



Invitation for Bids (IFB)

Procurement for supply and delivery of Fresh/Dry provisions for Sri Lanka Army - Year 2023

Contract Identification No.:- S&T/03/DRY RATION/FRESH RATION/2023 (18)

1. On behalf of the Sri Lanka Army, the Chairman, Standing Cabinet Appointed Procurement Committee (SCAPC) of the Procurement of fresh and dry provisions for the three Armed Services for year 2023 invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified Sri Lankan Business Entities, Manufacturers, Retail Operators, Limited Liability Companies and other establishments for the supply and delivery of below mentioned category of food items for the following Stations/ Camps of Sri Lanka Army. The supply period is from **1st of January 2023** to **31st December 2023**.

1.1 Group of stations and corresponding categories

1.1.1 All Fresh Food Items

Station			Category
<u>Group A - Stations/Camps</u>			All fresh food items (Vegetables, Fruits, Fish, Meat/ Frozen Food, Husked Coconut, Eggs (Hen), Dairy Products)
1.1.1.1 Aiyyakachchi	1.1.1.32 Katubedda	1.1.1.63 Pointpedro	
1.1.1.2 Ampara	1.1.1.33 Katunayaka	1.1.1.64 Poonareen	
1.1.1.3 Angunavelpelessa	1.1.1.34 Karadeniya	1.1.1.65 Pangolla	
1.1.1.4 Akkarayankulam	1.1.1.35 Kegalle	1.1.1.66 Punani	
1.1.1.5 Akkaraipattu	1.1.1.36 Kohobagashandiya	1.1.1.67 Puttalam	
1.1.1.6 Akuregoda (Baththaramulla)	1.1.1.37 Kokkeliya	1.1.1.68 Pudukuduirippu	
1.1.1.7 Allakanthale	1.1.1.38 Kosgama	1.1.1.69 Rantambe	
1.1.1.8 Ambepussa	1.1.1.39 Kothmale	1.1.1.70 Senapura	
1.1.1.9 Badulle	1.1.1.40 Kurunegala	1.1.1.71 Singhapura (Welikanda)	
1.1.1.10 Balalla	1.1.1.41 Koomariya	1.1.1.72 Tantirimale	
1.1.1.11 Batalanda	1.1.1.42 Kuruwita	1.1.1.73 Taravikulam	
1.1.1.12 Boossa	1.1.1.43 Kiranchi	1.1.1.74 Trincomalee	
1.1.1.13 Buththala	1.1.1.44 Kukulegaga	1.1.1.75 Tunukkai	
1.1.1.14 Dehiattakandiya	1.1.1.45 Laxapana	1.1.1.76 Udawalawe	
1.1.1.15 Digana (Maberiyathenna)	1.1.1.46 Madampe	1.1.1.77 Ukuwela	
1.1.1.16 Dombagoda	1.1.1.47 Maduruoya	1.1.1.78 Uva-kudaoya	
1.1.1.17 Dambulla (Inamaluwa)	1.1.1.48 Mankulam	1.1.1.79 Vavuniya	
1.1.1.18 Embilipitiya	1.1.1.49 Maththegoda	1.1.1.80 Vishwamadu	
1.1.1.19 Gajasinghapura	1.1.1.50 Manthottam	1.1.1.81 Wakarai	
1.1.1.20 Ganemulla	1.1.1.51 Mannar	1.1.1.82 Walachchenai	
1.1.1.21 Horowpathana	1.1.1.52 Matara	1.1.1.83 Warani	
1.1.1.22 Ipologama	1.1.1.53 Mayurapura (Nagarawewa)	1.1.1.84 Wedithalativu	
1.1.1.23 Jaffna	1.1.1.54 Monkeybridge	1.1.1.85 Weeravila	
1.1.1.24 Kalaoya	1.1.1.55 Morawewa	1.1.1.86 Welikanda	
1.1.1.25 Kalladi	1.1.1.56 Nadunkerni	1.1.1.87 Wellankulam	
1.1.1.26 Kallar	1.1.1.57 Naula	1.1.1.88 Wellankulam (Vavuniya)	
1.1.1.27 Kamburupitiya	1.1.1.58 Nuwara-Eliya	1.1.1.89 Wellawaya	
1.1.1.28 Kalliadi	1.1.1.59 Oddusudan	1.1.1.90 Wettalakerni	
1.1.1.29 Kanagarayankulam	1.1.1.60 Padaviparakramapura	1.1.1.91 Weyangoda	
1.1.1.30 Kandy	1.1.1.61 Pelawatta	1.1.1.92 Yala Palatupana	
1.1.1.31 Katharagama	1.1.1.62 Pesalei		

