

PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

Project information: Bangladesh Urban Health, Nutrition and Population Project [P171144]

Project Implementation agency: Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Local Government Division

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Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016) (“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: In accordance with paragraph 5.3 of the Procurement Regulations, when approaching the national market (as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP), the country’s own procurement procedures may be used.

When the Borrower uses its own national open competitive procurement arrangements as set forth in Public Procurement Act 2006 and the Public Procurement Rules 2008, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations and the following conditions.

1. Lottery in award of contracts shall not be allowed;
2. Bidders’ qualification[s]/experience requirement[s] shall be mandatory;

3. Bids shall not be rejected based on percentage above or below the estimated cost;
4. Model Bidding Documents agreed with the Bank shall be used for all national open competitive procurement;
5. The eligibility of bidders 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;
6. The request for bids/request for proposals document shall require that Bidders/ Proposers submitting Bids/Proposals present a signed acceptance (in the form attached) at the time of bidding, 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.
7. Procurement Documents 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.

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 (will be applicable for Goods procurement. The contracts applicable for Domestic Preference will be identified when Procurement Plan for specific procurement will be sent to Bank for Bank's approval.

Other Relevant Procurement Information. Nil

