PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

Project information:

Country: Afghanistan

Project name: Education Quality Reform in Afghanistan [EQRA]

Project ID: P159378

Project Implementation agency: MOE & MRRD

Date of the Procurement Plan: October 16, 2018

Period covered by this Procurement Plan: Only seven packages provided not the full procurement plan.

Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016) (“Procurement Regulations”) the Bank’s Systematic Tracking and Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system will be used to prepare, clear and update Procurement Plans and conduct all procurement transactions for the Project.

This textual part along with the Procurement Plan tables in STEP constitute the Procurement Plan for the Project. The following conditions apply to all procurement activities in the Procurement Plan. The other elements of the Procurement Plan as required under paragraph 4.4 of the Procurement Regulations are set forth in STEP.

The Bank’s Standard Procurement Documents: shall be used for all contracts subject to international competitive procurement and those contracts as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP.

National Procurement Arrangements: In accordance with paragraph 5.3 of the Procurement Regulations, when approaching the national market (as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP), the procurement documents agreed by the bank shall be used.

When the Borrower uses its own national open competitive procurement arrangements as set forth in the Procurement Law of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan dated 27/06/13965 (September 17, 2016) published in the Official Gazette No.1223, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations and the following NPP Conditions for Afghanistan:

1. The eligibility of bidders shall be as defined under Section III of the World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (Procurement Regulations). Accordingly, no bidder or potential bidder shall be declared ineligible for contracts financed by the Bank.
for reasons other than those provided in Section III of the Procurement Regulations (PR).

2. Only the model bidding documents acceptable to the World Bank shall be used for all national open competitive procurement.

3. The bidding documents shall require that bidders/proposers submitting bids/proposals present a signed acceptance at the time of bidding, to be incorporated in any resulting contracts, confirming application of, and compliance with, the Bank’s Anti-Corruption Guidelines, including without limitation the Bank’s right to sanction and the Bank’s inspection and audit rights.

4. There shall be no negotiations of contract price at post contract stage or termination of the contract - on grounds of operation of Price Adjustment stipulated in a signed contract exceeding a specified percentage.

5. No preference of any kind shall be given to national bidders in the bidding process.

When other national procurement arrangements other than national open competitive procurement arrangements are applied by the Borrower, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.5 of the Procurement Regulations.

**Leased Assets** as specified under paragraph 5.10 of the Procurement Regulations: Leasing may be used for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables. “*Not Applicable*”

**Procurement of Second Hand Goods** as specified under paragraph 5.11 of the Procurement Regulations – is allowed for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables “*Not Applicable*”

**Domestic preference** as specified under paragraph 5.51 of the Procurement Regulations (**Goods and Works**). Specify for each

- Goods: [is not applicable/is applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables]; NA
- Works: [is not applicable/is applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables]; NA

**Hands-on Expanded Implementation Support (HEIS)** as specified under paragraphs 3.10 and 3.11 of the Procurement Regulations is Applicable. “*Not Applicable*”

**Other Relevant Procurement Information.**

Procurement for CDC will be conducted in line with the agreed manual prepared by the project and has been agreed by the bank. The CDD part of the project will be implemented by the MRRD.

Also, the Procurement in Situations of Urgent Need of Assistance or Capacity Constraints apply for the project.
## PROCUREMENT PLAN

### General Information

**Country:** Afghanistan  
**Status of the Original Procurement Plan:**  
**Revised Plan Details:**  
**Loan / Credit No.:**  
**Project Name:** EQRA  
**Executing Agency:** Ministry of Education-EQRA

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