

## Procurement Arrangements

### Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (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.

**National Procurement Arrangements:** National competition for the procurement of goods, works and non-consulting services according to the established thresholds will be conducted in accordance with paragraphs 5.3 – 5.6 of Section V of the Regulations and the following provisions:

- i. 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.
- ii. 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.
- iii. 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.
- iv. Except with the prior concurrence of the Bank, there shall be no negotiation of price with the bidders, even with the lowest evaluated bidder.
- v. Government e-Marketplace (GeM)\* set-up by Ministry of Commerce, Government of India will be acceptable for procurement under Request for Quotations (RFQ) method.

- vi. 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.
- vii. 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.
- viii. 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.
- ix. The Borrower shall use an effective complaints mechanism for handling procurement related complaints in a timely manner.
- x. 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 risks and impacts.

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

Works: is not applicable

**The table below describes various procurement methods to be used for activities financed by the loan.** The thresholds (Table 11) indicated in apply to the initial 18-months of implementation period and are based on the procurement performance of the project:

**Table 1: Procurement Thresholds**

<b>Procurement Approaches and Methods</b>	<b>Thresholds (US\$ equivalent)</b>
Open international (Works)	> 40 million
Open national (Works)	> 100,000 and up to 40 million
Open international (goods, IT system, and non-consulting services)	> 10 million
Open national (goods, IT system, and non-consulting services)	> 100,000 and up to 10 million
National request for quotation (goods, IT system, works & non-consulting services)	Up to 100,000
Direct selection	No threshold; For Works; Goods/non-consulting services/IT system: According to paragraphs 6.8–6.10 of the Regulations; For consultants: According to paragraphs 7.13–7.15 of the Regulations
Consultancy services (national): Shortlist with only national consultants	Up to 2,000,000

Procurement Approaches and Methods	Thresholds (US\$ equivalent)
Consultancy services (International)	> 2,000,000

**Short list comprising entirely of national consultants:**

Short list of consultants for services, estimated to cost up to US\$ 2,000,000 equivalent per contract, may comprise entirely of national consultants in accordance with the provisions of Procurement Regulations.

**Procurement prior-review thresholds.** The World Bank will prior review the procurement process based on the following thresholds table and as agreed in the approved procurement plan:

**Procurement Prior Review Thresholds (US\$ millions)**

Type of procurement	High risk	Substantial risk	Moderate risk	Low risk
Works (including turnkey, supply & installation of plant and equipment, and PPP)	5	10	15	20
Goods, information technology and non-consulting services	1.5	2	4	6
Consultants: firms	0.5	1	2	4
Consultants: individuals	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5

Irrespective of the thresholds, ToRs shall be prior reviewed by Bank. The prior review thresholds will also be indicated in the Procurement Plan. The Procurement Plan will be subsequently updated annually (or at any other time if required) and will reflect any change in the prior review thresholds. The details of National Procurement Procedures will be outlined in the Procurement Plan.

**Prior review contract.** In the case of contracts subject to prior review, the Implementing Agencies will seek the World Bank’s no objection before granting/agreeing to: (a) an extension of the stipulated time for performance of a contract that either increases the contract price or has an impact on the planned completion of the project; (b) any substantial modification of the scope of Works, goods, IT system; non-consulting services, or consulting services and other significant changes to the terms and conditions of the contract; (c) any variation order or amendment (except

in cases of extreme urgency) that, singly or combined with all variation orders or amendments previously issued, increases the original contract amount by more than 15 percent; and (d) the proposed termination of the contract. Complaints received in all prior review cases shall be sent to Bank for review and the response to the complaint in such cases, shall be cleared with the Bank. Complaints with allegations of fraud and corruption, shall be shared with Bank, irrespective of the thresholds.

