more than three (3)</u> years of technical experience in the ICT industry - 35%		
	Project Manager has <u>exactly five (5) years</u> of technical experience in the ICT industry and/or the two (2) analysts and two (2) programmers have <u>exactly three (3) years</u> of technical experience in the ICT industry – 30 %		
III.	Current Workload relative to Capacity		10%
	With a ratio of 1:5 ongoing project vs direct employees or better – 10%		
	With more than one ongoing projects for every 5 direct employees – 5%		
	TOTAL		100%

Passing rate: 80%

Shortlisted bidders may be invited to present their Plan, Approach and Methodology for the Project. Each bidder is given a **30 minutes** to present excluding the Question and Answer stage.

j. TECHNICAL BID EVALUATION

a. The Quality Cost Based Evaluation (QCBE) shall be adopted in evaluating the submitted bids, with the following weights:

	Proposal	Weight
b.	Technical Proposal h	80%
	financial Proposal	20%
	TOTAL	100%
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Technical evaluation will be based on the following criteria:

- Proposed System Process (to include plan of approach and methodology) -50%
- Quality of Personnel to be assigned to the Project 25%
- Firm Experience and Capability 25%

Criteria	Weight
I. Firm Experience and Capability	25%
1. Must be duly-registered with the SEC for at least ten (10) years in the ICT business – 10%	
• Registered with SEC in ICT business for more than 10 years – 10%	
Registered with SEC in ICT business for exactly 10 years – 5%	
2. Must have implemented within the past ten (10) years a similar program/solution used by at least 3 government offices / entity which should be verifiable by the TPB – 15%	

	\bullet Have implemented more than 3 similar government projects with at least one (1) GOCC – 15%	
	 Have implemented 3 similar government projects and other similar projects in the private sector – 10% 	
	• Have implemented 3 similar government projects only – 5%	
II.	Quality of Personnel to be assigned to the Project	25%
	• The Project Manager, the two (2) analysts and two (2) programmers have experience in working in similar government projects in the past 5 years - 25%	
	• The Project Manager, one analyst and one programmer assigned to the project have experience in working in similar government projects in the past 5 years - 20%	
	• Only the Project Manager has experience in working in similar government projects in the past 5 years - 15 %	
	• Only one of the project team members has experience in working in similar government projects in the past 5 years -10%	
	• None of the project team members has experience in similar government projects - 0 %	
III.	Statement of Plan, Approach and Methodology	50%
	• The Statement of Plan, Approach and Methodology should comply with the requirements as stated in Sections 3-13 above	
	TOTAL	100%

The minimum ST required to pass is 80%.

c. The BAC and TWG will evaluate both the technical and financial proposals of the Service Providers based on the technical requirements of the project and the post evaluation by the TWG.

XIV. PROJECT DURATION

The TPB – PAMS shall be completed and turned over to and accepted by the TPB within six (6) months from the date of issuance of the approved Notice to Proceed.

XV. SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS

Part of the Service Provider's Project Proposal is a Gantt Chart showing their implementation strategy and schedule. This should specify the outputs to be submitted at the end of each project phase. Project milestones should include, but not necessarily limited to the following:

- 15% Upon submission to and approval of TPB of the Project Implementation Plan
- 25% Upon submission to and approval of TPB of the System Analysis and Design Document (including flow charts, wireframes, all forms/output reports, requirements traceability matrix, etc.)
- 40% Upon Completion of Development and Turn-Over for System Testing, and sign-off of User Acceptance Testing
- 10% Upon System GO-LIVE, submission of source code, completion of user trainingand Project Sign-Off
- 10% Retention up to end of warranty

XVI. WARRANTY

- a. The Service Provider shall warrant the customized TPB-PAMS free from any software defect, configuration / software errors from the date of turn-over to the TPB.
- b. Within 12 months from the date of project acceptance by the TPB, the service provider shall, whenever appropriately informed of possible bugs, issues and technical concerns affecting the TPB-PAMS, promptly act to fix the problem at no expense to the TPB.
- c. The Service Provider shall comply with the following Service Level Agreement:

. Bug Alerts

TPB shall duly notify the service provider through the specified mode of communication as agreed between both parties (email, phone call, fax, etc.). All Bug Alerts in the implemented and customized product, including documentations shall be corrected by the Service Provider. Correction shall cover any software bug that may surface, or develop a work around, patch or other bug fix for such bug, and make available such patch or bug fix to the TPB. Bug samples of reports/screen dumps/log extracts should be reported as required by TPB.

ii. Bug Alert Priority

Bug Alert Priority: All bug alerts shall be classified in any one of the categories specified herein, and the Project Teams of TPB and the service provider shall jointly agree on categorizing each bug in any of the categories described or specified in section 19.3.3.

iii. Bug Correction

Bug Correction: The Service Provider shall on receipt of a Bug Alert initiate diagnostic measures and inform TPB the reasons for the same. After the service provider have initiated diagnostic and remedial measures for a Priority One Bug, the service provider shall work continuously during the applicable coverage period, until the Bug is corrected.

