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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM
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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

INVITATION TO QUOTE

Quotation Number: Q 26 EDTEA 2026/2027

DESCRIPTION: APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT AN IMPACT EVALUATION OF THE INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES PROGRAMME FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (05) MONTHS

Compulsory Briefing Session: APPLICABLE

VENUE	TIME	DATE
217 BURGER STREET, (CALDER HOUSE), TOURISM BUILDING PIETERMARITZBURG	10:00PM	07 OCTOBER 2026

Queries relating to the issue of these documents may be addressed to Admin Office Tel. No. (033) 264 2579/2862: e-mail bids@kznedtea.gov.za

Closing Date: 14 OCTOBER 2026

Closing Time: 15:00

Method of submission: DOCUMENTS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT GROUND FLOOR FOYER, 270 JABU NDLOVU STREET PIETERMARITZBURG

N.B. Bidders are hereby advised that, upon submission of bids or quotations, they will be required to sign the official submission register at the reception. It is the responsibility of each bidder to ensure timely arrival to complete this process without delay.

N.B Bidders must ensure that their appointed couriers or drivers are fully informed of the submission requirements and procedures outlined herein, including the obligation to sign the official submission register upon delivery.

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SECTION A (PART A: INVITATION TO QUOTE)

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF TH(EDTEA)					
BID NUMBER:	Q26 EDTEA 26/27	CLOSING DATE:	14 OCTOBER 2026	CLOSING TIME:	15:00
DESCRIPTION	APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT AN IMPACT EVALUATION OF THE INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES PROGRAMME FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (05) MONTHS				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
270 JABU NDLOVU STREET, PIETERMARITZBURG					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	ADMIN OFFICE		CONTACT PERSON	NTOMBIZETHU HLOBISILE MHLONGO	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	(033) 264 2731/2864		TELEPHONE NUMBER	063 293 6713	
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	bids@kznedtea.gov.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	Zethu.Mhlongo@kznedtea.gov.za	
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?		☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?				☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?				☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?				☐ YES ☐ NO	
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?				☐ YES ☐ NO	
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?				☐ YES ☐ NO	
IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.					

PART B: TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING**1. BID SUBMISSION:**

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
- 1.2. **ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.**
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. **THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).**

2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
- 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE."

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

DATE:

SECTION B: LIST OF ALL RETURNABLE & COMPULSORY DOCUMENTS

The bidder shall complete and submit the following returnable schedules and documents:

Section/ Schedule	Description	Compulsory (Yes / No)	Non-Submission will render bidders non-responsive (Yes/No)	Compulsory (Yes / No) For Quotation Evaluation Purposes	Yes	No	N/A
Prospective Service Providers MUST complete the following as per the QUOTATION document:							
Part A	Invitation to BID (SBD 1)	Yes	Yes				
Part B	Terms and Conditions for bidding (SBD 1)	Read Only					
Section C	Special Instructions regarding completion of bid	Read only					
Section D	Registration on Central Suppliers Database	Read Only					
Section E	Declaration that information on Central Suppliers database is correct and up to date	Yes	Yes				
Section F	Pricing Schedule (SBD 3)	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Section G	Quotation Offer	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Section H	Bidder's disclosure form (SBD4)	Yes	Yes				
Section I	Preference Points Claim Form In terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022.			Yes If Applicable			
Section J	Applicable Compulsory official briefing	Yes	Yes				
Section K	Questionnaire Replies - To be only included when BIDs for goods are involved.			Yes If applicable			
Section L	Special Conditions of Contract	Read only					
Section M	General Conditions of Contract	Read only					
Section N	Authority to Sign a BID	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Section O	Schedule variations from good and services information			Yes If applicable			
Annexure A	Terms of Reference						
Annexure B	Evaluation Grid						
Annexure C	CV Format						
Annexure D	Statement of exclusivity and availability						

SECTION C: SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES TO BIDDERS REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF BIDDING FORMS

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO TREASURY REGULATIONS 16A ISSUED IN TERMS OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT, 1999, THE KWAZULU-NATAL SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK.

1. Unless inconsistent with or expressly indicated otherwise by the context, the singular shall include the plural and visa versa and with words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and the neuter.
2. Under no circumstances whatsoever may the bid forms be retyped or redrafted. Photocopies of the original bid documentation may be used, but an original signature must appear on such photocopies.
3. The bidder is advised to check the number of pages and to satisfy himself that none are missing or duplicated.
4. Bids submitted must be complete in all respects.
5. Bids shall be lodged at the address indicated not later than the closing time specified for their receipt, and in accordance with the directives in the bid documents.
6. Each bid shall be addressed in accordance with the directives in the bid documents and shall be lodged in a separate sealed envelope, with the name and address of the bidder, the bid number and closing date indicated on the envelope. The envelope shall not contain documents relating to any bid other than that shown on the envelope. If this provision is not complied with, such bids may be rejected as being invalid.
7. All bids received in sealed envelopes with the relevant bid numbers on the envelopes are kept unopened in safe custody until the closing time of the bids. Where, however, a bid is received open, it shall be sealed. If it is received without a bid number on the envelope, it shall be opened, the bid number ascertained, the envelope sealed and the bid number written on the envelope.
8. A specific box is provided for the receipt of bids, and no bid found in any other box or elsewhere subsequent to the closing date and time of bid will be considered.
9. No bid sent through the post will be considered if it is received after the closing date and time stipulated in the bid documentation, and proof of posting will not be accepted as proof of delivery.
10. No bid submitted by telefax, telegraphic or other electronic means will be considered.
11. Bidding documents must not be included in packages containing samples. Such bids may be rejected as being invalid.
12. Any alteration made by the bidder must be initialed.
13. Use of correcting fluid is prohibited.
14. Use of erasable pen is prohibited.
15. Bids will be opened in public as soon as practicable after the closing time of bid.
16. Where practical, prices are made public at the time of opening bids.
17. If it is desired to make more than one offer against any individual item, such offers should be given on a photocopy of the page in question. Clear indication thereof must be stated on the schedules attached.
18. Bidder must initial each and every page of the bid document.

SECTION D: REGISTRATION ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIERS DATABASE

1. In terms of the National Treasury Instruction Note, all suppliers of goods and services to the State are required to register on the Central Suppliers Database.
2. Prospective suppliers should self-register on the CSD website www.csd.gov.za
3. If a business is registered on the Database and it is found subsequently that false or incorrect information has been supplied, then the Department may, without prejudice to any other legal rights or remedies it may have;
 - 3.1 Cancel a bid or a contract awarded to such supplier, and the supplier would become liable for any damages if a less favorable bid is accepted or less favorable arrangements are made.
4. **The same principles as set out in paragraph 3 above are applicable should the supplier fail to request updating of its information on the Central Suppliers Database, relating to changed particulars or circumstances.**
5. IF THE SUPPLIER IS NOT REGISTERED AT THE CLOSING TIME OF BID, THE SUPPLIER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AT THE BID EVALUATION PROCESS.

SECTION E: DECLARATION THAT INFORMATION ON CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE IS CORRECT AND UP TO DATE

(To be completed by bidder)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I (name of bidder/authorized representative), WHO

REPRESENTS (state name of bidder)CSD Registration

Number.....

AM AWARE OF THE CONTENTS OF THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE WITH RESPECT TO THE BIDDER'S DETAILS AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION, AND THAT THE SAID INFORMATION IS CORRECT AND UP TO DATE AS ON THE DATE OF SUBMITTING THIS BID.

