

Invitation for Bids

Upper Arun Hydroelectric Limited

(A subsidiary of Nepal Electricity Authority)

Invitation for Bids for the **Construction of Access Road for Upper Arun Hydroelectric Project**

Contract Identification No: UAHEP/078-79/ICB/AR/L1

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Name of the Development Partner: **Not Applicable**

Loan/Credit/Grant No: **Not Applicable**

The Government of Nepal [GoN] and Nepal Electricity Authority [NEA] has allocated funds towards the cost of **Construction of Access Road for Upper Arun Hydroelectric Project [UAHEP]** and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for Construction of Access Road for Upper Arun Hydroelectric Project (UAHEP/078-79/ICB/AR/L1).

UAHEL invites electronic bids from eligible bidders for the construction of Access Road for Upper Arun HEP. Construction works mainly comprise of construction of about 22 km access road including about 2.03 km long road tunnel for Upper Arun HEP, one road bridge across Arun River and one road small bridge across Chepuwa Khola in Sankhuwasabha district, Nepal under International Competitive Bidding – Two Envelope Bidding procedures.

Only eligible bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:

D Minimum Average Annual Construction Turnover of the best 3 years within the last 10 years: **US\$ 38.25 million**

E Minimum work experience in at least two substantially completed contracts, of similar size and nature, within the last five years one with a value of at least **US\$ 55 million** and one Contract with a value of at least **US\$ 21 million**

F Construction experience summary in key activities executed within the last five years as follows:

- Completion of at least one Road Tunnel (minimum formation width 6 m, minimum clearance 5 m, minimum length 2 km)
- Completion of Construction of bituminous hill road and bridges:
 - D** Minimum 20 km long bituminous hill road with minimum 6 m formation width– 1 No. and
 - E** Steel Truss/Steel Arch Bridge (Highway/Railway) of minimum 70m span (1 no.) with minimum formation width of 6 m
- Design and construction of slope stabilization and protection works in similar Mountainous Region using anchored high tensile steel mesh technology (minimum experience of 15,000 sq.m.) including geotechnical investigation and monitoring.

3. Eligible Bidders may obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents from the office of Upper Arun Hydroelectric Limited (UAHEL) at the address provided below Or may visit PPMO website **www.bolpatra.gov.np/egg** and **www.nea.org.np**

A complete set of Bidding Documents may be downloaded from PPMO's website: **www.bolpatra.gov.np** and **www.nea.org.np** Bidders submitting their bids electronically, should deposit a non-refundable cash deposit of NRs 20,000.00 as a cost of bidding documents in the Project's account as specified below and the scanned copy (pdf format) of the Bank deposit voucher shall be uploaded by the bidder at the time of electronic submission of the bids.

Information to deposit the cost of bidding document in Bank:

Name of the Bank: Sanima Bank Limited, Narayanchaur, Naxal

Name of Office: UPPER ARUN HYDRO-ELECTRIC LIMITED

Office Account No.: 001010010004770



5. Pre-bid meeting shall be held at the office of Upper Arun Hydroelectric Limited (UAHEL) (address below)
Time and Date: **12:00 Noon on 22 June, 2022**
Bidders are encouraged to visit the project site before the pre-bid meeting.
6. Electronic bids must be submitted through PPMO website www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp. on or before **12:00 noon on 12 July, 2022**. Bids received after this deadline will be rejected.
7. The bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at **14:00 hours** on the last date of submission [**i.e. Date: 12 July, 2022**] of bids at the office of Upper Arun Hydroelectric Limited (UAHEL) (address below)

Bids must be valid for a period of **120 days** after bid opening and must be accompanied by scanned copy of the bid security in pdf format in case of e-bid, amounting to a minimum of **NRs.252,000,000.00 or US\$ 2,100,000.00** which shall be valid for 30 days beyond the validity period of the bid [**i.e. (Date: 9 December, 2022)**].

8. If the last date of purchasing and /or submission falls on a government holiday, then the next working day shall be considered as the last date. In such case the validity period of the bid security shall remain the same as specified for the original last date of bid submission.

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