



AGA KHAN CULTURAL SERVICES - AFGHANISTAN

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

Purchase/Supply & Installation of 66kw On-Grid Solar System

REQUESTER INFORMATION		Issued Date:	19-Nov-2024		
Department:	Procurement	Closing & Submission Date:	01-Dec-2024		
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E-mail:	Zakiullah.safay@akdn.org				
Delivery Address: You are kindly requested to submit your sealed quotation to Aga Khan Trust for Culture on the below-mentioned address: Qale E Moen Afzal Khan –Gozargah Street- District 3- Kabul Afghanistan					
S/ No	Description: مشخصات	QTY	Unit	Unit Price USD	Total Price USD
1	48V/550-Watt Bifacial Solar PV Module, Standard Quality	Each	140		
2	3 Phase 75 KW Hybrid Inverter	Set	1		
3	Standard Quality Rooftop Solar PV Module Mounting Structure	Set	140		
4	Pedestals for Rooftop Solar PV Module Mounting Structure	Set	44		
5	Central Protection String Box	Set	12		
6	Cable 2*1.5 High Quality	Meter	800		
7	Cable 2*35 High Quality	Meter	100		
8	Cable 4*35 High Quality	Meter	40		
9	Goods Transportation to Site	Service	1		
10	Installation at Jangalak Vocational Training Center-Kabul	LS	1		
11	Other Accessories	LS	1		
Total Amount with Tax					
Tax Amount 2% / 7%					
Net Amount					

The following section must be completed by the supplier and included in the supplier's proposal in response to this RFQ.

Supplier Information:			
Company Name:		Expected Delivery Time	Supplier's Quotation #
Supplier's Contact Detail	Email Add: Phone: Address:	Company Authorized Representative	
All Suppliers responding to this RFQ must complete the section below.			Signature AND Company Seal

1. RFQ TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1.1. Suppliers may attach a quotation to this form as supporting documents to this RFQ. If quotation is provided, the Supplier Information Section of this form must be completed and attached as the first page of Supplier's proposal.
- 1.2. The quantity specified above is provided as a best estimate only. AKCS-A reserves the right to order the quantity that it requires.
- 1.3. Prices are in US currency (USD) quoted DAP (Delivered at Place) AKCS-A destination including all charges related to freight, in-transit insurance and unloading the goods at AKCS-A Destination. Title and risks remain with the supplier until delivery to AKCS-A destination.
- 1.4. In the event of a discrepancy/error in the total prices indicated above the unit price will prevail.
- 1.5. Contracts withholding taxes are applicable and should be included in the quoted prices.
- 1.6. Terms of payment shall be Net 15-30 days from the receipt of supplier's original invoice by AKCS-A.
- 1.7. Supplier's proposal shall be valid for Thirty (30) working days from the date of supplier's submission.
- 1.8. Price may or may not be the determining factor in supplier selection process. The award may be made to the supplier whose proposal is determined to be of highest value in terms of quality, price, and services.
- 1.9. AKCS-A reserves the right to request the supplier(s) to demonstrate that adequate quantity of requested material exist in the supplier's stock for delivery.
- 1.10. AKCS-A reserves the right to request any additional information that it deems necessary in order to make a decision on any proposal.
- 1.11. AKCS-A reserves the right to reject any or all proposals after evaluation.
- 1.12. Rejection of all proposals will mean that AKCS-A, in its own best interest at this time, has determined not to pursue the acquisition.
- 1.13. Any resulting purchase shall be subject to AKCS-A Terms and Conditions of Purchase.
- 1.14. In case of failure of delivery, penalty charges may apply.
- 1.15. The quotation must be signed and sealed by the supplier.
- 1.16. AKCS-A reserves the right to terminate the contract in case of failure to QC check.
- 1.17. Any discrepancy in services found will be upon supplier responsibility.
- 1.18. AKCS-A only deducts 2% GOA tax from valid business licenses & 7% from expired /No license, other forms of taxation is not acceptable.
- 1.19. Only shortlisted bidders may be contacted by AKCS-A after the closing date of RFQ.
- 1.20. Goods Inspection: AKCS-A will reserve the right to visit the bidders' product. AKCS-A will contact the bidders to arrange a site visit.
- 1.21. All bidders should submit their sealed bids /Proposal before the closing date to below Address: Qale E Moen Afzal Khan –Gozargah Street- District 3- Kabul.
- 1.22. Supplier is required to provide full Warranty for not less than 12 Months for the main equipment (Solar Panels and Inverter)

2. REJECTION OF BIDS

AKCS-A reserves the right to reject any or all bids through outlined criteria:

- 2.1. If the bid received after the deadline stipulated in the RFQ.
- 2.2. If the bid is not properly sealed.
- 2.3. If the bid is submitted through E-mail.
- 2.4. If the bidder fails to sign and seal **ANNEX 2**, the Declaration of Undertaking
- 2.5. If one company (Trademark) submits an alternative bid.

3. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS/ REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR SUBMISSION

3.1. Technical Submission:

- All pages of RFQ/RFP Signed and Stamped.
- Signed and Sealed **ANNEX 1, Acknowledgment Letter**.
- Copy of valid Afghanistan-issued Business License.
- The bidder is required to provide detailed **Specifications** and **Datasheet** along with products **pictures**.
- Evidence of past performance (at least **3 current or previous similar contract with similar quantity**).
- Copies of Latest Bank Statement from the last **three (3) months**.

3.2. Financial Submission:

- Reasonable Price

4. BID EVALUATION MARKING CRITERIA

No.	REQUIRED DOCUMENTS	MARKS
4.1.	All pages of RFQ/RFP are Signed and Stamped.	1
4.2.	Signed and Sealed ANNEX 1, Acknowledgment Letter .	2
4.3.	Copy of Valid Afghanistan-issued Business License.	2
4.4.	Detailed Specifications and Datasheet along with products pictures .	30
4.5.	Evidence of past performance (at least 3 current or previous contracts).	30
4.6.	Copies of the Latest Bank Statement from the last three (3) months .	5
4.7.	Reasonable Price	30
	Total Marks	100

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

5.1. Objective

The purpose of this procurement is to acquire, transport, and install a fully functional rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) system at the Jangalak Vocational Training Center in Kabul. The system will support renewable energy needs and enhance the center's energy efficiency.

5.2. Scope of Work

The Supplier is expected to supply, transport, and install the following items and services in accordance with the specifications on Page 1 of this REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ). For reference, please consult **ANNEX 3**, which includes suggestive drawings to guide the process.

5.3. Deliverables

- **Procurement and Supply:**
 - Delivery of all listed items in the quantities and specifications mentioned.
 - All equipment must be new, standard quality, and comply with relevant standards and certifications.
- **Transportation:**
 - Transportation of the equipment to Jangalak Vocational Training Center, Kabul, ensuring safe delivery without damage.
- **Installation:**
 - Complete installation of the solar PV system, including:
 - Mounting and securing the solar panels.
 - Connecting the system with the hybrid inverter.
 - Installing and configuring cables, pedestals, and central protection string boxes.
 - Ensuring proper alignment and efficiency of the system.
 - Provide testing and commissioning services to confirm the functionality of the installed system.
- **Other Accessories:**
 - Provision of any additional components required for the full operation of the system.
- **Training and Handover:**
 - Basic training to the center's staff on system operation and maintenance.
 - Hand over all system documentation, including warranties and maintenance guides.

5.4. Timelines

The vendor must ensure delivery, installation, and commissioning within **30 days** from the signing of the contract.



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ANNEX 1

ACKNOWLEDGMENT LETTER

RFQ No AKCS-A Admin 001 (Purchase/Supply & Installation of 66kw On-Grid Solar System)

Date of issue: 18-Nov-2024

The ACKNOWLEDGMENT LETTER must be completed, signed, and returned to AKCS-A.

We, the undersigned, acknowledge receipt of your Invitation to Bid. We, having read the Instructions of this RFQ (**RFQ AKCS-A Admin 001**) set out in the attached document, hereby offer to execute the services specified in the RFQ document.

Name & Title of Authorized: -----

Representative: -----

Signature: -----

Company Name and Address: -----

Telephone No: -----

E-mail: -----

Company Seal/Stamp: -----



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ANNEX 2

DECLARATION OF UNDERTAKING

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The DECLARATION OF UNDERTAKING must be completed, signed, and returned to AKCS-A.

1. We recognize and accept AKCS-A's terms and conditions which are set out in the Procurement and Financial Policies. As a matter of consequence, no legal relationship exists between AKCS-A and our company, our Joint Venture or our Subcontractors under the Contract. AKCS-A retains exclusive responsibility for the preparation and implementation of the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract.
2. We hereby certify that neither we nor any of our board members or legal representatives nor any other member of our Joint Venture including Subcontractors under the Contract are in any of the following situations:
 - 2.1) being bankrupt, wound up or ceasing our activities, having our activities administered by courts, having entered into receivership, reorganization or being in any analogous situation;
 - 2.2) convicted by a final judgment or a final administrative decision or subject to financial sanctions by the United Nations, for involvement in a criminal organization, money laundering, terrorist-related offences, child labor or trafficking in human beings; this criterion of exclusion is also applicable to legal Persons, whose majority of shares are held or factually controlled by natural or legal Persons which themselves are subject to such convictions or sanctions;
 - 2.3) having been convicted by a final court decision or a final administrative decision by a court, the European Union, national authorities in the Partner Country or in for Sanctionable Practice in connection with a Tender Process or the performance of a Contract or for an irregularity affecting the EU's financial interests (*in the event of such a conviction, the Applicant or Bidder shall attach to this Declaration of Undertaking supporting information showing that this conviction is not relevant in the context of this Contract and that adequate compliance measures have been taken in reaction*);
 - 2.4) having been subject within the past five years to a Contract termination fully settled against us for significant or persistent failure to comply with our contractual obligations during such Contract performance, unless this termination was challenged, and dispute resolution is still pending or has not confirmed a full settlement against us;
 - 2.5) not having fulfilled applicable fiscal obligations regarding payments of taxes in Afghanistan;
 - 2.6) being subject to an exclusion decision of the World Bank or any other multilateral development bank and being listed on the website <http://www.worldbank.org/debarr> or respectively on the relevant list of any other multilateral development bank (*in the event of such exclusion, the Applicant or Bidder shall attach to this Declaration of Undertaking supporting information showing that this exclusion is not relevant in the context of this Contract and that adequate compliance measures have been taken in reaction*); or