AND I AM AWARE THAT INCORRECT OR OUTDATED INFORMATION MAY BE A CAUSE FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF THIS BID FROM THE BIDDING PROCESS, AND/OR POSSIBLE CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT THAT MAY BE AWARDED ON THE BASIS OF THIS BID.

.....
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER OR AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

DATE:

SECTION F: PRICING SCHEDULE
(Professional Services)

SBD 3.3

Name of bidder.....	Bid number: Q 26 EDTEA 2026/2027
Closing Time 15:00	Closing date: 14 OCTOBER 2026

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 60 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY WITH ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)

- The accompanying information must be used for the formulation of proposals
- Bidders are required to indicate a ceiling price based on the total estimated time for completion of all phases and including all expenses inclusive of all applicable taxes for the project. R.....

- PERSONS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT AND RATES APPLICABLE (CERTIFIED INVOICES MUST BE RENDERED IN TERMS HEREOF)

4. PERSON AND POSITION	HOURLY RATE	DAILY RATE
.....	R.....	
.....	R.....	
.....	R.....	
.....	R.....	
.....	R.....	

- PHASES ACCORDING TO WHICH THE PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED, COST PER PHASE AND MAN-DAYS TO BE SPENT

.....	R.....	
.....	R.....	days
.....	R.....	days
.....	R.....	days
.....	R.....	days
.....	R.....	days

- Travel expenses (specify, for example rate/km and total km, class of airtravel, etc). Only actual costs are recoverable. Proof of the expenses incurred must accompany certified invoices.

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
.....			R
.....			
.....			R
.....			
.....			R
.....			
.....			R
.....			
TOTAL: R.....			

** "all applicable taxes" includes value- added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies.

Travel expenses (specify, for example rate/km and total km, class of airtravel, etc). Only actual costs are recoverable. Proof of the expenses incurred must accompany certified invoices.

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSE TO BE INCURRED	RATE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
.....			R
.....			
.....			R
.....			
.....			R
.....			
.....			R
.....			
.....			R
.....			

TOTAL: R.....

6. Period required for commencement with project after acceptance of bid
7. Estimated man-days for completion of project
8. Are the rates quoted firm for the full period of contract? *YES/NO
9. If not firm for the full period, provide details of the basis on which adjustments will be applied for, for example consumer price index.
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***[DELETE IF NOT APPLICABLE]**

Any enquiries regarding bidding procedures may be directed to the –

(INSERT NAME AND ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT/ENTITY)

Tel:

Or for technical information –

(INSERT NAME OF CONTACT PERSON)

Tel:

SECTION G: QUOTATION OFFER

(To be completed by Bidder)

QUOTATION NUMBER: Q 26 EDTEA 2026/2027

18.1.1 QUOTATION PRICE INCLUDING VAT: R.....

18.1.2 AMOUNT IN WORDS:

.....

18.1.3 TIME FOR COMPLETION/ DELIVERY:calendar months

NAME OF BIDDER:**SIGNATURE****DATE:**

.....

.....

.....

FOR OFFICE PURPOSES ONLY**IMPORTANT****Mark appropriate block with "X"**

1. HAVE ANY ALTERATIONS BEEN MADE? YES NO

2. HAS AN ALTERNATIVE BID BEEN SUBMITTED? YES NO

3. **IF APPLICABLE:** DID THE BIDDER ATTEND THE OFFICIAL BRIEFING SESSION/ COMPULSORY SITE INSPECTION? YES NO

SECTION H: BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE**1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM**

Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state? **YES/NO**

2.1.1. If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

2.2. Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1. If so, furnish particulars:

.....

2.3. Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

.....

¹ the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

3 DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, (name)..... In submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.5 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.6 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 3.7 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

..... Signature	 Date
..... Position	 Name of bidder

² Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

SECTION I: PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2022

This preference form must form part of all tenders invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for specific goals.

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, TENDERERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF THE TENDER AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:
- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.2 **To be completed by the organ of state**

- a) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the 80/20 preference point system.

1.3 Points for this tender (even in the case of a tender for income-generating contracts) shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
- (b) Specific Goals.

1.4 **To be completed by the organ of state:**

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
SPECIFIC GOALS	20
Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS	100

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.

- 1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) **“tender”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;
- (b) **“price”** means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (c) **“rand value”** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of quotation invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;
- (d) **“tender for income-generating contracts”** means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and
- (e) **“the Act”** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20 or 90/10

$$Ps = 80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad Ps = 90 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

3.2. FORMULAE FOR DISPOSAL OR LEASING OF STATE ASSETS AND INCOME GENERATING PROCUREMENT

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20 or 90/10

$$Ps = 80 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad Ps = 90 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

4.1. In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:

4.2. In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—

(a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or

(b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system,

Table 1: Specific goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.

(Note to organs of state: Where either the 90/10 or 80/20 preference point system is applicable, corresponding points must also be indicated as such.)

Note to tenderers: The tenderer must indicate how they claim points for each preference point system.)

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)	Documents to be submitted to claim points
Preference Goal 1-HDI			
African	5		Completed ownership demographic form, CIPC Certificate and completed SBD 6.1
Women	5		Completed ownership demographic form, CIPC Certificate and completed SBD 6.1
People Living with disability	5		Completed ownership demographic form, Doctor's medical/disability certificate and CIPC Certificate

Preference Goal 2-RDP

Geographical Location (KZN based)	5		Completed ownership demographic form, CIPC Certificate and completed SBD 6.1, Utility bill/letter, letter from ward councilor/lease agreement/account statement
Total	20		

4.3. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- ☐ One-person business/sole propriety
- ☐ Close corporation
- ☐ Public Company
- ☐ Personal Liability Company
- ☐ (Pty) Limited
- ☐ Non-Profit Company
- ☐ State Owned Company

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

4.4. I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims

are correct;

- iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
- (a) disqualify the person from the tendering process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) recommend that the tenderer or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution, if deemed necessary

..... SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)	
SURNAME AND NAME:	
DATE:	
ADDRESS:	
	
	

OWNERSHIP DEMOGRAPHIC SCHEDULE

✓ Kindly provide the percentage ownership for each owner according to the following demographic categories; African Male, African Female, Coloured Male, Coloured Female, Indian Male, Indian Female, White Male, White Female, Youth, Disabled, Co-operative and Other.

NO.	ID NUMBER	% AFRICAN		% COLOURED		% INDIAN		% WHITE		% YOUTH	% DISABLED	% COOPERATIVE	% OTHER (Specify)
		MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMAL E	MALE	FEMAL E				
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TOTAL													



SECTION: J OFFICIAL BRIEFING SESSION/SITE INSPECTION CERTIFICATE
COMPULSORY

N. B.: THIS FORM IS ONLY TO BE INCLUDED AND COMPLETED WHEN APPLICABLE TO THE BID.

Site/building/institution involved: Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs

Bid No: Q 26 EDTEA 2026/2027

Service: APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE PROVIDER TO CONDUCT AN IMPACT EVALUATION OF THE INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES PROGRAMME FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (05) MONTHS

<u>Venue:</u>		<u>Time:</u>
217 BURGER STREET, (CALDER HOUSE), TOURISM BUILDING PIETERMARITZBURG	7 OCTOBER 2026	10H00AM

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT (NAME).....ON BEHALF OF.....
ATTENDED THE OFFICIAL BRIEFING ON..... (DATE)AND IS THEREFORE FAMILIAR WITH THE
CIRCUMSTANCES AND THE SCOPE OF THE SERVICE TO BE RENDERED.

