

#### **Ministry of Tourism and Environment**

Republic of Maldives

### Requesting for proposal (RFP) (IULAN NO: (IUL)88-WS/88/2025/204)

Consultancy Services to Develop the Layout and Design of the National Water and Sewerage Policy (NWSP) Document

Requesting for proposal (RFP) - Single Envelope

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#### Section 1

#### **Tender Sheet**

Reference	Tender Reference						
No:							
1	Tender Name: Consultancy S	Services to D	evelop the	Layout and Design			
	of the National Water and Se	werage Polic	y (NWSP)	<u>Document</u>			
2	Bid Registration Timeline:	Date:	Email:				
	<b>Time:</b> 13:00pm	22/05/2025	tenders@	environment.gov.mv			
		(Thursday)					
3	Pre-Bid Data:	Time:	Date:				
	Location: Ministry of	NA	NA				
	Tourism and Environment						
4	Bid queries submission time	line and Add	ress:				
	Location: Ministry of Tourism	and Environm	ent				
	<b>Date:</b> 25/05/2025 (Sunday)						
	<b>Time:</b> 13:00pm						
	Email: tenders@environment.g	gov.mv					
	CC: sanitation@environment.g	ov.mv					
	Telephone No: 3018300						
5	Bid Clarification Deadline	Date:	Time:				
	and Address:	26/05/2025	12:00pm				
	Location: Ministry of	(Monday)					
	Tourism and Environment						
6	Proposal submission	Date:		Time: 10:00am			
	deadline:	28/05/2025					
	Location: Ministry of	(Wednesda	y)				
	Tourism and Environment -						
	Reception						
7	Submission instruction						
	Proposals must be delivered in sealed envelopes titled						
	"Do not Open Before 10:05a			•			
	Develop the Layout and De	sign of the	National V	Vater and Sewerage			

	Policy Document - (IUL)88-WS/88/2025/20	04" and the submitting party's
	name and address	
	Late proposals will be rejected.	
8	Submission address	
	Procurement Section	
	Ministry of Tourism and Environment	
	Faashanaa Maalam, Dharubaaruge, Henvei	ru
	Male', 20344, Republic of Maldives	
	Email: tenders@environment.gov.mv	
	Website: www.environment.gov.mv	
	Project name: Consultancy Services to Deve	elop the Layout and Design of
	the National Water and Sewerage Policy Do	<u>cument</u>
7	Bid Opening:	<b>Time:</b> 10:05am
	Proposals will be opened in the presence	<b>Date:</b> 28/05/2025 (Wednesday)
	of the proponents' representatives who	
	choose to be present at the address below	
	at the time of proposal opening.	
8	Evaluation Criteria on Annex 13	
Note:		

#### Section 2

#### **Instruction for Bidders**

#### A. General Information

- 1. Introduction
  1.1 This bid is opened to parties who can provide the goods/services mentioned in the tender sheet. The requirements of the goods/services have been detailed in the information sheet.
- 2. Eligible Bidders 2.1 This bid is opened to all the registered businesses.
  - 2.2 If any other parties, except those mentioned in 2.1, are eligible to propose the bid, it shall be stated in the tender sheet.
- Bid Document and signing
- 3.1 The bid must comply with Annex 1 and the materials included on the bidder's checklist as one document.
- 3.2 Bids must be typed in English or Dhivehi in an easy-to-read font. Or if written by hand, it should be legible. All pages of the tender shall bear the signature and stamp of the tenderer or his designee. Each page of the tender shall also be numbered to indicate the number of pages.
- 3.3 3.3. For companies, if a person other than the
  - Managing Director signs the bid, a copy of the "Power of Attorney" stating that the person is authorized to sign the bid should be submitted.
  - 3.3. For partnerships, if a person other than the
  - 2 managing partner of the partnerships signs the bid, a copy of the power of attorney stating that the person is authorized to sign the bid shall be submitted.
  - 3.3. If any person other than the Chairman of the
  - 3 Cooperative Societies signs the bid, a copy of

the Power of Attorney stating that the person is authorized to sign the bid shall be submitted.