**Disclosure of procurement information.** The following documents shall be disclosed on the project/state websites: (a) Procurement Plan and its updates; (b) an invitation for bids for procurement of Works, Goods, IT system procurement and non-consulting services; (c) request for expression of interest for selection/hiring of consulting services; (d) contract awards of Works, Goods, IT system procurement and non-consulting services procured following international and national procedures; (e) a list of contracts/purchase orders placed following RFQ (Request for Quotation) procedures on a quarterly basis; (f) a list of contracts following direct contracting (DC) on a quarterly basis; (g) an annual financial and physical progress report of all contracts; and (h) an action taken report on the complaints received on a quarterly basis.

**The following details shall be sent to the World Bank for publishing on the United Nations Development Business and the World Bank external website:** (a) Specific Procurement Notice (i.e. invitation for bids) for procurement of Works, Goods , IT system procurement and non-consulting services using open international procedures; (b) Requests for Expression of Interests above USD 800,000; (c) contract award details of all procurement of Works, Goods, IT system procurement and non-consulting services using open international procedure; and(d) a list of contracts/purchase orders placed following DC procedures on a quarterly basis. Further, the implementing agency will also publish on their websites any information required under the provisions of 'suo moto' disclosure as specified by the Right to Information Act.

#### **Other Relevant Procurement Information.**

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.**

**PROCUREMENT PLAN** India : Supporting Andhra's Learning Transformation

**General Information**  
**Country:** India **Bank's Approval Date of the Original Procurement Plan:** 2021-01-18  
**Revised Plan Date(s):** (comma delineated, leave blank 2023-08-28)  
**Project ID:** P173978 **GPN Date:**  
**Project Name:** Supporting Andhra's Learning Transformation  
**Loan / Credit No.:** IBRD / 92590, /  
**Executing Agency:** Samagra Shiksha, Andhra Pradesh

**WORKS**

Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Procurement Process	Prequalification (Y/N)	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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**GOODS**

Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Procurement Process	Prequalification (Y/N)	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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**NON CONSULTING SERVICES**

Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Procurement Process	Prequalification (Y/N)	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-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2107 22-NC-RFB / Procurement of Personalized Adaptive Learning Software to be installed in all residential school devices to guide children's learning	/		Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - One Envelope		4,000,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation					2021-01-29		2021-02-20					2021-03-22		2021-04-10		2021-05-05		2021-11-01