.....
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER OR AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE
(PRINT NAME)

DATE:

.....
SIGNATURE OF DEPARTMENTAL REPRESENTATIVE
(PRINT NAME)

DEPARTMENTAL STAMP:
(OPTIONAL)

DATE:

SECTION K: QUESTIONNAIRE REPLIES

1. Are the prices/rates quoted firm?
2. Is the delivery period stated firm?
3. How will delivery be affected?
4. Is the equipment guaranteed for a minimum period of five months?.....
5. Are you the accredited agents in the RSA for the manufacture/supply of the goods offered by you?
.....
6. What is the address in the RSA (preferably in the Province of KwaZulu-Natal) where machine/goods as offered by you
can be inspected under working conditions?
7. What is the approximate value of spares carried in stock in the RSA for this particular make and model of machine?
.....
8. Where is stock held?
9. What facilities exist for the servicing of the machine/goods offered?
.....
10. Where are these facilities available?
11. What are the names and addresses of the factories where the goods will be manufactured and, if required, inspected?
.....
12. Is a special import permit require.....

.....
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER
(PRINT NAME)

.....
DATE

N.B.: THIS FORM IS ONLY TO BE INCLUDED AND COMPLETED WHEN APPLICABLE TO THE QUOTATION

SECTION L: SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

This quotation is subject to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act and the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022; the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and the following applicable other Special Conditions of Contract.

The offers must remain valid for a period of 60 days from the closing date of the submission of quotations.

1. CONTRACT PERIOD

1.1 05 months from the signing of Service Level Agreement

2. EVALUATION CRITERIA

There are *Four (4)* main stages in the selection process, namely, ensuring that quotations comply with administrative Compliance, functionality, and price and preference points (**Specific goals**); and price negotiation.

2.1 Step 1 - Administrative Compliance

Check and verify compliance with the submission and completion of compulsory quotation documents viz Part A & Part B, Sections A to O. Failure to comply with any of the sections contained in the bid document that constitute step one will render the quotations invalid.

The following documentation must be submitted:

CRITERIA			YES	NO	REMARKS
SECTION A	PART A	INVITATION TO BID (SBD 1)	X		
	PART B	TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING (SBD 1)	X		
SECTION B		LIST OF RETURNABLE AND COMPULSORY DOCUMENTS	X		
SECTION C		SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING COMPLETION OF BID			Read only
SECTION D		REGISTRATION ON CENTRAL SUPPLIERS DATABASE	X		
SECTION E		DECLARATION THAT INFORMATION ON CENTRAL SUPPLIERS	X		
SECTION F		PRICING SCHEDULE (SBD 3.3)	X		
SECTION G		BID OFFER			
SECTION H		BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE (SBD 4)	X		
SECTION I		PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM (SBD 6.1)	X		
SECTION J		APPLICABLE COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION	X		
SECTION K		QUESTIONNAIRES REPLIES	X		
SECTION L		SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT	X		
SECTION M		GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT			Read only
SECTION N		AUTHORITY TO SIGN THE BID	X		
SECTION O		SCHEDULE VARIATION FROM GOODS			If applicable

	OR SERVICES INFORMATION			
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2.2 Step 2- Functionality

This quotation will be evaluated on functionality. Bidders are to obtain a minimum qualifying score of **60%** in order to proceed to the next stage of evaluation

2.3 Step 3 - Preferential Point Evaluation

This quotation will be evaluated using the 80/20 preference point system. (SBD 6.1 to be completed in order to claim preference points as per specific goals stipulated. In order to claim points, required proof for each specific goal indicated below should be attached together with this quotation. Failure to provide documents will result in non-allocation of preference points.

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)	Documents to be submitted to claim points
Preference Goal 1-HDI			
African	5		Completed ownership demographic form, CIPC Certificate and completed SBD 6.1
Women	5		Completed ownership demographic form, CIPC Certificate and completed SBD 6.1
People Living with disability	5		Completed ownership demographic form, Doctor's medical/disability certificate and CIPC Certificate
Geographical Location (KZN based)	5		Completed ownership demographic form, CIPC Certificate and completed SBD 6.1, Utility bill/letter, letter from ward councilor/lease agreement/account statement
Total objectives	20		

2.4 Step 4 - Price negotiation

Where applicable the department reserves the right to negotiate price with the recommended bidder.

SECTION M: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

1. Definitions

The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:

- 1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
- 1.2 "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
- 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
- 1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
- 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
- 1.6 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
- 1.7 "Day" means calendar day.
- 1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
- 1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
- 1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
- 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
- 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.13 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- 1.16 "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.

- 1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 "Services" means that functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.
- 1.25 "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za

4. Standards

- 4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.

5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.

- 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the

supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.

6. Patent rights

- 6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.

7. Performance security

- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:
- v) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser's country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or
 - vi) a cashier's or certified cheque
 - vii) The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

8. Inspections, tests and analyses

- 8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.
- 8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.
- 8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 8.5 Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.
- 8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.

9. Packing

- 1.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where

appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.

- 1.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

10. Delivery and documents

1. Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC.

2. Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.

11. Insurance

1. The goods supplied under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.

12. Transportation

1. Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.

13. Incidental Services

1. The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:

- (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
- (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
- (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
- (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
- (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.

2. Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

14. Spare parts

1. As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:

- (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
- (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
 - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and
 - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested

15. Warranty

1.The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.

2.This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.

3.The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.

4.Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.

5.If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

16. Payment

1.The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.

2.The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.

3.Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.

4.Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

17. Prices

1. Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

18. Contract amendments

1.No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.

19. Assignment

1. The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.

20. Subcontracts

1.The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.

21. Delays in the supplier's performance

1. Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
2. If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
3. No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
4. The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.
5. Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.
6. Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

22. Penalties

1. Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

23. Termination for default

1. The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:
 - (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;
 - (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
 - (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
2. In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
3. Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.
4. If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days

the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.

5. Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.
6. If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
 - (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
 - (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
 - (iii) the period of restriction; and
 - (iv) the reasons for the restriction.
 - (v) These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of suppliers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.
7. If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

1. When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or antidumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him.

25. Force Majeure

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.

2. If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

26. Termination for insolvency

1. The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.

27. Settlement of Disputes

1.If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.

2.If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.

3.Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.

4.Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.

5.Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,

- (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
- (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

28. Limitation of liability

1.Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;

- (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and
- (b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

29. Governing language

1.The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.

30. Applicable law

1.The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

31. Notices

- 1. Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
- 2. The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

32. Taxes and duties

1.A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.

2.A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.

3.No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This

certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

33. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

1. The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.

34. Prohibition of Restrictive practices

1. In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
2. If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 19

SECTION N: AUTHORITY TO SIGN QUOTATION

The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by ticking the appropriate box hereunder.

(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)	
CLOSE CORPORATION	COMPANIES	SOLE PROPRIETOR	PARTNERSHIP	CO-OPERATIVE	JOINT VENTURE / CONSORTIUM	
					Incorporated	
					Unincorporated	

I/We, the undersigned, being the Member(s) of Cooperative/ Sole Owner (Sole Proprietor)/ Close Corporation/ Partners (Partnership)/ Company (Representative) or Lead Partner (Joint Venture / Consortium), in the enterprise trading as:

.....

hereby authorise Mr/Mrs/Ms **(Name & Surname)**

acting in the capacity of

whose signature is **(Signature)**

to sign all documents in connection with this bid and any contract resulting therefrom on behalf of the enterprise.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE

(If the space provided is not enough, a separate list should be attached)

Note:

Members of the enterprise must complete this form in full according to the type of enterprise, authorising the signatory to sign all documents in connection with this bid and any contract resulting therefrom on behalf of the enterprise.

