

SECTION 2: INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS

COMPLETION OF FINISHING WORKS FOR COMMERCIAL AREAS IN VINARES HOUSING PROJECT IN HULHUMALÉ

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2.1 Instruction to Bidders (ITB)

		A. GENERAL
1. Scope of Bid	1.1	<p>The Employer, as defined in Appendix to Tender, hereinafter “the Employer,” wishes to receive Bids for the execution and remedying defect of</p> <p>1.1. PROJECT 1: Completion of Finishing Works for Commercial Areas in buildings (<u>Buildings #1, #2, #3, #4</u>) of Vinares Housing Project in Hulhumalé, as per Detail Designs, Specifications and Bill of Quantities, and remedying the defects therein.</p> <p>1.2. PROJECT 2: Completion of Finishing Works for Commercial Areas in buildings (<u>Buildings #5, #6, #7, #8</u>) of Vinares Housing Project in Hulhumalé, as per Detail Designs, Specifications and Bill of Quantities, and remedying the defects therein.</p> <p>1.3. PROJECT 3: Completion of Finishing Works for Commercial Areas in buildings (<u>Buildings #9, #10</u>) of Vinares Housing Project in Hulhumalé, as per Detail Designs, Specifications and Bill of Quantities, and remedying the defects therein.</p>
	1.2	The successful bidder will be expected to complete the Works within the period stated in the Appendix to Tender from Commencement Date.
	1.3	Unless mentioned otherwise, all the documents requested to be submitted as per any of the clauses below and anywhere else in this bid, should be submitted and non-compliance to this may lead to rejection of that particular Proposal at the Bid Evaluation Stage.
	1.4	Unless mentioned otherwise, the Contractor shall bring in all materials, machinery, equipment and necessary labour. The Contractor shall provide food and lodging for all management staff and labour at site. The Contractor shall obtain temporary electricity and water from the local authorities for his own uses. All the cost should be borne by the Contractor including initial cost, monthly bills, termination costs and all other associated costs including utility authority’s charges. If such services are not available in the Site area, the Contractor shall provide on his own cost alternative methods to obtain electricity, water and any other utility service required to complete the work. The Contractor will have to conform to the Laws of the Republic of Maldives in all respects in executing the works.
	1.5	Contractor’s yard will be allocated within the site and sufficient work area will be allocated. If the Contractor request for an additional yard (temporary land), it may be leased at a rate of MVR 10.00 per sqft per month at Employer’s sole discretion and subject to availability and requirement, off-site. A security deposit will be taken for the temporary land at MVR 30.00 per sqft. All necessary logistics at temporary land/space & Safe transportation of

		materials from temporary land/space to the site shall be part of contractor's scope & respective costs shall be included in the Contract amount.
2. Interpretation	2.1	The terms used in these instructions shall have the same meanings assigned to them in Sub-Clause 1.1 (Definitions) and Sub-Clause 1.2 (interpretation) of Section 5- General conditions in the tender documents, subject to any amendments stated in Particular Conditions of Section 6. The words "Tender" and "Bid" are used here interchangeable and shall have the same meaning and likewise any derivative of each shall have the same meaning as the corresponding derivative of the other.
3. Source of Funds	3.1	The Employer shall finance the project.
4. Eligible Bidders	4.1	<p>This invitation to bid is open to only 100% Maldivian shareholding parties meeting all the following requirements:</p> <p>(a) Only 100% Maldivian Shareholding parties are eligible to submit the proposal for this tender.</p> <p>(b) The bidder shall not be affiliated with a firm or entity that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. has provided consulting services related to the Works to the Employer during the preparatory stages of the Works; or ii. has been hired by the Employer for provision of any services for the Works <p>(c) The bidder should be well established and professionally organized companies and should have been in operation since at least 2 (Two) years(s) prior to the date of bid submission.</p> <p>(d) The bidder should have the legal capacity to bid and enter into Contracts. Such bidders shall not at the time of tendering or thereafter be ineligible to bid and enter into Contracts.</p> <p>(e) Should have completed at least 1 project of similar nature with a value of MVR 500,000.00 within past 2 Years.</p> <p>(f) The company should be registered as a vendor at HDC prior to bid submission.</p>
	4.2	<p>Bidders shall provide the following documentation for evidence of eligibility for above matters. Failure to do so will render the Bidder ineligible and lead to disqualification of the bid.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Copy of Registration Certificate (b) Goods and Services Tax (GST) Registration certificate. (c) Tax Clearance Report (Past 6 months from the date of bid submission) (d) Original Bid Security as stated in Section 2, Clause 17 (e) Qualifications forms (Section 4) as stated in Clause 5.1. (f) Letter of Tender (Section 3) (g) Company Profile Information sheet issued by the Ministry of Economic Development with sign and seal (For Companies and Partnerships)

