



**INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)  
(CIVIL WORKS)**

**REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE**

**SIERRA LEONE ROADS AUTHORITY**

**TIKONKO – KPETEMA – MATTRU JONG ROAD PROJECT LOT I: KPETEMA MATTRU JONG  
(42.5Km)**

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**DATE OF ISSUE: 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2021**

1. The Government of Sierra Leone (GoSL) has received financing in the form of a Loan from the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) for the Tikonko Junction – Kpetema – Mattru Jong Road Project Lot I: Kpetema – Mattru Jong (42.5Km).
2. The Sierra Leone Roads Authority (SLRA) on Behalf of the GoSL invites international eligible Contractors (including all members of a joint venture and all Subcontractors of bidders) for the Tikonko – Kpetema – Mattru Jong Road Project Lot I: Kpetema – Mattru Jong.
3. In general, the proposed Tikonko – Kpetema – Mattru Jong Road Project aims at contributing to the economic development of national and local communities in the southern region. The project is part of GoSL's program to develop the transport sector in general and the network of the national roads in particular.

The road is the first part with a length of 72.6Km from the whole Tikonko – Junction – Mattru Jong – Tihun – Benducha Road, with a total length of 143.2km and links the provincial town of Bo, Tikonko, Bumpeh, Kpetema, Motua, Bauya and Mattru Jong that is located in the Southern Provinces of "Bo" and "Bonthe".

The project entails the upgrading of the 72.6km road length to asphaltic paved condition with a carriageway width of 7.3m and 1.5m shoulders, with wide sections at towns and viallges, and sidewalks, construction of 1 major bridge, culverts, as well as utility diversion and the mitigation of the environmental and social impacts.

The 72.6Km stretch has been divided into two Lots: Lot I – Kpetema – Mattru Jong 42.5Km and Lot II –Tikonko Junction – Kpetema 30.1Km.

The scope of the works includes preliminaries (site preparation, establishment of camp sites, etc.), earthworks, pavement layers and pavement works, drainage structures, road furniture, day works and ancillary.

Time of completion of the project is 36 Calendar months with a 12 Months Defect Liability Period.

4. Eligible Applicants may obtain further information from, and inspect and acquire the Bidding Documents, at:

**Address:**

**Attn: Director of Procurement  
Sierra Leone Roads Authority  
PMB 1324 Kissy  
Freetown  
Sierra Leone  
Tel: 232226565  
Fax: 232-22-222346  
Email: saloneroads@gmail.com**

5. Bidders may obtain a complete set of bidding documents at the above office starting from 9:00 – 4:30 Mondays - Fridays and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **500 US\$ (Five Hundred US dollars)** or **Le5,222,500.00 (Five Million, Two Hundred and Twenty-Two Thousand, Five Hundred Leones)**. Payment shall be made in cash, bank certified check or telegraphic transfer to the Employer's Bank Account in the **Rokel Commercial Bank** through **Account No. 02-011544957 SLRA Highway Maintenance Account**.

The document will be sent by registered airmail if required so by the bidder but under no circumstances will the procuring entity be held responsible for late delivery or loss of the documents so mailed.

6. Bidding will be conducted through the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedure specified in the bidding documents, and is open to all eligible bidders. The minimum General and Specific Construction Experience is as shown below:

**Tikonko Junction – Kpetema – Mattru Jong Road Project Lot I: Kpetema – MattruJong (42.5Km)**

Item No.	Qualification Criteria	Minimum Requirement			
1	Annual Construction Turnover	USD 37.8 Million (Average Construction Turnover)			
2	Liquid Asset /Cash Flow requirement	USD 7.0 Million			
3	General Construction Experience	10 Years firm Experience in Construction			
4	Specific Construction Project Experience	Four (4) new <b>Asphalt Concrete (AC)</b> road construction or rehabilitation or upgrading each with a value of <b>USD 30.0 Million</b> within the last ten (10) years that has been successfully and substantially completed (80% Completed)			
5	Specific Construction Experience in Key Activities	Item No.	Item Description	Unit	Quantity
		1	Earthwork; Cut & Borrow to Fill, Cut to Spoil (Common and Intermediate/ Rock Excavation)	M <sup>3</sup> /year	1,100,000.00
		2	Crushed Sub base	M <sup>3</sup> /year	75,000.00
		3	Crushed Stone base	M <sup>3</sup> /year	70,000.00
		4	Asphalt Concrete (AC) Surface Dressing	M <sup>2</sup> /year	280,000.00

7. The bidding procedure to be followed is a two-envelope procedure. The post-qualification documents and financial offers should be sealed in two separate envelopes. The first envelope containing the post-qualification application and bid security is clearly marked "**Post Qualification Application and Bid Security**" and the second envelope that contains the offer is marked "**Submission of Offer**" for the **Tikonko Junction – Kpetema – Mattru Jong Road Project: Lot I Kpetema – Mattru Jong (42.5Km)** respectively and the two envelopes shall also be enclosed by an outer envelope marked "**Post Qualification Application and Offer for Tikonko Junction – Kpetema – Mattru Jong Road Project: Lot I Kpetema – Mattru Jong (42.5Km)**"

Evaluation is also to be carried out in two stages, the post qualification application and the bid security will be opened first and the qualification evaluation will be undertaken. The bid that are responsive to the minimum post qualification criteria will be opened for further evaluation.

The offers of those bidders who fail the minimum qualification criteria shall be returned unopened after the award of contract.

8. The Employer will arrange a group site visit, which will be conducted on *10<sup>th</sup> December, 2021*. Hence, the bidders are invited to participate in the site visit. Failure of the bidder to visit the site at the group site visit date or by his own will in no circumstances allow the bidder to claim that insufficient information regarding the site was available at bid stage. Bidders are also invited to attend a pre-bid meeting, which will take place at the following on *10<sup>th</sup> December, 2021* at Mattru Jong.
9. All bids must be accompanied by a security in the form and amount specified in the bidding documents, and delivered to:

**The Director of Procurement  
Sierra Leone Roads Authority  
PMB 1324 Kissy  
Freetown  
Sierra Leone  
Tel: 232226565  
Fax: 232-22-222346  
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On /or before *17<sup>th</sup> January 2021*

The Bids shall be prepared in one original and four copies. Bids must be accompanied by a bid security of **USD 1,000,000.00 (United States Dollar: One Million)** or Equivalent in a format acceptable to the Employer. Late bids will be rejected. Post-Qualification Application and Bid security of the bidders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the Procurement Committee and bidders' representatives who choose to attend on the final date and time of bid submission and at the address stated here above.

10. The Sierra Leone Roads Authority (SLRA) reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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