Note: In a case of a Sole proprietor, a director may appoint himself/herself if they will be the one signing all documents in connection with this bid and any contract resulting therefrom on behalf of the enterprise.

SECTION 0: SCHEDULE VARIATIONS FROM GOODS OR SERVICES INFORMATION

Should the Bidder wish to make any departure from or modification in the Special Conditions of Contract, Specifications, Schedule list of Prices/ Quantities/ Drawings or to qualify the bid in any way, he/she shall indicate the proposals clearly hereunder or alternatively make photocopies of the original bid documentation.

[illegible]

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

DATE:

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

Appointment of a service provider to conduct an Impact evaluation of the Invasive Alien Species Programme for a period of 5 months

DEFINITIONS OF ACRONYMS/GLOSSARY

CARA	Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act
CV	Curriculum Vitae
DFFE	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
DPME	Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation
EDTEA	Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs
EPWP	Expanded Public Works Programme
FTE	Full-Time Equivalent
GIS	Geographic Information System
IAS	Invasive Alien Species
IASP	Invasive Alien Species Programme
KZN	KwaZulu-Natal
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
MEC	Member of the Executive Council
NEMBA	National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act
NVivo	Qualitative Data Analysis Software
OTP	Office of the Premier
PGDS	Provincial Growth and Development Strategy
POE	Portfolio of Evidence
PPPFA	Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act No 5 of 2000: Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022
PSC	Project Steering Committee
SA	South Africa
SANBI	South African National Biodiversity Institute
SLA	Service Level Agreement
SPSS	Statistical Package for the Social Sciences
TOC	Theory of Change
ToR	Terms of Reference

DEPARTMENTAL AND PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Background to invasive alien species eradication in South Africa

Invasive alien species (IAS), particularly invasive alien plants, represent one of the most significant threats to biodiversity, ecosystem functioning, and sustainable development in South Africa. According to the South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI), invasive alien plants contribute to widespread ecological degradation, reduce agricultural productivity, and place considerable pressure on already scarce natural resources. These species are estimated to cost the South African economy billions of rand annually through losses in ecosystem services and the high costs associated with their management and control.

A critical concern associated with invasive alien plants is their impact on water security, as many species consume significantly more water than indigenous vegetation. This reduces streamflow and groundwater recharge, thereby affecting both human consumption and economic activities such as agriculture and industry. In addition, invasive species increase the intensity and frequency of wildfires, degrade soil quality, and displace indigenous biodiversity, ultimately undermining ecosystem resilience and climate change adaptation efforts.

SANBI further emphasises the importance of early detection and rapid response in managing invasive species. Emerging invasive plants, particularly those classified under Category 1a of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act (NEMBA) Alien and Invasive Species Regulations, require compulsory control and eradication to prevent their establishment and spread. Other categories (such as 1b, 2, and 3) require varying levels of control and regulation, providing a structured policy framework for invasive species management in South Africa.

In response to these challenges, invasive alien plant clearing programmes have been implemented as a key component of the country's natural resource management strategy. The Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE), through its biodiversity and natural resource management initiatives, highlights that clearing programmes are not only essential for environmental conservation and ecosystem restoration, but also serve as an important vehicle for inclusive economic development.

These programmes deliver multiple socio-economic benefits, including job creation, poverty alleviation, and skills development, particularly in rural and marginalised communities. As part of broader public employment initiatives such as the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP), invasive alien plant clearing contributes to improving livelihoods while simultaneously restoring ecological infrastructure. This integrated approach positions invasive species management at the intersection of environmental sustainability and socio-economic development.

Within this national and provincial context, the IASP implemented by the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs (EDTEA) seeks to address the dual mandate of biodiversity conservation and inclusive economic growth. The programme focuses on the clearing and management of invasive alien species across priority areas in the province, while creating employment opportunities and building local capacity through training and skills development.

The Invasive Alien Species Programme (IASP) in KZN EDTEA

Within KwaZulu-Natal, the programme identifies priority areas through physical verification of the occurrence of invasive alien species in all municipalities in the province, which includes density, identification of biodiversity corridors, determination of poverty nodes, and other indicators, using GIS-based modelling and risk assessment tools, and then designs multi-year

clearing and follow-up plans. Its core objectives are to prevent, contain/control, and reduce invasive species, and restore ecosystem function. The implementation of EPWP in KZN applies a labour-intensive approach, which implies the creation of targets for employment of participants/beneficiaries, training of such participants, and measurement of the impact of clearing activities.

Projects are implemented across all district municipalities except for eThekweni District, and in both protected and non-protected areas. The Biodiversity Management Directorate typically implements projects outside protected areas, while Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, an entity of the Department, manages work within protected areas including nature reserves. Clearing activities employ a variety of methods including mechanical clearing (cut-stump, ring-barking, hand-pulling), appropriate herbicide application, and, where feasible, biological control. Clearing teams conduct initial clearing operations, leading to follow-up operations in order to prevent re-infestation. As a norm, two follow-up sessions are advisable to ensure the effectiveness of clearing operations. Where large invasive plants such as eucalyptus, pine, and wattle have been cleared, biomass is used in value-adding projects such as eco-furniture or eco-coffins.

As an EPWP environmental programme, IASP is intentionally labour-intensive. Local EPWP contractors and workers are recruited according to EPWP guidelines, with targets for women, youth, and people with disabilities. Besides wages, participants often receive training in health and safety, financial management, environmental awareness, and technical invasive-species control skills, improving their longer-term employability.

Recent provincial budgeting allocated tens of millions of rand to IASP over multiple financial years, with targets on the order of 100,000 hectares of initial and follow-up clearing per year. Performance is tracked in EPWP reporting (e.g., hectares cleared, work opportunities created, person-days worked), aligning ecological outcomes with socio-economic development goals.

EDTEA IASP Theory of change

The Invasive Alien Species Programme (IASP) is implemented within a legislative and policy framework that supports environmental protection, biodiversity conservation, sustainable natural resource management and socio-economic development in South Africa. The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 provides the right to an environment that is protected and sustainably managed for present and future generations. The National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) establishes principles for environmental governance and sustainable development, while the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004) regulates the management and control of invasive alien species to protect biodiversity and ecosystems.

The Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act, 1983 (Act No. 43 of 1983) promotes the control of invasive plants, soil conservation and protection of agricultural resources, and the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) supports the protection and sustainable use of water resources through catchment management and invasive plant control. The programme is further guided by the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act No. 85 of 1993) to ensure safe working conditions during field operations, as well as the Expanded Public Works Programme Policy Framework, which promotes labour-intensive employment creation, skills development and poverty alleviation. In addition, the National Strategy for Dealing with Biological Invasions, the Provincial Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan and the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003 (Act No. 57 of 2003) support coordinated biodiversity conservation, ecosystem restoration and management of protected areas within KwaZulu-Natal.

Financial support is channeled primarily through EPWP environmental allocations and EDTEA’s Biodiversity Management budget, while technical inputs are provided through partnerships with SANBI, Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, Working for Water, municipal environmental units, and local communities.

Human resources comprise both technical officers (environmental/biodiversity specialists, site managers, and data officers) and local labour teams employed on a contractual basis. These teams receive project-related training such as herbicide application, mechanical clearing, environmental awareness, safety protocols, and chainsaw operations, ensuring that operations are both environmentally responsible and capacity-building in nature.

The IASP implements a comprehensive suite of activities structured around prevention, control, capacity building, and knowledge management:

- Prevention and early detection: identification, monitoring, and rapid response systems.
- Control and eradication: labour-intensive clearing operations using mechanical, chemical, and biological methods.
- Capacity building and training: accredited training and empowerment of beneficiaries/employees.
- Public awareness and advocacy: school programmes, community campaigns, and traditional leader engagement.
- Research and monitoring: GIS-based data management and adaptive management processes.

