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Ministry of Health and Population  
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Thimi, Bhaktapur

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**Clarification: IFB No.1: NTCC/G/ICB/01/2077-78 for the Procurement of Drugs of Tuberculosis.**

One prospective bidder has communicated with National Tuberculosis Control Centre (NTCC) in reference to the request for bid (international), i.e. *IFB No.1 : NTCC/G/ICB/01/2077-78* for the **Procurement of Drugs of Tuberculosis**. In the communication, the sender has put few queries for answers or clarifications. NTCC had also organized a pre-bid meeting at its office on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2020. In the meeting, representatives of three interested companies had participated, we had tried to clarify the queries raised in the communication. However, to inform all companies and also to clarify in written, this **Note** is prepared.

**Query 1:**

*Whether the days to submit Performance Bond beyond 15 days would be possible? If not possible, can it be changed to working days instead of calendar days?*

**Clarification:**

As per the law of the land, unless otherwise mentioned **days** means **calendar days**. As per the Clause 27, Sub-Clause 3, it is categorically quoted that "The awardee of the contract is to advised to submit Performance Guarantee within 15 days." Thus, NTCC cannot deviate from this provision, however, it can assure that such letter would be sent not later than Tuesday of the week, thus, only two weekend will fall.

**Query 2:**

*In case of procured goods procured in foreign country, does the buyer pay import duties and taxes?*

**Clarification:**

Yes, but only in the case that supplier/bidder is foreigner, not Nepali.

**Query 3:**

*For goods manufactured in foreign country, a valid import license is required from Department of Drug Administration, Nepal (DDA/N). Would NTCC facilitate in obtaining such license?*

**Clarification:**

Of course, NTCC shall do needful but required documents need to be furnished by the bidder, whatever is required.

**Query 4:**

*In Evaluation Criteria, it has been mentioned that while evaluating the bids, the price quoted for the goods manufactured in foreign country shall be topped up by 15% on CIP price. Is it true?*

**Clarification:**

As per the Public Procurement Regulation, 2064, Rule 17, Nepali products would have preference by 15% to foreign products, so above provision is mentioned.

**Query 5:**

*Which INCOTERM would be applicable – DAP or CIP?*

**Clarification:**

In essence, DAP with condition that import or custom duties are paid by the buyer would be in real sense, would be equal to CIP ... at given location. So, in essence it is CIP.

**Query 6:**

*In bid solicitation document it is mentioned that latest delivery date is 120 days. What is expected as*

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**Clarification:**

There is no specific earliest delivery date is given, it means as earliest goods are delivered, it would be acceptable

**Query 7:**

*Can prices can be quoted only in US\$?*

**Clarification:**

No, in any convertible currency, it can be quoted. Even Indian Currency is acceptable, however, all bids will be evaluated in the Nepali Rupees at the foreign exchange rate (sells price) of the last day of bid submission.

**Query 8:**

Can bid guarantee be one for any bidder who submits more than one bid?

**Clarification:**

Yes, it can be but bidder shall clearly indicate in bid guarantee document or bid document and which particular slices are covered by the bid guarantee.

**Query 9:**

**About document of Bid Security Guarantee Letter and Bank Voucher of bid fee:**

**Clarification:**

The bidder shall submit the original Copy of **Bid Security Guarantee Letter** and **Bank Voucher of bid fee** within seven days of bid opening.

Hope, this clarifies the queries.

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