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OPEN NATIONAL INVITATION TO TENDER

**N°:002/ONIT/KC/KCITB/PIB-MINSANTE 2026 OF 13TH MARCH
2026 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HEALTH BLOCK AT
KIKAIKELAKI INTEGRATED HEALTH CENTER, BUI DIVISION OF THE
NORTH WEST REGION.
EMERGENCY PROCEDURE**

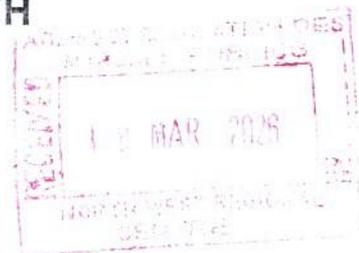
PROJECT OWNER: THE MAYOR KUMBO COUNCIL

**FINANCING: PUBLIC INVESTMENT BUDGET (PIB) – 2026,
THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

BUDGET HEADS: 220 140

RECORD NUMBER: JB06504

EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION: 60 40 412 1 33000007 0731464211



2026 FINANCIAL YEAR

TENDER FILE

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1. Subject of the invitation to tender:

Within the framework of the 2026 Public Investment Budget (PIB), the Mayor of Kumbo Council "Contracting Authority" hereby launches by emergency procedure an open National Invitation to tender for the construction of a health block at Kikaikelaki Integrated Health Center, Bui Division of the North West Region. This invitation to tender comprises one (01) lot as follows:

Lot N°	Project	Locality	Amount for bid bond	Project Amount	Budget Heads	Duration in months
01	THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HEALTH BLOCK AT KIKAIKELAKI INTEGRATED HEALTH CENTER	KIKAIKELAKI	1 000 000	50 000 000	220 140	04

2. Nature of services

Work to be done consists of the for the construction of a health block at KIKAIKELAKI Integrated Health Center, Bui Division of the North West Region. The works include the following:

- 100 PRELIMINARY WORKS
- 200 EARTHWORKS
- 300 FOUNDATION
- 400 WALL MASONARY
- 500 METALLIC/WOOD WORKS
- 600 ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS
- 700 ROOF/CEILING WORKS
- 800 PAINTING
- 900 PLUMBING/SANITATION WORKS
- 1000 HYGIENE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

3. Execution deadline

The maximum execution deadline shall be Four (04) calendar months, including the rainy season and other vagaries, with effect from the date of notification of the administrative order of work commencement.

4. Participation and origin:

Participation in this invitation to tender is open to Cameroonian enterprises that are in compliance with the fiscal laws and having a good experience in the domain concerned.

5. Financing

The said Works shall be financed by the Public Investment Budget (PIB) of the Ministry of Ministry of Public Health for the 2026 financial year assigned to the Mayor of Kumbo Council as Authorizing officers with Budget Heads N° 220 140

Each bidder should include in his administrative document, a bid bond of **1,000,000 (one million FCFA) CFA francs accompanied by a receipt of payment of 2 million at CEDEC** issued by a first rate-bank approved by the Ministry in charge of Finance in conformity with COBAC conditions.

Against the risk of being rejected, only originals or true copies certified by the issuing service or administrative authorities of the administrative document required, including the bid bond, shall imperatively be produced in accordance with the Special Conditions of the invitation to tender. They shall neither be older than three (03) months nor be produced before the signing of the tender notice.

Any offer not in conformity with the prescriptions of this notice and tender file shall not be accepted, especially the absence of a bid bond issued by a first rate-bank, approved by the Ministry in charge of Finance, or the non-respect of the model of the tender file documents, shall lead to a pure and simple rejection of the offer without any appeal being entertained

7. Consultation of tender file:

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information during working hours as from the date of publication of this tender notice, at the Kumbo Council.

8. Acquisition of tender file:

The file may be obtained at the Kumbo Council, at the Service for the award of Public **Contracts**, Telephone **N° 67000 35 77** as soon as this notice is published against payment of a non- refundable sum of **(75 000) seventy Thousand CFA** francs, payable at the Municipal Treasury Kumbo representing the cost of purchasing the tender file.

9. Submission of Bids:

Each offer drafted in English or French in 07 (Seven) copies including 01 (one) original and 06 (six) copies marked as such, should reach the Service for the award of Public Contracts Kumbo Council, not later than **06th April 2026 at 10.00 am** local time. It should be labelled as follows:

“OPEN NATIONAL INVITATION TO TENDER

N°:002/ONIT/KC/KCITB/PIB-MINSANT/2026 OF 13TH MARCH 2026 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HEALTH BLOCK AT KIKAIKELAKI INTEGRATED HEALTH CENTER, BUI DIVISION OF THE NORTH WEST REGION. (EMERGENCY PROCEDURE)

“TO BE OPENED ONLY DURING THE BID OPENING SESSION”

10. Admissibility of bids

Under penalty of being rejected, only originals or true copies certified by the issuing service must imperatively be produced in accordance with the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender.

They must obligatorily not be older than three (3) months preceding the date of submission of bids or may be established after the signature of the tender notice

Any bid not in compliance with the prescriptions of the Tender File shall be declared inadmissible. This refers especially to the absence of a bid bond issued by a first-rate bank approved by the Minister in charge of Finance

11. Opening of bids

The bids shall be opened in single phase. The opening of the Administrative documents, Technical and Financial offers shall take place on the **06th April 2026 at 11 am** local time, in the Kumbo Council Conference Hall.

Only bidders may attend or be represented by duly mandated persons of their choice.

12. Evaluation criteria

There are two types of evaluation criteria: eliminatory and essential criteria. [The aim of these criteria is to identify and reject incomplete bids or bids not in conformity with the essential conditions laid down in the Tender File.

i. *Eliminatory criteria*

Eliminatory criteria fix the minimum conditions to be fulfilled to be admitted for evaluation according to the essential criteria. The non-respect of these criteria leads to the rejection of the bid made by the bidder.

They refer especially to:

- Absence of bid bond
- Absence or non-conformity of a document in the administrative file after 48 hours
- Deadline for delivery higher than prescribed;
- False declaration, forged or scanned documents;
- A bid with the external envelope carrying a sign or mark leading to the identification of the bidder.
- Two Bids with the same personnel
- Incomplete financial file.
- Technical assessment mark lower than **75%** of "Yes".

ii. *Essential criteria*

Essential criteria are primordial in the judgment of the technical and financial capacity of candidates to execute the works forming the subject of the invitation to tender.

The criteria relating to the qualification of candidates are based on the following:

- General presentation of the tender files;
- References of the company in similar achievements;
- Experience of supervisory staff ;
- Logistics (Equipment);
- Methodology;
- Financial capacity;
- Attestation of site visit signed by the Contractor with pictures
- Report of site visit signed by the Contractor
- The Special Technical Clauses (STC). (Each page should be initialed and the last page signed and stamped);
- Special Administrative Clauses completed (each page should be initialed and the last page signed and stamped);
- Pre – Financing capacity **not less than 75%** of the amount required in the offer

The essential criteria are subjected to minima whose detail is given in the Special Regulation of the Invitation to tender (RPAO).

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iii *Main qualification criteria*

The criteria relating to the qualification of candidates could be indicative on the following:

The essential criteria are subjected to minima whose detail is given in the Special Tender Regulation (RPAO). This evaluation shall be done in a purely binary method with a **(yes)** or a **(no)** with an acceptable minimum of **75%** of the essential criteria taken in to account.

The contract will be awarded to the bidder who would have proposed the offer with the lowest amount, in conformity with the regulations of the Tender Documents and having scored 100% of the eliminatory criteria and at least 75% of the essential criteria

13. Award of the jobbing order

The jobbing order shall be awarded to the bidder whose bid is in conformity with the dispositions of the tender file and on the basis of the lowest bid and technical quality. (See article 33 of the public contracts code).

14. Period of validity of bids

The bidders shall remain committed to their offers during a period of (one hundred and twenty days) 120 days from the deadline set for the submission of bids.

15. Complementary information

Complementary technical information may be obtained during working hours at the Kumbo Council,
Service of award of Public Contracts.

16. Delivery deadline

The maximum execution deadline provided for by the Contracting Authority shall be one hundred and twenty (120) days maximum, as from the date of notification of the service order.

13 MARS 2026
Done in Kumbo _____

MAYOR, KUMBO COUNCIL

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AVIS D'APPEL D'OFFRES NATIONAL OUVERT

N° : 002/AONO/CK/CIPM/BIP MINSANTE-2026 DU 13 MARS 2026 POUR LA CONSTRUCTION D'UN BLOC SANITAIRE AU CENTRE DE SANTÉ INTÉGRÉ DE KIKAIKELAKI, LE COMMUNE DE KUMBO DEPARTEMENT DE BUI, RÉGION DU NORD OUEST (EN PROCÉDURE D'URGENCE).