- 4.Number of Bids submitted
- 4.1 If any bidder .Each bidder may submit 1 (one) bid all bids submitted by that ,submits more than one bid bidder will be cancelled.
- Cost of preparing Bid
- 5.1 All expenses incurred in preparing and submitting the bid shall be borne by the bidder. The ministry shall not be responsible for any expenses incurred in this regard
- 6. Other principles 6.1 If the bidder is a close relative of an employee who works in the Ministry or any affiliated office under the Ministry the bidder must disclose it.

#### B. Documents relating to the bid

- 7. Sections of the tender book
- 7.1 Documents related to bid are included in the list below and in amendments.
  - 7.1. Bid Sheet (Section-1)

1

7.1. Instructions to Bidders (Section-2)

2

- 7.1. General and Special Provisions of the
  - 3 Agreement (Section-3
- 7.1. Annex (Section 4)

4

7.1. Works Related Information (Section–5)

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- 8. Clarification of information regarding the bid
- 8.1 It is the responsibility of the Bidder to obtain any further information regarding the information contained in this Bid Book or in connection with this Bid.
- 8.2 Amendments issued in accordance with Section 9.1 shall form part of the Bid.

- Changes to the tender
- 9.1 If it is deemed necessary to make a change to the bid before the expiry of the bid opening period, an amendment (deduction/addition) may be made.
- Language used in the tender
- 10.1 The bidder shall prepare the bid in Dhivehi or English in accordance with the templet given with the TOR.

#### C. Preparation of bids

- 11. Money used in the bid
- 11.1 The bidder shall submit the bid price in a Currency stated in the TOR.
- 12.Proposing the price
- 12.1 If it is a GST registered entity, the price should be inclusive of GST. The amount paid for GST should be clearly stated.
- 13.Duration
- 13.1 Unless otherwise agreed upon the deadline for work should be submitted in days including all the holidays.
- 13.2 The period offered for the work shall be reasonable for the performance of the work.
- 13.3 The expiry date of the bid shall be at least 120 (one twenty) days from the date of submission of the bid.
- 13.4 If the duration stated by the highest-ranking bidder exceeds the duration stated in the TOR, the ministry reserves the right to negotiate with the bidder in accordance with relevant laws and regulations.

#### D. Submission of bids

- 14. How to close the bid
- 14.1 The name, address and telephone number of the bidder shall be written on the outside of the envelope.
- 14.2 Bids should be submitted in a closed envelope addressed as per the bid sheet.
- 15. Deadline for submission of bids
- 15.1 The Bid sheet shall state the deadline for bid submission (work or Services)

- 16. Procedure for late bids
- 16.1 Bids submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.
- 16.2 Except otherwise, any law or regulation specifies, any bid submitted electronically shall not be accepted

#### E. Bid opening and evaluation

- 17. Bid opening
- 17.1 If the date scheduled for opening of bids is fixed as a public holiday by the Government for any reason, the opening of bids will be held on the deadline specified in the bid sheet of the next official day.
- 17.2 Any problem with the calculation of qualifying tenders will be corrected as follows.
  - (i) If the amount in the bid differs from the amount stated in words, the correct amount shall be deemed to be the amount in words.
  - (ii) If the amount in the bid differs from the amount stated in in proposal submission form the correct amount shall be deemed as the amount in the bid submission form.
  - (iii) Arithmetic errors in the bid can be corrected in the evaluation process.

#### 18. Bid Evaluation 18.1

The Ministry may reject the bids in accordance with public Finance Regulation as follows;

- (i) if the required information and documents are not submitted as stated in the TOR; or
- (ii) if the prices offered are inadequate; or any other reason specified by the Ministry.
- 19. Determinationof the bidder
- 19.1 The successful and unsuccessful bidders will be notified in writing. Following this notice, unsuccessful

- bidders shall be given 3 (three) days to submit a complaint relating to the bid. The reason for the unsuccessful bid shall be stated upon request by the complainant within this period.
- 19.2 The contract with the successful bidder shall be signed after considering the submissions and answering the questions raised by the unsuccessful bidders within the period specified in 19.1.
- 20. Selection and notification of the successful bidder
- 20.1 The agreement shall be signed after addressing the complaints and the questions raised by the unsuccessful bidders that have been submitted within the period specified in Article 19.1.
- 21. Signing the agreement
- 21.1 If the work is abandoned after signing the agreement or if the work is not completed after signing the agreement, action will be taken as per Chapter 11 of the Public Finance Regulation.
- 21.2 If the agreement is not signed within the stipulated time frame as stipulated in Chapter 11 of the Public Finance Regulation, the decision to award this work will be canceled and action will be taken as mentioned in Chapter 11 of the Public Finance Regulation.
- 21.3 The amount stated in the bid sheet shall be submitted as performance guarantee.

