

Government of the Republic of Malawi



Accelerating Malawi's Economic Growth

ROADS AUTHORITY

Invitation for Bids (IfB)

(National Competitive Bidding)

UPGRADING OF RUMPHI - NYIKA - CHITIPA ROAD PHASE 1: BOLERO - BEMBE SECTION

1. Source of funding and scope

- 1.1. The Roads Authority (RA) has secured funds from the Malawi Government for the procurement of selected road capacity improvement / upgrading / rehabilitation works commencing in the 2023 - 2024 financial year. The RA intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments for the proposed works.
- 1.2. The RA now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the Upgrading of Rumphu - Nyika - Chitipa Road, Phase 1: Bolero - Bembe Section

2. Bidding procedures

- 2.1. 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 and is open to all bidders from eligible source countries. 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.
- 2.2. 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, Monday to Friday starting from 27th November 2023.**
 - (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
Roads Authority
Functional Building, Off Paul Kagame Road
Private Bag B346
Lilongwe 3, MALAWI
Email address : ipc@ra.org.mw
Attention: Procurement Manager

- 2.3. **Bidding Documents:** Interested Contractors may download the Bidding Documents from the Roads Authority Website www.ra.org.mw. Bidders are required to purchase the

bidding documents. Bidders should note that while access to the bidding documents is free, bids received will only be considered for evaluation if accompanied by proof of deposit or transfer of an amount of MWK50,000.00.

- 2.4. The method of payment will be bank deposit at the NBS Bank account as detailed below:
NBS Bank: **Capital City Service Centre**
Account Name: **Roads Authority**
Account number: **20991453**
- 2.5. Bids **shall** be valid for a period of **120 days** from the date of opening.
- 2.6. **Requests** for clarification on bidding documents or general questions must be sent in writing to the address in (2.2) above at least **7 calendar days** before the tender closing date.
- 2.7. **Site visits and pre-bid meetings:** The RA shall not arrange any official site visits and pre-bid meetings, but all prospective bidders must visit the site to familiarise themselves with the existing conditions at the project site.
- 2.8. The **Roads** Authority is not bound to accept the lowest or any bidder.

3. Submission of bids

- 3.1. Bids must be delivered to **Roads Authority Head Office** in sealed envelopes with a **clearly marked Procurement Reference Number and Contract Details** at or before **10:00 Hours Local Time on Thursday, 12th December, 2023**.
- 3.2. 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 **11:00 Hours Local Time on 12th December, 2023**.