1. OBJET D'AVIS D'APPEL D'OFFRES :

Dans le cadre du budget d'investissement public 2026 du MINSANTE, Le Mère de la commune de Kumbo lance en procédure d'urgence un Avis d'Appel d'Offres National ouvert pour la Construction D'un Bloc Sanitaire Au Centre De Santé Intégré De Kikaikelaki, Le Commune De Kumbo Departement De Bui, Région Du Nord Ouest

Cet appel d'offres est constitué d'un (01) lot répartis ainsi qu'il suit :

Lot N°	Projet	Localité	Montant Caution de Soumission	Montant du Projet	Imputation	Délai en Jour
01	Construction du Centre Sante Integre de KIKAIKELAKI dans la commune de KUMBO	KIKAIKEL AKI	1000 000	50 000 000	220 140	120

2. Consistance des travaux:

Les prestations du présent marché comprennent les travaux des Construction du Centre Sante Integre de KIKAIKELAKI dans la commune de Kumbo l'Arrondissement de Kumbo Département de Bui., Les prestations comprennent les opérations suivantes :

- Lot 100 : Travaux préparatoires et études ;
- Lot 200 : Travaux de terrassements ;
- Lot 300: Fondation ;
- Lot 400: Maçonnerie;
- Lot 500: Menuiserie bois;
- Lot 600: Menuiserie métallique;
- Lot 700: Electricité;
- Lot 800: Plumberie
- Lot 900: Peinture
- Lot 1000: V.R.D.

3. Délai d'exécution des travaux

Le délai global d'exécution des travaux est de quatre (04) mois calendaires. Ce délai comprend les périodes des pluies, toutes les intempéries et sujétions diverses et court à compter de la date de notification de l'ordre de service de commencer les travaux.

4. Participation et origine :

La participation au présent Appel d'Offres est ouverte aux entreprises de droit camerounais ayant une expérience avérée dans le domaine concerné et ayant réalisé des opérations similaires.

5. Financement :

Les prestations, objet du présent Appel d'Offres, sont financées par le budget d'investissement public (BIP) - exercice 2026 du MINSANTE, 220 140

6. Cautionnement provisoire

Chaque soumissionnaire devra joindre à ses pièces administratives, une caution de soumission de de **FCFA 1000 000 (Mille)**, établie par une institution bancaire de premier ordre agréée par le Ministère en charge des Finances aux conditions de la COBAC.

Sous peine de rejet, les autres pièces administratives requises devront être impérativement produites en originaux ou en copies certifiées conformes par le service émetteur ou une autorité administrative (Commune de Kumbo Service de Passation des Marchés Publics), conformément au listing prévu au Règlement Particulier de l'Appel d'Offres (R.P.A.O). Elles devront obligatoirement être datées de moins de trois (03) mois ou avoir été établies postérieurement à la date de signature de l'Avis d'Appel d'Offres.

Toute offre non conforme aux prescriptions du présent avis et du Dossier d'Appel d'Offres sera déclarée irrecevable. Notamment, l'absence de caution de soumission délivrée par une banque de premier ordre agréée par le Ministère chargé des Finances ou le non respect des modèles des pièces du Dossier d'Appel d'Offres, entraînera le rejet pur et simple de l'offre.

7. Consultation du Dossier d'Appel d'Offres.

Le Dossier d'Appel d'Offres peut être consulté aux heures ouvrables à la Commune de Kumbo Service de Passation des Marchés Publics Tél. : **N° 67000 35 77**. Dès publication du présent Avis.

8. Acquisition du Dossier d'Appel d'Offres :

Dossier d'Appel d'Offres peut être obtenu à la Commune de Kumbo Service de Passation des Marchés Publics Tél. : **N° 67000 35 77**, dès publication du présent avis, contre présentation d'une quittance de versement au Trésor de la Commune de Kumbo de la somme non remboursable de **FCFA (75.000) cinq mille Francs** représentant les frais d'achat du dossier.

9. Remise des offres :

Chaque offre, rédigée en français ou en anglais en Sept (07) exemplaires dont un (1) original et Six (6) copies marquée comme telle, devra parvenir contre récépissé à la Commune de Kumbo Service de Passation des Marchés Publics au plus tard le **06th April 2026 a 10 heures**, locale et devra porter la mention suivante :

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A N'OUVRIR QU'EN SEANCE DE DEPOUILLEMENT »

10 Recevabilité des offres

Sous peine de rejet, les pièces du dossier administratif requises doivent être produites en originaux ou en copies certifiées conformes par le service émetteur conformément aux stipulations du Règlement Particulier de l'Appel d'Offres.

Elles doivent dater de moins de trois (03) mois précédant la date originale de dépôt des offres ou avoir été établies postérieurement à la date de signature de l'Avis d'Appel d'Offres.

Toute offre incomplète conformément aux prescriptions du Dossier d'Appel d'Offres sera déclarée irrecevable. Notamment l'absence de la caution de soumission délivrée par une banque de premier ordre agréée par le Ministère chargé des Finances.

11. Ouverture des offres :

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L'ouverture des plis se fera en un temps. L'ouverture des pièces administratives, des offres techniques et financières aura lieu **06th April 2026a 11h00, heure locale**, par la Commission de Passation des Marchés de Bui, siégeant en présence des soumissionnaires ou de leurs représentants dûment mandatés et ayant une parfaite connaissance du dossier, dans la salle de Conférence de la commune de Kumbo

12. Critères d'évaluation :

Les critères d'évaluation sont constitués de deux types : les critères éliminatoires et les critères essentiels. Ces critères ont pour objet d'identifier et de rejeter les offres incomplètes ou non conformes pour l'essentiel aux conditions fixées dans le Dossier d'Appel d'Offres

i Critères éliminatoires

Les critères éliminatoires fixent les conditions minimales à remplir pour être admis à l'évaluation suivant les critères essentiels. Le non-respect de ces critères entraîne le rejet de l'offre du soumissionnaire.

Il s'agit notamment :

- Délai d'exécution supérieur à celui prescrit (supérieur à trois mois) ;
- Fausses déclarations ou pièces falsifiées;
- Absence ou insuffisance de la caution provisoire de soumission;
- Deux Entreprises avec le même personnel ;
- Offres dont l'enveloppe extérieure porte des mentions permettant l'identification du Soumissionnaire;

ii Critères essentiels

Les critères dits essentiels sont ceux primordiaux ou clés pour juger de la capacité technico-financière des candidats à exécuter les travaux, objet de l'appel d'offres.

Les critères essentiels de qualification sont tel qu'il suit ;

- Présentation générale de l'offre ;
- Références de l'entreprise dans les réalisations similaires ;
- Qualité du personnel clé ;
- Moyens logistiques ;
- Méthodologie ;
- Capacité financière ;
- Attestation de visite du site signée par le responsable de l'Entreprise;
- Rapport de visite du site signée par le responsable de l'Entreprise
- Cahier des Clauses Techniques Particulières paraphé à chaque page, signée et cachetée à la fin ;
- Cahier des Clauses Administratives Particulières complété, paraphé à chaque page et signée à la fin ;
- Attestation de surface financière **supérieure ou égale 75%** du montant de l'offre

Les critères essentiels sont soumis à des minima dont le détail est donné dans le Règlement Particulier de l'Appel d'Offres (RPAO).

iii Critères de qualification

Cette évaluation se fera de manière purement positive (oui) ou négative (non) avec un minimum acceptable d'au moins **75%** de l'ensemble des critères essentiels pris en compte.

Le marché sera attribué au soumissionnaire qui aura proposé l'offre la moins disante, conforme pour l'essentiel aux prescriptions du Dossier d'Appel d'Offres, ayant satisfait à 100% des critères éliminatoires et au moins **75%** des critères essentiels.

13. Attribution de la lettre commande

La lettre commande sera attribuée au soumissionnaire dont l'offre est conforme pour l'essentiel aux dispositions du Dossier d'Appel d'Offres, et qui aura présenté l'offre évaluée la moins-disante et techniquement qualifiée, conformément à l'article 33 du Code des lettres commandes Publics.

