

PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

Project information: India: Assam State Secondary Healthcare Initiative for Service

Delivery Transformation (ASSIST) Project P179337

Project Implementation agency: Assam Health Infrastructure Development & Management Society (AHIDMS), Medical Education & Research Department, Govt. of Assam

Date of the Procurement Plan: March 2, 2023

Period covered by this Procurement Plan: 18 months [as updated regularly on STEP]

Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016, Revised November 2017, August 2018, and November 2020) (“Procurement Regulations”) the Bank’s Systematic Tracking and Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system will be used to prepare, clear and update Procurement Plans and conduct all procurement transactions for the Project.

This textual part along with the Procurement Plan tables in STEP constitute the Procurement Plan for the Project. The following conditions apply to all procurement activities in the Procurement Plan. The other elements of the Procurement Plan as required under paragraph 4.4 of the Procurement Regulations are set forth in STEP.

The Bank’s Standard Procurement Documents: shall be used for all contracts subject to international competitive procurement and those contracts as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP.

Procurement for the project will be carried out in accordance with the World Bank’s Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, July 2016, Revised November 2017, August 2018, November 2020 and applicable to Investment Project Financing (IPF). The project will be subject to the World Bank’s Anticorruption Guidelines, dated October 15, 2006, as revised in January 2011 and July 2016.

The table below describes various procurement methods to be used for activities financed by the loan. The thresholds (**Error! Reference source not found.**) indicated will govern the procurement approach and methods;

Table 1: Procurement Approaches and Methods

Procurement Approaches and Methods	Thresholds (US\$ equivalent)
Open international	For any value activity
Open national (works - including turnkey, supply and installation of plant and equipment and PPP)	Up to 40 million
Open national (goods, IT system, and non-consulting services)	Up to 10 million
National request for quotation (works, goods, IT system and non-consulting services)	Up to 100,000
Direct selection	No threshold; For works, goods, non-consulting services and IT system procurement: According to paragraphs 6.8-6.10 of the Regulations; For consultants: According to paragraphs 7.13-7.15 of the Regulations
National Market Approach for Selection of Consultants	Up to 2 million
Prior Review Thresholds	
Works including Supply & Installation of Plant and Equipment	All contracts more than or equal to US\$ 10 million equivalent.
Goods, IT system and Non-consulting services	All contracts more than or equal to US\$2 million equivalent
Consultants	All contracts (i) more than or equal to US\$1 million equivalent for firms; and (ii) more than or equal to US\$300,000 equivalent for individuals.
Prior Review contracts irrespective of value	Irrespective of the contract value, the following procurement activities are subject to the Bank's procurement prior review:

	<p>(a) procurement processes involving contract negotiations, as described in Section VI, paragraphs 6.34-36, of the Procurement Regulation for Borrowers</p> <p>(b) competitive dialogue;</p> <p>(c) sustainable procurement;</p> <p>(d) selection of probity assurance providers, as described in Section III, paragraph 3.3 of the Procurement Regulations for Borrowers; and</p> <p>(e) best and final offer.</p>
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All contracts not covered under prior review by the Bank will be subject to post review during implementation support missions and/or special post review missions, including missions by consultants hired by the Bank. To avoid doubts, the Bank may conduct, at any time, Independent Procurement Reviews of all the contracts financed under the loan.

Even for Post Review cases, the inputs of Bank on Technical Specifications / TORs will be obtained by project.

