

## PROCUREMENT PLAN

### Lao PDR Reducing Rural Poverty and Malnutrition Project Phase II (P178883)

**Project information:** Lao PDR - Reducing Rural Poverty and Malnutrition (RRPM) Project Phase II

**Project Implementation agency:** Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF) and Ministry of Planning and Investment (MPI)

**Date of the Procurement Plan:** 10 October 2023

**Period covered by this Procurement Plan:** At least 18 months.

### Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016, revised September 2023) (“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 the Public Procurement Law on Public Procurement, No. 30/NA November 2, 2017 including the Instruction on Implementation Public Procurement Law on Public Procurement, No. 0477/NA February 13, 2019, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations and the following conditions.

- a) 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, Bank Anti-Corruption Guidelines, including without limitation the Bank's right to sanction and the Bank's inspection and audit rights.
- b) Information related to award of contract including reasons for rejection of unsuccessful bidders shall be published on the implementing agency websites and/or newspaper of wide circulation.
  - c) All complaints on procurement related matters including complaints arising from procurement under Bank financed Projects whilst using National Procurement Procedures shall be dealt with in accordance with Article 33 of the Procurement Decree. Borrower shall put in place an effective complaints review mechanism for dealing with procurement related complaints, and shall disclose the details in all the bidding documents. All complaints shall be recorded by the Borrower in the appropriate tracking and monitoring system, as agreed between the Bank and the Borrower.

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** 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 Secondhand Goods** as specified under paragraph 5.11 of the Procurement Regulations - is allowed for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables. *Not Applicable*

**Domestic preference** as specified under paragraph 5.51 of the Procurement Regulations (**Goods and Works**) - **Not Applicable**.

**Other Relevant Procurement Information.**

**I. Works and Goods and Non-Consultant Services**

**1.1. Prior Review Threshold:** Procurement Decisions subject to Prior Review by the Bank as stated in Annex II of the Procurement Regulations:

Category	Procurement Method Thresholds		Prior Review Thresholds	
	Applicable thresholds (US\$)	Remarks	Applicable thresholds (US\$)	Remarks
<b>Works</b>				

Category	Procurement Method Thresholds		Prior Review Thresholds	
	Applicable thresholds (US\$)	Remarks	Applicable thresholds (US\$)	Remarks
RFB through Open International market approach	≥ 5.0 million	-	Above 15 million	
RFB through Open National market approach	≥ 200,000 < 5.0 million	-	None	
Request for Quotation	< 200,000	-	None	Recommended to advertise for >USD 50,000
Direct Selection	None	No threshold; meet requirements of regulations 7.13-7.15	Same as for competitive selection	
<b>Goods and Non-Consulting Services</b>				
RFB through Open International market approach	≥ 1 million	-	Above 4 million	
RFB through Open National market approach	≥ 100,000 < 1 million	-	None	
Request for Quotation	< 100,000		None	Recommended to advertise for >USD 50,000
Direct Selection	None	No threshold; meet requirements of regulations 7.13-7.15	Same as for competitive selection	

## I. Selection of Consultants

**2.1 Prior Review Threshold:** Selection decisions subject to Prior Review by Bank as stated in Annex II of the Procurement Regulations:

Category	Procurement Method Thresholds		Prior Review Thresholds	
	Applicable thresholds (US\$)	Remarks	Applicable thresholds (US\$, millions)	Remarks
QCBS, QBS, FBS, LCS (Using the most appropriate market approach)	≥ 300,000	(See 2.2 below)	≥ 1.0 million	Risk-based approach
CQS (Open or limited competition through national or	< 300,000	QCBS, QBS, FBS, LCS) can be	None	

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	Applicable thresholds (US\$)	Remarks	Applicable thresholds (US\$, millions)	Remarks
international market approach, specified in the PP and agreed with the Bank.)		applied for contracts with value under \$300,000. Also see 2.2 below.		
Direct Selection of firms	None	No threshold; meet requirements of regulations 7.13-7.15	Same as for competitive selection	
Individual Consultants	N/A depending on nature of services	Essential individual assignments will be defined in the Procurement Plan agreed with the Bank and in line with regulations 7.34-7.39 using the most appropriate market approach	≥ 300,000 and for the positions as specified in the PP agreed with the Bank	Risk-based approach

**2.2 Short list comprising entirely of national consultants:** Shortlist of consultants for services, estimated to cost less than US\$ 300,000 equivalent per contract, may comprise entirely of national consultants in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 7.1, Section VII of the Procurement Regulations.

**PROCUREMENT PLAN** Lao People's Democratic Republic : Reducing Rural Poverty and Malnutrition Project II (RRPM II)

**General Information**

Country: Lao People's Democratic Republic Bank's Approval Date of the Original Procurement Plan: 2023-11-23  
Revised Plan Date(s): (comma delineated, leave blank 2023-11-23)  
Project ID: P178883 GPN Date:  
Project Name: Reducing Rural Poverty and Malnutrition Project II (RRPM II)  
Loan / Credit No: /  
Executing Agency(I): Department of Rural Development

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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C3-NCS-01 / Payment agent for cash transfer	/	Component 3: Implementation Management Support and Institutional Strengthening	Post	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope		315,000.00	0.00	Pending Implementation					2024-03-15		2024-03-20					2024-05-01		2024-07-14		2024-08-18		2025-02-14	

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
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