1.1.2 Category of Fresh Items

Station	Category of fresh items
<u>Group B - Stations/Camps</u>	
1.1.2.1 Panagoda	(i) Vegetables
1.1.2.2 Anuradhapura	(ii) Fruits
1.1.2.3 Hingurakgoda	(iii) Fish
1.1.2.4 Kankesanthurai	(iv) Meat Items/ Frozen Food
1.1.2.5 Mullaitivu	(v) Husked Coconut
1.1.2.6 Kilinochchi	(vi) Eggs (Hen)
1.1.2.7 Diyatalawa	(vii) Dairy Products
1.1.2.8 Ratmalana	(viii) Co 3 Grass (Only for Diyatalawa and Rathmalana Camps)

1.1.2 Dry Food Items

Station	Dry Food Items
<u>Group C - Main Depots</u>	
1.1.3.1 Panagoda	Dry food items (159 Items)
1.1.3.2 Anuradhapura	
1.1.3.3 Hingurakgoda	
1.1.3.4 Kankesanthurai	
1.1.3.5 Mullaitivu	
1.1.3.6 Kilinochchi	
1.1.3.7 Diyatalawa	
1.1.3.8 Ratmalana	

1.2 Details and specifications of each category of food items will be provided in the Bidding document. All the food items to be supplied should be in good condition for human consumption. The quality standards are specified in the bidding document and respective annexures of the Bidding documents and accordingly all the supplies should be in accordance with the Food Control Act No. 26 of 1980 as amended and Regulations enacted therein from time to time.

1.3 Submission of bids under each station/camp and category of food items.

1.3.1 Bids should be submitted on per station/camp basis and per category basis separately. For a bid of particular category of a station/camp, bidder should bid for all items in that category. If the bidder fails to bid for all the items in particular category, such a bid will be considered as non - responsive.

1.3.2 Depending on the capacities of the bidder which are subjected to be evaluated by the purchaser, any bidder can submit bids for one station/ camp or more than one station/ camp and respective category of items separately, for which three groups are described below.

1.3.2.1 Group A - supply of all fresh food Category (individual camp basis)

This group consists of 92 bids and shall be considered as separate procurements and evaluation and selection process shall be executed separately.

1.3.2.2 Group B - supply of category fresh food items

This group consists of 58 bids (08 camps x 07 Categories = 56 bids + 02 bids) and shall be considered as separate procurements and evaluation and selection process shall be executed separately.

1.3.2.3 Group C - supply of dry food items (individual camp basis)

This group consists of 1272 bids (08 camps x 159 Items = 1272 bids) and shall be considered as separate procurements and evaluation and selection process shall be executed separately.

2. Selected suppliers should be responsible for arranging the transport to the relevant delivery points/ camps and detachments as the part of the contract. The details with regard to the relevant delivery points/ camps and detachments are indicated in the bidding document.

3. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure as per Clause 3.2 of the Government Procurement Guideline - 2006. Foreign Bidders are not permitted to bid.

4. To be eligible for bidding, bidder shall be a Sri Lankan Business entity, Manufacturer, Retail Operators, Limited Liability Company or other establishment with a local business registration (should be an entity engaged in supplying relevant food items), at the date of publishing of Bid Notice. Bidder shall not have been blacklisted.

5. All Documents establishing the requirements should be submitted along with the bid. At the post qualification stage, these qualification requirements are duly quantified as against the maximum contract amount to be awarded for any lowest evaluated substantially responsive bidder, as described in the detailed methodology stated in the Bidding documents. The following minimum eligibility criteria shall be fulfilled.

5.1 The minimum Average Annual Turnover in relevant field of food supply for any 2 financial years within preceding 3 years of **Rs. 10 Mn**, to be confirmed through respective audited financial statements.

