

### THE DIGITAL MALAWI ACCELERATION PROJECT

GRANT NUMBER: PROJECT NUMBER:

IDA-E338-MW P505095

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Request for Quotation

# SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF OFFICE EQUIPMENT FOR THE NATIONAL DATA CENTRE IN LILONGWE

SEPTEMBER 2025

## SECTION A – REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS



То:		Date: 29 <sup>th</sup> September,	2025	

The Procuring and Disposing Entity named above invites you to submit your quotation for the goods described herein. Partial Quotations may be rejected, and the Purchaser reserves the right to award a contract for selected items only. Any resulting order shall be subject to the Government of Malawi General Conditions of Contract for Local Purchase Orders (available on request) except where modified by this Request for Quotations.

#### SECTION A: QUOTATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Description of Supply and Delivery of Office Equipment for the National Data Centre in Lilongwe as described in Section C
- 2) Quotation prices should be based on: for goods supplied from within Malawi; DAP – insured and delivered to Blantyre or for goods supplied from outside of Malawi; DDP to Lilongwe
- 3) The delivery period required is within Three (3) weeks from date of order.
- 4) Quotations must be valid for Sixty (60) days from the date for receipt given below.
- 5) The warranty/guarantee offered shall be: Twelve (12) months.
- Quotations and supporting documents as specified in Section B must be marked with the Procurement Number given above, and indicate your acceptance of the terms and conditions.
- 7) Quotations must be received, in sealed envelopes, no later than: 15:00pm Local Time on 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2025.
- 8) Quotations must be returned to:

The Chairperson

Internal Procurement and Disposal Committee

The Public Private Partnership Commission

P.O. Box 937

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- 9) The attached Schedule of Requirements at Section C, details the items to be purchased. You are requested to quote your delivered price for these items by completing and returning Sections B and C.
- 10) Quotations that are responsive, qualified and technically compliant will be ranked according to price. Award of contract will be made to the lowest priced quotation by item or by total through the issue of a Local Purchase Order.
- 11) The personnel of the Purchaser and the Supplier should adhere to the highest ethical standards, both during the selection process and throughout the execution of the contract. In pursuance of this principle, they should abstain at all times from corruption or fraudulent practices. Corruption and fraudulent practices are defined as follows:

(i) "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the selection process or in contract execution;

(ii) "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation or omission of facts in order to

influence a selection process or the execution of a contract;

(iii) "Collusive practices" means a scheme or arrangement between two or more suppliers with or without the knowledge of the Borrower, designed to establish prices at artificial, noncompetitive levels;

(iv) Adherence to World Bank Anti-Corruption guidelines – Attachment to Section A

12) The Purchaser will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Supplier recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in competing for the contract in question

P/Signed: \_

Name: Clemence Mvonye

Title/Position: Senior Procurement Specialist

For and on behalf of the Purchaser

## Attachment to Section A – Fraud and Corruption

## (Attachment to Section A shall not be modified)

1. Purpose

1.1 The Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and this annex apply with respect to procurement under Bank Investment Project Financing operations.

2. Requirements

2.1 The Bank requires that Borrowers (including beneficiaries of Bank financing); bidders, consultants, contractors and suppliers; any sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers or suppliers; any agents (whether declared or not); and any of their personnel, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process, selection and contract execution of Bank-financed contracts, and refrain from Fraud and Corruption.

2.2 To this end, the Bank:

- a. Defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
  - i. "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
  - "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
  - "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
  - iv. "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
  - v. "obstructive practice" is:
    - deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a Bank investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or
    - acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's (b) inspection and audit rights provided for under paragraph 2.2 e. below.
- b. Rejects a proposal for award if the Bank determines that the firm or individual recommended for award, any of its personnel, or its agents, or its subconsultants, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/ or their employees, has, directly or indirectly, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;
- In addition to the legal remedies set out in the relevant Legal Agreement, may take other appropriate actions, including declaring misprocurement, if the Bank determines at any time that representatives of the Borrower or of a recipient of

any part of the proceeds of the loan engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices during the procurement process, selection and/or execution of the contract in question, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Bank to address such practices when they occur, including by failing to inform the Bank in a timely manner at the time they knew of the practices;