14. Délai de validité des offres

Les soumissionnaires restent engagées par leurs offres pendant une période de Cent vingt (120) jours, à compter de la date limite fixée pour la remise des offres

15. Renseignements complémentaires :

Les renseignements complémentaires d'ordre technique peuvent être obtenus auprès de la commune de Kumbo Service de Passation des Marchés Publics, Tel: N° 67000 35 77

Fait à Kumbo le 13 MARS 2026

Le Méré de la Commune de Kumbo

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**DOCUMENT N^o. 2:
GENERAL REGULATIONS OF THE INVITATION
TO TENDER (GRIT)**

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GENERAL RULES OF THE INVITATION TO TENDER

Article 1: Scope of the tender

- 1.1 The Contracting Authority as defined in the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender hereby launches an invitation to tender for the construction and/or completion of the works described in the Tender File and briefly described in the Special Regulations.
The name, identification number and number of lots which form the subject of the invitation to tender feature in the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender.
- 1.2 The bidder retained or the successful bidder shall complete the works within the time- limit indicated in the Special Regulations and which time-limit runs from the date of notification of the Administrative Order or that indicated in the said Administrative Order.
- 1.2 In this Tender File, the term "day" means a calendar day.

Article 2: Financing

The source of financing of the works forming the subject of this invitation to tender shall be specified in the Special Regulations.

Article 3: Fraud and corruption

3.1 The Contracting Authority requires of bidders and contractors the strict respect of rules of professional ethics during the award and execution of public contracts. By virtue of this principle:

- a) The following definitions shall be admitted:
 - I. Shall be guilty of "corruption" whoever offers, gives, requests or accepts any advantage in view of influencing the action of a public official during the award or execution of a contract;
 - II. Is involved in "fraudulent manoeuvres" whoever deforms or distorts facts in order to influence the award or execution of a contract;
 - III. "Collusive practices" shall mean any form of agreement between two or among several bidders (whether the Contracting Authority is aware or not) aimed at artificially maintaining the prices of bids at levels not corresponding to those resulting from competition;
 - IV. "Coercive practices" shall mean any form of harm against persons or their property or threats against them in order to influence their action during the award or execution of a contract.
 - b) Any proposed award shall be rejected if it is proved that the proposed preferred bidder is directly or through an intermediary, guilty of corruption or is involved in fraudulent manoeuvres, collusive or coercive practices for the award of this contract.
- 3.2 The Minister Delegate at the Presidency in charge of public contracts may, as a precaution, take a decision of exclusion from bidding for a period not exceeding two (2) years against any bidder found guilty of influence peddling, of conflicts of interest, insider trading, fraud, corruption or production of non-genuine documents in the bid, without prejudice to criminal proceedings that may be brought against him

Article 4: Candidates allowed to compete

- 4.1 If the invitation to tender is restricted, consultation is addressed to all candidates retained after a pre-qualification procedure.
- 4.2 Generally, the invitation to tender is addressed to all entrepreneurs, subject to the following provisions:
 - (a) A bidder (including all members of a group of enterprises and all sub-contractors to the bidder) must be from an eligible country, in accordance with the funding agreement.
 - (b) A bidder (including all members of a group of enterprises and all sub-contractors to the bidder) must not be in a situation of conflict of interest, subject to disqualification. A bidder shall be judged to be in a situation of conflict of interest if he:

- i) is or was associated in the past with an enterprise (or a subsidiary of this enterprise) which provided consultancy services for the conception, preparation of specifications and other documents used within the scope of contracts awarded for this invitation to tender; or
 - ii) Presents more than one bid within the context of invitation to tender, except authorised variants according to article 17, where need be; meanwhile, this does not prevent the participation of sub-contractors in more than one bid.
 - iii) The Contracting Authority or Project Owner has financial interests in the capital in a way as to compromise the transparency of the procedures of award of public contracts.
- (c) The bidder must not have been excluded from bidding for public contracts.
- (d) A Cameroonian public enterprise may participate in the consultation if it can demonstrate that it is (i) legally and financially autonomous, (ii) managed according to commercial laws and (iii) not under the direct supervisory authority of the Contracting Authority or Project Owner.

Article 5: Building materials, materials, supplies, equipment and authorised services

5.1 Building materials, the contractor's materials, supplies, equipment and services forming the subject of this contract must originate from countries meeting the criteria of origin defined in the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender and all expenditure done within the context of the contract shall be limited to the said building materials, materials, supplies, equipment and services.

5.2 Within the meaning of this 5.1 above, the term "originate" shall designate the place where the goods are extracted, cultivated, produced, manufactured and from where the services originate.

Article 6: Qualification of bidder

6.1 As an integral part of their bid, bidders must:

- (a) submit a power of attorney making the signatory of the bid bound by the bid; and
- (b) Provide all information (complete or update information included in their request for pre-qualification which may have changed in the case where the candidates took part in pre-qualification) requested of bidders in the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender, in order to establish their qualification to execute the contract.

Where necessary, bidders should provide information relating to the following points:

- (i) The production of certified balance sheets and recent turnovers;
- (ii) Access to a line of credit or availability of other financial resources;
- (iii) Orders acquired and contracts awarded;
- (iv) Pending litigations; and
- (v) Availability of indispensable equipment.

6.2 Bids presented by two or more associated undertakings (joint-contracting) must satisfy the following conditions:

- (a) The bid must include all the information listed in article 6(1) above. The Special Regulations must indicate the information to be furnished by the group and that to be furnished by each member of the group;
- (b) The bid and the contract must be signed in a way that is binding on all members of the group;
- (c) The nature of the group (joint or several) must be specified in the Special Regulations and justified with the production of a joint venture agreement in due form;

- (d) The member of the group designated as the representative will represent all the undertakings vis à vis the Project Owner and Contracting Authority with regard to the execution of the Contract;
- (e) In case of joint co-contracting, the co-contractors shall share the sums which are paid by the Project Owner into a single account. On the other hand, each undertaking is paid into its own account by the Project Owner where it is joint co-contracting.

6.3 Bidders must equally present sufficiently detailed proposals to demonstrate that they comply with the technical specifications and execution time-limits set in the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender.

6.4 Bidders requesting to benefit from the margin of preference must furnish all the necessary information to prove that they satisfy the eligibility criteria set in article 33 of the General Regulations of the invitation to tender.

Article 7: Visit of works site

7.1 The bidder is advised to visit and inspect the site and its environs and obtain by himself and under his own responsibility, all the information which may be necessary for the preparation of the bid and the execution of the works. The related cost of the visit of the site shall be borne by the bidder.

7.2 The Project Owner shall authorise the bidder and his employees or agents to enter the premises and the land for the said visit but only on the express condition that the bidder, his employees and agents free the Project Owner, his employees and agents of any responsibility that may ensue and indemnify them if necessary and that they shall remain responsible for any deadly or corporal accident, loss or material damages, costs and fees incurred from this visit.

7.3 The Project Owner may organise a visit of the site of the works during the preparatory meeting to establishing the bids mentioned in article 19 of the General Regulations of the invitation to tender.

B. Tender File

Article 8: Content of Tender File

8.1 The Tender File describes the works forming the subject of the contract, sets the consultation procedure of contractors and specifies the terms of the contract. Besides the addendum (addenda) published in accordance with article 10 of the General Regulations of the invitation to tender, it includes the following documents:

- Document No. 1: Invitation to tender
- Document No. 2: General Regulations of the invitation to tender
- Document No. 3: Special Regulations of the invitation to tender
- Document No. 4: Special Administrative Conditions
- Document No. 5: Special Technical Conditions
- Document No. 6: Schedule of prices
- Document No. 7: Bill of quantities and estimates
- Document No. 8: The sub-detail of prices
- Document No. 9: Model Jobbing Order
- Document No. 10: Forms and Standard documents to be used
- Document No. 11: Preliminary studies
- Document No. 12: Other Document
- Document No. 13: List of banking establishments and financial bodies authorised to issue bonds for public contracts
- Document No. 14: Graphic Plan.

8.2 The bidder must examine all the regulations, forms, conditions and specifications contained in the Tender File. It is up to him to furnish all the information requested and prepare a bid in compliance with all aspects of the said file.

Article 9: Clarifications on the Tender File and complaints

9.1 Any bidder who wants to obtain clarifications on the Tender File may request them from the Contracting Authority in writing or by electronic mail (fax or e-mail) at the Contracting Authority's address indicated in the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender and send a copy to the Project Owner. The Contracting Authority replies in writing to any request for clarification received at least fourteen (14) days prior to the deadline for the submission of bids.

A copy of the Contracting Authority's response, indicating the question posed but not mentioning the author, is addressed to all bidders who bought the Tender File.

9.2 Between the publication of the tender notice including the pre-qualification phase of candidates and the opening of bids, any bidder who feels aggrieved in the public contracts award procedure may lodge a complaint to the Minister in charge of Public Contracts.

9.3 A copy of the complaint should be addressed to the Contracting Authority and to the body in charge of the regulation of public contracts and the chairperson of the Tenders Board.

9.4 The Contracting Authority has five (5) days to react. A copy of the reaction shall be forwarded to MINMAP and the body in charge of the regulation of public contracts.