Priority	Response Time	Resolution Time	Coverage

Priority 1	1 hour	16 hours	8:30 am - 5:30 pm
Priority 2	4 hours	2 days	8:30 am - 5:30 pm
Priority 3	5 hours	4 days	8:30 am - 5:30 pm

The TPB will be given time to test the fix before it is deployed.

- iv. For the purposes of Section 19.3.1, 19.3.2 &19.3.3, the terms given herein, shall have the meanings stated herein below:
 - 1. "Day" shall mean working day as per the TPB's Calendar.
 - 2. The time mentioned above shall mean the Philippines Standard Time.
 - "PRIORITY ONE BUG" means, a Bug that renders the implemented and customized product inoperable or is causing serious adverse impact to the TPB's business operations, and for which no alternative or workaround is available to the TPB.
 - 4. **"PRIORITY TWO BUG"** means, a Bug that materially affect and/or impacts the implemented and customized product's performance of one or more facilities, or functions, as detailed in the specifications, with the consequence, that the TPB's business can be performed, but in a restricted or inefficient manner.
 - PRIORITY THREE BUG" means, a Bug that does not significantly affect TPB's
 current day-to-day business activities, but the performance or
 efficiency of the business activity can be improved, if such Bug
 were to be corrected.

v. Bug Log

Bug Log: The Service Provider shall maintain a log of all the Bugs and queries that are received by them and shall on a weekly basis report to the TPB, the following:

- 9.3.5.1 all Bugs / Queries logged with implementer;
- 9.3.5.2 the time the Service Provider received the initial notification of a Bug;
- 9.3.5.3 the classification of the Bug;
- 9.3.5.4 the time when all the data and/or access necessary for problem investigation were provided by the TPB;
- 9.3.5.5 the solution and workaround provided by the service provider; and
- 9.3.5.6 the time when solution was delivered by the service provider.
- d. The service provider must provide 12 months warranty on the software upon project GO-LIVE / Sign-off.

XVII. TERMS OF PAYMENT

The work should be started within two (2) days upon receipt of Notice to Proceed. Payment shall be made upon Issuance of the Inspection and Acceptance Certificate by the Inspection and Acceptance Committee upon recommendation by the End-User, but consistent with the following project milestones and schedules:

1	Upon submission and approval of TPB of	15%	Month 1
	the project implementation plan)		
2	Upon System Requirement Approval and	25%	Month 1
	Sign-Off		
3	Upon Completion of Development, Turn-	40%	Month 4
	Over for System Testing, and Sign-Off of		
	User Acceptance Testing		
5	Upon System GO-LIVE, submission of	10%	Month 5
	source code, completion of user training		
	and Project Sign-Off		
			-
6	Retention	10%	End of
			warranty

XVIII. PROJECT COST

The Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) is **NINE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS ONLY (PHP9,800,000.00)**, inclusive of all taxes.

*** Nothing Follows ***

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ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTS SUBMISSION FORM

[Date]

[Name and address of the Procuring Entity]

Ladies/Gentlemen:

In connection with your Request for Expression of Interest dated [insert date] for [Title of Project], [Name of Consultant] hereby expresses interest in participating in the eligibility and short listing for said Project and submits the attached eligibility documents in compliance with the Eligibility Documents therefor.

In line with this submission, we certify that:

- a) [Name of Consultant] is not blacklisted or barred from bidding by the GoP or any of its agencies, offices, corporations, LGUs, or autonomous regional government, including foreign government/foreign or international financing institution; and
- b) Each of the documents submitted herewith is an authentic copy of the original, complete, and all statements and information provided therein are true and correct.

We acknowledge and accept the Procuring Entity's right to inspect and audit all records relating to our submission irrespective of whether we are declared eligible and short listed or not.

We further acknowledge that failure to sign this Eligibility Document Submission Form shall be a ground for our disqualification.