- 2.7) being guilty of misrepresentation in supplying the information required as a condition of participation in the Tender.
3. We hereby certify that neither we, nor any of the members of our Joint Venture or any of our Subcontractors under the Contract are in any of the following situations of conflict of interest:
 - 3.1) being an affiliate controlled by AKCS-A or a shareholder controlling AKCS-A, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of AKTC or other donors and resolved to its satisfaction;
 - 3.2) having a business or family relationship with a AKCS-A's staff involved in the Tender Process or the supervision of the resulting Contract, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of AKTC or any donors and resolved to its satisfaction;
 - 3.3) being controlled by or controlling another Applicant or Bidder, or being under common control with another Applicant or Bidder, or receiving from or granting subsidies directly or indirectly to another Applicant or Bidder, having the same legal representative as another Applicant or Bidder, maintaining direct or indirect contacts with another Applicant or Bidder which allows us to have or give access to information contained in the respective Applications or Offers, influencing them or influencing decisions of AKCS-A;
 - 3.4) being engaged in a Consulting Services activity, which, by its nature, may be in conflict with the assignments that we would carry out for AKCS-A;
 - 3.5) in the case of procurement of Works, Plant or Goods:
 - i. having prepared or having been associated with a Person who prepared specifications, drawings, calculations and other documentation to be used in the Tender Process of this Contract;
 - ii. having been recruited (or being proposed to be recruited) ourselves or any of our affiliates, to carry out works supervision or inspection for this Contract;
4. If we are a state-owned entity, and compete in a Tender Process, we certify that we have legal and financial autonomy and that we operate under commercial laws and regulations.
5. We undertake to bring to the attention of AKCS-A, which will inform AKTC and other donors any change in situation with regard to points 2 to 4 here above.
6. In the context of the Tender Process and performance of the corresponding Contract:
 - 6.1) neither we nor any of the members of our Joint Venture nor any of our Subcontractors under the Contract have engaged or will engage in any Sanctionable Practice during the Tender Process and in the case of being awarded a Contract will engage in any Sanctionable Practice during the performance of the Contract;
 - 6.2) neither we nor any of the members of our Joint Venture or any of our Subcontractors under the Contract shall acquire or supply any equipment nor operate in any sectors under an embargo of the United Nations.
 - 6.3) we commit ourselves to complying with and ensuring that our Subcontractors and major suppliers under the Contract comply with international environmental and labor standards, consistent with laws and regulations applicable in the country of implementation of the Contract and the fundamental conventions of the International Labor Organization (ILO) and international environmental treaties. Moreover, we shall implement environmental and social risk mitigation measures when specified in the relevant environmental and social management plans or other similar documents provided by the PEA and, in any case, implement measures to prevent sexual exploitation, abuse, and gender-based violence.
7. In the case of being awarded a Contract, we, as well as all members of our Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors under the Contract will, (i) upon request, provide information relating to the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract and (ii) permit AKCS-A and AKTC or other donors or an agent appointed by either of them, and in the case of financing by, to inspect the respective accounts, records and documents, to permit on-the-spot checks and to ensure access to sites and the respective project.
8. In the case of being awarded a Contract, we, as well as all our Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors under the Contract undertake to preserve above mentioned records and documents in accordance with applicable law, but in any case for at least six

years from the date of fulfillment or termination of the Contract. Our financial transactions and financial statements shall be subject to auditing procedures in accordance with applicable law. Furthermore, we accept that our data (including personal data) generated in connection with the preparation and implementation of the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract are stored and processed according to the applicable law by AKCS-A and other donors.

Name & Title of Authorized: -----
Representative: -----
Signature: -----
Company Name and Address: -----
Telephone No: -----
E-mail: -----

Company Seal/Stamp: -----



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ANNEX 3