		<p>(h) Documentation on experience, the past experience should be supported by submitting documents signed by previous Customers indicating the completion date and value of the project.</p> <p>(i) Completed BOQ</p> <p>Late submission of any of the above-mentioned document will not be entertained.</p>
	4.3	<p>Bidders are required to submit the signed declaration stating that they have no continuing decreed debt, have not been convicted of theft, fraud and/or embezzlement during the last five years. (Section 4: Qualification forms (4.11: STATEMENT OF DECLARATION)). In case of companies and partnerships, the declaration should be for the company, partners, directors, and shareholders of private limited companies. Failure to do so may render the Bidder ineligible and lead to <u>disqualification of the bid</u>.</p>
5. Qualification of the Bidder	5.1	<p>Each bidder shall submit the following as part of the bid information and confirm that such information has not changed. In any case information concerning the following must be submitted in the formats shown in section 4 (Forms of Bid Qualification Information);</p> <p>(a) Business profile/ work profile in the format shown in Form 4.1 (General Information), in section 4 (Forms of Bid Qualification Information)</p> <p>(b) Any current litigation in which the bidder is involved in the format shown in Form 4.3 of Section 4; Litigation/Arbitration.</p> <p>(c) Declaration of Conflict of Interest in the format shown in 4.10 of Section 4: DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST.</p> <p>(d) Signed declaration in the format shown in 4.11 of Section 4: STATEMENT OF DECLARATION</p> <p>Late submission of any of the above-mentioned documents will not be entertained.</p>
	5.2	<p>To be qualified for the tender, bidders shall submit a written power of attorney/Resolution by the Board of Directors of the Company authorizing the signatory of the bid to commit the bidder.</p>
6. One Bid per Bidder	6.1	<p>Each bidder shall submit only one bid per project either by himself, or as a shareholder in a private company. A bidder who submits or participates in more than one bid will be disqualified.</p>
7. Cost of Bidding	7.1	<p>The bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and the Employer will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process. However, upon submission of the bid to the Employer, the bid will become the absolute property of Employer, and the bidder will not have any right whatsoever to claim back any of the documentation or material comprising the bid.</p>
8. Site Visit	8.1	<p>Site Visit Date and Time: 01st September 2022, 1400hrs,</p>

		<p>Venue: Housing Development Corporation Ltd, Reception, Ground Floor, HDC building, Hulhumalé, Republic of Maldives</p> <p>Unless stated otherwise, the bidder shall visit and examine the Site of the Project and its surroundings and obtain for itself on its own responsibility all information and assessment for practicability of work that may be necessary for Design and preparing the bid and entering into a Contract for execution of the Works. The bidder shall be deemed to have understood the site condition, its surroundings and have obtain all necessary information as to risks, contingencies and other circumstances which may influence or affect the Tender or Works, and to have been satisfied before submitting the Tender. The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the bidder's own expense.</p>
	8.2	<p>The bidder and any of its personnel or agents will be granted permission by the Employer to enter upon its premises and lands for the purpose of such visit, but only upon the express condition that the bidder, its personnel, and agents, will release and indemnify the Employer and its personnel and agents from and against all liability in respect thereof, and will be responsible for death or personal injury, loss of or damage to property, and any other loss, damage, costs, and expenses incurred as a result of the inspection.</p>
		<p>B. BIDDING DOCUMENTS</p>
9. Content of Bidding Documents	9.1	<p>The Bidding Documents are those stated below, and bidding should be read in conjunction with any Addenda issued documents in accordance with Clause 11 of this ITB:</p> <p>Section 1: Invitation for Bids Section 2: Instructions to Bidders Section 3: Form of Letter of Tender and Appendix to Tender Section 4: Forms of Bid Qualification Information Section 5: General Conditions of Contract Section 6: Particular Conditions of Contract Section 7: Bill of Quantities Section 8: Agreement and Security Forms Section 9: Drawings.</p>
10. Clarification of Bidding Documents	10.1	<p>Deadline for clarification of bid documents:</p> <p>Date and Time: 04th September 2022, 1200hrs</p> <p>A prospective bidder requiring any clarification of the Bid Documents may send queries via the Portal https://bids.hdc.com.mv. HDC will respond to any request for clarification, which is received earlier than the deadline given in Bid data and upload the query replies as “Amendment” to the Portal. Clarification response will be forwarded to all bidders who raised queries.</p>
11. Amendment of Bidding	11.1	<p>The Employer may Issue Addenda as Instructed in the pre-Bid meeting, with regard to Sub-clause 11.2.</p>

