

## **INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

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**The Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Maintenance of Digital Water Level Recorders (DWLRs) (hydrostatic pressure type) with Telemetry in the Piezometers of Ground Water Department in Kerala and integrate with Data Center located in Ground Water Department, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala**

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Date : 25/08/2023

Loan No. : 8725-IN

IFB No. : **DGWD/367/2022-NHP/N**

PROCUREMENT PLAN REFERENCE : NHP-2022-2023-KLGW-960955

1. This Invitation for Bid follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in Development Business on 21 Sep 2016.
2. The Government of India has received/applied/ intends to apply for financing from the World Bank towards the cost of National Hydrology project and it is intended that part of the proceeds will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for which this invitation for Bids is issued.
3. The Director, Ground Water Department, Jalavijnana Bhavan, Kowdiar P.O, Ambalamukku, Thiruvananthapuram, 695003, Kerala, now invites tenders through e-procurement platform online from the time and date of opening of schedule up to the time and date of closing of bid submission from eligible bidders for The Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Maintenance of Digital Water Level Recorder (DWLRs) (hydrostatic pressure type) with Telemetry System in the Piezometers of Ground Water Department in Kerala and integrate with Data Center located in Ground Water Department, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala as listed below:
  1. DWLR - 58 Nos.
  2. Related Services such as Installation of Hardware, Software, integration with data centre, O&M for 5 years, AMC for 2 years, training for effective transfer, storage and analysis of data.

4. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures agreed with World Bank. The bidding is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the Bank's Procurement Guidelines. In addition, please refer to paragraphs 1.6 and 1.7 of the Guidelines setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
5. Bidding documents are available online on <https://etenderskerala.gov.in> for a non-refundable fee as indicated below, in the form of Demand Draft/ Cashier's cheque /Certified cheque on any Scheduled/ Nationalized bank payable at Thiruvananthapuram in favour of Director, Ground Water Department, Thiruvananthapuram. (Demand Draft to be submitted subsequently as per the procedure described in paragraph 7 below). Bidders will be required to register in the website, which is free of cost. The bidder would be responsible for ensuring that any addenda available on the website is also downloaded and incorporated. The tender can be downloaded in the portal as per prescribed date and time published in the portal. Only Interested Contractors who wish to participate should remit online transaction fee for tender after registering in the portal. The transaction fee is non-refundable if you wish to participate.

Price of bidding document	:	Nil
EMD (BID SECURITY)	:	₹ 1,50,000/-
Date of commencement of sale of bidding document	:	dt: 28/08/2023 at 11.00 AM
Last date for sale of bidding document	:	dt: 27/09/2023 at 2.00 PM
Last date and time for receipt of bids	:	dt: 29/09/2023 at 11.00AM
Time and date of opening of bids- Technical Part	:	dt: 30/09/2023 at 11.00 AM

6. For submission of the bids, through the e-procurement portal <https://etenderskerala.gov.in> only. Bids submitted in any other manner will not be accepted. Bidders are required to obtain Digital signature from designated firms (available on e-proc. Portal and then register with the Government of Kerala e-procurement platform and submit bids by using their user ID and Digital Signature. Aspiring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-procurement in this Project, may obtain the same from the website: <https://etenderskerala.gov.in>.
7. Bids security of the amount specified in the bidding document as per e-procurement system should be submitted. The Bid security will have to be in any one of the forms as specified in the bidding document and shall have to be valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the bid. Bids must be submitted online on <https://etenderskerala.gov.in> on or before the date and time for receipt of bids, and the "Technical Part" of the bid will be opened online on the specified time and date for opening of bids, as given

above. The “Financial Part” shall remain unopened in the e-procurement system until the second public Bid opening for the financial part. Any bid or modifications to bid (including discount) received outside e-procurement system will not be considered. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time. The electronic bidding system would not allow any late submission of bids.

8. Bids along with necessary enclosures must be uploaded to the web site <https://etenderskerala.gov.in> as per bid document and bids will be opened at the specified venue on the stipulated date and time, in the presence of the bidders or their authorized representatives who wish to attend. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.
9. The bidders are required to submit (a) original demand drafts towards the cost of bid document and registration on e-procurement website (if not previously registered); (b) original bid security in approved form; and (c) original affidavit regarding correctness of information furnished with bid document with Director, Ground Water Department, Thiruvananthapuram before the opening of the Bid given above, either by registered post/speed post/courier or by hand, failing which the bids will be declared non-responsive and will not be opened.
10. A pre-bid meeting will be held on **16/09/2023 11:30** am at the office of The Director, Jalavijnana Bhavan, Ambalamukku, Thiruvananthapuram to clarify the issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage as stated in ITB Clause 7.1 of ‘Instructions to Bidders’ of the bidding document.
11. Other details can be seen in the bidding document. The Purchaser shall not be held liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any bid updates, the Purchaser shall not be liable for any information not received by the bidder. It is the bidders’ responsibility to verify the website for the latest information related to this bid.

**JOHN V SAMUEL IAS**  
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GROUND WATER DEPARTMENT  
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