#### F. securities to be Submitted

- 22. Bid Security
  (Excluding
  consultancy
  services)
- 22.1 The bid security of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them within 7 (seven) days from the date of notification to the successful bidder.
- 22.2 If a bidder withdraws from the bid after the opening of the bid or if the successful bidder cancels the bid after

receiving the certificate of success, the bid security submitted by the bidder will be forfeited to the State.

## 23. Advance and Advance payment guarantee

- 23.1 If an advance is requested, the advance may be issued in accordance with the Public Finance Regulation.
- 23.2 Advance will be issued if the total value of the procurement exceeds MVR 250,000 (Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Rufiyaa)
- 23.3 The party shall request for advance payment within 45 (forty-five) days of signing the contract.
- 23.4 If the advance is requested for, a security or guarantee issued by a government recognized bank or financial institution established in Maldives shall be submitted as advance payment guarantee.
- 23.5 The advance shall not exceed 15% (fifteen percent) of the total contract price. The advance payment will be retained from the bills submitted during work or service performance in proportion to the total value of the contract.

# 24. Performance guarantee (Excluding consultancy services)

- 24.1 If the bid price is exceeding MVR.500,000/-, the successful bidder shall submit as performance guarantee a security or guarantee issued by a Government recognized bank or financial institution established in Maldives, excluding consultancy service.
- 24.2 If the successful bidder fails to submit the performance guarantee within the timeframe specified, the decision to award the work will be reversed and the bid security submitted by the bidder will be forfeited to the State.

### 25.Case filing and case investigation

25.1 Pursuant to Public Finance Regulation 11.02 filing and investigating of complaints against irregularities in a tender shall be submitted under the finance regulation

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

26.Submitting for Independent Review Committee for reconsideration

26.1 In submitting to the Independent Review Committee for administrative review of a tender as mentioned in Chapter 11.02 of the Public Finance Regulation, the tender issue shall be referred to in annex 21 of Public Finance Circular No. 13-K/CIR/2018/01 The complaint may be submitted to the Independent Review Committee through Form PR-16 (Appeal stage).

#### Section 3

#### General and special provisions of the agreement

#### 27. Definitions

- 27.1 "Owner of the Work" means a place within the jurisdiction of the Ministry required to carry out the Work.
- 27.2 "Contractor" means the person submitting the tender for the performance of the work.
- 27.3 "Work" means the service or works described in the tender sheet.

- 27.4 "Work Price" means the amount paid to the Contractor upon completion of the Work in accordance with the Agreement.
- 27.5 "Agreement" means the agreement between the Employer and the Contractor regarding the work.

#### 28. Exchange of documents

- 28.1 The parties to this Agreement shall give all notices to each other in connection with this Agreement, the notification shall be in writing and in the Dhivehi or English language.
- 28.2 Upon request by either party, documents sent from one party to the other party shall be submitted physically to a specified address or person or by registered post, or to the designated email address specified in the bid.
- 28.3 If the parties to the agreement wish to change the address in this Agreement, either party must notify the other party in writing.

### 29. Assignment of work to a third party

29.1 No assignment under this Agreement may be assigned to another party.

### 30. Taking over of goods and services

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

#### **31.Contract Duration**

- 31.1 The goods/services shall be delivered within the period specified in the agreement.
- 31.2 In the event of force majeure or manufacturing related matter or any other reason, either party shall notify in writing the other party the delays and the reason for the delay. The notification shall be initiated within the contract period.

### 32. Penalty and 32

cancellation of agreement

- 31.3 Any request for the contract extension shall be awarded in accordance with the public Finance Regulation.
- 32.1 If the work or services (excluding consultancy) are not completed within the agreed period, liquidated damages will be deducted in accordance with Article 10.65 of the Financial Rules.
- 32.2 If the total value of the bid is below MVR.5,000,000/-, the deduction shall be equal to the total value multiplied by 0.005 multiplied by the number of days exceeding the period.