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	11.2	Any Addendum thus issued shall be part of the Bidding Documents pursuant to Sub-Clause 9.1 of this ITB, and shall be communicated in writing via the portal https://bids.hdc.com.mv or e-mail to all the bidders.
	11.3	To give prospective bidders reasonable time in which to take an Addendum into account in preparing their bids, the Employer shall extend as necessary the deadline for submission of bids, in accordance with Clause 21 of this ITB.
		C. PREPARATION OF BIDS
12. Language of the Bid	12.1	The tender, Contract documents and correspondence and documents relating to the project shall be in the English language(s). Documents submitted in any other language should accompany the attested English translation of the same and the translation will be referred to and considered throughout the bidding process and in Contracts. The bidder will be expected to have site staff competent in English or provide translators where necessary.
13. Documents Comprising the Bid	13.1	<p>The bid submitted by the bidder shall comprise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Letter of tender and Appendix to Tender (In the form given in Section 3); - Bid Security (In the form given in Section 8); - Priced bill of Quantities (section 7); - Alternative offers where invited; and any other materials required to be completed and submitted by bidders in accordance with these Instructions to bidders. - All Filled forms of Bid Qualification Information (Section 4) <p>All the documents specified in Sections 3, 7 and Form of Bid Security in Section 8 shall be completed without exception, subject to extensions therefore in the same format and to the provisions of Sub-clause 17.2 of this ITB regarding the alternative forms of bid security.</p>
14. Bid Prices	14.1	Unless stated otherwise in the Bidding Documents, the Contract shall be for the whole works as described in Sub clause 1.1 based on the unit rates and price in the Bill of Quantities submitted by the bidders
	14.2	The bidder shall fill in rates and prices for all items of the Works described in the Bill of Quantities. The bid submitted by the bidder shall be deemed to cover all materials, equipment, personnel and work necessary for the Project, and deemed to have examined the site and its surrounding, site conditions and access, and have taken into account all possible risk and contingencies, prior to quoting. Items against which no rate or price is entered by the bidder will not be paid for by the Employer when executed and shall be deemed covered by the rates for other items and prices in the Bill of Quantities.
	14.3	The Employer will provide reasonable assistance and facilitate (by providing any required documents) in obtaining exemptions for Customs duties for

		<p>imports of materials, machinery and equipment related to the Contract of this Project. However, Taxes applicable under local regulations will be applicable throughout the Project. If exemption is not then granted, for the above-mentioned duties then the Contractor shall pay such duties and it will be reimbursed by the Employer.</p> <p>Except as set out above, all duties, taxes, ((such as but not limited to; Goods and Services Tax (GST), Withholding Tax, Business Profit Tax (BPT)) and other levies payable by the Contractor under the Contract, or for any other cause, as of the date 28 days prior to the deadline for submission of bids, shall be deemed to be included in the rates and prices and the total Bid Price submitted by the bidder.</p>
	14.4	Unless otherwise provided in the Particular Conditions, the rates quoted by the bidder are not subject to price adjustment during the performance of the Contract.
15. Currencies of Bid and Payment	15.1	The bid currency shall be in Maldivian Rufiyaa (MVR) for the Works and Goods and Services Tax (GST).
16. Bid Validity	16.1	Bids shall remain valid for the period of 90 Calendar Day from the date of bid opening specified in sub-clause 24.1 of this ITB.
	16.2	In exceptional circumstances, prior to expiry of the original bid validity period, the Employer may request that the bidders extend the period of validity for a specified additional period. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing; by fax or e-mail. A bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. A bidder agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to modify its bid, but will be required to extend the validity of its bid security for the period of the extension, and in compliance with Clause 17 in all respects.
17. Bid Security	17.1	<p>The bidder shall furnish, as part of its bid, a bid security in the amount MVR 200,000.00 (Maldivian Rufiyaa Two Hundred Thousand) in the bid currency.</p> <p>Bid Security Validity:</p> <p>Bid Security shall be valid till 10th January 2023, a total of minimum 118 Calendar days from the date of Bid Submission</p> <p>BID VALIDITY (90 Calendar days) + 28 DAYS (Clause 17.2) = 118 Calendar days</p>
	17.2	The Bid Security shall be in the form of a guarantee from a reputable bank or an accredited financing Institution selected by the bidder and acceptable to the Employer. The format of the guarantee shall be in accordance with the "form of bid security" included in Section 8. Other formats may be permitted, subject to the prior approval of the Employer. Bid security shall remain valid for a period of 28 days beyond the original validity period for the bid , and