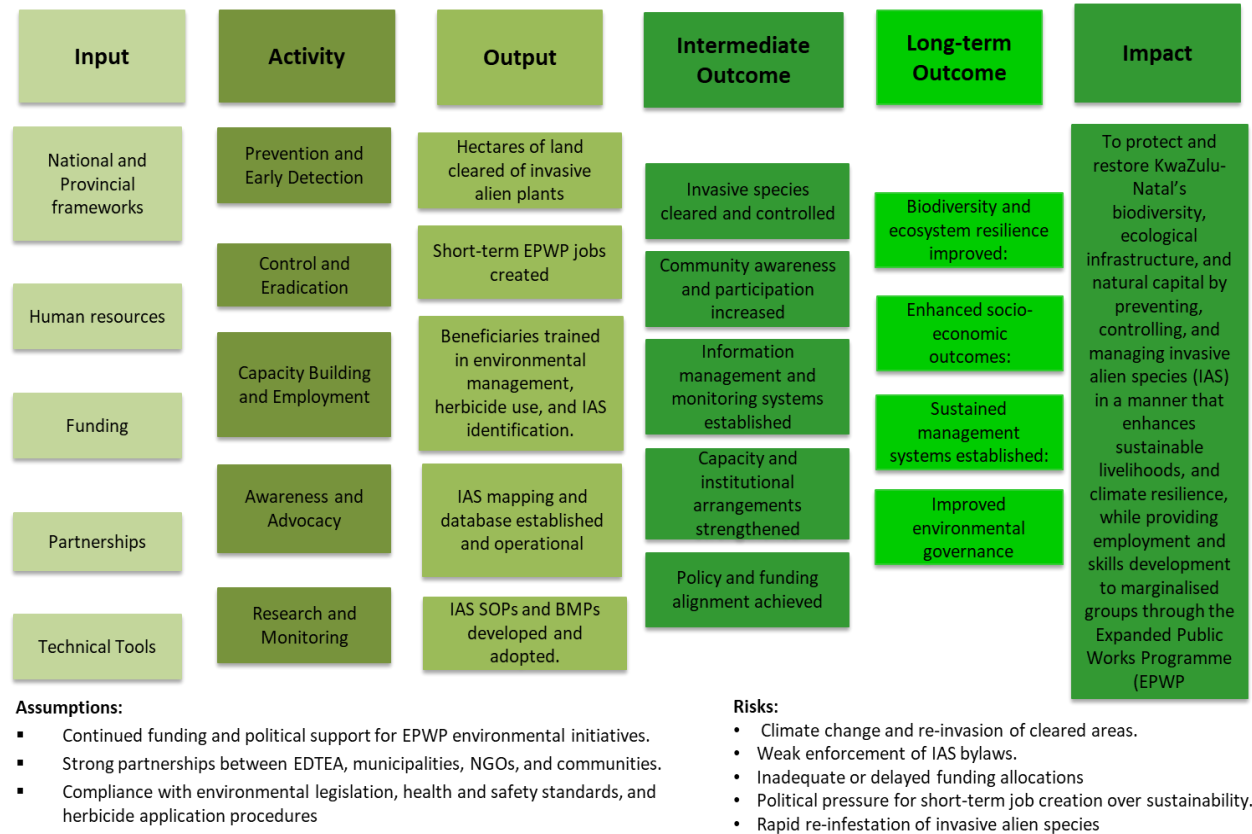


Figure 1: IASP Theory of Change

The immediate outputs include cleared hectares of invasive alien vegetation, employment created for vulnerable groups, beneficiaries trained, IAS mapping and data systems established, and awareness materials disseminated. These outputs represent both environmental gains and socio-economic benefits aligned with KwaZulu-Natal’s Provincial Growth and Development Strategy (PGDS).

In the long term, the IASP contributes to a resilient and productive natural environment that supports sustainable livelihoods, biodiversity conservation, and climate adaptation. The programme strengthens the province's ecological infrastructure, ensuring the continued provision of essential ecosystem services such as water purification, soil stability, carbon sequestration, and agricultural productivity.

The ToR rests on key assumptions: sustained funding and political support for EPWP, strong interdepartmental coordination, and community commitment to biodiversity stewardship. Risks include re-invasion of cleared areas, climate variability, weak enforcement, and competing short-term priorities.

If the IASP mobilises resources, builds capacity, enforces compliance, and coordinates across institutional levels, then invasive alien species will be reduced, ecosystems will recover, and livelihoods will be strengthened. Ultimately, KwaZulu-Natal will benefit from a greener economy, improved ecosystem services, and enhanced resilience.

IASP Reach

During the implementation period spanning from 2022/3 – 2025/6, the IASP was executed across 10 districts. The approximate number of hectares cleared is 533085, with approximately 26 221 jobs created.

Table 1: KZN IASP Reach

District	No. of teams	Hectors cleared	Jobs created
Amajuba	6	6518	321
Harry Gwala	57	55869	2748
iLembe	48	50282	2473
King Cetshwayo	90	89391	4397
Ugu	93	68905	3389
uMgungundlovu	96	90322	4443
uMkhanyakude	90	85852	4223
uMzinyathi	12	11174	550
uThukela	15	16295	802
Zululand	39	41716	2052
Various*	36	16761	824
Total	582	533085	26221

PURPOSE OF THE TOR

The purpose of the TOR is to appoint a service provider to conduct an impact evaluation of the Invasive Alien Species Programme for a period of five (05) months.

The primary purpose of this evaluation is to determine the effectiveness, efficiency, and impact of the programme in achieving its intended environmental, economic, and social outcomes, and to provide evidence-based recommendations to inform future planning and implementation.

The evaluation will be conducted over a period of five months. The appointed consultant will be required to develop an inception report outlining the proposed evaluation approach and methodology, including the development of an evaluation

matrix aligned to the ToC. The consultant will further conduct a comprehensive review of programme documentation and undertake fieldwork across selected project sites to support primary data collection and the verification of reported outcomes.

In addition, the consultant will be required to facilitate validation workshops with key stakeholders to present and confirm findings. The consultant will be responsible for managing and delivering the evaluation within the stipulated timeframe, ensuring adherence to agreed quality standards, methodological rigour, and reporting requirements.

EVALUATION OBJECTIVES

The evaluation will pursue a comprehensive set of objectives aimed at assessing the long-term environmental and socio-economic outcomes of the IASP, as well as its broader contribution to sustainable development outcomes in KwaZulu-Natal.

Environmental outcomes

The evaluation will assess the extent to which invasive species clearing interventions have resulted in meaningful and measurable restoration of ecosystems. This includes examining:

- The recovery of landscapes previously affected by invasive alien species
- The return of indigenous plant and animal species and the regeneration of natural habitats
- The enhancement of ecosystem services, such as:
 - Improved water availability and hydrological functioning
 - Increased soil quality, fertility, and erosion control
 - Strengthened ecosystem resilience and overall ecological balance

The evaluation will consider both direct results of clearing activities and indirect or long-term environmental benefits, including cumulative ecological impacts.

Socio-Economic outcomes

The evaluation will examine how the programme has contributed to improving livelihoods, reducing vulnerability, and promoting economic opportunities, particularly for communities in rural and underserved areas.

