



The First Microfinance Bank Afghanistan (FMFB-A)

Request for Proposal For Procurement of Oracle Hardware Parts

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1. Statement of Work

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to invite prospective Bidders to submit a proposal for supplying the Oracle hardware parts to FMFB-A.

1.2 Coverage and Participation

The intended coverage of this RFP, and any agreement resulting from this solicitation, shall be for the use of all departments at FMFB-A. FMFB-A reserves the right not to enter into any contract, to add and/or delete elements, or to change any element of the agreement and participation at any time without prior notification and without any liability or obligation of any kind or amount.

2. General Information

2.1 Original RFP Document

FMFB-A shall retain the RFP, and all related terms and conditions, exhibits and other attachments, in original form in an archival copy. Any modification of these, in the vendor's submission, is grounds for immediate disqualification.

2.2 The Bank

The First Microfinance Bank, Afghanistan (FMFB-A) started operations in 2004 and is part of the Aga Khan Agency for Microfinance (AKAM), which has financial institutions operating in over 15 countries throughout the developing world. It is affiliated with the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN), a group of nine development agencies working in health, education, culture, and rural economic development primarily in Asia and Africa.

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FMFB-A's primary objective in Afghanistan is to contribute to poverty alleviation and economic development through the provision of sustainable financial services to the poor and underserved. FMFB-A is a member of the Global Alliance for Banking on Values (GABV) – an independent network of banks using finance to deliver sustainable economic, social, and environmental development.

2.3 Schedule of Events

The following is a tentative schedule that will apply to this RFP but may change in accordance with the organization's needs or unforeseen circumstances. Changes will be communicated by e-mail to all invited bidders.

Issuance of RFP	05/042022
Final Award Notification	25/04/2022

3. Proposal Preparation Instructions

3.1 Bidder's Understanding of the RFP

In responding to this RFP, the Bidder accepts the responsibility to fully understand the RFP in its entirety, and in detail, including making any inquiries to FMFB-A as necessary to gain such understanding. FMFB-A reserves the right to disqualify any Bidder who demonstrates less than such understanding. Further, FMFB-A reserves the right to determine, at its sole discretion, whether the vendor has demonstrated such understanding. That right extends to cancellation of award prior to contract signing, if an award has been made. Such disqualification and/or cancellation shall be at no fault, cost, or liability whatsoever to FMFB-A.



3.2 Good Faith Statement

All information provided by FMFB-A in this RFP is offered in good faith. Individual items are subject to change at any time. FMFB-A makes no certification that any item is without error. FMFB-A is not responsible or liable for any use of the information or for any claims asserted there from.

3.3 Communication

Verbal communication shall not be effective unless formally confirmed in writing by the specified procurement official in charge of managing this RFP process. In no case shall verbal communication govern over written communication.

3.3.1 Vendors' Inquiries. Applicable terms and conditions herein shall govern communications and inquiries between FMFB-A and Bidders as they relate to this RFP. Inquiries, questions, and requests for clarification related to this RFP are to be directed in writing to:

FMFB-A
IT Department/ Head Office, Kabul
Lane 8, Kolola Pushta Road, District 4,
Shahr-e-Naw, Kabul - Afghanistan.

Attention: Abdul Fahim Naseri
Telephone: 0093-702161416
E-mail: abdul.fahim@fmb.com.af

3.3.2 Informal communications shall include, but are not limited to: requests from/to Bidders or Bidders' representatives in any capacity, to/from any FMFB-A employee or representative of any kind or capacity with the exception for information, comments, speculation, etc. Inquiries for clarifications and information that will not require addenda may be submitted verbally to the above named at any time.

3.4 Proposal Submissions

Proposals must be delivered sealed to:

FMFB-A
IT Department/ Head Office, Kabul
Lane 8, Kolola Pushta Road, District 4
Shahr-e-Naw, Kabul - Afghanistan.

Vendors are to submit one (1) original copy of proposal marked "Original" and one (1), marked "Copy." Each original and copy must be individually bound.

3.5 Method of Award

The evaluation of each response to this RFP will be based on its demonstrated competence, compliance, format, and enterprise. The purpose of this RFP is to identify those vendors that have the interest, capability, and financial strength to supply FMFB-A with the following Scope of Work.

Following will be Evaluation Criteria but not limited to:

1. Capability of vendor to meet or exceed requirements set forth in Scope of Work.
2. Expressed interest in working with FMFB-A.
3. Financial stability of vendor.
4. Ability of vendor to communicate its vision and capacity for establishing a relationship that addresses current and future needs and trends in the industry.
5. Desirability of proposed solution.



6. Cost effectiveness

3.6 Selection and Notification

Bidders determined by FMFB-A that possess the capacity to compete for this contract will be selected to move into the negotiation phase of this process. Written notification will be sent to these vendors via mail. Those vendors not selected for the negotiation phase will not be notified.