Liquidated Damages = CP\*0.005\*LD

If the total value of the tender exceeds MVR.

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

Liquidated Damages = CP\*0.0025\*LD

CP (Contact Price): Total contract value

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

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

### 33. Termination of the Agreement

- 33.1 The Ministry reserves the right to cancel the contract in whole or in part if it is found that the work is not being carried out as specified in the contract.
- 33.2 If the agreement terminates for whatever reason within 3 (three) working days, both parties must sign a statement detailing the completed and unfinished work. A list of all the contractor's items on the work site must be taken within 3 (three) days. The Ministry will not be held liable for any issues with any of these matters after this period.

#### 34. Other things

34.1 If, after signing the Agreement, the parties become aware that any law or regulation of the Government conflicts with this Agreement or if such law or regulation is enacted, such a provision becomes incorporated into this Agreement, both parties agree to maintain this Agreement without termination, albeit by amending such provision.

#### 35. Taxes and other fees

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

### 36. Modification of the agreement (Amendments)

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

### 37. The law applicable to the agreement

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

#### 38. Dispute

- 38.1 If any dispute arising out of this Agreement cannot be resolved by negotiation between the parties, the matter shall be submitted to a court of law in Maldives.
- 38.2 Any deficiencies in this Agreement shall be resolved by negotiation between the parties. If not resolved, the case shall be referred to a court of law in Maldives.
- 38.3 In case of dispute between TOR and PFR (Public Finance Regulation) the PFR will prevail.

#### Section 4

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

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

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

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

	Financial Proposal	
10	Financial Breakdown Form – (Annex 7 - Form FIN – 1)	
11	Details of Financial Situation- (Annex 8- FIN FORM -2)	
	<ul> <li>Average Annual Turnover – (Annex 9 - FIN FORM – 3)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Line of Credit Letter – (Annex 10 - FIN FORM -4)</li> </ul>	
	Business entities that have not completed one year (from the date)	
	of business registration to date of bid announcement) are	
	required to submit the bank statement of the business's bank	
	account. (Bank statement should be from the date of account	
	opening to date of bid announcement)	
	Supporting Documents	
	<ul> <li>Financial statements of the business for the year 2023,2022 &amp;</li> </ul>	
	2021	
12	Current Contract Commitments / Work in Progress – (Annex 11 -FIN	
	FORM 5)	

#### Note:

- Cooperative profile sheet, tax clearance report and conflict of interest document may be obtained during the evaluation process if not submitted with the bid.
- In case of price conflict in Proposal submission form Annex 2 -Tech Form 1
  and Financial Breakdown Form Annex 7 Form FIN 1, the correct price
  shall be deemed to be the price in the Proposal submission form Annex 2.

#### Annex 2 TECH FORM 1

		Proposal Submission	n F	orm		
1.Bic	lder Informatio	n				
1.1	Name:					
1.2	Address:					
2. Pr	oject Informati	on				
2.1	Project					
	Name:					
2.1	Tender No:					
3. Mi	nimum quantit	y, price and duration of the g	ood	s/servic	es offere	ed
Deta	il		F	Price	Gst	Total
					(8%)	
Duration:						
4. Declaration:						
4.1 After due consideration of the information given for the provision of the					on of the	
above-mentioned works/services and the provisions of the Agreement, I /				reement, I /		
	We hereby te	ender for the provision of thes	e w	orks or	services	at the above-
	mentioned pr	ice.				
4.2	I / We agree	to accept and comply with thi	s tei	nder fo	r 120 day	s from the
	date of subm	ission. If the owner requests	to si	gn the	agreeme	nt within this
	period, I agre	e to sign the agreement and	wor	k in acc	cordance	with the
	agreement.					
5. Oı	n Behalf					
Nam	e:			Sign	ature	Stamp
Desi	gnation					
Date						

### Annex 3 TECH FORM 2

#### Approach, Methodology and Work Plan

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

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

#### a) Technical Approach and Methodology

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

#### b) Work Plan

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

### Annex 4 TECH FORM 3

#### **Work Schedule**

Consultancy Services to Develop the Layout and Design of the National Water and Sewerage Policy Document																
Deliverables	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week	Week	Week	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	:

