**Government of the Republic of Malawi**

*Accelerating Malawi’s Economic Growth*

**ROADS AUTHORITY**

**Invitation for Bids (IfB)**

**(National Competitive Bidding)**

**GRADING AND ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE WORKS OF SELECTED DESIGNATED ROADS**

1. **Source of funding and scope**
   1. The Roads Authority (RA) with funding from the Malawi Government has budgeted public funds for the procurement of selected road upgrading / rehabilitation works in the 2025 – 2026 financial year. The RA intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments for the proposed works.
   2. The RA now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the execution of various Civil Works contracts for the 2025-2026 Financial Year. The Scope of work comprise grading and associated drainage works:

| S/N | Procurement Reference No. | Contract Details |
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| 1 | RA/MAI/2025-26/NR/CP/KA/01 | Grading and Associated Drainage Works in Chitipa and Karonga Districts |
| 2 | RA/MAI/2025-26/NR/RU/NB/02 | Grading and Associated Drainage Works in Rumphi and Nkhata Bay Districts |
| 3 | RA/MAI/2025-26/NR/MZ/03 | Grading and Associated Drainage Works in Mzimba District |
| 4 | RA/MAI/2025-26/CR/KU/01 | Grading and associated drainage works in Kasungu District |
| 5 | RA/MAI/2025-26/CR/KK/NS/02 | Grading and associated drainage works in Nkhotakota and Ntchisi Districts |
| 6 | RA/MAI/2025-26/CR/DA/MC/03 | Grading and associated drainage works in Dowa and Mchinji Districts |
| 7 | RA/MAI/2025-26/CR/SA/DZ/NU/04 | Grading and associated drainage works in Salima,, Dedza and Ntcheu Districts |
| 8 | RA/MAI/2025-26/CR/LL/05 | Grading and associated drainage works in Lilongwe District |
| 9 | RA/MAI/2025-26/SR/MH/01 | Grading and associated drainage works in Mangochi District |
| 10 | RA/MAI/2025-26/SR/BLK/MHG/02 | Grading and associated drainage works in Balaka and Machinga Districts |
| 11 | RA/MAI/2025-26/SR/ZA/PE/MJ/03 | Grading and associated drainage works in Zomba, Phalombe, and Mulanje Districts |
| 12 | RA/MAI/2025-26/SR/MN/NN/BT/CZ/04 | Grading and associated drainage works in Mwanza, Neno, Blantyre, and Chiradzulu Districts |
| 13 | RA/MAI/2025-26/SR/TO/CK/NE/05 | Grading and associated drainage works in Thyolo, Chikwawa and Nsanje Districts |

* 1. Duration of works: The works are expected to be implemented with effect from June 2026 and with a duration of 90 days.

1. **Bidding procedures**
   1. Bidding will be conducted in accordance with the open national tendering procedures contained in the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets (PPDA) Act (2017) and the Public Procurement Regulations of 2020 of the Government of the Republic of Malawi. All eligible bidders are required to show evidence of registration with the National Construction Industry Council of Malawi (NCIC) in the Unlimited Civil Engineering Category and have renewed their membership for the current financial year (2025-26).
   2. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the **RA Head Office** and inspect the bidding documents at the addresses given below from **0800 – 1200 hours and from 1300 - 1600 hours, starting from 30th April 2025.**

(a) Address where documents may be inspected at:

(b) Address where documents will be issued from:

(c) Address where Bids must be delivered to:

(d) Address of Bid Opening:

The Chief Executive Officer

The Roads Authority

Functional Building, Off Paul Kagame Road

Private Bag B346

Lilongwe 3, MALAWI

Email address : [ipc@ra.org.mw](mailto:ipc@ra.org.mw)

Attention: Procurement Manager

* 1. **Bidding Documents**: Interested Contractors may download the Bidding Documents from the Roads Authority Website [www.ra.org.mw](http://www.ra.org.mw). Bidders are required to purchase the bidding documents for each LOT they wish to tender for. Therefore, they should note that while access to the bidding documents is unrestricted, bids received will only be considered for evaluation if accompanied by proof of deposit or transfer of an amount of MWK50,000.00.

The method of payment will be bank deposit at the NBS Bank account as provided:

NBS Bank: **Capital City Service Centre**

Account Name: **Roads Authority**

Account number: **20991453**

* 1. **Determination for award of contract**

The Bidders are advised that the award will be on the basis of the lowest evaluated sum and all eligible bidders must satisfy the evaluation and qualification criteria. Specifically, all eligible bidders must satisfy the following requirements:

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| Subject | Requirement | All Lots |
| Experience | General Construction Experience over 5 years required. | Minimum of 2 contracts in the last 5 years each of minimum value of MWK300 Million |
| Financial Situation | 1. Capacity to have access to Liquid assets and/or credit facilities | MWK800 Million |
|  | 1. Average Annual Construction turnover over the last 3 years | MWK1Billion |
| Equipment | Availability of graders with documentary evidence of ownership / lease | 2 No |

* 1. Bids **shall** be valid for a period of **120 days** from the date of opening.
  2. **Requests** for clarification on bidding documents or general questions must be sent in writing to the address in (2.2) above at least **14 calendar days** before the tender closing date.
  3. **Prebid meeting:** The RA shall hold a Prebid meeting, on 9th May 2025 at Crossroad Hotel in Lilongwe at 09:00 Hours local time.
  4. **Equipment** due diligence may be conducted on successful bidders by the Roads Authority
  5. The **Roads** Authority is not bound to accept the lowest or any bidder.

1. **Submission of bids**
   1. Bids must be delivered to **Roads Authority Head Office** in sealed envelopes **clearly marked Procurement Reference Number and Contract Details** at or before **10:00 Hours Local Time on 28th May, 2025**.
   2. All bids must be accompanied by a **Bid Securing Declaration Form** in the format as provided in Section 4 of the bidding documents. Late bids shall be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders’ representatives who choose to attend at **10:00 Hours Local Time on 28th May, 2025**.