4. Scope of Work, Specifications and Requirements:

Following parts are required by FMFB for the expansion of the current systems and for the future requirement.

HDD for Oracle Storage Drive Enclosure DE2-24P			
Sr#	Item	Description	Qty
1	HDD Type Data	300GB SAS HDD 10000RPM, Manufacturer HITACHI, Model H109030SESUN300G	10
2	HDD Type Log	186GB SAS HDD, Manufacturer HGST, Model HSCAC2DA6SUN200G	2
HDD for Oracle Storage Drive Enclosure DE3-24P			
Sr#	Item	Description	Qty
1	HDD Type Data	600GB SAS HDD 10000RPM, Manufacturer HGST, Model H101860SFSUN600G	6
2	HDD Type Data	1.2TB SAS HDD 10000RPM, Manufacturer HGST, Model H101812SFSUN1.2T	10
3	HDD Type Log	186GB SAS HDD, Manufacturer HGST, Model HBCAC2DH6SUN200G	2
Parts for Oracle SPARC T5-2			
Sr#	Item	Description	Qty
1	Power Supply	Power supply compatible with Oracle SPARC T5-2 Server	3
2	Internal Disk	300GB SAS HDD, Manufacturer HITACHI	4
3	Internal Disk	1.2TB SAS3 HDD	4
4	RAM	Type DDR3 SDRAM, Size 8G, Manufacturer Hynix Semiconductor Inc	2
Parts for Oracle SPARC T8-1			
Sr#	Item	Description	Qty
1	Power Supply	Power supply compatible with Oracle SPARC T8-1 Server	3
2	Internal Disk	1.2TB SAS HDD, Manufacturer SEGATH	6
3	RAM	Type DDR4 SDRAM, Size 32G, Manufacturer Samsung	2
Parts for Oracle SPARC T4-1			
Sr#	Item	Description	Qty
1	Power Supply	Power supply compatible with Oracle SPARC T4-1 Server	1
2	Internal Disk	300G SAS HDD, Manufacturer HITACHI	1
3	RAM	Size 8G, Manufacturer Hynix Semiconductor Inc	
Parts for Oracle SPARC X4-2			
Sr#	Item	Description	Qty
1	Power Supply	Power supply compatible with Oracle SPARC X4-2 Server	1
2	Internal Disk	300G SAS HDD, Manufacturer HITACHI	1
Parts for Oracle Switch ES1-24			
Sr#	Item	Description	Qty
1	Power Supply	Power supply compatible with Oracle SPARC Switch ES1-24	2
2	FAN	Both Rear and Front FAN Compatible with Oracle Switch ES1-24	3



Eligibility Criteria:

Only those Bidders, who fulfill the following criteria, are eligible to respond to the RFP. Bids received from the bidders who do not fulfill any of the following eligibility criteria are liable to be rejected.

- 1. The bidder should be a legal entity registered inside or outside Afghanistan.
- 3. The bidder must submit the Manufacturer’s authorization letter (i.e. MAF) from Oracle.
- 4. Bidder must submit the following
- 5. Any amount transfer related charges should be beard by the vendor if not having account with FMFB-A
- 6. FMFB-A as customer shall have full access to support identifier for contacting Oracle in case of any technical problem without any dependency on the partner

- a) Letter of Proposal.
- b) Authorization for signing all the documents related to RFP as per the template.
- c) Authorization letter from Oracle authorizing the vendor to submit the bid for Renewal of Oracle Licenses as mentioned in the RFP.
- a) Indicative Commercial bid

5. Bidder Certification

This certification attests to the Bidder’s awareness and agreement to the content of this RFP and all accompanying calendar schedules and provisions contained herein.

The Bidder must ensure that the following certificate is duly completed and correctly executed by an authorized officer of your company.

This proposal is submitted in response to RFP issued by FMFB-A. The undersigned is a duly authorized officer, hereby certifies that:

(Bidder Name) _____

agrees to be bound by the content of this proposal and agrees to comply with the terms, conditions, and provisions of the referenced RFP and any addenda thereto in the event of an award. Exceptions are to be noted as stated in the RFP. The proposal shall remain in effect for a period of thirty (30) calendar days as of the Due Date of the RFP.

The undersigned further certify that their firm (check one):

- IS
- IS NOT

Currently debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment by any Govt./other entity. The undersigned agree to notify FMFB-A of any change in this status, should one occur, until such time as an award has been made under this procurement action.

Person(s) authorized to negotiate on behalf of this firm for purposes of this RFP are:

Name:	_____	Title:	_____
Signature:	_____	Date:	_____
Name:	_____	Title:	_____
Signature:	_____	Date:	_____



Signature of Authorized Officer:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____