Article 10: Amendment of the Tender File

10.1 The Contracting Authority may at any moment, prior to the deadline for the submission of bids and for any reason, be it at his initiative or in reply to a request for clarification formulated by a bidder, amend the Tender File by publishing an addendum.

10.2 Any published addendum shall be an integral part of the Tender File, in accordance with article 8.1 of the General Regulations of the invitation to tender and must be communicated in writing or made known by a traceable means to all bidders who bought the Tender File.

10.3 In order to give bidders sufficient time to take account of the addendum in the preparation of their bids, the Contracting Authority may postpone as is necessary, the deadline for the submission of bids, in accordance with provisions of article 22 of the General Regulations of the invitation to tender

C Preparation of bids

Article 11: Tender costs

The candidate shall bear the costs related to the preparation and presentation of his bid and the Contracting Authority and the Project Owner shall in no case be responsible for these costs nor pay for them whatever the evolution or outcome of the invitation to tender procedure.

The bid as well as any correspondence and any document exchanged between the bidder and the Contracting Authority shall be written in English or French. Complementary documents and the forms provided by the bidder may be written in another language on condition that a precise translation into either English or French of the passages concerning the bid is included; in which case for reasons of interpretation, the translation shall be considered to be authentic.

Article 13: Constituent documents of the offer

13.1 The offer presented by the bidder shall include the documents detailed in the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender, duly filled and put together in three volumes:

Volume 1: Administrative documents

They include:

I. All documents stating that the bidder:

- Has complied with all declarations provided for by the laws and regulations in force;
- Is current with his taxes, contributions, fees or levies of any kind whatsoever;
- Is not in a State of liquidation or bankruptcy;

- Is not struck by one of the prohibitions and disqualifications criteria provided for by the legislation in force.
- II. Bid bond(s) issued is are in conformity with the provisions of article 15 of the present RGAO;
- III. A written confirmation authorizing the signatory of the offer to engage the bidder
- IV. The CCAP is duly initialled on each page and signed on the last page.
- V. Localization plan is duly signed by the authority concern.

b. Volume II: Technical Offer

It includes:

- I. References of the company (the contractor will provide contracts or Jobbing orders for similar work carried out as well as related minutes of reception);
- II. Personnel: the contractor will present the competent technical staff and workers he intends to employ before the beginning of the work (attach to each staff CV signed by the candidate, certified copy of technical diploma attestation of presentation of original of the technical diploma, and the attestation of availability signed by the candidate);
- III. Site equipment: The contractor shall justify the ownership and the State of the equipment necessary for the performance of the work (providing registration certificates, invoices and certificates of road worthiness (visit technique) of rolling equipment;
- IV. The technical note on the methodology of intervention of the work: the company will produce a technical note dated and signed providing all the information concerning the mode of execution of the works, the execution plan of the expected output, provision of materials or site materials, the potential advantages in terms of safety of the environment and the Organization of the company,
- V. Attestation of site visit and the site visit report;
- Vi The CCTP duly initialled on each page and signed on the last page
- Vii Attestation of solvency of the contractor.

c. Volume 3: Financial offer

It includes:

- I. The submission letter, in original drafted according to the model attached, stamped at the rate in force, signed and dated;
- II. The unit price schedule duly completed, with an indication of the unit price excluding VAT in letters and figures;
- III. Detail Bill of Quantities and cost estimate of the work completed;
- IV. Sub-details of the different prices according to the model attached;

In this regard, the bidders will use the documents and models provided in the Tender File, subject to the provisions of article 17(1) of the General Regulations of the invitation to tender concerning the other possible forms of guarantees.

- 13.2 If in accordance with the provisions of the Special Regulations of Invitation to Tender, the bidders present offers for several lots of the same invitation to tender, they could indicate rebates offered in case of award of more than one lot.

Article 14: Bid price

- 14.1 Except otherwise stated in the Tender File, the amount of the contract shall cover all the works described in article 1.1 of the General Regulations of the invitation to tender, on the basis of the price schedule and the detailed bill of quantities and estimates presented by the bidder.
- 14.2 The bidder shall fill the unit prices and totals of all items on the schedule and bill of quantities and estimates.
- 14.3 Subject to contrary provisions provided for in the Special Regulations and in the Special Administrative Conditions, all dues, taxes and fees payable by the bidder on grounds of the contract or on any other ground, thirty (30) days prior to the submission of the bids, shall be included in the prices and in the total amount of the bid presented by the bidder.

14.4 If a price revision/updating clause is provided for in the contract, the date of establishment of the initial price, as well as the price revision/updating conditions for the said price must be specified. This is with the understanding that any contract of duration less than one (1) year shall not be subject to price revision.

14.5 All unit prices must be justified by sub-details established in accordance with the structure proposed in document 8 of the Tender File.

Article 15: Currency of bid and payment

15.1 In case of international invitations to tender, the currencies of the bid shall follow the provisions of either Option A or Option B below, the applicable option being that retained in the Special Regulations of the invitation to tender.

15.2 Option A: The amount of the bid shall be entirely made in the national currency.

The amount of the bid, unit prices of the price schedule and the prices of the bill of quantities and estimates are completely made in CFA francs in the following manner:

- a) Prices shall be entirely drawn in the national currency. The bidder who intends to commit expenditures in other currencies for the execution of the works shall indicate in the annex to the bid the percentage(s) of the amount of the bid necessary to cover the needs in foreign currencies, without exceeding the maximum of the three currencies of member countries of the funding institution of the contract.
- b) The exchange rates used by the bidder to convert his bid into the national currency shall be specified by the bidder in an annex to the bid in compliance with the specifications of the Special Regulations. These rates shall be applied for any payment within the framework of the contract so that the retained bidder does not bear any change in the exchange rate.

15.3 Option B: The amount of the bid shall be directly made in the national and foreign currency at the rates fixed in the Special Regulations.

The bidder shall draw the unit prices of the price schedule and the prices of the bill of quantities and estimates in the following manner:

- (a) The prices of inputs necessary for the works which the bidder intends to procure in the Contracting Authority's country shall be in currency of the Contracting Authority's country specified in the Special Regulations and called "national currency";
- (a) The prices of inputs necessary for works which bidder intends to procure out of the Contracting Authority's country shall be in the currency of the country of origin of the bidder or of the currency of an eligible member country widely used in international trade.

15.4 The Contracting Authority may request the bidders to explain the needs in national and foreign currencies and to justify that the amounts included in the unit and total prices and indicated in annex to the bids are reasonable; to this end, a detailed statement of their needs in foreign currencies shall be furnished by the bidder.

15.5 During the execution of the works, most of the foreign currency to be paid as part of contract may be revised by mutual agreement between the Contracting Authority and the entrepreneur in a way as take account of any modification in the foreign currency needs within the context of the contract.

Article 16: Validity of bids

16.1 Bids must remain valid during the period stated in the Special Regulations from the date of submission of the bids fixed by the Contracting Authority, in application of article 22 of the Special Regulations. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the Contracting Authority or Delegated Contracting Authority as not being in compliance.

16.2 Under exceptional circumstances, the Contracting Authority may seek the approval of bidders to extend the validity time-limit. The request and the responses that will be given shall be in writing (or by fax). The validity of the bid bond provided for in article 17 of the General Regulations shall equally be extended for a corresponding duration. A bidder may refuse to extend the validity of his bid without losing his bid bond. A bidder who consents to an extension shall not be asked to modify his bid nor shall he be authorised to do so.

16.3 Where the contract does not include a price revision clause and that the period of validity of bids is extended by more than sixty (60) days, the amounts payable to the bidder retained shall be updated by application of the related formula featuring in the request for extension that the Contracting Authority addressed to bidders.

The updating period shall run from the date of overrun of sixty (60) days to the date of notification of the contract or the Administrative Order for start of execution of works by the retained bidder, as specified in the Special Administrative Conditions. The effect of updating shall not be taken into account for purposes of evaluation of bids.

Article 17: Bid bond

17.1 In application of article 13 of the General Regulations, the bidder shall furnish a bid bond of the amount specified in the Special Regulations and which bid bond shall be a full part of his bid.

17.2 The bid bond must conform to the model presented in the Tender File; other models may be authorised subject to the prior approval of the Contracting Authority. The bid bond will remain valid for thirty (30) days beyond the original date set for the validity of bids or any other validity time-limit requested by the Contracting Authority and accepted by the bidder, in accordance with the provisions of article 16 (2) of the General Regulations.

17.3 Any bid without an acceptable bid bond shall be rejected by the Tenders Board as not in conformity. The bid bond of associated enterprises must be established in the name of the group submitting the bid and mention each member of the associated grouping.