		beyond any period of extension subsequently requested under Sub-Clause 16.2.
	17.3	Any bid not accompanied by the bid security as required under the clause 17 shall be rejected by the Employer as non-responsive.
	17.4	The Bid Securities of unsuccessful bidders will be returned as promptly as possible, but not later than 28 days after the expiration of the period of bid validity.
	17.5	The Bid Security of the successful bidder will be returned when the bidder has signed the Agreement and furnished the required performance security.
	17.6	The Bid Security may be forfeited (a) If the bidder withdraws its bid, except as provided in Sub-Clause 23.2. (b) If the bidder does not accept the correction of its Bid Price, pursuant to Sub-Clause 28.2 or (c) In the case of a successful bidder, if he fails within the specified time limit to: i. sign the Agreement, or ii. Furnish the required Performance Security
18. Pre-Bid Meeting	18.1	The bidder's designated representative is invited to attend a pre-bid meeting, which will be conducted via Zoom Meeting; Meeting will be held on: 01st September 2022, 11:00 hrs Link: https://bit.ly/3dSjTsD Site Visit: Stated in Clause 8.1
	18.2	The purpose of the meeting will be to clarify issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage.
	18.3	The bidder is requested to submit any queries via the portal https://bids.hdc.com.mv to reach the Employer as stipulated in Section 1, Clause 10. It may not be practicable at the meeting to answer questions received late, but questions and responses will be transmitted in accordance with the following sub-clause.
	18.4	Any modification of the Bidding Documents listed in Sub-Clause 9.1, or any query responses which may become necessary as a result of the pre-bid meeting shall be made by the Employer exclusively through the issue of an Addendum pursuant to Clause 11.
19. Format and Signing of Bids	19.1	The bidder shall prepare one bid document comprising the bid described in Clause 13 of these Instructions to Bidders, bound with the section containing the Form of Letter of Tender and Appendix to Tender.

	19.2	The original of the bid shall be signed by a person or persons duly authorized to sign on behalf of the bidder, pursuant to sub-Clause 5.2 for it to be submitted to the portal via bids.hdc.com.mv in the form of scans/digital documents.
	19.3	The bid shall contain no alterations, omissions, or additions, unless such corrections are initialled by the person or persons signing the bid.
		D. SUBMISSION OF BIDS
20. Sealing and Marking of Bids	20.1	It is recommended to encrypt the tender document when uploading the file. If the bid is encrypted, the bidder shall share the password during the bid opening stage. Failure to share the password during the bid opening stage will render in disqualification of the bid.
21. Deadline for Submission of Bids	21.1	Bids must be uploaded to Portal https://bids.hdc.com.mv , no later than the time and date stipulated below: <u>Deadline for Bid Submission.</u> Bids Shall be submitted via the Portal https://bids.hdc.com.mv Date: 14th September 2022 Time: 11:00hrs
	21.2	The Employer may, in exceptional circumstances and at its discretion, extend the deadline for submission of bids by issuing an Addendum in accordance with Clause 11, in which case all rights and obligations of the Employer and the bidders previously subject to the original deadline will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.
22. Late Bids	22.1	Any bid received by the Employer after the deadline for submission of bids prescribed in Clause 21.1 will not be accepted.
23. Modification, Substitution and Withdrawal of Bids	23.1	The bidder may modify, substitute, or withdraw its bid after bid submission, via the portal https://bids.hdc.com.mv prior to the deadline for submission of bids as per Clause 21.1.
	23.2	The bidder's modification, substitution, or withdrawal shall be made via the portal https://bids.hdc.com.mv .
	23.3	No bid may be modified by the bidder after the deadline for submission of bids, except in accordance with Sub-Clauses 23 .2 and 28.2.
	23.4	No bid may be withdrawn during the interval after the submission of bids and the expiry of the period of bid validity specified in Clause 16. Withdrawal of a bid during the said interval may result in the forfeiture of the Bidder's bid security pursuant to Sub-Clause 17.6.
		E. BID OPENING AND EVALUATION