Key areas of assessment include:

- The extent of employment creation, including both short-term job opportunities and potential longer-term employment outcomes
- The effectiveness of skills development and training initiatives, including whether participants acquire skills that improve their future employability
- The impact on income generation and household well-being, including:
 - Increased income levels
 - Greater economic stability and resilience
 - Opportunities for diversifying livelihoods beyond programme participation

The evaluation will also consider the quality and fairness of socio-economic benefits.

Sustainability of outcomes

The evaluation is also to determine whether the programme's results are sustained over time.

This includes:

- Assessing whether environmental improvements are maintained after programme interventions have ended
- Evaluating the long-term sustainability of socio-economic benefits, such as continued employment or use of acquired skills
- Identifying institutional, community, or environmental factors that support or hinder sustainability
- Assessing risks that may weaken or threaten long-term outcomes

This analysis will provide important insights into the long-term value and resilience of programme investments.

Equity and Inclusion

The evaluation will assess whether the programme has been implemented in a manner that is fair, inclusive, and accessible to all target groups.

This includes:

- Analysing the participation and representation of:
 - Women
 - Youth
 - Persons with disabilities
 - Rural and marginalised communities
- Assessing whether these groups have had fair access to employment, training, and decision-making opportunities
- Evaluating how benefits are distributed across different groups
- Identifying any barriers to participation or inclusion, and opportunities to improve equitable programme delivery

The evaluation should apply a gender-sensitive and inclusive approach to ensure that differences in impact across groups are properly understood.

Lessons and Policy Relevance

The evaluation will identify key lessons and practical insights that can guide future programme development and policy decisions.

This includes:

- Identifying best practices and success factors that contributed to programme achievements
- Highlighting implementation challenges and areas for improvement
- Assessing the programme's efficiency, effectiveness, and value for money
- Developing clear and actionable recommendations to improve future performance
- Evaluating how well the programme aligns with provincial and national policies
- Identifying opportunities for scaling up, replicating, or strengthening the programme

The findings will contribute to improved policy coherence, programme design, and evidence-based planning within EDTEA and related sectors.

KEY EVALUATION QUESTIONS

Table 2: Evaluation Questions

Evaluation Criteria	Evaluation Questions
Relevance	Does the programme address priority environmental and socio-economic needs in KZN?
Equity	Has the programme equitably benefited target groups (youth, women, rural communities)?
Efficiency (Long-term)	Are the long-term benefits of the programme commensurate with the resources invested?
Impact (Environmental)	To what extent has IASP contributed to measurable improvements in ecosystem restoration, biodiversity conservation, and ecological functioning?
Impact (Socio-economic)	To what extent has the programme contributed to sustained employment, income generation, and improved livelihoods?
Sustainability	Are environmental and socio-economic benefits sustained over time?

INTENDED USERS AND USES OF THE EVALUATION

The findings of the evaluation will be utilised by key stakeholders, including

- EDTEA Programme Management (Biodiversity Management)
- Provincial Treasury
- The Office of the Premier (OTP)
- Extended Public Works Programme
- The Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) and
- Implementing agents and contractors involved in programme delivery.
- Local government (municipalities)
- Traditional authority areas
- Affected non-government organisations, associations, and individuals

- State entities (Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, SANBI, Agricultural Research Council, and others)

These stakeholders will use the evidence generated to strengthen decision-making, oversight, and strategic planning related to the Invasive Alien Species Programme at various levels.

The evaluation results will inform policy refinement by providing insights into what is working and where improvements are required. In addition, the findings will support programme redesign and potential scaling by identifying effective approaches and areas requiring adjustment. The evidence will also guide budget allocation decisions by assessing the value and impact of investments made.

SCOPE OF WORK

Working closely with the Department and relevant stakeholders involved in the implementation of the IASP. The successful evaluator will be responsible for proposing an appropriate evaluation design and methodology aligned to the purpose and objectives of the study, subject to review and approval by EDTEA.

The evaluation will require primary data collection and will adopt a mixed-methods approach, integrating both quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis techniques. Quantitative methods will be used to measure programme results, including environmental indicators and socio-economic outcomes such as employment and skills development. However, the evaluation will place strong emphasis on qualitative evidence to capture the depth and complexity of programme impacts.

This will include an in-depth exploration of changes in ecological conditions, community livelihoods, beneficiary experiences, and institutional processes related to invasive species management. The approach will enable a comprehensive understanding of how the programme has contributed to ecosystem restoration, biodiversity conservation, and socio-economic development, as well as the pathways through which these changes have occurred.

The consultant's scope of work will include:

- Survey design and planning
- Field data collection
- Data analysis and reporting
- Presentation and dissemination

Specific Deliverables

The appointed consultant will be required to produce the following deliverables, ensuring that all outputs meet high standards of quality, accuracy, and professional presentation:

Evaluation plan/ Inception Report

The Inception Report will serve as the foundation for the evaluation and must provide a clear and detailed plan for how the study will be conducted. It should include:

- A clear understanding of the assignment and its objectives
- A detailed evaluation approach and methodology
- An evaluation matrix aligned to the Theory of Change (TOC), outlining key evaluation questions, indicators, data sources, and methods
- A sampling strategy and justification

- Data collection tools and instruments (e.g., survey questionnaires, interview guides)
- A detailed work plan and timeline for all evaluation activities
- A stakeholder engagement plan
- Identified risks and proposed mitigation measures

The report must be submitted for review and approval by EDTEA before fieldwork begins.

Fieldwork Report

The Fieldwork Report will document the data collection process and provide transparency on how information was gathered. These reports should include:

- Description of fieldwork activities and locations covered
- Summary of sample achieved (e.g., number of interviews, surveys, focus groups)
- Data collection methods used (quantitative and qualitative)
- Challenges encountered during fieldwork and how they were addressed

Draft Evaluation Report

The Draft Evaluation Report will present preliminary findings of the evaluation and allow for stakeholder input. It should include:

- Executive summary of key findings
- Background and context of the programme
- Description of the evaluation methodology
- Detailed analysis of findings across all evaluation objectives (environmental, socio-economic, sustainability, inclusion, etc.)
- Interpretation of results supported by evidence (data and stakeholder insights)
- Initial conclusions and draft recommendations

This report will be shared with EDTEA and stakeholders for review, feedback, and validation.

Final Evaluation Report

The Final Evaluation Report will incorporate all feedback received and present a polished, comprehensive, and authoritative account of the evaluation. It should include:

- Refined and validated findings
- Clear and well-supported conclusions
- Practical, actionable, and prioritised recommendations
- Lessons learned and policy implications
- Visual aids such as charts, tables, and infographics to enhance understanding

The final report must be professionally written, well-structured, and suitable for use by decision-makers and policy

stakeholders.

PowerPoint Presentation

The consultant will prepare and deliver a professional presentation summarising the evaluation findings. This should include:

- Key findings and insights
- Major conclusions
- Strategic recommendations
- Visual summaries (graphs, charts, and diagrams)

The presentation will be used during stakeholder workshops and briefings to communicate results in a clear and accessible manner.