Yours sincerely,

Signature
Name and Title of Authorized Signatory
Name of Consultant
Address

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FORMS

Notes for Consultants

The following summarizes the content and maximum number of pages permitted for the Technical Proposal. A page is considered to be one printed side of A4 or letter sized paper.

Cover Letter

Use TPF 1. Technical Proposal Submission Form.

Experience of the Firm

Maximum of [insert acceptable number of pages] introducing the background and general experience of the Consultant, including its partner(s) and subconsultants, if any.

Maximum of [insert acceptable number of pages] completed projects in the format of TPF 2. Consultant's References illustrating the relevant experience of the Consultant, including its partner and subconsultants, if any. No promotional material should be included.

General approach and methodology, work and staffing schedule

Use TPF 4. Description of the Methodology and Work Plan for Performing the Project, TPF 5. Team Composition and Task, TPF 7. Time Schedule for Professional Personnel, and TPF 8. Activity (Work) Schedule.

If subcontracting is allowed, add the following: If the Consultant will engage a subconsultant for the portions of the Consulting Services allowed to be subcontracted, the Consultant shall indicate which portions of the Consulting Services will be subcontracted, identify the corresponding subconsultant, and include the legal eligibility documents of such subconsultant.

Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Use TPF 6. Format of Curriculum Vitae (CV) for Proposed Professional Staff.

Comments on the terms of reference and data and facilities to be provided by the Procuring Entity

Not more than [insert acceptable number of pages] using TPF 3. Comments and Suggestions of Consultant on the Terms of Reference and on Data, Services, and Facilities to be Provided by the

[Date]

[Name and address of the Procuring Entity]

Ladies/Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consulting services for [Title of Project] in accordance with your Bidding Documents dated [insert date] and our Bid. We are hereby submitting our Bid, which includes this Technical Proposal, and a Financial Proposal sealed under a separate envelope.

In accordance with **ITB** Clause 21.1, we confirm that the information contained in the eligibility documents submitted earlier together with the Expression of Interest remain correct as of the date of bid submission.

If negotiations are held during the period of bid validity, *i.e.*, before [insert date], we undertake to negotiate on the basis of the proposed staff. Our Bid is binding upon us and subject to the modifications resulting from contract negotiations.

In accordance with **GCC** Clause 51, we acknowledge and accept the Procuring Entity's right to inspect and audit all records relating to our Bid irrespective of whether we enter into a contract with the Procuring Entity as a result of this Bid or not.

We understand you are not bound to accept any Bid received for the selection of a consultant for the Project.

We acknowledge that failure to sign this Technical Proposal Submission Form and the abovementioned Financial Proposal Submission Form shall be a ground for the rejection of our Bid.

We remain,

Yours sincerely,

Authorized Signature:
Name and Title of Signatory:
Name of Firm:
Address:

TPF 2. CONSULTANT'S REFERENCES

Relevant Services Carried Out in the Last Five Years That Best Illustrate Qualifications

Using the format below, provide information on each project for which your firm/entity, either individually, as a corporate entity, or as one of the major companies within an association, was legally contracted.

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Project Name:		Country:		
Location within Country:		Professional Staff Provided by Your		
-		Firm/Entity(profiles):		
		100 600 66		
Name of Client:		№ of Staff:		
Address:		Nº of Staff-Months; Duration of Project:		
Start Data (Marath (Vasa))	Completion Date (Month Ween)	Approx Value of Comings (in Compant		
Start Date (Month/Year):	Completion Date (Month/Year):	Approx. Value of Services (in Current US\$):		
		057).		
Name of Associated Consultants	, if any:	Nº of Months of Professional Staff		
		Provided by Associated Consultants:		
Name of Senior Staff (Project Di	rector/Coordinator, Team Leader) I	nyolyed and Functions Performed:		
Name of Semon Staff (Froject Di	rector/coordinator, ream Leader)	involved and i directions reflormed.		
Narrative Description of Project:				
Description of Actual Services Provided by Your Staff:				
Bescription of Actual Sci Vices 11	ovided by roar starr.			
Consultant	's Name:			

TPF 3. COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS OF CONSULTANT ON THE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND ON DATA, SERVICES, AND FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE PROCURING ENTITY

On the Terms of Reference:
1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
On the data, services, and facilities to be provided by the Procuring Entity:
1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

TPF 4. DESCRIPTION OF THE METHODOLOGY AND WORK PLAN FOR PERFORMING THE PROJECT

TPF 5. TEAM COMPOSITION AND TASK

1. Technical/Managerial Staff			
Name Position Task			

2. Support Staff Name Position Task			

3	Where applicable, indicate relationships among the Consultant and any partner and/or subconsultant, the Procuring Entity,	the Fundir	าย
	Source and other parties or stakeholders.		