<p>24. Bid Opening</p>	<p>24.1</p>	<p><u>Deadline for Bid Opening</u></p> <p>Venue: Housing Development Corporation Ltd.</p> <p>Reception, Ground Floor, HDC Building</p> <p>Hulhumalé, Maldives</p> <p>Date: 14th September 2022</p> <p>Time: 11:00hrs</p> <p>*A representative for each bidder may attend the bid opening session. However, the bid is encrypted, the bidder shall attend the bid opening session.</p> <p>*The bidder’s representatives who are present shall sign a register evidencing their attendance.</p>
	<p>24.2</p>	<p>The bidders’ names, the total amount of each bid and any alternative bid (if an alternative has been requested or permitted), any discounts, bid modifications, substitutions and withdrawals, the presence or absence of bid security, and such other details as the Employer may consider appropriate, will be announced by the Employer at the opening.</p>
	<p>24.3</p>	<p>The Employer shall prepare minutes of the bid opening, including the information disclosed to those present in accordance with sub-clause 24.3</p>
	<p>24.4</p>	<p>Bids not opened and read out at the bid opening shall not be considered further for evaluation, irrespective of the circumstances.</p>
<p>25. Process to be Confidential</p>	<p>25.1</p>	<p>Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation and comparison of bids, and recommendations for the award of the Contract shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until the award to the successful bidder has been announced. Any effort by a bidder to influence the Employer's processing of bids or award decisions may result in the rejection of the bidder's bid.</p>
<p>26. Clarification of Bids and Contacting the Employer</p>	<p>26.1</p>	<p>A prospective bidder requiring any clarification of the Bid Documents may send queries via the Portal https://bids.hdc.com.mv. HDC will respond to any request for clarification, which is received earlier than the deadline given below, and upload the query replies as “Amendment” to the Portal. Clarification response will be forwarded to all bidders who raised queries. However, no change in the price or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted except as required to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by the Employer in the evaluation of the bids in accordance with Clause 28.</p>

	26.2	From the time of bid opening to the time of Contract award, if any bidder wishes to contact the Employer on any matter related to the bid, it should do so in writing.
	26.3	Any effort by the bidder to influence the Employer in the Employer's bid evaluation, bid comparison or Contract award decisions may result in the rejection of the bidder's bid
27. Examination of Bids and Determination of Responsiveness	27.1	<p>Prior to the detailed evaluation of bids, the Employer will determine whether each bid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) meets the eligibility criteria pursuant to clause 4. (b) meets the qualification criteria pursuant to clause 5. (c) has been properly signed; (d) is accompanied by the required securities; (e) is substantially responsive to the requirements of the Bidding Documents, and; (f) provides any clarification and/or substantiation that the Employer may require to determine responsiveness pursuant to Sub -Clause 27.2.
	27.2	<p>A substantially responsive bid is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the bidding documents without material deviation or reservation. A material deviation or reservation is one:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) which affects in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of works (b) which limits in any substantial way, inconsistent with the Bidding Documents, the Employer's rights or the bidder's obligations under the Contract; or (c) whose rectification would affect unfairly the competitive position of other bidders presenting substantially responsive bids
	27.3	If a bid is not substantially responsive, it will be rejected by the Employer, and may not subsequently be made responsive by correction or withdrawal of the non-conforming deviation or reservation.
28. Correction of Errors	28.1	<p>Bids determined to be substantially responsive will be checked by Employer for any arithmetic errors Bill of Quantities in section 7. Errors will be corrected by the Employer as follows</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) where there is a discrepancy between the amounts in figures and in words, the amount in words will govern; and (b) where there is a discrepancy between the unit rate and the line-item total resulting from multiplying the unit rate by the quantity, the unit rate as quoted will govern, unless in the opinion of Employer there is an obviously gross misplacement of the decimal point in the unit rate, in which case the line-item total as quoted will govern and the unit rate will be corrected. In this manner, the line-item total is recalculated (after rounding the figure in quantity and unit rate to the nearest hundredth (two decimal digits)) by multiplying quantity with unit rate