### Annex 5 TECH FORM 4

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

Ministry of Tourism	Positions held:
and Environment	Summary of role

### Annex 6 TECH FORM 5

#### **Letter of Commitment**

(Team Leader)

[Location, Date]
To: [Name and address of Client]
Ref no:
Dear Sir/Madam,
I am writing to confirm my availability to provide services as the /Team Leader to "Consultancy Services to Develop the Layout and Design of the National Water and Sewerage Policy Document"- for the Ministry of Tourism and Environment.
I undertake, if this proposal is accepted, to complete and deliver the whole of the services assigned to me in the scope of services.
I undertake, if this proposal is accepted upon receipt of the Ministry of Tourism and Environment's notice, to commence performance of the services with due expedition and without delay.
Yours sincerely,
Name:
ID card No:
Date:
Signatory:

**Note**: CV should be submitted along with the supporting documents.

#### **TECH FORM 6**

#### **Letter of Commitment**

(Team Members)

[Location, Date]
To: [Name and address of Client]
Ref no:
Dear Sir/Madam,
I am writing to confirm my availability to provide services as the <b>Specialist</b> (Specify) to "Consultancy Services to Develop the Layout and Design of the National Water and Sewerage Policy Document"- for the Ministry of Tourism and Environment.
I undertake, if this proposal is accepted, to complete and deliver the whole of the services assigned to me in the scope of services.
I undertake, if this proposal is accepted upon receipt of the Ministry of Tourism and Environment's notice, to commence performance of the services with due expedition and without delay.
Yours sincerely, Name:
ID card No:
Date:
Signatory:
Note: CV should be submitted along with the supporting documents.

#### FIN FORM 1

#### **Financial Breakdown Form**

Date:

Reference No: (generated by the proponent)

No.	Description	Price/Unit (MVR)	Total
1	Design Concept and Layout Template		
2	Original Photographs		
3	Draft NWSP		
4	Final NWSP		
	Total:		
	GST 8%		
	Total with GST		

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

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

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

Authorized Signature and stamp

#### **FIN FORM 2**

#### **Details of Financial Situation**

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

If the business has been registered for more than a year bidder must him in this form							
Financial Data for Previous 3 Years [MVR Equivalent]							
	Year 2023	Year 2022	Year 2021				
Information from Balance Sheet							
Total Assets							
Total Liabilities							
Net Worth							
Current Assets							
Current Liabilities							
Working Capital							
Information from Inc	Information from Income Statement						
Total Revenues							
Profits Before							
Taxes							
Profits After							
Taxes							

- □ Attached are copies of financial statements (balance sheets including all related notes, and income statements) for the last three years, as indicated above, complying with the following conditions.
  - All such documents reflect the financial situation of the Bidder.
  - Historic financial statements must be complete, including all notes to the financial statements.
    - Historic financial statements must correspond to accounting periods

#### FIN FORM 3 Average Annual Turnover

Each Bidder must fill in this form

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

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

#### FIN FORM 4

#### **Line of Credit Letter**

[letterhead of the Bank/Financing Institution]

[date]

**To:**[Name and address of the Contractor]

Dear,

You have requested {name of the bank/financing institution} to establish a line of credit for the purpose of executing {insert Name and identification of Project}.

We hereby undertake to establish a line of credit for the aforementioned purpose, in the amount of {insert amount}, effective upon receipt of evidence that you have been selected as successful bidder.

This line of credit will be valid through the duration of the contract awarded to you.

Authorized Signature:	
Name and Title of Signatory:	
Name of Agency:	