TPF 6. FORMAT OF CURRICULUM VITAE (CV) FOR PROPOSED PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Proposed Position:				
Name of Firm:				
Name of Staff:				
Profession:				
Date of Birth:				
Years with Firm/Entity:Nationality:				
Membership in Professional Societies:				
Detailed Tasks Assigned:				
Key Qualifications:				
[Give an outline of staff member's experience and training most pertinent to tasks on project. Describe degree of responsibility held by staff member on relevant previous projects and give dates and locations. Use about half a page.]				
Education:				
[Summarize college/university and other specialized education of staff members, giving names of schools, dates attended, and degrees obtained. Use about one quarter of a page.]				
Employment Record:				
[Starting with present position, list in reverse order every employment held. List all positions held by staff member since graduation, giving dates, names of employing organizations, titles of positions held, and locations of projects. For experience in last ten years, also give types of activities performed and client references, where appropriate. Use about two pages.]				

Languages:
[For each language, indicate proficiency: excellent, good, fair, or poor in speaking, reading, and writing.]
Certification:
I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, these data correctly describe me, my qualifications, and my experience.
Commitment:
I also commit to work for the Project in accordance with the time schedule as indicated in the contract once the firm is awarded the Project.
[Signature of staff member and authorized representative of the firm] Day/Month/Year
Full name of staff member:
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of [month] [year] at [place of execution], Philippines. Affiant/s is/are personally known to me and was/were identified by me through competent evidence of identity as defined in the 2004 Rules on Notaria Practice (A.M. No. 02-8-13-SC). Affiant/s exhibited to me his/her [insert type of government identification card used], with his/her photograph and signature appearing thereon, with no
Witness my hand and seal this day of [month] [year].
NAME OF NOTARY PUBLIC
Serial No. of Commission Notary Public for until Roll of Attorneys No PTR No, [date issued], [place issued] IBP No, [date issued], [place issued] Doc. No

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TPF 7. TIME SCHEDULE FOR PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL

			Months (in the Form of a Bar Chart)												
Name	Position	Reports Due/Activities	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Number of Months
															Subtotal (1)
															Subtotal (2)
															Subtotal (3)
															Subtotal (4)
Full-time: Reports Due: Activities Duration:		Part-time:				l		<u>I</u>	I	<u>I</u>	1		-1	<u>I</u>	
Location		 Signature:_ (Authorized		ores	enta	itive)								
		Full Name:_ Title: Address:													

TPF 8. ACTIVITY (WORK) SCHEDULE

A. Field Investigation and Study Items

	[1st, 2nd, etc. are months from the start of project.]												
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	
Activity (Work)													

B. Completion and Submission of Reports

Repo	rts	Date
1.	Inception Report	
2.	Interim Progress Report (a) First Status Report (b) Second Status Report	
3.	Draft Report	
4.	Final Report	

OMNIBUS SWORN STATEMENT

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
CITY/MUNICIPALITY OF) S.S.

AFFIDAVIT

I, [Name of Affiant], of legal age, [Civil Status], [Nationality], and residing at [Address of Affiant], after having been duly sworn in accordance with law, do hereby depose and state that:

1. Select one, delete the other:

If a sole proprietorship: I am the sole proprietor or authorized representative of [Name of Consultant] with office address at [address of Consultant];

If a partnership, corporation, cooperative, or joint venture: I am the duly authorized and designated representative of [Name of Consultant] with office address at [address of Consultant];

2. Select one, delete the other:

If a sole proprietorship: As the owner and sole proprietor or authorized representative of [Name of Consultant], I have full power and authority to do, execute and perform any and all acts necessary to participate, submit the bid, and to sign and execute the ensuing contract for [Name of the Project] of the [Name of the Procuring Entity][insert "as shown in the attached duly notarized Special Power of Attorney" for authorized representative];

If a partnership, corporation, cooperative, or joint venture: I am granted full power and authority to do, execute and perform any and all acts necessary to participate, submit the bid, and to sign and execute the ensuing contract for [Name of the Project] of the [Name of the Procuring Entity], accompanied by the duly notarized Special Power of Attorney, Board/Partnership Resolution, or Secretary's Certificate, whichever is applicable;

3. [Name of Consultant] is not "blacklisted" or barred from bidding by the Government of the Philippines or any of its agencies, offices, corporations, or Local Government Units, foreign government/foreign or international financing institution whose blacklisting rules have been recognized by the Government Procurement Policy Board;