		<p>for the respective item. Then the line-item total will be rounded to the nearest hundredth (two decimal digits).</p> <p>(c) If there are no errors found after checking the Bill of Quantities in the manner states in 28.1 (b), or if errors were found, in either case then the total bid price (summation of the prices of various line items total) will be recalculated and rounded to the nearest hundredth (two decimal digits) after correcting any such errors.</p>
	28.2	<p>The amount stated in the bid will be adjusted by the Employer in accordance with above procedure for the correction of errors and, with the concurrence of the bidder, shall be considered as binding upon the bidder. unless the total price stated in the tender is lower than the corrected total tender price, in which case the former 'shall be deemed as the correct tender price and the tenderer shall be deemed to have offered a discount to be applied to the Bill of Quantity.</p> <p>If the bidder does not accept the corrected amount of bid, its bid will be rejected, and the bid security may be forfeited in accordance with Sub-Clause 17.6(b).</p>
29. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids	29.1	The Employer will evaluate and compare only the bids determined to be substantially responsive in accordance with clause 27.
	29.2	<p>In evaluating the bids, the Employer will determine for each bid the Evaluated Bid Price by adjusting the Bid price as follows:</p> <p>(a) Making any corrections for errors pursuant to Clause 28.</p> <p>(b) Excluding, (if any) provisional Sums and the provision, (if any) for Contingencies in the Summary Bill of Quantities.</p>
	29.3	The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any variation, deviation, or alternative offer. Variations, deviations, alternative offers, and other factors that are in excess of the requirements of the Bidding Documents shall not be taken into account in bid evaluation.
	29.4	No cost price adjustment provision will be taken into account in bid evaluation.
	29.5	If the bid of the successful bidder is seriously unbalanced or front loaded in relation to the Employer's estimate of the items of work to be performed under the Contract, the Employer may require the bidder to produce detailed price analyses for any or all items of the bill of quantities, to demonstrate the internal consistency of those prices with the construction methods and schedule proposed. After evaluation of the price analyses, taking into consideration the schedule of estimated Contract payments, the Employer may require that the amount of the performance security set forth in Clause 34 be increased at the expense of the bidder to a level sufficient to protect

		the Employer against financial loss in the event of default of the successful bidder under the Contract.
	29.6	Points will be awarded to the Bidders using the Evaluation Criteria as outlined in " G. EVALUATION CRITERIA "
	29.7	In an event where no bid is Eligible or responsive through the terms in the Tender document, the Evaluation Committee reserves the right to modify the eligibility criteria or a specific term in the Bid Document and apply the same criteria in the evaluation of all the bids. However, it should only be in the best interest of HDC, ensuring economic benefit and quality assurance.
	29.8	<p>The bid will be Evaluated and awarded separately for each component as per (Section 2_Instructions to Bidders);</p> <p>1. PROJECT 1: COMPLETION OF FINISHING WORKS FOR COMMERCIAL AREAS IN BUILDINGS #1, #2, #3, #4 OF VINARES HOUSING PROJECT IN HULHUMALÉ</p> <p>2. PROJECT 2: COMPLETION OF FINISHING WORKS FOR COMMERCIAL AREAS IN BUILDINGS #5, #6, #7, #8 OF VINARES HOUSING PROJECT IN HULHUMALÉ</p> <p>3. PROJECT 3: COMPLETION OF FINISHING WORKS FOR COMMERCIAL AREAS IN BUILDINGS #9, #10 OF VINARES HOUSING PROJECT IN HULHUMALÉ</p> <p>If one bidder is deemed to be highest scorer in more than one project, that party will be awarded one project based on the cost benefit to HDC and the second and third highest scoring party will be awarded the remaining projects respectively, based on the cost benefit to HDC.</p> <p>However, if only 1 (one) bidder is eligible, HDC has the right to award all three projects to the same bidder or if only 2 (two) bidders are eligible, HDC has the right to award the remaining project to the bidder who has proposed the lowest price.</p>
		F. AWARD OF CONTRACT
30. Award	30.1	<p>Subject to Clause 31, the Employer will award the Contract to the bidder whose bid has been determined to be substantially responsive to the Bidding Documents and who has achieved the highest point as per clause 29.6 provided that such bidder has been determined to be;</p> <p>(a) Eligible in accordance with the provisions of Clause 4; and (b) Qualified in accordance with the provisions of Clause 5.</p>
31. Employer's Right to Accept any Bid and to Reject any or	31.1	The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders or any