Clean and Organised Data Sets and Supporting Documents

The consultant must submit all data and materials generated during the evaluation in a well-organised and user-friendly format. This includes:

- Quantitative datasets (both raw and cleaned versions)
- Qualitative data (e.g., interview transcripts, field notes, recordings where applicable)
- Data collection tools (questionnaires, interview guides, templates)
- Codebooks, data dictionaries, and metadata explaining variables and coding systems. All data must be:
 - Fully anonymised to protect confidentiality
 - Clearly labelled and structured with consistent naming conventions
 - Provided in accessible formats (e.g., Excel, Word, PDF)

Accompanied by documentation that enables future use and analysis by EDTEA and stakeholders

Specific Tasks and Activities

The roles and responsibilities of the evaluation team are as follows:

- Lead and manage the entire evaluation process (including planning, methodology design, tool development, data collection, analysis, reporting, and dissemination)
- Develop and refine the evaluation approach in alignment with the ToR and programme objectives.
- Conduct a comprehensive review of programme documentation to inform the evaluation design.
- Train fieldworkers where necessary and ensure adherence to ethical standards.
- Coordinate and oversee fieldwork to ensure quality and timeliness of data collection.
- Conduct rigorous quantitative and qualitative data analysis to generate credible findings.
- Prepare and submit inception, fieldwork report, draft, and final evaluation reports, including actionable recommendations.
- Facilitate validation workshops and stakeholder engagements.

Duration and Phasing

The duration of the project will be a period of 5 months from the finalisation of the SLA.

THE STRUCTURE AND COMPOSITION OF THE TEAM

Given the scope and complexity of the IASP impact evaluation, the evaluation team is expected to demonstrate the following capabilities:

- Technical expertise in evaluation design and methodology
- Environmental biodiversity expertise
- Data analysis and reporting
- Cultural and contextual competence

The structure and composition of the team must clearly outline the main disciplines/ specialists of the project and the key personnel responsible for each speciality. CV's of key personnel involved in the project must clearly highlight the areas of experience/competence relevant to activities and objectives of this project as outlined above. Copies of qualifications must be submitted for verification purposes. EDTEA reserves the right to request certified copies of qualifications.

Refer to the attached Annexure B and Annexure C for CV's standard format and statement of Exclusivity for key experts. The project team should be composed of the following individuals with the relevant qualifications, skills, and experience in similar projects.

Key Expert 1: Team Leader/ Project Manager:

Skills and experience:

- Proven 7 - 10 or more years' of relevant evaluation experience and strong project management skills and in designing and implementing mixed-method evaluations incorporating quantitative, qualitative, and participatory research techniques.
- Demonstrated ability to develop appropriate sampling frameworks, data collection instruments, and comprehensive data analysis plans aligned to outcomes and impact evaluations.
- Strong understanding of evaluation methodologies, including theory-based evaluation approaches, contribution analysis, and triangulation of findings.
- Experience in managing fieldwork processes, quality assurance, data verification, and ethical research practices.
- Ability to synthesise findings into evidence-based conclusions and practical recommendations.

Key Expert 2: Environmentalist

Required qualification, skills and experience:

- Must have a minimum Bachelor's degree (NQF Level 7) in Environmental Management or Environmental Science or Environmental Studies or Natural Sciences or equivalent.
- Extensive knowledge of environmental management, biodiversity conservation, ecosystem restoration, and natural resource management principles.

- 5 – 10 years or more of proven experience in environmental or conservation programmes, particularly invasive alien species control initiatives or similar ecological restoration interventions.
- Understanding of environmental sustainability indicators, ecosystem service outcomes, and biodiversity monitoring frameworks.
- Ability to assess environmental outcomes, ecological impacts, and sustainability of programme interventions within the broader conservation and socio-economic context.

ENTERPRISE EXPERIENCE AND CREDENTIALS

To validate experience indicated hereunder, bidders must provide 3 – 5 or more reference letters from current and/or previous clients detailing the actual work completed relating to similar projects.

The bidders are to ensure that reference letters entail the information indicated below in the table:

Name of the Institution	Project Name	Project Description	Project Duration	Contact Person	Value of Project

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Enquiries and submissions are to be sent to

Deputy Director: Monitoring and Evaluation

Zethu.Mhlongo@kznedtea.gov.za

0332642524

BID REQUIREMENTS

In addition, as part of the Proposal/Bid Document, bidders are requested to submit a financial proposal,

Item No.	Description of Service	Price
1.	Inception report with a detailed implementation plan	
2.	Fieldwork report	
3.	A final report in a standard format	
4.	A presentation of the final report to EDTEA staff and partners	
5.	Key Expert 1: Team Leader/ Project Manager	
6.	Key Expert 2: Environmentalist	
7.	If there is any additional, please specify below:	
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		R
Total amount(excluding Vat		R
VAT (for VAT vendor)		R
Grand Total		R

- The financial offer must be VAT inclusive for VAT vendor service providers.
- Disbursement must be calculated at 10% of project cost.

EVALUATION PROCESS

The Evaluation Process will be conducted in the following phases:

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Administrative Compliance	Functionality Requirement	Price and Preference	Negotiation and Final Award
Compliance with Mandatory Requirements.	Bidders will be assessed to verify the capacity/capability to execute the contract or the quality aspects of goods or services required.	Bids will be evaluated using the 80/20 preference points system.	Negotiation will take place with the recommended service provider if necessary, then Final award will be made.

12.1.1. PHASE 1: MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE

CSD Registration number	The Entity must be registered as a service provider on the Central Supplier Database (CSD). If you are not registered, proceed to complete the registration of your company before submitting your proposal.
Bidder's Disclosure – SBD 4	Completed and signed
Compulsory briefing	Briefing certificate, stamped and signed by the department's representative
Authority to Sign a Bid: COMPANIES (To be completed in full)	The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by ticking the appropriate box in the authority to sign. (Details of the authorised representative and their specimen signature must be fully completed in the designated space of the form as well as details and signatures of all directors)

Authority to Sign a Bid: SOLE PROPRIETOR (ONE-PERSON BUSINESS) (To be completed in full)	The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by ticking the appropriate box in the authority to sign. A director may appoint himself/herself if they will be the one signing all documents in connection with this bid and any contract resulting therefrom on behalf of the enterprise. (Details of the authorised representative and their specimen signature must be fully completed in the designated space of the form as well as details and signatures of all directors)
Authority to Sign a Bid: CLOSE CORPORATION (To be completed in full)	The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by ticking the appropriate box in the authority to sign. A director may appoint himself/herself if they will be the one signing all documents in connection with this bid and any contract resulting therefrom on behalf of the enterprise. (Details of the authorised representative and their specimen signature must be fully completed in the designated space of the form as well as details and signatures of all directors)
Authority to Sign a Bid: CO-OPERATIVE (To be completed in full)	The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by ticking the appropriate box in the authority to sign. (Details of the authorised representative and their specimen signature must be fully completed in the designated space of the form as well as details and signatures of all directors)
Authority to Sign a Bid: JOINT VENTURE (To be completed in full)	The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by ticking the appropriate box in the authority to sign. (Details of the authorised representative and their specimen signature must be fully completed in the designated space of the form as well as details and signatures of all directors)
Authority to Sign a Bid: CONSORTIUM (To be completed in full)	The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by ticking the appropriate box in the authority to sign. (Details of the authorised representative and their specimen signature must be fully completed in the designated space of the form, as well as details and signatures of all directors)

Authority to Sign a Bid: PARTNERSHIP (To be completed in full)	The bidder must indicate the enterprise status by ticking the appropriate box in the authority to sign. (Details of the authorised representative and their specimen signature must be fully completed in the designated space of the form as well as details and signatures of all directors)
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12.1.2 PHASE 2: FUNCTIONALITY REQUIREMENTS

For bids where functionality is part of the evaluation process, they will be assessed in terms of functionality criteria stipulated hereunder. In order to progress to the next stage of evaluation, service providers must score a minimum of **60% or above** of the total points outlined in the Evaluation Grid.