- 4. Each of the documents submitted in satisfaction of the bidding requirements is an authentic copy of the original, complete, and all statements and information provided therein are true and correct;
- 5. [Name of Consultant] is authorizing the Head of the Procuring Entity or its duly authorized representative(s) to verify all the documents submitted;

6. **Select one, delete the rest:**

If a sole proprietorship: The owner or sole proprietor is not related to the Head of the Procuring Entity, members of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), the Technical Working Group, and the BAC Secretariat, the head of the Project Management Office or the end-user unit, and the project consultants by consanguinity or affinity up to the third civil degree;

If a partnership or cooperative: None of the officers and members of [Name of Bidder] is related to the Head of the Procuring Entity, members of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), the Technical Working Group, and the BAC Secretariat, the head of the Project Management Office or the end-user unit, and the project consultants by consanguinity or affinity up to the third civil degree;

If a corporation or joint venture: None of the officers, directors, and controlling stockholders of [Name of Consultant] is related to the Head of the Procuring Entity, members of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), the Technical Working Group, and the BAC Secretariat, the head of the Project Management Office or the end-user unit, and the project consultants by consanguinity or affinity up to the third civil degree;

- 7. [Name of Consultant] complies with existing labor laws and standards; and
- 8. [Name of Consultant] is aware of and has undertaken the following responsibilities as a Bidder:
 - a) Carefully examine all of the Bidding Documents;
 - b) Acknowledge all conditions, local or otherwise, affecting the implementation of the Contract;
 - c) Made an estimate of the facilities available and needed for the contract to be bid, if any; and
 - d) Inquire or secure Supplemental/Bid Bulletin(s) issued for the [Name of the Project].
- 9. [Name of Bidder] did not give or pay directly or indirectly, any commission, amount, fee, or any form of consideration, pecuniary or otherwise, to any person or official, personnel or representative of the government in relation to any procurement project or activity.

IN WITNESS \	WHEREOF, I	have	hereunto	set	my	hand	this	day	of	 20	at
, Pł	hilippines.										

[Bidder's Representative/Authorized Signatory]

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of [month] [year] at [place of execution], Philippines. Affiant/s is/are personally known to me and was/were identified by me through competent evidence of identity as defined in the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice (A.M. No. 02-8-13-SC). Affiant/s exhibited to me his/her [insert type of government identification card used], with his/her photograph and signature appearing thereon, with no
Witness my hand and seal this day of [month] [year].
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Bid-Securing Declaration

(REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)	
CITY OF) S.S.
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Invitation to Bid [Insert reference number]

To: [Insert name and address of the Procuring Entity]

I/We, the undersigned, declare that:

- 1. I/We understand that, according to your conditions, bids must be supported by a Bid Security, which may be in the form of a Bid-Securing Declaration.
- 2. I/We accept that: (a) I/we will be automatically disqualified from bidding for any contract with any procuring entity for a period of two (2) years upon receipt of your Blacklisting Order; and, (b) I/we will pay the applicable fine provided under Section 6 of the Guidelines on the Use of Bid Securing Declaration, within fifteen (15) days from receipt of written demand by the procuring entity for the commission of acts resulting to the enforcement of the bid securing declaration under Sections 23.1(b), 34.2, 40.1 and 69.1, except 69.1 (f), of the IRR of RA 9184; without prejudice to other legal action the government may undertake.
- 3. I/We understand that this Bid-Securing Declaration shall cease to be valid on the following circumstances:
 - a. Upon expiration of the bid validity period, or any extension thereof pursuant to your request;
 - b. I am/we are declared ineligible or post-disqualified upon receipt of your notice to such effect, and (i) I/we failed to timely file a request for reconsideration or (ii) I/we filed a waiver to avail of said right;
 - c. I am/we are declared as the bidder with the Highest Rated Responsive Bid, and I/we have furnished the performance security and signed the Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/We have hereunto set my/our hand/s this day of [month] [year] at [place of execution].
[Insert NAME OF BIDDER'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE] [Insert signatory's legal capacity]
Affiant
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of [month] [year] at [place of execution], Philippines. Affiant/s is/are personally known to me and was/were identified by me through competent evidence of identity as defined in the 2004 Rules on Notarial Practice (A.M. No. 02-8-13-SC). Affiant/s exhibited to me his/her [insert type of government identification card used], with his/her photograph and signature appearing thereon, with no
Witness my hand and seal this day of [month] [year].
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FINANCIAL PROPOSAL FORMS

Notes for Consultants

The following summarizes the content of the Financial Proposal.