all Bids		obligation to inform the affected bidder or bidders of the grounds for the Employer's action.
32. Notification of Award	32.1	Prior to expiration of the period of bid validity prescribed by HDC, HDC will notify the successful bidder in writing that its bid has been accepted. This letter (hereinafter called the "Letter of Acceptance") shall specify the sum that HDC will pay the Contractor in consideration of the execution and completion of the Works and the remedying of any defects therein by the Contractor as prescribed by the Contract or Work Order (hereinafter called "the Contract Price").
	32.2	The successful bidder's bid and the Letter of Acceptance will constitute a binding Contract between the Employer and the bidder until the Agreement as stipulated in Sub-Clauses 33.1 and 33.2 has been signed.
33. Signing of the Agreement	33.1	At the same time that the Employer notifies the successful bidder that its bid has been accepted, the Employer will send the bidder the Agreement/Work Order in the form provided in the Bidding Documents, incorporating all agreements between the parties. The Contractor shall register the company in Maldives in accordance to the law of Maldives.
	33.2	Within 28 days of receipt of the Agreement, the successful bidder shall sign the Agreement and return it to the Employer, together with the required performance security as stipulated in Clause 34.
	33.3	Upon fulfilment of Sub-Clause 33.2, the Employer will promptly notify the other bidders that their bids have been unsuccessful and their bid security will be returned as promptly as possible, in accordance with Sub-Clause 17.4.
34. Performance Security	34.1	Within 28 days of receipt of the Letter of Acceptance from the Employer, the successful bidder shall furnish to the Employer a performance security in the form stipulated in the Conditions of Contract. The form of performance security provided in Section 8 of the Bidding Documents may be used or some other form acceptable to the Employer.
	34.2	The Performance Security shall be issued either (a) at the bidder's option, by a bank located in the country of the Employer or by a foreign bank through a correspondent bank located in the country of the Employer, or (b) with the prior agreement of the Employer directly by a foreign bank acceptable to the Employer.
	34.3	Failure of the successful bidder to comply with the requirements of Clauses 33 or 34 shall constitute a breach of Contract, cause for annulment of the award, forfeiture of the bid security and any such other remedy the Employer may take under the Contract, and the Employer may resort to awarding the Contract to the next ranked bidder.
	34.5	The Performance Security shall be valid and enforceable until 70 days after the expected expiry of the Defects Notification Period for the Works.

35. Resolution of disputes	35.1	Disputes will be settled pursuant to “Conditions of Contract for Construction, For Building and Engineering works Designed by the Employer”, Second Edition 2017 published by the <i>Fédération Internationale Des Ingénieurs-Conseils</i> (FIDIC),
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G. EVALUATION CRITERIA

The Evaluation will be done by awarding points based on following categories.

Category	Points
Price	60%
Experience	30%
Delivery	10%
Total	100%

Bids will be awarded as per the basis tabulated below, based on the scores obtained for the following criteria at the percentages given, with the highest total scoring party being the winner.