EVALUATION CRITERION FOR FUNCTIONALITY:

No	Evaluation Criteria	Guidelines	Maximum Points
1	Methodology, Strategy and Approach	The service provider should demonstrate adherence to the Terms of Reference (TOR) by elaborating on the services required and demonstrating whether their proposed process meets the requirements. How does the bidder envisage undertaking this project? The bidder should set out a concise and clear plan of approach and method to be adopted for the project, identifying possible challenges and methods of overcoming the same.	30
2	Experience of the Company in execution & management of projects of a similar nature. To validate experience indicated hereunder, bidders must provide a minimum of 3–5 or more reference letters from current and/or previous clients.	The bidder's proven competency in rendering a similar service, extensive knowledge of the project proven by the number of years of experience in the industry, including history, group structure, operations, logistics and services and number of projects completed. 3 - 5 or more detailed references from clients detailing the actual work completed relating to similar projects. The reference letters must be on a company's letterhead and must include the company name, project name, project description, contactable references and contact numbers, duration of the contract and value of the contract.	30

No	Evaluation Criteria	Guidelines	Maximum Points
3	Key Experts Qualifications, Skills and Experience	Expertise, experience/qualifications of Team leader, and support personnel to be assigned to the contract. Key experts required are: Key expert 1 (Team leader or Project Leader), Key expert 2 (Environmental) Provide CV detailing experience and copies of qualifications of all key experts required. EDTEA reserves the right to request certified copies of qualification.	40
	Overall Score Total		100

12.1.3 PHASE 3: PRICE AND PREFERENCE

Bidders who obtained a minimum qualifying score of **60% or above** will progress to the next stage of price and preferential points based on the 80/20 preference points system for acquisition of goods or services with Rand Value equal to or below R50 million or the 90/10 preference points system for acquisition of goods/services with Rand Value above R50 million.

POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For this quotation, points will be allocated based on the goals stated in the table below and may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the same table.

Specific goals for the tender and points to be claimed are indicated in the table below:

Specific goals	Direct Preference Points (80/20)	Documents required to determine specific goals, respectively
Africans	5	Completed ownership demographic form, CIPC Certificate, and completed SBD 6.1
Women	5	Completed ownership demographic form, CIPC Certificate, and completed SBD 6.1
People with disability	5	Completed ownership demographic form, Doctor's Medical Certificate/Disability letter, and completed SBD 6.1
Geographical Location (KZN Based)	5	Completed ownership demographic form, Utility bill letter/ letter from the ward councilor/lease agreement, and completed SBD 6.1

Specific goals	Direct Preference Points (80/20)	Documents required to determine specific goals, respectively
Total Points for development Objectives	20	

Financial proposals will also be assessed in terms of reasonableness of cost in relation to prevailing fee guidelines, consistency with technical bid submitted and value for money.

12.1.4. PHASE 4 FINAL AWARD, NEGOTIATION

The Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs reserves the right to either NOT make an appointment and /or appoint the bidder with the highest score. The Department also reserves its right to negotiate the final price of those bids deemed technically compliant.

ANNEXURE A - Evaluation Grid
To be completed for tender by each evaluator

FUNCTIONALITY – STAGE TWO OF EVALUATION

The following points will be used for scoring:

0= Not acceptable

3 = Acceptable 4 = good

5 = Excellent

Method of calculation: Points obtained (5 or 4 or 3) x weight ÷ 5 =

Name of the bidder:

Criterion	Weight at Maximum Points	Initial assessment	Final Score
Methodology, Strategy and Approach	(30)		
<u>Scoring Guide</u> • The methodology has evidence-Based Rationale more innovative and Value Addition and cover over and above all the elements in terms of the scope of work (more than 100% of the scope) = 5 points – Excellent • The methodology has clear alignment with Project Objectives, directly supports the project's goals and expected outcomes (between 80% - 100% of the scope) = 4 points – Good • Methodology with clear demonstration of how the proposed method and plan will meet the requirements of the project between 50% - 80% of the scope) = 3 points – Acceptable • Methodology with some indication on how the proposed method will meet the requirements of the project (less than 50% of the scope) and/or it does not show how their proposal will meet the requirements of the project = 0 - Not acceptable.			
Experience of the company in execution and management of projects of a similar nature, and bidders must provide reference letters.	(30)		

Scoring Guide The bidder is to provide reference letters. • 5 Client reference letters = 5 - Excellent • 4 Client reference letters = 4 - Good • 3 Client reference letters = 3 - Acceptable • Less than 3 Client reference letters = 0 - Not acceptable EDTEA reserves the right to authenticate the validity of reference letters			
Key Expert 1 (Team Leader or Project leader): Experience	(20)		
Proven 7 - 10 or more years' of relevant evaluation experience and strong project management skills and in designing and implementing mixed-method evaluations incorporating quantitative, qualitative, and participatory research techniques Scoring Guide • Team leader or Project manager with an average of 10 years or more professional experience = 5 (Excellent) • Team leader or Project manager with an average of 9 years professional experience = 4 (Good) • Team leader or Project manager with an average of 7-8 years professional experience = 3 (Acceptable) • Team leader or Project manager with an average of less than 7 years of professional experience = 0 (Not acceptable)			
Key expert 2 (Environmentalism): Qualification and experience	(20)		
NQF Level 7 in environmental sciences/management and 5 – 10 years or more proven experience Scoring Guide • Key Expert 2 or Environmentalism average of 9 – 10 years or more professional experience with the relevant qualification = 5 (Excellent) • Key Expert 2 or Environmentalism average of 7 - 8 years of professional experience with the relevant qualification = 4 (Good) • Key Expert 2 or Environmentalism average of 5 - 6 years of professional experience with the relevant qualification = 3 – Acceptable • Key Expert 2 or Environmentalism average of less than 5 years' professional experience with or without the relevant qualification = 0 (Not acceptable)			
Total Evaluation Score	100%		
Minimum passing score	60%		

Evaluation performed by:

Name	
Signature	
Date	

STRENGTHS	
WEAKNESSES	

Definitions of ANNEXURE C

CV FORMAT

CURRICULUM VITAE MAX 3PAGES

Proposed role in the project:

1. Surname:
2. First names:
3. Date of birth:
4. Nationality:
5. Civil status:
6. Education:

Institution [Date from - Date to]	Qualification obtained:

7. Language skills: Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 basic)

Language	Read	Speak	Write

8. Membership of professional bodies: -

9. Other skills: (e.g. Computer literacy, etc.)

10. Present position:

11. Years within the firm:

12. Key qualifications/ accreditations/ registrations: (Relevant to the project)

13. Professional Experience

Date from -Date to	Location	Company	Position	Description of projects/responsibilities etc.

14. Other relevant information (e.g., Publications)

ANNEXURE D
STATEMENT OF EXCLUSIVITY AND AVAILABILITY

Statement of exclusivity and availability

Tender ref: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I agree to participate exclusively with the tenderer _____ in the above-mentioned service tender procedure. I further declare that I am able and willing to work for the period(s) foreseen for the position for which my CV has been included.

From	To

By making this declaration, I understand that I am not allowed to present myself as a candidate to any other tenderer submitting a tender to this tender procedure. I am fully aware that if I do so, I will be excluded from this tender procedure, the tenders may be rejected, and I may also be subject to exclusion from other tender procedures and contracts funded by the KZN Department of Economic Development Tourism and Environmental Affairs. Furthermore, should this tender be successful, I am fully aware that if I am not available at the expected start date of my services for reasons other than ill-health or *force majeure*, I may be subject to exclusion from other tender procedures and contracts funded by the KZN Department of Economic Development Tourism and Environmental Affairs and that the notification of award of contract to the tenderer may be rendered null and void.

Name	
Signature	
Date	