Cover Letter

Use FPF 1. Financial Proposal Submission Form, which is an acknowledgement that, in preparation and submission of the Technical and Financial Proposals, Consultants have:

- (f) followed the applicable rules and guidelines indicated in this ITB;
- (g) not taken any action which is or constitutes a corrupt, fraudulent, or coercive practice as defined in the applicable rules and guidelines; and
- (h) agrees to allow the Procuring Entity and the Funding Source, at their option, to inspect and audit all accounts, documents, and records relating to the its Bid and to the performance of the ensuing contract.

Costs of Consulting Services

Use FPF 2. Summary of Costs; FPF 3. Breakdown of Price per Activity; FPF 4. Breakdown of Remuneration per Activity; FPF 5. Reimbursables per Activity; and FPF 6. Miscellaneous Expenses.

[Date]

[Name and address of the Procuring Entity]

Ladies/Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consulting services for [Title of Project] in accordance with your Bidding Documents dated [insert date] and our Bid (Technical and Financial Proposals). Our attached Financial Proposal is for the sum of [amount in words and figures]. This amount is exclusive of the local taxes, which we have estimated at [amount(s) in words and figures].

Our Financial Proposal shall be binding upon us subject to the modifications resulting from Contract negotiations, up to expiration of the bid validity period, *i.e.*, [Date].

In accordance with **GCC** Clause 51, we acknowledge and accept the Procuring Entity's right to inspect and audit all records relating to our Bid irrespective of whether we enter into a contract with the Procuring Entity as a result of this Bid.

We confirm that we have read, understood and accept the contents of the Instructions to Bidders (ITB), the Bid Data Sheet (BDS), General Conditions of Contract (GCC), Special Conditions of Contract (SCC), Terms of Reference (TOR), the provisions relating to the eligibility of Consultant and the applicable guidelines for the procurement rules of the Funding Source, any and all Bid bulletins issued and other attachments and inclusions included in the Bidding Documents sent to us.

We understand you are not bound to accept any Bid you receive.

We remain,

Yours sincerely,
Authorized Signature:
Name and Title of Signatory:
Name of Firm:
Address:

FPF 2. SUMMARY OF COSTS

Costs	Currency(ies) ⁷	Amount in Philippine Peso
Subtotal		
Local Taxes		
Total Amount of Financial Proposal		

 $^{^{7}}$ In cases of contracts involving foreign consultants, indicate the exchange rate used.

FPF 3. Breakdown of Price per Activity

Activity No.:	Activity No.:	Description:
Price Component	Currency(ies) ⁸	Amount in Philippine Peso
Remuneration		
Reimbursables		
Miscellaneous Expenses		
Subtotal		

 $^{^{8}}$ In cases of contracts involving foreign consultants, indicate the exchange rate used.

FPF 4. Breakdown of Remuneration per Activity

Activity No		Name:_	Name:						
Names	Position	Input ⁹	Remuneration Currency(ies) Rate	Amount					
Regular staff									
Local staff									
Consultants									
Grand Total									

⁹ Staff months, days, or hours as appropriate.

FPF 5. REIMBURSABLES PER ACTIVITY

Activity No: Name:

No.	Description		Unit	Quantity	Unit Price In	Total Amount In
1.	International fl	lights	Trip			
2.	Miscellaneous travel expenses		Trip			
3.	Subsistence allowance		Day			
4.	Local transportation costs ¹⁰					
5.	Office rent/accommodation/ clerical assistance					
	Grand Total					

¹⁰ Local transportation costs are not included if local transportation is being made available by the Entity. Similarly, in the project site, office rent/accommodations/clerical assistance costs are not to be included if being made available by the Entity.

FPF 6. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Activit	y No	Activity Name:					
No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Amount		
1.	Communication costs betweenand						
	(telephone, telegram, telex)						
2.	Drafting, reproduction of reports						
3.	Equipment: vehicles, computers, etc.						
4.	Software						
	Grand Total						

FORM OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made this [insert date] day of [insert month], [insert year] between [name and address of Procuring Entity]_(hereinafter called the "Entity") and [name and address of Consultant] (hereinafter called the "Consultant").

WHEREAS, the Entity is desirous that the Consultant execute [name and identification number of contract] (hereinafter called "the Works") and the Entity has accepted the bid for [insert the amount in specified currency in numbers and words] by the Consultant for the execution and completion of such Consulting Services and the remedying of any defects therein.