Projects will be Awarded in the following manner;

Project	Form of Tender and Appendix to Tender Number	Number of Contractors selected	Evaluation
PROJECT 1: COMPLETION OF FINISHING WORKS FOR COMMERCIAL AREAS IN BUILDINGS #1, #2, #3, #4 OF VINARES HOUSING PROJECT IN HULHUMALÉ	3.1 & 3.1.1	1	This section will be evaluated collectively
PROJECT 2: COMPLETION OF FINISHING WORKS FOR COMMERCIAL AREAS IN BUILDINGS #5, #6, #7, #8 OF VINARES HOUSING PROJECT IN HULHUMALÉ	3.2 & 3.2.1	1	This section will be evaluated collectively
PROJECT 3: COMPLETION OF FINISHING WORKS FOR COMMERCIAL AREAS IN BUILDINGS #9, #10 OF VINARES HOUSING PROJECT IN HULHUMALÉ	3.2 & 3.2.1	1	This section will be evaluated collectively

36. Price (60% of the Total Score)

- 36.1. If the proposed Bid price is higher than the Employer's estimated budget, HDC reserves the right not to consider the bid for further evaluation.
- 36.2. Subjected to the sub clause 36.1 the highest score shall be awarded to the bid with the lowest bid price. For the remaining bids, points will be given using the formula below.

Lowest proposed total price from among the bids received	
Price Score =	$\frac{\text{Lowest proposed total price from among the bids received}}{\text{Particular Bidder's proposed total price}} \times (\% \text{ in ITB})$

37. Experience (30% of the Total Score)

- 37.1. Points for experience will only be awarded for those bidders who had acquired a minimum accumulated value of sales for similar work stated in sub clause 4.1 (d) within the duration mentioned in same sub clause.
- (a) Summation of all projects/Contract values listed in the table 4.4.2 of form 4.4; Experience Record of section 4 will be taken as the accumulated value of sales and awarding points. Such project shall be;
- (i) similar in nature to the purpose of this particular bid,
 - (ii) completed,
 - (iii) having a minimum project/ Contract value of MVR 200,000.00 (Maldivian Rufiyaa Two Hundred Thousand Only),
 - (iv) executed within the duration mentioned in sub clause sub clause 4.1 (d), and
 - (v) backed by the document explained in sub clause 4.2 (d).
- (b) Documents such as "Letters of Award" or "Agreement/Contract Copies" or "Notifications of Award", etc. will only be used for clarification purposes and will not be considered for awarding any points.
- (c) Past experience (projects) simply stated in tabular or other format (not backed by the document explained in sub clause 4.2 (d) will not be awarded any points.
- (d) It is up to the sole discretion of Employer to determine similarity in nature of the bidder's past experience to the current scope of works and the score awarded by Employer will be final and shall not be contested.
- 37.2. The Employer reserves the right not to consider those bids that do not fulfil the requirements stated above in this clause for further evaluation.
- 37.3. All the bids that fulfil the requirement mentioned in sub clause 37.1 will be given points in the following manner;
- (a) The bidder who has the highest total accumulate value of sales will get the maximum points allocated under this criterion and the points for the remaining bidders will be distributed on a pro rata basis. The formula thus used for the computation of the score is given sub clause 37.4
- (b) If any bidder has a total accumulated value of sales not less than the maximum value stated in sub clause 37.1, such bidders will get the maximum points allocated under this criterion, and the

points for the remaining bidders will be distributed on a pro rata basis. The formula thus used for the computation of the score is given sub clause 37.4.

37.4. The formula thus used for the computation of the score is as follows

$$\text{Past Experience Score} = \frac{\text{Particular Bidder's total accumulated value of sales (up to the limits as specified in ITB)}}{\text{Highest total accumulated value of sales among the bids received (up to the limits as specified in ITB)}} \times (\% \text{ in ITB})$$

38. Delivery Period (10% of the Total Score)

38.1. Points for Delivery period will only be awarded to those bidders who had proposed a duration for "Time for Completion of the Works" in Appendix to Tender of section 3 (Forms of Letter of tender and Appendix to Tender)

38.2. The Employer reserves the right not to consider those bids that;

- (a) do not propose duration as stated in the sub clause 38.1,
- (b) propose duration which is unrealistically low or illogical when compared to Employer's Engineer's estimates and industry norms.

38.3. Having fulfilled the requirements mentioned in sub clause 38.1 & 38.2, the maximum points allocated under this criterion will be awarded to the bidder with the Lowest Proposed Delivery Period, and the remaining bidders will be awarded points on a pro rata basis in descending order.

38.4. The formula thus used for the computation of the score is as follows:

$$\text{Delivery Period Score} = \frac{\text{Lowest proposed delivery period from among the bids received}}{\text{Particular Bidder's proposed delivery period}} \times (\% \text{ in ITB})$$