17.4 The bid bonds of bidders who are not retained shall be returned within fifteen (15) days after publication of the award result.

17.5 The bid bond of the successful bidder shall be released as soon as the latter would have signed the contract and furnished the required final bond.

17.6 The bid bond may be seized:

(a) if the bidder withdraws his bid during the period of validity;

(b) if the retained bidder:

i) fails in his obligation to register the contract in application of article 38 of the General Regulations;

i) fails in his obligation to furnish the required final bond in application of article 38 of the General Regulations;

ii) Refuses to receive notification of the Administrative Order to commence execution.

Article 18: Varying proposals of bidders

18.1 Where the works can be executed within variable deadlines, the Special Regulations shall specify these deadlines and shall indicate the method retained for the evaluation of the completion deadline proposed by the bidder within the specified deadlines. Bids that propose deadlines beyond those specified shall be considered as not being in conformity.

18.2 Except in the case mentioned in article 18(3) below, bidders wishing to offer technical variants must first assess the basic solution of the Contracting Authority as described in the Tender File and furnish in addition all the information which the Contracting Authority needs for a complete evaluation of the proposed variant, including the plans, calculations, technical specifications, sub-details of prices and proposed construction methods and all other useful information. If necessary, the Contracting Authority will examine only the technical variants of the bidder whose bid is in compliance with the basic solution has been evaluated as the lowest bid.

18.3 When according to the Special Regulations the bidders are authorised to directly submit the technical variants for certain parts of the works, these parts of the works must be described in the technical specifications. Such variants shall be evaluated on their own merit in accordance with the provisions of article 31(2) (g) of the General Regulations.

Article 19: Preparatory meeting to the establishment of bids

- 19.1 Except otherwise stipulated in the Special Regulations, a bidder may be invited to take part in a preparatory meeting which will hold at the date and place indicated in the Special Regulations.
- 19.2 The subject of the preparatory meeting shall be to furnish clarifications and answer any questions which may be raised at this stage.
- 19.3 As much as possible, the bidder is requested to submit any question in a way as to reach the Contracting Authority at least one week before the meeting. The Contracting Authority may not reply to questions received too late. In this case, the questions and answers shall be transmitted according to the methods set in article 19(4) below.
- 19.4 The minutes of the meeting, including the text of the questions asked and the replies given, including questions prepared after the meeting, shall be forwarded immediately to everyone who bought the Tender File. Any modification of documents of the Tender File listed in article 8 of the General Regulations which may prove to be necessary at the end of the preparatory meeting shall be done by the Contracting Authority by publishing an addendum in accordance with the provisions of article 10 of the General Regulations and not through the minutes of the preparatory meeting.
- 19.5 The fact that a bidder does not attend a preparatory meeting for the establishment of bids shall not be a reason for disqualification.

Article 20: Form and signature of bid

- 20.1 The bidder shall prepare an original of the constituent documents described in article 13 of the General Regulations in a volume clearly indicated "ORIGINAL". In addition, the bidder shall submit the number required in the General Regulations, bearing "COPY". In case of discrepancy, the original shall be considered as authentic.
- 20.2 The original and copies of the bid must be typed or written in indelible ink (photocopies shall be accepted in the case of copies) and shall be signed by the person(s) duly empowered to sign on behalf of the bidder, in accordance with article 6(1a) or 6(2c) of the General Regulations, as the case may be. All the pages of the bid containing alterations or changes must be initialled by the signatory (ies) of the bid.
- 20.3 The bid shall bear no modification, suppression or alteration unless such corrections are initialled by the signatory (ies) of the bid.

D. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

Article 21: Sealing and marking of bids

- 21.1 The bidder shall seal the original and each copy of the bid in separate envelopes (internal envelopes) by marking on these envelopes "ORIGINAL" and "COPY", as the case may be. The envelopes shall then be placed in another envelope which will equally be sealed but which will not give any indication regarding the identity of the bidder.
- 21.2 The external and internal envelopes:
- a) should be addressed to the Contracting Authority at the address indicated in the Special Regulations;
 - b) should bear the name and identification number of the project as indicated in the Special Regulations and bear the inscription "*TO BE OPENED ONLY DURING THE BID-OPENING SESSION*" as specified in the Special Regulations.
- 21.3 The internal envelopes should equally carry the name and address of the bidder in a way as to enable the Contracting Authority return the sealed bid if it is late in accordance with article 23 and 24 of the General Regulations.
- 21.4 If the external envelope is not sealed and marked as indicated in paragraphs 21(1) and 21(2) above, the Contracting Authority shall not be responsible if the bid is misplaced or opened prematurely.

Article 22: Date and time-limit for submission of bids

- 22.1 The bids must be received by the Contracting Authority at the address specified in article 21(2) of the Special Regulations not later than the date and time stated in the Special Regulations.

22.2 The Contracting Authority may, at his discretion, postpone the deadline set for the submission of the bids by publishing an addendum in accordance with the provisions of article 10 of the General Regulations. In this case, all the rights and obligations of the Contracting Authority and bidders previously governed by the initial date will henceforth be governed by the new date.

Article 23: Late bids

Any bid received by the Contracting Authority beyond the deadline for the submission of bids in accordance with article 22 of the General Regulations shall be declared late and consequently rejected.

Article 24: Modification, substitution and withdrawal of bids

24.1 A bidder may modify or withdraw his bid after submitting it, on condition that the written notification of the modification or withdrawal is received by the Contracting Authority prior to the end of the time-limit prescribed for the submission of the bids. The said notification must be signed by an authorised representative in application of article 20(2) of the General Regulations. The modification or the corresponding replacement bid must be attached to the written notification. As the case may be, the envelopes must bear the inscription "**WITHDRAWAL**", and "**REPLACEMENT BID**" or "**MODIFICATION**".

24.2 Notification of modification, replacement or withdrawal of the bid by the bidder should be prepared, sealed, marked and forwarded in accordance with the provisions of article 21 of the General Regulations. Withdrawal may equally be notified by telex but should in this case be confirmed by a duly signed written notification whose date, post mark being authentic, shall not be posterior to the time-limit set for the submission of bids.

24.3 In application of article 24(1), bids being requested to be withdrawn by bidders shall be returned to them unopened.

24.4 No bid may be withdrawn during the interval between the submission of bids and the expiry of the validity of bids specified by the model tender. The withdrawal of a bid by a bidder during this interval may lead to the confiscation of the bid bond in accordance with the provisions of article 17(6) of the General Regulations.

E. Opening of envelopes and evaluation of bids

Article 25: Opening of envelopes and petitions

25.1 The competent Tenders Board shall open the envelopes in single or double phases and in the presence of the representatives of bidders who wish to attend at the date, time and address specified in the Special Regulations. Representatives of bidders shall sign a register attesting to their presence.

25.2 Firstly, envelopes marked "**withdrawal**" shall be opened and the contents announced to the hearing of everyone, while the envelope containing the corresponding bid shall be returned to the bidder unopened. Withdrawal shall be allowed only if the corresponding notification contains a valid empowerment of the signatory to request this withdrawal and if this notification is read to the hearing of everyone. Then the envelopes marked "**Replacement bid**" are opened and announced to the hearing of everyone and the new corresponding bid substituted for the preceding one which will be sent to the bidder concerned unopened. The replacement of the bid shall only be allowed if the corresponding notification contains a valid empowerment of the signatory requesting the replacement and read to the hearing of everyone. Lastly, the envelopes marked "**modification**" shall be opened and their contents read to the hearing of everyone with the corresponding bid. The modification of the bid shall only be allowed if the corresponding notification contains a valid empowerment of the signatory requesting the modification and read to the hearing of everyone. Only bids which were opened and announced to the hearing of everyone during the opening of bids shall then be evaluated.

25.3 All envelopes shall be opened successively and the name of the bidder announced aloud as well as the possible modification mentioned, the price offered, including any rebates [*in case of opening of financial bids*] and any variant, where necessary, the existence of a guarantee of the bid if it is required and any

other details which the Contracting Authority deems useful to be mentioned. Only rebates and variants of bids announced to the hearing of everyone during the opening of bids shall be submitted for evaluation.

- 25.4 Bids (and modifications received in accordance with the provisions of article 24 of the General Regulations) which were not opened and read to the hearing of everyone during the bid-opening session for whatever reason, shall not be submitted for evaluation.
- 25.5 Bid-opening minutes are recorded on the spot mentioning the admissibility of bids, their administrative regularity, prices, rebates and time-limits as well as the composition of the Evaluation sub-committee. A copy of the said minutes to which is attached the attendance sheet is handed over to all the participants at the end of the session.
- 25.6 At the end of each bid-opening session, the chairperson of the Tenders Board immediately hands over to the focal point designated by the body in charge of regulation of public contract an initialled copy of the bids presented by bidders.
- 25.7 In case of petition as provided for by the Public Contracts Code, it should be addressed to the Minister Delegate in charge of Public Contracts with a copies to the body in charge of the regulation of public contracts, the head of structure to which is attached the Tenders Board concerned.