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. In this Agreement, words and expressions shall have the same meanings as are respectively assigned to them in the Conditions of Contract hereinafter referred to.
- 2. The following documents shall be attached, deemed to form, and be read and construed as part of this Agreement, to wit:
 - (a) General and Special Conditions of Contract;
 - (b) Terms of Reference
 - (c) Request for Expression of Interest;
 - (d) Instructions to Bidders;
 - (e) Bid Data Sheet;
 - (f) Addenda and/or Supplemental/Bid Bulletins, if any;
 - (g) Bid forms, including all the documents/statements contained in the Bidder's bidding envelopes, as annexes, and all other documents/ statements submitted (e.g., bidder's response to request for clarifications on the bid), including corrections to the bid, if any, resulting from the Procuring Entity's bid evaluation;
 - (h) Eligibility requirements, documents and/or statements;
 - (i) Performance Security;
 - (j) Notice of Award of Contract and the Bidder's conforme thereto;
 - (k) Other contract documents that may be required by existing laws and/or the Entity.
- 3. In consideration of the payments to be made by the Entity to the Consultant as hereinafter mentioned, the Consultant hereby covenants with the Entity to

- execute and complete the Consulting Services and remedy any defects therein in conformity with the provisions of this Consultant in all respects.
- 4. The Entity hereby covenants to pay the Consultant in consideration of the execution and completion of the Consulting Services, the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of this Contract at the times and in the manner prescribed by this Contract.

IN WITNESS whereof the parties thereto have caused this Agreement to be executed the day and year first before written.

Binding Signature of Procuring Entity						
Binding Signature of Consultant						

[Addendum showing the corrections, if any, made during the bid evaluation should be attached with this agreement]

Section VIII. Appendices

I. Description of Services

Give detailed descriptions of the Services to be provided, dates for completion of various tasks, place of performance for different tasks, specific tasks to be approved by Client, etc.

II. Reporting Requirements

List format, frequency, and contents of reports; persons to receive them; dates of submission; etc. If no reports are to be submitted, state here "Not applicable."

III. Key Personnel and Subconsultants

List under:

- 1. Titles [and names, if already available], detailed job descriptions and minimum qualifications, and staff-months of service, and estimated periods of engagement for each, including a copy of a satisfactory medical certificate.
- 2. Same information as in no. 1 for Key foreign Personnel to be assigned to work outside the Government's country.
- 3. Same information as in no.1 for Key Local Personnel.
- 4. List of approved Subconsultants (if already available) and Counterpart personnel (if allowed); same information with respect to their Personnel as in no.'s 1 and 2.

IV. Breakdown of Contract Price

List here the elements of cost, including expenditures in foreign currency(ies) denominated and payable in Philippine Peso, used to arrive at the itemized breakdown of the contract price:

- 1. Monthly rates for Personnel (Key Personnel and other Personnel)
- 2. Reimbursable expenditures
- 3. Applicable taxes

V. Services and Facilities Provided by the Client

Give detailed description of the services and facilities made available to the Consultant, and the time and manner of its availment.

VI. Consultant's Representations Regarding Costs and Charges

Breakdown of Remuneration Rates, WB funded projects using Quality Based Selection, Selection Based on the Consultant's Qualifications and Single Source Selection.

1. Review of Remuneration Rates

- 1.1 The remuneration rates for staff are made up of salary, social costs, overheads, fee that is profit, and any premium or allowance paid for projects away from headquarters. To assist the Consultant in preparing for financial negotiations, a sample form giving a breakdown of rates is attached (no financial information should be included in the Technical Proposal). Agreed breakdown sheets shall form part of the negotiated contract.
- 1.2 The Procuring Entity is charged with the custody of Government funds and is expected to exercise prudence in the expenditure of these funds. The Procuring Entity is, therefore, concerned with the reasonableness of the firm's Financial Proposal, and, during negotiations, it expects to be able to review audited financial statements backing up the Consultant's remuneration rates, certified by an independent auditor. The Consultant shall be prepared to disclose such audited financial statements for the last three years, to substantiate its rates, and accept that its proposed rates and other financial matters are subject to scrutiny. Rate details are discussed below.

(i) Salary

This is the gross regular cash salary paid to the individual in the Consultant's home office. It shall not contain any premium for work away from headquarters or bonus (except where these are included by law or government regulations).