- d. Pursuant to the Bank's Anti- Corruption Guidelines, and in accordance with the Bank's prevailing sanctions policies and procedures, may sanction a firm or individual, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, including by publicly declaring such firm or individual ineligible (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or in any other manner; (ii) to be a nominated sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a Bank-financed contract; and (iii) to receive the proceeds of any loan made by the Bank or otherwise to participate further in the preparation or implementation of any Bank-financed project;
- e. Requires that a clause be included in bidding/request for proposals documents and in contracts financed by a Bank loan, requiring (i) bidders, consultants, contractors, and suppliers, and their sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers, suppliers, agents personnel, permit the Bank to inspect<sup>3</sup> all accounts, records and other documents relating to the submission of bids and contract performance, and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

<sup>1</sup> For the avoidance of doubt, a sanctioned party's ineligibility to be awarded a contract shall include, without limitation, (i) applying for pre-qualification, expressing interest in a consultancy, and bidding, either directly or as a nominated subcontractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider, in respect of such contract, and (ii) entering into an addendum or amendment introducing a material modification to any existing contract.

<sup>2</sup> A nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider (different names are used depending on the particular bidding document) is one which has been: (i) included by the bidder in its pre-qualification application or bid because it brings specific and critical experience and know-how that allow the bidder to meet the qualification requirements for the particular bid; or (ii) appointed by the Borrower.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Inspections in this context usually are investigative (i.e., forensic) in nature. They involve fact-finding activities undertaken by the Bank or persons appointed by the Bank to address specific matters related to investigations/audits, such as evaluating the veracity of an allegation of possible Fraud and Corruption, through the appropriate mechanisms. Such activity includes but is not limited to: accessing and examining a firm's or individual's financial records and information, and making copies thereof as relevant; accessing and examining any other documents, data and information (whether in hard copy or electronic format) deemed relevant for the investigation/audit, and making copies thereof as relevant; interviewing staff and other relevant individuals; performing physical inspections and site visits; and obtaining third party verification of information.

- SECTION B: QUOTATION SUBMISSION SHEET 1) Currency of Quotation: Malawi Kwacha 2) Delivery period offered: ...... days/weeks/months from date of Purchase Order. 3) The validity period of this Quotation is: ..... days from the date for receipt of Quotations. 4) Warranty period (where applicable):..... months. 5) We attach the following documents: Section C of the Request for Quotations completed and signed; A copy of our Trading Licence, ii. iii. A copy of our Annual Tax Clearance Certificate (for the 2024-2025 Financial Year),
  - iv. A list of any recent Three (3) Government contracts performed,
  - Valid PPDA Certificate
- 6) We confirm that our quotation is based on the terms and conditions stated in your Request for Quotations referenced above, and that any resulting contract will be subject to the Government of Malawi General Conditions of Contract for Local Purchase Orders.
- 7) We confirm that the prices quoted are fixed and firm for the duration of the validity period and will not be subject to revision or variation.

Authorised By:		
Signature:	Name:	
Position:	Date:	(DD/MM/YY)
Authorised for and on behalf of:		
Company:		
Address:		

If any additional documentation is attached to your quotation, a signature and authorisation at Section B and Section C is still required as confirmation that the terms and conditions of this RFQ prevail over any attachments. If the Quotation is not authorised in Section B and Section C, the quotation may be rejected.

## SECTION C: SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS (TO BE PRICED BY BIDDER)

Lot No	Description of Goods (Attach detailed specification if necessary)	Unit of Measure	Quantit y Delivered Unit Price Kwacha		Delivered Total Price Kwacha
1	Articulated Ladders	Each	1		
2	Combination Ladders	Each	1		
3	Padded Chain Locks	Each	2		
4	Heavy-duty Padlocks	Each	6		
5	Office Waste Bins	Each	9		
			Sub Total	l	
			Vat @16.5	5%	
			1% PPDA	Levy	
			Grand To	otal	

The following attachments are appended to clarify the Description of Goods:

Authorised By:		
Signature:	Name:	
Position:	Date:	(DD/MM/YY)
Authorised for and on behalf of:		(DD) 1.12.2/ 2 2/
Company:		

## **Delivery and Completion Schedule**

The delivery or completion period shall commence from the date of contract award. Refer to Incoterms specified in Section A for the interpretation of the delivery period. All the items shall be delivered to the **National Data Centre in Lilongwe within Three (3)** weeks from the date of contract signing.