It must reach within a maximum deadline of three (3) working days after the opening of bids in the form of a letter to which is obligatorily attached a sheet of the petition form duly signed by the petitioner and possibly by the chairperson of the Tenders Board.

The Independent Observer attaches to his report the sheet that was handed to him, including any related commentaries or observations.

Article 26: Confidential nature of the procedure

- 26.1 No information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation and comparison of bids and verification of the qualification of the bidders and the recommendation for the award shall be given to bidders or to any person not concerned with the said procedure as long as the preferred bidder has not been made public, subject to the disqualification of the bid of the bidder and suspension of the authors from all activities in the domain of public contracts.
- 26.2 Any attempt by a bidder to influence the Tenders Board or the Evaluation sub-committee of bids or the Contracting Authority in its award decision may lead to the rejection of his bid.
- 26.3 Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 26.2 above, between the opening of bids and the award of the contract, if a bidder wishes to enter into contact with the Contracting Authority for reasons having to with his bid may do so in writing.

Article 27: Clarifications on the bids and contact with the Contracting Authority

- 27.1 To ease the examination, evaluation and comparison of bids, the Tenders Board may, if it so desires, request any bidder to give clarifications on his bid. This request for clarification and the response thereto are formulated in writing but no change on the amount or content of the bid is sought, offered or authorised, except it is necessary to confirm the correction of calculation errors discovered by the Evaluation Sub-committee during the evaluation in accordance with the provisions of article 30 of the General Regulations.
- 27.2 Subject to the provisions of paragraph 1 above, bidders shall not contact members of the Tenders Board and the Evaluation Sub-committee for questions related to their bids, between the opening of envelopes and the award of the contract.

Article 28: Determination of compliance of bids

- 28.1 The Evaluation sub-committee shall carry out a detailed examination of bids to determine if they are complete, if the required guarantees are furnished, if the documents were correctly signed and if generally the bids are in proper order.
- 28.2 The Evaluation sub-committee shall determine if the bid is essentially in compliance with the conditions fixed in the Tender File based on the content without recourse to external elements of proof.
- 28.3 A bid that complies with the Tender File shall essentially be a bid that respects all the terms, conditions and specifications of the Tender File, without substantial divergence or reservation. A substantial divergence or reservation is that:
- i) which substantially limits the scope, quality or realisation of the works;
 - ii) which substantially limits, contrary to the Tender File, the rights of the Contracting Authority or his obligations in relation to the contract;
 - iii) Whose correction would unjustly affect the competitiveness of the other bidders who presented bids that essentially complied with the Tender File?
- 28.4 If a bid is essentially not in compliance, it shall be rejected by the competent Tenders Board and shall not subsequently be rendered in compliance.
- 28.5 The Contracting Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any modification, divergence or reservation. Modifications, divergences, variants and other factors which are beyond the requirements of the Tender File shall not be considered during the evaluation of bids.

Article 29: Qualification of the bidder

The Evaluation sub-committee shall ensure that the successful bidder retained for having submitted a bid substantially in compliance with the provisions of the Tender File, fulfils the qualification criteria stipulated in article 6 of the Special Regulations. It is essential to avoid any arbitrariness in determining qualification.

Article 30: Correction of errors

- 30.1 The Evaluation sub-committee shall verify bids considered essentially in compliance with the Tender File to correct the possible calculation errors. The Evaluation sub-committee shall correct the errors in the following manner:
- (a) where there is an incoherence between the unit price and the total obtained by multiplying the unit price by the quantity, the unit price being authentic, the total price shall be corrected, unless the Evaluation sub-committee judges that it is a gross error of decimal point in the unit price in which case the total price as presented shall be authentic and the unit price corrected.
 - (b) if the total obtained by addition or subtraction of the totals is not exact, the sub totals shall be considered authentic and the total corrected.
 - (c) where there is a difference between the price indicated in letters and in figures, the amount in letters shall be considered authentic, unless the amount is linked to an arithmetical error confirmed by the sub-detail of the said price, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above.
- 30.2 The amount featuring in the bid shall be corrected by the Evaluation sub-committee, in accordance with the error correction procedure above and with confirmation by the bidder, the said amount shall be deemed to commit him.
- 30.3 If the bidder who presented the bid evaluated as the lowest refuses the correction thus carried out, his bid shall be rejected and the bid bond may be seized.

Article 31: Conversion into a single currency

- 31.1 To facilitate the evaluation and comparison of bids, the Evaluation sub-committee shall convert the prices of bids expressed in various currencies into those in which the bid is payable in CFA francs.

31.2 The conversion shall be done using the selling rate fixed by the Bank of Central African States (BEAC) under the conditions defined by the Special Regulations.

Article 32: Evaluation and comparison of financial bids

32.1 Only bids considered as being in compliance, as per the provisions of article 28 of the General Regulations, shall be evaluated and compared by the Evaluation sub-committee.

32.2 By evaluating the bids, the Evaluation Sub-committee shall determine for each bid the evaluated amount of the bid by rectifying the amount as follows:

- a) By correcting any possible error in accordance with the provisions of article 30.2 of the General Regulations;
- b) By excluding projected sums and where necessary provisions for unforeseen occurrences featuring in the bill of quantities and estimates but by adding the amount of works done under State supervision where they are costed in a competitive manner as specified in the Special Regulations.
- c) By converting into a single currency the amount resulting from the rectifications (a) and (b) above, in accordance with the provisions of article 31(2) of the General Regulations;
- d) By appropriately adjusting any other modification, divergence or quantifiable reservation on technical or financial basis.
- e) By taking into consideration the various execution time-limits proposed by the bidders, if they are authorised by the Special Regulations;
- f) If need be, in accordance with the provisions of article 13(2) of the General Regulations and the Special Regulations by applying the rebates offered by the bidder for the award of more than one lot, if this invitation to tender is launched simultaneously for several lots.
- g) If need be, in accordance with the provisions of article 18(3) of the Special Regulations and the Technical Specifications, the proposed technical variants, if they are permitted, shall be evaluated on their own merit and independently of the fact that the bidder offered or not a price for the technical solution specified by the Contracting Authority in the Special Regulations.

32.3 The estimated effect of price revision formulae featuring in the GAC and SAC applied during the period of execution of the contract shall not be considered during the evaluation of bids.

32.4 If the bid judged the lowest bid is considered abnormally low or strongly unbalanced in relation to the estimates of the Project Owner for the works to be executed in this contract, the Tenders Board may, from the sub-details of prices furnished by the bidder for any element or all the elements of the bill of quantities and estimates, verify if these prices are compatible with the construction methods and proposed calendar. In the case where the justifications presented by the bidder are not satisfactory, the Contracting Authority may reject the bid after the technical opinion of the Public Contracts Regulatory Agency.

Article 33: Preference granted national bidders

National contractors shall benefit from a margin of national preference during the evaluation of bids as provided for in the Public Contracts Code.

Article 34: Award

34.1 The Contracting Authority shall award the contract to the bidder whose bid was judged essentially in compliance with the Tender File and who has the required technical and financial capacities to execute the contract satisfactorily and whose bid was evaluated as the lowest by including, where necessary, proposed rebates

34.2 If, according to article 13(2) of the General Regulations, the invitation to tender comprises several lots, the lowest bid shall be determined by evaluating this contract with other lots to be awarded concurrently, by taking into account the rebates offered by the bidders in the case of more than one lot.

- 34.3 Any award of contract shall be made to the bidder fulfilling the technical and financial capacities required resulting from the evaluation criteria and presenting the bid evaluated as the lowest.

Article 35: The right by the Contracting Authority to declare an invitation to tender unsuccessful or cancel a procedure

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to cancel a procedure of invitation to tender after the authorisation of the Minister Delegate at the Presidency in charge of Public Contracts where the bids have been opened or to declare an invitation to tender unsuccessful after the advice of the competent Tenders Board, without any claims being entertained.

Article 36: Notification of award of the contract

Before the expiry of the validity of the bids set in the Special Regulations, the Contracting Authority shall notify the preferred bidder by telecopy confirmed by registered mail or by any other means that his bid was retained. This letter will indicate the amount the Project Owner will pay the contractor to execute the works and the execution time-limit.

Article 37: Publication of results of award and petitions

37.1 The Contracting Authority shall communicate to any bidder or administration concerned, upon request addressed to it within a maximum deadline of five (5) days after publication of the award results, the Independent Observer's report as well as the minutes of the award session of the related contract to which shall be attached the evaluation report of the bids.