#### **FIN FORM 5**

#### **Current Contract Commitments/Works in Progress**

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

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

### Annex 12 DISCLAIMER FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Each Applicant must fill in this form

Tender Name:	Click here to enter text.					
Advertisement No:	Click here to enter text.					
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I/We, the undersigned as the	I/We, the undersigned as the bidder, submitting the tender in respect of call for captioned tender, confirm:					
<ul> <li>that should I/We have</li> </ul>	e any "close relative" or "clos	se associate" working at Mir	nistry of Tourism and Environment,			
I/We will disclose t	that information with this fo	orm. In this instance "clos	e relative" and "close associate"			
represents the mean	ning stated in Section 19 of F	Regulation Number: 2023/R	-158 (Public Finance Regulation);			
<ul> <li>that I/We will disclos</li> </ul>	se any conflict of interest in o	connection to the contract v	with this form. A conflict of interest			
may arise in particu	lar as a result of economic	interests, political or natior	nal affinities, or any other relevant			
connection or share	d interest;					
<ul> <li>that I/We will inform</li> </ul>	the at Ministry of Tourism a	nd Environment, without de	elay, of any situation constituting a			
conflict of interest of	could give rise to a conflict	of interest;				
<ul> <li>that I/We have not n</li> </ul>	nade, and will not to make, a	ny offer of any type whatso	ever from which an advantage can			
be derived under the	e contract;					
<ul> <li>that I/We have not g</li> </ul>	ranted, sought, attempted to	obtain or accepted and will	not grant, seek, attempt to obtain,			
or accept any advar	ntage, financial or in kind, to o	or from any party whatsoeve	er, constituting an illegal or corrupt			
practice, either direc	ctly or indirectly, as an incent	ive or reward relating to the	award of the contract;			
<ul> <li>that I/We understand</li> </ul>	d that the at Ministry of Touris	m and Environment reserve	es the right to verify this information			
and that I am/We are	e aware of the consequences	s which may derive from any	r false declaration in respect of the			
information required	by the awarding body as a d	condition of participation in	the contract procedure.			
☐ YES, I/We have "close	relative" or "close asso	ociate" please find the De	etails below.			
Name of the Staff(s):						
NID Card No.:						
Relationship with the Staf	f:					
□ NO, I/We do not have "close relative" or "close associate"						
Details of the Bidder						
Name of the Bidder:		Stamp of the Bidding				
name of the bloder.		Company				
Signature of the Bidder:		Date:				

#### Criteria to be used for evaluation of bids

#### **Technical Score**

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

(A) Business:	
Business Profile	10
Provide here a brief description of the background and organization of your Business, and – in case of a joint venture	
No. of similar project / assignments done on layout designing or related field	60
20 points for each documented assignment, up to a maximum of 3.	
No. of similar project / assignments done related to photography and photo editing, preferably field photography	30
10 points for each documented assignment, up to a maximum of 3.	
Total A=	100
Total A=  (B) Project Team (Applicant may apply as a single expert or as a team comprising Team leader (Layout designer) and Team member (Photographer)	
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Photography Qualification or Experience	20
Relevant academic qualification in Photography/other related field or 1 year of working experience in photography and photo editing, preferably field photography	
20 points for a Degree or Diploma / 10 points for any other certification	
Total B=	100
(C) Approach, methodology and work plan	
Approach and methodology	60
a) Demonstration of an understanding of the objective of the assignment in the context of the project - 30 points	
b) Proposal on methodology on carrying out the activities - 30 points	
Work Plan.	40
a) Proposed main activities of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the Client and delivery dates of the reports - 10 points	
b) Work plan being consistent with proposed Technical Approach and Methodology – 20 points	
c) Work schedule – 10 points	
{Please outline the plan for the implementation of the main activities/tasks of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the Client), and tentative delivery dates of the reports. The proposed work plan should be consistent with the technical approach and methodology, showing your understanding of the TOR and ability to translate them into a feasible working plan. A list of the final documents (including reports) to be delivered as final output(s) should be included here. The work plan should be consistent with the Work Schedule Form.}	

Total C=

#### Technical Score:

The number of points to be assigned to each of the above positions or disciplines shall be determined considering the following three sub criteria and relevant percentage weights for each position. Only Specialists who meet the minimum qualification requirements will be qualified for technical evaluation.

Technical score (St) =  $A/100^*[W1] + B/100^*[W2] + C/100^*[W3]$ 

W1	(A) Business	30
W2	(B) Project Team	50
W3	(C) Approach, methodology and work plan	20

Note: Only the proposals that will obtain a minimum of 60% out of 100 obtainable points will be qualified for the financial evaluation.

