



**Republic of Uganda**

**Ministry of Health**

## **Invitation for Bids (IFB)**

Increasing Access to Modern Energy Packages in Rural Areas

Funded by: Nordic Development Fund Grant No. NDF C2

*Under*

Energy for Rural Transformation Project II - Health Component

### **Supply of Solar Systems Spare Parts and Accessories for Health Centres in Buliisa, Moyo, Amolatar, Gulu, Soroti, Serere, Pader and Bududa Districts**

1. This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in dgMarket of 18<sup>th</sup> February 2009 and the Monitor Publications of 14<sup>th</sup> February 2009.
2. The Government of Uganda has received a Grant from the Nordic Development Fund (NDF) toward the cost of the Project for Increasing Access to Modern Energy Packages in Rural Areas under the framework of the Energy for Rural Transformation (ERT) Project II, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this Grant to purchase solar systems spare parts and accessories for Health Centres in Buliisa, Moyo, Amolatar, Gulu, Soroti, Serere, Pader and Bududa Districts. Bidding will be governed by the World Bank's eligibility rules and procedures.
3. The Ministry of Health now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders to supply the following spare parts for maintenance of solar systems in Health Centres in Buliisa, Moyo, Amolatar, Gulu, Soroti, Serere, Pader and Bududa Districts: ***Inverters, Batteries, Charge Regulators and Solar Photovoltaic Modules.***
4. Bidding will be conducted through the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the World Bank's *Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits* and is open to all bidders from Eligible Source Countries as defined in the Guidelines.
5. The qualification criteria for award of contracts include, among others:
  - (i) Bidder shall have an average annual turnover of USD 1,000,000 for the last three years.
  - (ii) Bidder shall have satisfactorily completed at least two similar contracts in terms of complexity and value in the last immediate four years.
  - (iii) Bidder should have Technical personnel with capacity and experience to train users/technicians how to install, use, operate and maintain the solar equipment to be supplied.

(iv) Bidder shall have a Local Agent to provide After Sales services.

6. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Address 1 below and inspect the bidding documents at the Address 2 below from **8.30 am to 4.30 pm**.
7. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written Application to the address 2 below and upon payment of a non refundable fee of US\$ 200,000= (Uganda Shillings Two Hundred Thousand only) or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency. The method of payment will be by cash or cashier's check or certified check payable to the Ministry of Health Cashier before proceeding to pick the documents from the Procurement and Disposal Unit in room C 107 at the Address 2 below.
8. Bids must be delivered to the address 2 below at or before 10.00 a.m. Thursday 15 October 2015. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address 2 below at 10.30 a.m. Thursday 15 October 2015.
9. The bid must be accompanied by a Bid Security totaling US\$ 12,000 (United States Dollars Twelve Thousand only) or equivalent amounts in a freely convertible currency.
10. Bids shall be valid for 120 days and bid securities shall be valid for 148 days (up to from the deadline date for submission of bids).
11. The planned procurement schedule (subject to changes) is as follows:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Date</b>
a. Publish bid notice	3 <sup>rd</sup> September, 2015
b. Pre-bid Meeting	Not Applicable
c. Bid closing date	15 <sup>th</sup> October, 2015
d. Evaluation process	13 <sup>th</sup> November, 2015
e. Display and communication of best evaluated bidder notice	30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2015
f. Contract signature	21 <sup>st</sup> December 2016

12. The Address (es) referred to above are:

**Address 1 (for clarifications)**  
**Procurement and Disposal Unit**  
**Ministry of Health**  
**Plot 6 Lourdel Road- Nakasero**  
**1st Floor, Room C105**  
**Tel: +256 414 256 945**  
**E-mail: [jomusinguzi@yahoo.com](mailto:jomusinguzi@yahoo.com)**

**Address 2 (for bid delivery and bid opening)**  
**Head Procurement and Disposal Unit**  
**Ministry of Health**  
**Plot 6 Lourdel Road**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Room C107**  
**KAMPALA**

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