37.2 The Contracting Authority is bound to communicate the reasons for the rejection of bids of the bidders concerned who so request.

37.3 After publication of the award results, bids that are not withdrawn within fifteen (15) days shall be destroyed, without any claims for compensation being entertained. Only the copy destined for the body in charge of regulation shall be kept.

37.4 In case of petition, it should be addressed to the Public Contracts Authority, with copies to the body in charge of the regulation of public contracts, the Contracting Authority and the chairperson of the Tenders Board concerned.

It must take place within a maximum deadline of five (5) working days after the publication of the results.

Article 38: Signing of the contract

38.1 After publication of the results, the draft contract subscribed by the successful bidder is submitted to the Tenders Board for examination and where applicable, to the Minister in charge of Public Contracts for prior endorsement.

38.2 The Contracting Authority has a deadline of seven (7) days to sign the contract from the date of reception of the draft contract examined by the competent Tenders Board and subscribed by the successful bidder and where applicable, the endorsement of the Minister in charge of Public Contracts.

38.3 The contract must be notified to the successful bidder within five (5) days of its date of signature.

Article 39: Final Bond

39.1 Within twenty (20) days of the notification by the Contracting Authority, the contractor shall furnish the Project Owner with a final bond, to guarantee the complete execution of the works.

39.2 The bond whose rate varies between 2 and 5 percent of the amount of the contract inclusive of all taxes, may be replaced by a guarantee from a banking establishment approved according to the instruments in force with the Project Owner as beneficiary or by a joint or several guarantee.

39.3 Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME) constituted of national capital and managed by nationals may, in lieu of the guarantee, provide a statutory lien or a bond issued by a banking establishment or first rate financial institution approved in accordance with the instruments in force.

39.4 Failure to produce the final bond within the prescribed time limit shall likely cause the termination of the contract under the terms laid down in the General Administrative Conditions.

DOCUMENT N^o. 3:
SPECIAL REGULATIONS OF THE INVITATION
TO TENDER

Special regulations of the invitation to tender

1) PURPOSE OF THE TENDERS:

The purpose of this tender is the construction of a health block at Kikaikelaki Integrated Health Center, Bui Division of the North West Region, launched by the Mayor of Kumbo Council, Kumbo Sub Division Within the framework of 2026 Public Investment Budget (PIB) by emergency procedure, with Invitation to tender Reference: N°:002ONIT/KC/KCITB/PIB-MINSANTE 2026

This invitation to tender comprises one (01) as follows:

Lot N°	Project	Locality	Amount for bid bond	Project Amount	Budget Heads	Duration in months
01	for the construction of a health block at KIKAIKELAKI Integrated Health Center, Bui Division of the North West Region	KIKAIKELAKI	1000 000	50 000 000	222 150	04

2) EXECUTION DEADLINE:

The maximum execution deadline provided for by the Contracting Authority shall be **one hundred and twenty days (120) days maximum** for each Lot, as from the date of notification of the service order.

3) SOURCE OF FINANCING

The said Works shall be financed by the Public Investment Budget (PIB) of the Ministry of Public Health for the 2026 financial year assigned to the Mayor of Kumbo Council as Authorizing Authority

4) CONSISTENCY OF BIDS

Each offer drafted in English or French in 07 (Seven) copies including 01 (one) original and 06 (six) copies marked as such, should reach the award Services of Kumbo Council, not later than **06th April 2026 at 10.00 am**, local time. It should be labelled as follows:

“OPEN NATIONAL INVITATION TO TENDER

N°:002/ONIT/KC/KCITB/PIB-MINSANT/2026 OF 13TH MARCH 2026 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HEALTH BLOCK AT KIKAIKELAKI INTEGRATED HEALTH CENTER, BUI DIVISION OF THE NORTH WEST REGION.

(EMERGENCY PROCEDURE)

TO BE OPENED ONLY DURING THE BID OPENING SESSION”

N.B: The external envelope should not carry any mark or sign that can lead to the identification of the bidder.

Internal envelopes

Three (03) internal envelopes shall be sealed in an external envelope.

The first internal envelope shall be labeled;

<< A: Administrative tender >> and shall contain the administrative documents of the enterprise. These documents shall be original or copies certified by competent authorities not more than three months.

ENVELOPE A: ADMINISTRATIVE DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT N°	DESCRIPTION
A.1	Certified Copy of the Business Registration, not more than three months old.
A.2	Declaration of intention to tender stamped with the tariff in force (dated, signed And stamped by the contractor)
A.3	Certificate of non-bankruptcy established by the Court of 1st instance or the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Trade of the place of residence of the bidder, not more than Four (04) months.
A.4	Attestation of bank account of the bidder, issued by a first rate-bank approved by the Ministry in charge of Finance or by a foreign bank of first order not more than three months.
A.5	Purchase receipt of tender file issued by kumbo council treasury
A.6	A bid bond of 1000 000 FCFA (one million FCFA) accompanied by a receipt of payment of 1 million at CEDEC issued by a first rate-bank approved by the Ministry in charge of Finance in conformity with COBAC conditions
A.7	An attestation of non-exclusion from Public Contracts issued by the Public contract Regulatory Board (ARMP)
A.8	Valid attestation for submission by the Social Insurance Fund, certifying that the bidder satisfied his obligations with respect to the aforementioned Social Insurance
A.9	A stamped tax conformity certificate valid within three months
A.11	A stamped attestation of matriculation valid within 3 months
A.13	Plan and attestation of localization signed by the contractor

NB: The above administrative documents should be forwarded in their originals or certified true copies dating not more than three months old.

The absence or the nonconformity of one of these documents will result to the elimination of the offer

ENVELOPE B: - VOLUME II TECHNICAL OFFER

Doc N°	DESIGNATION
B1	<p>General presentation of bids</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Properly bound. ➤ Table of content. ➤ Separators in color apart from white ➤ Presentation of documents in the order given in this tender. ➤ Clearness of the documents

B.2	<p>REFERENCES OF SIMILAR WORKS EXECUTED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ List of references of similar works executed. The contractor will provide evidence of similar work carried out during the Past years. ➤ Show proof of similar projects executed by presenting at least two copies of different Contracts and reception minutes (provisional reception for 2017 to 2023 projects or final reception for up to 2026 projects) and related contracts or jobbing orders first and last pages
B.3	<p>PERSONNEL</p> <p>Bidders shall undertake to have employed or to employ, before the start of works, competent technical staff, (attach to each staff a CV signed by the candidate, a certified copy of the technical diploma, attestation of presentation of original of the technical diploma, an attestation of availability signed by candidate and Certified copy of ID card) notably.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A works supervisor with at least the level of a senior technician in civil engineering or Rural Engineering with at least three (03) years' professional experience in the domain of civil construction or similar works. ➤ A foreman with at least the level of a technician in civil engineering or Rural Engineering with at least three (03) years of professional experience in the domain of civil construction or similar works. ➤ Other support staff or semi-skilled workers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 02 (Two) builders with 3 years' professional experience on building construction or similar works. Only CVs signed by the candidates - 02 (Two) Carpenters with 3 years' professional experience on carpentry or similar works. Only CVs signed by the candidates - 01 One Electrician with 3 years' professional experience on Electricity or similar works. Only CVs signed by the candidate - 01 (one) Painters with 3 years' professional experience on painting or similar works. Only CVs signed by the candidate
B.4	<p>Equipment and construction tools</p> <p>The List of equipment the bidder intends to use on site</p> <p>The contractor shall justify the ownership and the State of the equipment necessary for the performance of the work to be carried out.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Equipment : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legalized Registration document (pickup truck or van, vibrator and a hand Compactor etc.) or Legalized document to hire equipment. ➤ Construction Tools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - List of small construction tools or assorted tools signed by the head of the company. - The bidder Should show justification of construction tools by producing legalized receipts of : (Wheel barrows; Spades; Hammers; Trowels; Tapes; Spirit levels; Squares; Lines; Buckets ;Chisels; Cutlasses, clamps and Saws etc)

B.5	<p>Technical notes on the methodology and the execution of works. The bidder will produce a technical note dated and signed on the last page providing all the following information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The mode of execution of the works - The planning of intervention, the expected output - supply of materials or site equipment - Measures of safety and protection of the environment - Administrative and technical organization of the enterprise
B.6	<p>Attestation of site visit and site visit report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Attestation of site visit signed by the contractor or their representatives ➤ Site visits Report. The bidder shall under his responsibility visit the site and gather all the information necessary for the preparation of his technical proposals signed and stamped by the contractor (pictures of the site where the classrooms are to be constructed, consistency of work and execution plans).
B.7	<p>Financial Capacity of the Bidder Pre – Financing capacity from a banking institution of first order approved by the Ministry in charge of finance, not less than 75% of the amount required in the offer.</p>
B.8	<p>The Special Administrative Clauses (SAC); (each page should be initialed and the last page signed And stamped).</p>
B.9	<p>The Special Technical Clauses (STC). (Each page should be initialed and the last page signed and stamped).</p>