#### Financial Score:

The formula for determining the financial scores is the following:

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

The weights given to the Technical and Financial Proposals are:

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

#### **FINANCIAL SITUATION EVALUATION**

To be eligible the financial statements of the bidding party must show, minimum annual turnover of MVR 9,000 for the year 2023,2022 and 2021. (Form FIN-3 Annual Turnover)

(or)

To be eligible the financial statements of the bidding party must show, Minimum value of MVR 9,000 for liquid asset, for the year 2023,2022 and 2021. – (Form FIN -2: Financial Situation)

(or)

Business entities that have not completed one year (from the date of business registration to date of bid announcement) are required to submit the bank statement of the business's bank account. (bank statement should be from the date of account opening to date of bid announcement). To be eligible the business's bank statement must show a credit balance of minimum MVR 9,000

(or)

If bidding party is unable to meet any of the above requirement they shall submit 'Line of Credit Letter' As per the template in fin form 4. Credit limit shall be no less than MVR 9,000 – (Form Fin -4: Line of Credit Letter)

#### PRIORITY TO MSME'S

#### Below MVR 2,500,000

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ranking with a proposed price that doesn't exceed 5% of the price of the bidder with the overall highest ranking will be awarded.

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

#### **CRITERIA ON CLASSIFYING REGIONAL BASED BUSINESS**

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

OR

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

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Ministry of Tourism and Environment has overall responsibility for the management of the contract and contractual reporting obligations.

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

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

Obtaining any necessary visa and documents are the responsibility of the proponent. MoCCEE will only provide a visa facilitation letter if necessary.

For the workshop and trainings: invitations, catering and venue will be financed directly by the project. This cost should NOT be included in the price quotation.

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

### Section 5 Details of services/materials/work required

#### Introduction and Background

The Government of Republic of Maldives, represented by the Ministry of Tourism and Environment intends to apply part of the government funds towards the services of a INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT / CONSULTANCY FIRM to develop the layout and design of the National Water and Sewerage Policy (NWSP) Document.

The National Water and Sewerage Policy (NWSP) of Maldives is a comprehensive strategic framework aimed at addressing key challenges and opportunities in the water and sewerage sector. It reflects the vision for water and sewerage sector management in the Maldives and represents a unified commitment to sustainable practices. Through the NWSP, Maldives aims to achieve universal access to safe water and sewerage services, bolster environmental resilience, and drive socio-economic development.

#### **Objective**

The objective of this consultancy is to deliver a professionally designed, visually appealing, and user-friendly version of the National Water and Sewerage Policy that:

- Enhances the reader's understanding and engagement through the use of graphics, illustrations, and photography.
- Is suitable for high-quality print and optimized for digital access and dissemination.
- Includes high-quality photographs captured by the consultant/firm, relevant to the policy themes.
- Effectively communicates key messages to diverse audiences.
- Incorporates visuals (photos, icons, illustrations) as outlined in \* Details of the required photographs, icons and illustrations provided at the end.

#### **Scope of Assignment**

The consultant/firm shall undertake the tasks outlined below, but not limited to these, in close collaboration with the Water and Sanitation Department and other relevant stakeholders, as necessary:-

- 1. Undertake review of the National Water and Sewerage Policy (NWSP) to understand content structure and design requirements
- 2. Develop concept and visual theme for the policy document. The Consultant/firm shall propose 2-3 visual concepts, including layout structure, typography, color schemes, icons and imagery styles.
- 3. Design a cohesive layout template for various sections (cover, chapters, infographics, etc.)
- 4. Conduct required photo shoot or sourcing high-quality, royalty-free images relevant to different sections of the NWSP.
- 5. Produce infographics and data visualizations for different policy elements.
- 6. Formatting and laying out the full document (approx. 50 pages) ensuring overall clarity and consistency of dynamic elements (sections, numbered lists, figure numbers, etc)
- 7. Incorporate Ministry's feedback on the drafts and finalize the design and delivery of a high-resolution print-ready version and a lightweight digital version (PDF).
- 8. Providing source files (e.g., Adobe InDesign, Illustrator) for future updates and all original photographs (high-resolution), with appropriate captions and usage rights transferred to the Ministry.