National Procurement Arrangements: National competition for the procurement of works, goods, IT system procurement and non-consulting services according to the established thresholds will be conducted in accordance with paragraphs 5.3-5.5 of Section V of the Regulations and the following provisions:

1. Only the model bidding documents for National Competitive Procurement (NCP) agreed with the GOI Task Force (and as amended for time to time), shall be used for bidding.
2. Invitations to bid shall be advertised on a widely used website or electronic portal with free open access at least 30 days prior to the deadline for the submission of bids, unless otherwise agreed in the approved procurement plan.
3. No special preference will be accorded to any bidder either for price or for other terms and conditions when competing with foreign bidders, state-owned enterprises, small-scale enterprises or enterprises from any given State.
4. Except with the prior concurrence of the Bank, there shall be no negotiation of price with the bidders, even with the lowest evaluated bidder.
5. Government e-Marketplace (GeM) set-up by Ministry of Commerce, Government of India will be acceptable for procurement under Request for Quotations (RFQ) method.
6. At the Borrower's request, the Bank may agree to the Borrower's use, in whole or in part, of its electronic procurement system, provided that the Bank is satisfied with the adequacy of such system.

7. Procurement will be open to eligible firms from any country. This eligibility shall be as defined under Section III of the Procurement Regulations. Accordingly, no bidder or potential bidder shall be declared ineligible for contracts financed by the Bank for reasons other than those provided in Section III of the Procurement Regulations.
8. The request for bids/request for proposals document shall require that Bidders/Proposers submitting Bids/Proposals include a signed acceptance in the bid, to be incorporated in any resulting contracts, confirming application of, and compliance with, the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines, including without limitation the Bank's right to sanction and the Bank's inspection and audit rights.
9. The Borrower shall use an effective complaints mechanism for handling procurement related complaints in a timely manner.
10. Procurement Documents will include provisions, as agreed with the Bank, intended to adequately mitigate against environmental, social (including sexual exploitation and abuse and gender-based violence), health and safety ("ESHS") risks and impacts.

Procurement of Works, Goods (Supply and Installation; and IT Equipment), Non-Consultancy Services and Consultancy Services – As per procurement plan approved in STEP.

***Use of GeM** will be allowed in lieu of RFQ/Shopping as per following details:

- i. up to INR 50,000 in catalog mode (viz. any available item could be selected by IA without further competition), provided selected Item/Supplier meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period.
- ii. up to INR 3 Million from the Supplier having lowest price amongst at least three Suppliers meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period. The tools for online bidding and online reverse auction available on GeM may be used by the Purchaser.
- iii. up to INR equivalent of US\$ 100,000 from the Supplier having lowest price and meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period after mandatorily obtaining bids from at least three Suppliers, using online bidding or reverse auction tool provided on GeM.

When other national procurement arrangements other than national open competitive procurement arrangements are applied by the Borrower, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.5 of the Procurement Regulations.

Leased Assets *“Not Applicable”*

Procurement of Second Hand Goods *“Not Applicable”*

Domestic preference as specified under paragraph 5.51 of the Procurement Regulations **(Goods and Works)**.

Goods: is applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables;

Works: is not applicable

Other Relevant Procurement Information.

PROCUREMENT PLAN India - Assam State Secondary Healthcare Initiative for Service Delivery Transformation (ASSIST) Project

General Information
Country: India **Bank's Approval Date of the Original Procurement Plan:** 2023-03-02
Revised Plan Date(s): (comma delineated, leave blank) 2023-03-02
Project ID: P179337 **GPN Date:** 2023-02-27
Project Name: Assam State Secondary Healthcare Initiative for Service Delivery Transformation (ASSIST) Project
Loan / Credit No.: /
Executing Agency: Assam Health Infrastructure Development and Management Society

Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Procurement Process	Prequalification (Y/N)	High SEA/SH Risk	Procurement Document Type	Estimated Amount (US\$)	Actual Amount (US\$)	Process Status	Draft Pre-qualification Documents		Prequalification Evaluation Report		Draft Bidding Document / Justification		Specific Procurement Notice / Invitation		Bidding Documents Issued		Proposal Submission Opening / Minutes		Bid Evaluation Report and Recommendation for Award		Signed Contract		Contract Completion
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IN-AHIDMS-345987-CW-RFB / Construction of 100 bedded new district hospital in Dudhnoi.	/	Component 3: Enhanced access to and structural quality of secondary care	Post	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope			National Procurement Document - 2 Envelope process (Non Bank-SP)	9,810,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation					2023-03-08		2023-03-13			2023-04-24		2023-07-07		2023-08-11		2025-08-10	
IN-AHIDMS-345990-CW-RFB / Construction of 100 bedded new district hospital in Sarukhetri	/	Component 3: Enhanced access to and structural quality of secondary care	Post	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope			National Procurement Document - 2 Envelope process (Non Bank-SP)	9,568,750.00	0.00	Pending Implementation					2023-03-12		2023-03-17			2023-04-28		2023-07-11		2023-08-15		2025-08-14	
IN-AHIDMS-345993-CW-RFB / Construction of 150 bedded new district hospital in Kalabof.	/	Component 3: Enhanced access to and structural quality of secondary care	Post	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope			National Procurement Document - 2 Envelope process (Non Bank-SP)	10,903,750.00	0.00	Pending Implementation					2023-03-16		2023-03-21			2023-05-02		2023-07-15		2023-08-19		2025-08-18	

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Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Contract Type	Estimated Amount (US\$)	Actual Amount (US\$)	Process Status	Terms of Reference		Expression of Interest Notice		Short List and Draft Request for Proposals		Request for Proposals Issued		Opening of Technical Proposals / Minutes		Evaluation of Technical Proposal		Combined Evaluation Report and Draft Negotiated Contract		Signed Contract		Contract Completion	
										Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual
IN-AHIDMS-345963-CS-QCBS / Hiring of Consultant firm for Proof Checking and Construction Management Consultancy for District Hospitals	/	Component 2: Improved access to and quality of essential services in existing secondary facilities	Prior	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		4,750,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation	2023-03-03		2023-03-08		2023-03-18				2023-04-15		2023-04-30		2023-05-10		2023-06-01		2027-05-31	
IN-AHIDMS-345964-CS-QCBS / Hiring of Consultant firm for Quality Improvement for Assam State Secondary Healthcare Initiative for Service Delivery Transformation (ASSIST) project.	/	Component 1: Strengthened management capacity of health systems at state, district, and facility level	Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - National		1,500,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation	2023-03-03		2023-03-03		2023-03-03				2023-03-31		2023-04-15		2023-05-02		2023-06-06		2029-06-04	
IN-AHIDMS-345966-CS-QCBS / Hiring of Consultant firm for Survey and third-party verification of results.	/	Component 1: Strengthened management capacity of health systems at state, district, and facility level	Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - National		1,500,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation	2023-03-03		2023-03-03		2023-03-03				2023-03-31		2023-04-10		2023-04-27		2023-05-21		2029-05-19	
IN-AHIDMS-345968-CS-QCBS / Hiring of Consultant firm for Strengthening of Nursing Education and Nursing Cadre in Assam.	/	Component 1: Strengthened management capacity of health systems at state, district, and facility level	Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - National		1,000,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation	2023-03-03		2023-03-03		2023-03-03				2023-03-31		2023-04-15		2023-05-02		2023-05-26		2028-05-24	
IN-AHIDMS-345984-CS-QCBS / Hiring of Consultant firm for Developing a Strategy and Management Framework for Human Resources of Health (HRH).	/	Component 1: Strengthened management capacity of health systems at state, district, and facility level	Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - National		1,500,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation	2023-03-03		2023-03-03		2023-03-03				2023-03-31		2023-04-15		2023-05-02		2023-05-26		2026-05-25	

Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Contract Type	Estimated Amount (US\$)	Actual Amount (US\$)	Process Status	Terms of Reference		Invitation to Identify/Selected Consultant		Draft Negotiated Contract		Signed Contract		Contract Completion	
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IN-AHIDMS-345959-CS-CDS / Hiring of Consultant firm to Develop Architectural design, drawing, specification of works and cost estimates for Construction of 6 New District Hospitals in Assam	/	Component 3: Enhanced access to and structural quality of secondary care	Post	Direct Selection	Direct - National		250,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation	2023-03-03		2023-03-13				2023-03-27		2023-05-26	