5.2 The minimum amounts of liquid assets (Based on Financial Statements 2021/ 2022) of **Rs. 5 Mn** (Cash in hand, cash at bank, short term investments and accounts receivables) to be confirmed through respective audited financial statements.

However, if the non - audited financial statements are submitted, with the bids for the financial year 2021/ 2022, bidder should submit audited financial statements on or before **15.09.2022** at the Post Qualification Verification Stage.

5.3 The minimum amount of credit facilities guaranteed by any commercial bank or any financial institution operating in Sri Lanka, approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (exclusively for this tender) of **Rs. 5 Mn**.

5.4 In case of supply and delivery of **fresh food items**, bidder should possess adequate storage facilities specifying the methodology of providing required storage, cold/cool room facilities and freezer trucks. (Either as the bidder's own or on lease/ rental basis etc.) Additional details in this regard are provided in the Bidding Documents.

5.5 In case of **dry food items**, bidder should possess adequate storage facilities specifying the methodology of providing required storage/ warehouse and transport facilities, (either as the bidder's own or on lease/ rental basis etc.). Additional details in this regard are provided in the Bidding Documents.

5.6 Past similar experience of food supplies for two years within last Three (3) years.

6. Dates and times of issuance of Bid documents, receiving of bids and opening of bids are as follows:

Commencement of Issuing bidding documents from - 21.07.2022

Last date and time for Issuing bidding documents - Up to 3.00 pm on 22.08.2022

Last date and time for submission/ closing Bids - Up to 9.00 am on 23.08.2022

Venue, Date and time for Opening of bids :
(Army Indoor Stadium, Army Cantonment, Panagoda) - At 10.00 am on 23.08.2022

7. **A Pre - Bid meeting will be held at 10.00 am on 03.08.2022 at Ministry of Defence, Defence Headquarters Complex, Sri Jayawardenapura, Kotte.**

8. A complete set of bidding documents in English language may be purchased by bidders on submission of a written application to Director, Supply and Transport, Sri Lanka Army at the address given in Para16, upon payment of non - refundable fee. Non - refundable fee relevant for each station/ camp each bid shall be in accordance with the Public Finance Circular No. 06/2016 dated **17.06.2016**. (The schedule of respective non - refundable tender fee of bids can be obtained from the Directorate of Supply and Transport, Sri Lanka Army address given in Para 16)

9. For the submission of bids, bidders should use only the forms as given in the bidding document. Sealed Bids in duplicate under Sealed cover should be sent by Registered post or hand delivered or deposited in the tender box provided for this purpose at **Army Library, Security Forces Headquarters (West), Army Cantonment, Panagoda, Homagama** before the stipulated date and time as indicated in Para 6 above.

10. Bids will be opened immediately after the closing time. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders or their authorized representatives who choose to attend in person.

11. Bids shall be valid up to **31st March 2023**.

12. Bids must be accompanied by a bid security valid up to **30.04.2023** and should be addressed to **The Secretary to the Ministry of Defence**. The Bid security should be issued by a commercial bank operating in Sri Lanka which is approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka in its original form (on the original letter head of the bank), unconditional, irrevocable and encashable on demand. The schedule indicating the amount of the Bid security for a particular bid will be provided with the Bidding document which had set as prescribed in the Procurement Guideline 2006.

13. All the bidders are subjected to submitting the manufacturer authorization certificates as required and specified in the Bidding document.

14. Bidder shall submit the samples for particular items for which additional information is requested in the Bidding document. **If the bidder fails to submit the sample** within the given time period, relevant **bids shall not be considered for further evaluation and shall be rejected as non - responsive bids**.

15. Interested bidders may obtain further information from Director Supply & Transport of Sri Lanka Army Headquarters and may inspect the bidding documents free of charge at the office of the address given in Para 16 below, from **21.07.2022** to **22.08.2022** during **09.00 a.m. to 03.00 p.m.** on working days.

16. The address referred to above is;

Attention : Director, Supply & Transport
Address : Commander of the SL Army,
Army Headquarters,
Sri Jayawardenapura,
Kotte.
Telephone Number : 011 2302569, 011-2302568
Fax Number : 011-2302569
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Chairman,
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