The successful bidder will be required to submit a sample per item for approval by the Data Centre Manager before delivering the whole consignment.

## Appendix 1 – Technical Specifications

## 1. ARTICULATED LADDERS, QTY=1

Item No	Technical Specifi	ication	Mandatory	Compliance with specification offered
$\boldsymbol{A}$	В		С	D
	Articulated Ladde	rs		
1	Specifications	<ul> <li>Fiberglass</li> <li>12-16 feet height</li> <li>Type 1A</li> <li>Multi position design (step, extension, wall, scaffold, etc.)</li> <li>Nonslip rubber feet</li> <li>Reliable hinge-lock mechanisms</li> <li>Compliant with ANSI A14.5 and OSHA standards</li> </ul>	M	

## 2. **COMBINATION LADDERS,** QTY=1

Item	Technical Specification	Mandatory	Compliance
No.			with
			specification
			offered
A	В	С	D
2.	Combination Ladders		
	<ul> <li>Durable fiberglass</li> <li>12-16 feet height</li> <li>Type 1A</li> <li>Ability to set up in multiple configurations (step, extension, stairway, leaning)</li> <li>Nonslip rubber feet</li> </ul>	М	

Item No.	Technical Specification	Mandatory	Compliance with specification offered
	<ul><li>Reliable safety locks and stabilizers</li><li>Compliant with EN 131 Professional</li></ul>		

## 3.PADDED CHAIN LOCKS, Qty= 2

Item	Technical Specification	Mandatory	Compliance
No.			with
			specification
			offered
A	В	С	D
3.	Padded Chain Locks		
	Made of hardened steel or alloy steel with the padding made of non-conductive material	М	

## FORM OF CONTRACT

1. QUOTATION LETTER
Date:
Request for Quotations N°:
A: Address of Purchaser
To: Name of Purchaser:
Having examined the documents regarding the Request for Quotations, the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we, the undersigned, offer to provide [description of services] in conformity with the said Request for Quotations for the sum of [total bid amount in words and figures] or such other sums as may be ascertained in accordance with the Schedule of Prices attached herewith and made part of the Quotation.
We undertake, if our Quotation is accepted, to deliver the services and related goods in accordance with the delivery schedule specified in the Schedule of Requirements.
We agree to abide by this Quotation for the period specified in the Request for Quotations as of the date of the opening of the Quotations and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period.
Until a formal Contract is prepared and executed, this Quotation, together with your written acceptance thereof and your notification of award, shall constitute a binding Contract between us.
We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any bid you may
receive.
Dated this day of 20
[in the capacity of]
Duly authorized to sign this Quotation for and on behalf of

CONTRACT FORM			
THIS AGREEMENT made the day of 20 between [Name of the Purchaser] (hereinafter called "the Purchaser") of the one part and [name of Supplier] of [city and country of Supplier] (hereinafter called "the Supplier") of the other part:			
WHEREAS the Purchaser invited quotations for certain goods [or works] and ancillary services, and has accepted a quotation by the Supplier for the supply of those goods [or works] and ancillary services in the sum of [contract price in words and figures] (hereinafter called "the Contract Price").			
NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS::			
1. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this Agreement, viz.:			
<ul> <li>(a) The Request for Quotations sent to the Supplier;</li> <li>(b) The Price Schedule submitted by the Supplier [and the delivery period] and</li> <li>(c) Schedule of Requirements (technical specifications).</li> <li>(d) The World Bank Anti-corruption guidelines</li> </ul>			
2. In consideration of the payments to be made by the Purchaser to the Supplier as hereinafter mentioned, the Supplier hereby covenants with the Purchaser to provide the goods [or works] and ancillary services and to remedy defects therein in conformity in all respects with the provisions of the Contract.			
3. The Purchaser hereby covenants to pay the Supplier in consideration of the provision of the goods [or works] and ancillary services and the remedying of defects therein, the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the contract at the times and in the manner prescribed by the contract: [Insert the methods of payment].			
IN WITNESS whereof the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed in accordance with their respective laws the day and year first above written.			
Signed, sealed, delivered by the (for the Purchaser)			
Signed, sealed, delivered by the (for the Supplier)			
[Name of the Purchaser]			
Quotation No of//			
Date of Price quotation//			
Opening date of Quotations//_ Place of Opening:			