(ii) Bonus

Bonuses are normally paid out of profits. Because the Procuring Entity does not wish to make double payments for the same item, staff bonuses shall not normally be included in the rates. Where the Consultant's accounting system is such that the percentages of social costs and overheads are based on total revenue, including bonuses, those percentages shall be adjusted downward accordingly. Where national policy requires that thirteen (13) months' pay be given for twelve (12) months' work, the profit element need not be adjusted downward. Any discussions on bonuses shall be supported by audited documentation, which shall be treated as confidential.

(iii) Social Costs

Social costs are the costs to the Consultant of staff's non-monetary benefits. These items include, *inter alia*, pension, medical and life insurance costs, and the cost of a staff member being sick or on vacation. In this regard, the cost of leave for public holidays is not an acceptable social cost nor is the cost of leave taken during the Contract if no additional staff replacement has been provided. Additional leave taken at the end of the Contract in accordance with the Consultant's leave policy is acceptable as a social cost.

(iv) Cost of Leave

The principles of calculating the cost of total days leave per annum as a percentage of basic salary shall normally be as follows:

Leave cost as percentage of salary¹¹ =
$$\frac{total\ days\ leave\ x\ 100}{[365\ -\ w\ -\ ph\ -\ v\ -\ s]}$$

It is important to note that leave can be considered a social cost only if the Procuring Entity is not charged for the leave taken.

(v) Overheads

Overhead expenses are the firm's business costs that are not directly related to the execution of the project and shall not be reimbursed as separate items under the Contract. Typical items are home office costs (partner's time, non-billable time, time of senior staff monitoring the project, rent, support staff, research, staff training, marketing, etc.), the cost of staff not currently employed on revenue-earning projects, and business promotion costs. During negotiations, audited financial statements, certified as correct by an independent auditor and supporting the last three years' overheads, shall be available for discussion, together with detailed lists of items making up the overheads and the percentage by which each relates to basic salary. The Procuring Entity does not accept an add-on margin for social charges, overhead expenses, etc., for staff who are not permanent employees of the firm. In such case, the firm shall be entitled only to administrative costs and fee on the monthly payments charged for subcontracted staff.

(vi) Fee or Profit

The fee or profit shall be based on the sum of the salary, social costs, and overhead. If any bonuses paid on a regular basis are listed, a corresponding reduction in the profit element shall be expected. Fee or profit shall not be allowed on travel or other reimbursable expenses, unless in the latter case an unusually large amount of procurement of equipment is required. The Consultant shall note that payments shall be made against an agreed estimated payment schedule as described in the draft form of the Contract.

(vii) Away from Headquarters Allowance or Premium

¹¹ Where w = weekends, ph = public holidays, v = vacation, and s = sick leave.

Some consultants pay allowances to staff working away from headquarters. Such allowances are calculated as a percentage of salary and shall not draw overheads or profit. Sometimes, by law, such allowances may draw social costs. In this case, the amount of this social cost shall still be shown under social costs, with the net allowance shown separately. For concerned staff, this allowance, where paid, shall cover home education, etc.; these and similar items shall not be considered as reimbursable costs.

(viii) Subsistence Allowances

Subsistence allowances are not included in the rates, but are paid separately and in local currency. No additional subsistence is payable for dependents — the subsistence rate shall be the same for married and single team members.

UNDP standard rates for the particular country may be used as reference to determine subsistence allowances.

2. Reimbursables

2.1 The financial negotiations shall further focus on such items as out-of-pocket expenses and other reimbursables. These costs may include, but are not restricted to, cost of surveys, equipment, office rent, supplies, international and local travel, computer rental, mobilization and demobilization, insurance, and printing. These costs may be either fixed or reimbursable in foreign or local currency.

3. Bank Guarantee

3.1 Payments to the Consultant, including payment of any advance based on cash flow projections covered by a bank guarantee, shall be made according to an agreed estimated schedule ensuring the firm regular payments in local and foreign currency, as long as the services proceed as planned.

VII. BREAKDOWN OF AGREED FIXED RATES¹²

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Consultants		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Name	Position	Basic Rate ¹⁴	Social Charge (% of 1)	Overhead (% of 1)	Subtotal	Fee (% of 4)	Away from Headquarter s Allowance (% of 1)	Total Agreed Fixed Rate	Agreed Fixed Rate (% of 1)
Philippines									
Home Office									

Signature of Consultant:	Date:
Authorized Representative:	Name:
Title	

This model form is given for negotiation purposes only. It is not part of the proposals (technical or financial).

If different currencies, a different table for each currency should be used.

Per month, day, or hour as appropriate.