#### **Requirements for Experience and Qualifications**

The consultant/firm should possess the following qualifications and experience:

- 1. Proven experience in related areas of works (graphic design, layout, visual communication, professional photography or any other related field) preferably for government or policy documents.
- 2. Strong skills in professional photography, including field photography and photo editing.
- 3. Proficiency in industry-standard design software (e.g., Adobe InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop).
- 4. Diploma or degree in graphic design or visual arts or related field (or other relevant qualification) would be an asset
- 5. Access to high-quality camera equipment's and photo editing software.

- 6. Demonstrated ability to produce high-quality, professional print-ready and digital publications.
- 7. Demonstrated experience in development-related photography (preferably water, sanitation, rural settings, environment, etc.).
- 8. Excellent attention to detail, creativity, and ability to work within deadlines.
- 9. Capacity to travel for on-location photography if needed.
- 10. Experience in designing water/sanitation/environmental policy or technical reports will be an added advantage.
- 11. Knowledge of accessibility and readability standards (UN, EU, or government guidelines) will be an added advantage.
- 12. Experience working with government, NGOs, or international development agencies will be an added advantage

Note: Applicant may apply as a single expert with demonstrated qualifications and experience in **both layout designing and photography**, or as a team comprising a **Layout Designer (Team Leader)** and a **Photographer (Team Member)**.

#### **Indicative Tasks**

The following are indicative tasks to achieve the objectives of the assignment:-

- Design Concept and Layout Template Initial visual concept and page layout for review and approval.
- Original Photographs High-resolution images relevant to the NWSP, including captions and usage rights.
- Draft NWSP Full layout of the NWSP with integrated text, images, and graphics for Ministry's feedback.
- Final NWSP Print-ready PDF(Book layout) and web-optimized version of the NWSP with source files – Editable design files (e.g., InDesign, Illustrator) and all processed photographs.

#### **Duration and Price of the Consultancy**

Duration of the assignment is 3 weeks (21 days), including weekends and public holidays, upon signing the agreement.

#### Deliverables & Payment Schedule

No.	Deliverables	Details	Duration	Payment Schedule	Output
1	Concept design and Layout Templates	Submission of initial visual concept and page layout for review and approval of the Ministry.	5 days upon signing the agreement	0%	Concept design and Layout Templates
2	Original Photographs	Capture and submit high-resolution images relevant to the NWSP as per the requirements given, including captions and usage rights to Ministry	6 days from the deadline for completion of Deliverable No.1	0%	Original Photographs including captions and usage rights to Ministry
3	Draft NWSP	Submission of draft NWSP with full layout of the document including integrated text, images, and graphics for Ministry's feedback.	5 days from the deadline for completion of Deliverable No.2	0%	Draft NWSP with full layout
4	Final NWSP	Submission of print- ready PDF(Book layout) and web- optimized version of the NWSP with source files – Editable design files (e.g., InDesign,	5 days from the deadline for completion of	100%	Print-ready PDF(Book layout) and web- optimized version of the NWSP with source files –

	Illustrator) and all processed photographs.	Deliverable No.3		Editable design files (e.g., InDesign, Illustrator) and all processed photographs.
Total:			100%	

### \*Details of the required photographs, icons and illustrations, but not limited to:-

- a) Photographs to be included in the document, but not limited to:-
- Picture of a Water supply system
- Picture of a Sewerage Treatment Plant (from any of these Islands: S.Feydhoo, S.Meedhoo, R.Hulhudhuhfaaru, Gdh.Thinadhoo, Hdh.Nolhivaranfaru, Gn.Fuvahmulah)
- Sewerage outfall
- Picture of a Household rainwater collection system (old and new)
- Picture showing RO plant (side view)
- ➤ 2 (Two) pictures showing school students/community in a training/workshop/awareness program, preferably related water and sewerage sector (can be during a session in a school/college)
- > Picture showing inside of a RO plant with a technician working
- Water testing laboratory picture during water testing by lab technicians
- Picture of a mangrove/wetlands/kulhi
- Picture showing solar panels at a water system facility
- Picture showing female technical staff working inside RO or sewerage facility
- Picture from outside Utility Regulatory Authority office building
- Picture during the commissioning of a water/sewerage system
- > Water storage tank picture
- Portrait picture of H.E.P.
- Portrait picture of Minister
- b) Custom icons representing each of the six (6) policies outlined in the NWSP
- c) Conceptual/contextual illustrations related to the content of NWSP