ENVELOPE C: FINANCIAL OFFER

Doc N°	DESIGNATION
C.1	The bid itself according to the model attached, stamped at the rate in force, dated, signed and stamped by the contractor.
C.2	The unit price schedule duly completed, with an indication of the unit price excluding VAT in words and in figures. (Signed And stamped)
C.3	Detail quantities and cost estimates of works completed (signed and stamped)
C.4	The sub-details of prices according to the model attached (signed and stamped)

5) Currency of bid and settlement

5.1. The value of the contract shall be in national currency (FCFA). The amount of the bid, the unit prices, the price Bill of quantities and sub detailed of unit prices shall be entirely in CFA Francs in the following manner:

a. Prices will be entirely settled in CFA Francs. Any bidder, who wants to engage expenditures in other currencies for the execution of the work, shall indicate in an annex to his submission, the percentage of the amount of the offer required to cover the needs in foreign currencies, without exceeding a maximum of three currencies of Member countries of the institution financing the contract.

b. The exchange rates used by the bidder to convert its offer in national currency shall be the rate of the day of the deposition of the bids. This exchange rate will be applied for any payment in respect of the contract, so that no foreign exchange rate risk is supported by the successful bidder.

The contract prices are firm and no-revisable.

6) Submission of Bids:

Each offer drafted in English or French in 07 (Seven) copies including 01 (one) original and 06 (six) copies marked as such, should reach the Service of Award Kumbo Council not later than **06th April 2026 at 10 am** local time. It should be labelled as follows

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TO BE OPENED ONLY DURING THE BID OPENING SESSION”**

7) EVALUATION OF TENDERS

7.1. Opening of bids

The bids shall be opened in single phase. The opening of the administrative documents and the Technical and Financial offers shall take place on the **06th April 2026 at 11am** local time, by the Kumbo Council Internal Tender Board in the conference hall

Only bidders or their duly mandated representatives with a perfect knowledge of their offer shall attend this opening session.

Representatives of bidders shall have to sign a form stating their presence at the opening of tenders.

7.2. Clarification on the bids

The request for clarification and the response shall be done in writing. No change of the offer price shall be requested, proposed or authorized.

7.3. Examination of bids

The tenders' board shall examine the bids to determine if they are complete, if the required guarantees have been provided, if the documents were produced following the tender file requirements, whether they contain calculation errors and if the bids are generally in good order. Any calculation errors will be corrected on the following bases:

- If there is a calculation error, the total price will be corrected on the basis of the unit price.
- If there is a contradiction between the price in words and the price in figures, the price in word will govern.

7.4. Evaluation and comparison of bids

The technical subcommittee shall evaluate and compare the bids which were previously found substantially responsive to the conditions of the present call for tenders. This evaluation will exclude and will not take into consideration any price variation clauses included in the submission.

The evaluation of bids shall be in two steps: technical and financial evaluation.

7.4. 1. Technical evaluation

7.4.1. 1. Eliminary criteria

Eliminary criteria will focus on the following aspects:

- Absence of bid bond
- Absence or non-conformity of a document in the administrative file after 48 hours
- Deadline for delivery higher than prescribed;
- False declaration, forged or scanned documents;
- A bid with the external envelope carrying a sign or mark leading to the identification of the bidder.
- Two Bids with the same personnel
- Incomplete financial file.
- Technical assessment mark lower than **75%** of “Yes”.

iii. Essential criteria

Essential criteria are primordial in the judgment of the technical and financial capacity of candidates to execute the works forming the subject of the invitation to tender.

The criteria relating to the qualification of candidates are based on the following:

- General presentation of the tender files;
- References of the company in similar achievements;
- Experience of supervisory staff ;
- Logistics (Equipment);
- Methodology;
- Financial capacity;
- Attestation of site visit signed by the Contractor with pictures
- Report of site visit signed by the Contractor
- The Special Technical Clauses (STC). (Each page should be initialed and the last page signed and stamped);
- Special Administrative Clauses completed (each page should be initialed and the last page signed and stamped);
- Pre – Financing capacity **not less than 75%** of the amount required in the offer

The essential criteria are subjected to minima whose detail is given in the Special Regulation of the Invitation to tender (RPAO).

7.4.1.3 Main qualification criteria

The criteria relating to the qualification of candidates could be indicative on the following:

The essential criteria are subjected to minima whose detail is given in the Special Tender Regulation (RPAO).

This evaluation shall be done in a purely binary method with a (yes) or a (no) with an acceptable minimum of **75%** of the essential criteria taken in account.

The contract shall be awarded to the bidder who would have proposed the offer with the lowest amount, in conformity with the regulations of the Tender Documents and having satisfied to **100%** of the eliminatory criteria and at least **75%** of the essential criteria.

A) The company's references:

Similar works in the past years The bidder shall justify its turnover either by a document from an expert or by submitting documents that can be used to appreciate the amounts from the realizations and the quality of the work (certificate of completion and/or minutes of (provisional or final) reception and related contracts, and jobbing orders).

b) Essential equipment

Essential equipment that the contractor shall make available for the contract (registration documents, purchase receipt) shall be the following: 4 x 4 pickup vehicle or van for the transportation of personnel and other materials such as a Vibrator or Legalized document to hire equipment.

C) The qualification of site personnel:

A works supervisor with at least the level of senior technician in civil engineering or Rural Engineering with at least three (03) years' professional experience in the domain of civil construction or similar works. (Attached a certified copy of certificate, CV, attestation of presentation of original of the technical diploma, an attestation of availability sign by candidate and a Certified copy of ID card)

A foreman with at least the level of a technician in civil engineering or Rural Engineering with at least three (03) years of professional experience in the domain of civil construction or similar works. (Attached a certified copy of certificate, CV, attestation of presentation of original of the technical diploma, an attestation of availability sign by candidate and a Certified copy of ID card)

Other support staff or semi-skilled workers

- 02 (Two) builders with 3 years' professional experience on building construction or similar works. Only CVs signed by the candidates
- 02 (Two) Carpenters with 3 years' professional experience on carpentry or similar works. Only CVs signed by the candidates

- 01(One) Electrician with 3 years' professional experience on Electricity or similar works. Only CVs signed by the candidate;
- 01 (one) Painter with 3 years' professional experience on painting or similar works. Only CVs signed by the candidate

(d) The methodology of intervention and execution of work:

The company will produce a technical note dated and signed on the last page providing information about:

- i. The mode of execution of the works.
- ii. The planning of intervention, the expected output.
- iii. The supply of materials or site equipment.
- iv. Measures of safety and protection of the environment.
- v. Administrative and technical organization of the enterprise.

E) Self-financing capacity:

An attestation of financial credibility issued by the same Bank as for the bid bond (access to a credit or of other financial facilities to ensure the gross margin of self-financing necessary for the duration of the contract.) The available amount shall be at least more than or equal to amount required in the offer.

7.4.1. 3 Other criteria

7.4. 2. Financial evaluation

The financial evaluation shall be based on the corrected amount of the bid. It shall consist of the analysis of the coherence of prices as well as the amounts of the totals.

Award of Contract

Subject to the clause of article 6 of the present OMPP, the Contracting authority will award the contract to the bidder whose offer has been recognized substantially responsive to the requirement of the Tender file and has submitted the lowest feasible evaluated bid price.

9) Right of the Contracting authority to accept or reject any offer

Notwithstanding article 5 of the present OMPP, the Contracting authority reserves the right to cancel the tendering process at any time before the opening of the tenders, without incurring liability to the bidders affected by its decision, nor obligation to inform them of the reasons for its decision.

10) Site Visit

A site visit is recommended to participating companies in this Tender file.

11) Period of validity of tenders

The period of validity of the tender is 90 days from the date of deposition of the offers.

12) Performance guarantee

Within fifteen (15) days from the date of notification of the contract, the contractor shall provide a guarantee of three percent (3%) of the amount of the contract (all taxes inclusive), to ensure full implementation.

13) COMMENCEMENT OF WORK:

Before the commencement of work, the contractor shall be installed on the site by the following:

- The authorizing officer;
- Control engineer,
- The Project Manager;
- The Divisional Delegate of Environment or his representative;
- The Divisional Delegate of MINEPAT or his representative;

DOCUMENT N°. 4: SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE CONDITIONS