**CONSULTING FIRMS**

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 as 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-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2107 17-CS-QCBS / Hiring of Project Management Consultancy to ensure the implementation and monitoring of activities under the Project.	IBRD / 92590		Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		1,500,000.00	1,263,800.26	Signed	2021-01-20	2021-01-19	2021-01-21	2021-01-22	2021-02-14	2021-02-24			2021-03-15	2021-03-25	2021-03-22	2021-04-01	2021-04-12	2021-05-19	2021-08-15	2021-08-20	2026-06-30	
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2107 28-CS-QCBS / Procurement of independent Verification Agency for monitoring the project.	IBRD / 92590		Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - National		750,000.00	267,456.09	Signed	2021-01-20	2021-01-19	2021-01-21	2021-01-22	2021-02-14	2021-02-24			2021-03-15	2021-03-25	2021-03-22	2021-04-01	2021-04-12	2021-05-19	2021-08-15	2021-08-20	2026-06-30	
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2115 30-CS-QCBS / Providing Technical Support Agency for SCERT to improve quality education.	/		Prior	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		5,000,000.00	3,772,839.48	Signed	2021-01-20	2021-01-20	2021-01-21	2021-01-24	2021-02-14	2021-02-26			2021-03-15	2021-03-30	2021-03-22	2021-04-06	2021-04-12	2021-08-02	2021-08-15	2021-08-20	2026-06-30	
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2115 31-CS-QCBS / Providing Technical Support for for SAC	IBRD / 92590		Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		2,000,000.00	1,815,004.19	Signed	2021-01-20	2021-01-19	2021-01-21	2021-01-22	2021-02-14	2021-02-24			2021-03-15	2021-03-25	2021-03-22	2021-04-01	2021-04-12	2021-05-19	2021-08-15	2021-08-20	2026-06-30	
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2115 32-CS-QCBS / Providing Technical support for Foundational Learning.	/		Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		2,000,000.00	0.00	Canceled	2021-01-20	2021-01-19	2021-01-21	2021-01-22	2021-02-14	2021-02-24			2021-03-15	2021-03-25	2021-03-22	2021-04-01	2021-04-12		2021-08-15		2026-06-30	
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2449 87-CS-OBs / Providing technical support for Foundational Learning.	IBRD / 92590		Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		2,000,000.00	0.00	Canceled	2021-07-26	2021-07-27	2021-07-27	2021-07-28	2021-08-24					2021-09-22		2021-09-29		2021-10-20		2021-11-06		2026-06-30
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2672 46-CS-QCBS / Providing Technical Support to Foundational Learning.	IBRD / 92590		Prior	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		2,000,000.00	0.00	Canceled	2021-12-07	2021-12-08	2021-12-21	2021-12-10	2022-02-03	2022-02-11			2022-03-03	2022-04-25	2022-04-02	2022-04-26	2022-05-07		2022-06-11		2026-06-30	
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2777 18-CS-QCBS / PROVIDING TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO THE ANHRA PRADESH STATE INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATION MANAGEMENT AND TRAINING (APSEMAT)	IBRD / 92590		Post	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - National		800,000.00	595,536.75	Signed	2022-02-15	2022-02-10	2022-02-17	2022-02-15	2022-04-02	2022-04-11			2022-04-30	2022-05-30	2022-05-30	2022-05-30	2022-07-04	2022-07-19	2022-08-08	2022-09-16	2026-06-30	
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2991 39-CS-QCBS / Providing Technical Support for Foundational Learning.	IBRD / 92590		Prior	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		2,000,000.00	1,377,342.47	Signed	2022-06-09		2022-06-10		2022-06-12					2022-06-13	2022-06-13	2022-06-14	2022-06-13	2022-06-16	2022-06-13	2022-07-21	2022-08-18	2023-07-21
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-3059 03-CS-QCBS / Providing Technical Support for EMIS as part of the SALT Project.	IBRD / 92590		Prior	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		4,750,000.00	0.00	Canceled	2022-07-26	2022-07-28	2022-07-27	2022-08-03	2022-08-22					2022-09-19		2022-09-23		2022-10-07		2022-10-19		2026-06-30
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-3203 23-CS-QCBS / Providing Technical support for EMIS as part of the SALT Project.	IBRD / 92590		Prior	Quality And Cost-Based Selection	Open - International		4,750,000.00	0.00	Under Implementation	2022-10-11	2022-10-17	2022-10-12	2022-11-01	2022-11-18	2023-01-10			2022-12-16	2023-02-17	2022-12-27	2023-05-19	2023-01-09	2023-06-13	2023-01-24		2026-06-30	

**INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS**

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-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-2512 61-CS-CDS / Providing Technical Support for Foundational Learning	IBRD / 92590		Post	Direct Selection	Direct		2,000,000.00	0.00	Canceled	2021-08-31	2021-09-01	2021-09-10					2021-11-14		2026-06-30



IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-3671 52-CS-INDV / Procurement of the Services of a Senior Adviser in Assistive Technology for Implementing Inclusive Education	IBRD / 92590		Post	Individual Consultant Selection	Open - National		70,000.00	0.00	Under Implementation	2023-06-16	2023-06-16	2023-07-01		2023-07-06		2023-07-16	2026-06-30
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-3791 81-CS-INDV / Procurement of Services of a Senior IT Project Manager and Two Junior IT Program Analysts	IBRD / 92590		Post	Individual Consultant Selection	Open - National		175,000.00	0.00	Under Implementation	2023-08-28	2023-08-28	2023-10-16		2023-11-06		2023-12-11	2024-06-08
IN-SAMAGRA SHIKSHA-3792 01-CS-INDV / Procurement of the Services of a Psychometrician and a Data Analyst for Strengthening the State Assessment Cell (SAC) to implement the activities related to Classroom-based Assessments	IBRD / 92590		Post	Individual Consultant Selection	Open - National		153,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation	2023-08-28		2023-10-16		2023-11-06		2023-12-11	2024-06-08