

PROCUREMENT PLAN

Project information: COVID-19 EMERGENCY Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project

Project Implementation agency: Ministry Of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine, Sri Lanka

Date of the Procurement Plan: 24 MARCH 2020

Period covered by this Procurement Plan: 01 April 2020 to 30 June 2020

Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016, Revised November 2017 and August 2018) (“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 Procedures In accordance with the Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (July 2016, revised November 2017) (“Procurement Regulations”), when approaching the national market, as agreed in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP, the country’s own procurement procedures may be used. When the Borrower, for the procurement of goods, works and non-consulting services, uses its own national open competitive procurement arrangements as set forth in Sri Lanka’s Procurement Guidelines 2006, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Bank’s Procurement Regulations and the following conditions:

1. Only bidding documents acceptable to the Bank shall be used for all national open competitive procurement.

2. The request for bids/request for proposals document shall require that bidders/proposers submitting bids/proposals present a signed acceptance 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.
3. The eligibility of bidders shall be as defined under Section III of the World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (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.
4. In case of Open Tendering, the receipt of less than three bids shall not be considered grounds for cancellation and re-invitation of bids
5. 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

Leased Assets as specified under paragraph 5.10 of the Procurement Regulations: Leasing may be used for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables. **"Not Applicable"**

Procurement of Second-Hand Goods as specified under paragraph 5.11 of the Procurement Regulations - is allowed for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables **Applicable"**

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

Goods: [is not applicable/is applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables];

Works: [is not applicable/is applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables]

Hands-on Expanded Implementation Support (HEIS) as specified under paragraphs 3.10 and 3.11 of the Procurement Regulations is Applicable. **HEIS is recommended for this project.**

Other Relevant Procurement Information.

Since this is an emergency response project there will be no prior review for all procurement during the relief phase. Procurement of items for emergency requirements will follow methods of Direct Contracting, Procurement from UN Agencies, Limited bidding, etc. This project will also have higher value threshold for shopping and National procurement, as applicable in emergency projects.

