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Through**



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**NOTICE INVITING TENDERS (NIT)
FOR
HIRING OF AGENCY FOR PROVIDING HIV-1 VIRAL LOAD TESTING
SERVICES**

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- (1) National AIDS Control Organization (NACO), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India intends to engage services of an Agency for providing HIV-1 Viral Load Testing Services to PLHIV through 527 ART Centres spread over the length & breadth of the country. Such services are currently being operated through Viral Testing Centres at 10 Govt. Healthcare Facilities. The primary objective of this service is to plan, schedule, collect blood samples of PLHIV associated with the ART Centres, transport samples under controlled conditions, test the samples at facilities established or to be established by the selected Agency, reporting the results to the concerned ART Centres and NACO and updating the test reports on IMS application software maintained by NACO. The detailed Scope of Services are given in Chapter-III of the Bid Documents.
- (2) Strategic Alliance Management Services Private Limited (SAMS), acting as Procurement Agent on behalf of NACO, now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for providing HIV-1 Viral Load Testing Services.
- (3) Bidding will be conducted through the 'Advertized Tender Enquiry' method and procedures as set out in the 'General Financial Rule – 2005' and 'Manual of Policies and Procedure of Employment of Consultants and for Purchase of Goods' issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India.
- (4) Interested Bidders may obtain further information from the office of SAMS and inspect the Bid Documents at the address given above from 1000 to 1600 hrs. (IST) on all working days.
- (5) A complete set of Bid Documents may be purchased by interested bidders upon submission of a written application and payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 5,000/- from the address mentioned above from 01/09/2016 to 14/10/2016. The Bid Documents will be sent by courier on payment of an extra amount of Rs 500/-, if requested by mail. Bidders can also download the Bid Documents from any of the websites of SAMS, NACO and Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP) i.e. <http://www.samsconsult.com/procurement.php>, or www.naco.gov.in or <http://eprocure.gov.in/cppp/>. The bidders who have downloaded the Bid Documents from any of the above websites are also required to submit non-refundable Bid Documents fee of Rs.5,000/- along with their bid. The payment of Bid Documents fee can be made by Demand Draft/ Cashier's Cheque / Certified Cheque in favour of Strategic Alliance Management Services Pvt. Ltd. payable at Delhi (India).
- (6) SAMS will only evaluate the bids accompanied with the Bid Documents Fee, as stated in Para 5, above.

- (7) The bidders, who have downloaded the Bid Documents, shall be solely responsible for checking above websites for any addendum/amendment issued subsequent to publication of this NIT and take the same into consideration while preparing and submitting their bids.
- (8) The bidders or their official representatives are invited to attend a pre-bid meeting which will take place at 1500 hours on 21st Sept, 2016 at the address mentioned above. Please note that non-attendance at the pre-bid meeting will not be the cause of disqualification of the bidders. In case the bidder deposes an agent to attend the pre-bid meeting, the Client will be informed in writing by the bidder. In addition, the bidder will ensure that such agent does not work simultaneously for several competing bidders.
- (9) Bidders should send their written requests for clarification, if any up to 1700 hours on 20th Sept, 2016.
- (10) Bids must be delivered up to 1430 hours on 14th Oct, 2016 at the address mentioned above. The technical bids will be opened on the same day at 1500 hrs. in the presence of the bidders' representatives, who choose to attend the technical bid opening.
- (11) All bids must be accompanied by Bid Documents Fee as mentioned above in Para 5 and Bid Security as specified in ITB Para 16 of the Bid Documents. Late bids will be rejected..

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