

MPUMALANGA PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT



DEPARTMENT OF PROVINCIAL TREASURY

BID NUMBER: TREA/025/26/MP

**APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SOFTWARE
DEVELOPERS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
DIGITAL SOLUTIONS FOR THE MPUMALANGA
PROVINCIAL TREASURY FOR A PERIOD OF
FIVE YEARS (60 MONTHS)**

ISSUED BY:

Department of Provincial Treasury
Private Bag X11205
Mbombela
1200

NAME OF BIDDER:

TOTAL BID PRICE (all inclusive) :

(Also in words):

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PART A
INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PROVINCIAL TREASURY					
BID NUMBER:	TREA/025/26/MP		CLOSING DATE:	18 February 2026	
DESCRIPTION	APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPERS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF DIGITAL SOLUTIONS FOR THE MPUMALANGA PROVINCIAL TREASURY FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS (60 MONTHS)				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)					
<p>MBOMBELA, Riverside Government Complex, Building No 9, Government Boulevard, Mbombela, 1200, PIET RETIEF, No. 11 Measroch Street, Piet Retief Office, KWAMHLANGA, KwaMhlanga Government Complex, Department of Finance, Building No. 12, Computer Centre SECUNDA No 5 Van Eck Street, Secunda (opposite Sasol Value Gas Garage) Secunda, 2280, BUSHBUCKRIDGE, Bushbuckridge Advice Centre, Department of Finance, Protea building (old Telkom building), MIDDLEBURG, Department of Public Works, Cnr. Lillian Ngori and Dr Beyers Naudé Streets – Old TPA Building, Upper ground floor, Office numbers A20, 21 and 25, MALELANE, 24 Air Street, Malelane, ELUKWATINI, Elukwatini Sub Regional offices, Office numbers A49 and A50 (opposite Elukwatini Community Hall) Stand number 12 Extension A, Elukwatini 1192. SIYABUSWA Old Parliament Building, Building No.1, Job Skhosana Street, Siyabuswa 0472</p>					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Ms. TC Cele		CONTACT PERSON	Mr. L Radebe	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	013 766 4119		TELEPHONE NUMBER	013 766 4380	
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	CeleTC@mpg.gov.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	LJ.Radebe@mpg.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 OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSURE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
<p>IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>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.</p>					

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:

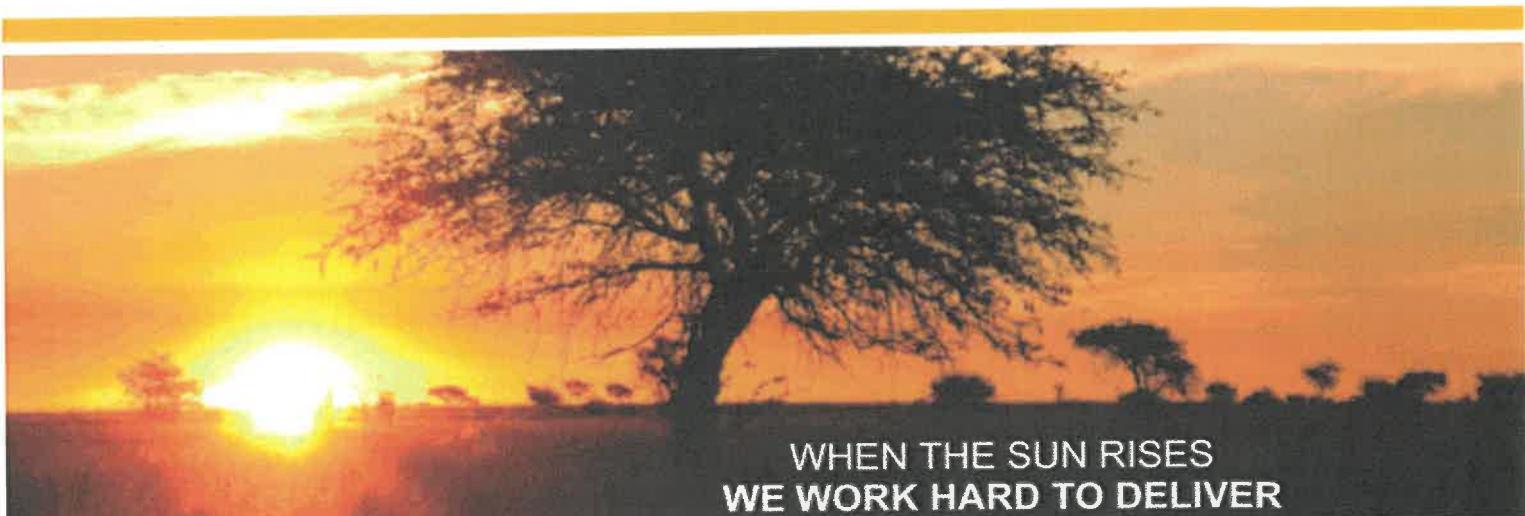
(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

DATE:



provincial treasury
MPUMALANGA PROVINCE
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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1. PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND

The Mpumalanga Provincial Government is mandated to deliver efficient, citizen-focused services while ensuring effective internal operations. Service delivery and internal operations are constrained by fragmented ICT systems, limited in-house development capacity, reliance on a small pool of vendors, and increasing compliance requirements.

There is a growing need for the development of both external-facing systems (Government to Citizens) and internal systems (Government to Employees) to improve efficiency, integration, and accessibility. Establishing a panel of pre-qualified software development service providers will enable MPG to address these gaps, the developers can be engaged on demand to enhance capacity, promote innovation, ensure cost-effectiveness, and support digital transformation and Business Process Automation initiatives.

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1. Establish a pool of pre-approved software development service providers.
- 2.2. Ensure rapid sourcing of technical expertise.
- 2.3. Improve project delivery timelines.
- 2.4. Promote digital innovation and compliance.
- 2.5. Ensure rapid in-house system development and rollout

3. SCOPE OF WORK

The Panel of Software Development service providers may be required to provide services including, but not limited to:

- 3.1. Develop and customize web, mobile, and enterprise systems.
- 3.2. Integrate existing systems and build APIs.
- 3.3. Provide database design and management.
- 3.4. Deliver system maintenance and user support.
- 3.5. UX/UI design and prototyping.
- 3.6. Develop cloud-based and emerging technology solutions.
- 3.7. Conduct testing and quality assurance.
- 3.8. Provide project documentation and handover.
- 3.9. Maintenance and support services for developed software.
- 3.10. Cybersecurity and data protection compliance.

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Service Category	Description
Business Analysis & Requirements Gathering	Eliciting, documenting, and validating business requirements; process mapping; feasibility studies.
System & Application Development	Custom development of web, mobile, desktop, and enterprise applications as per departmental needs.
Systems Integration & Interoperability	Developing APIs, middleware, and integration layers to link existing and new systems.
Database Design & Management	Database schema design, optimization, administration, performance tuning, and data migration.
Cloud Solutions	Development and deployment of cloud-based applications; hosting and infrastructure support (IaaS, PaaS, SaaS).
Emerging Technologies	Incorporation of AI, data analytics, machine learning, IoT, and automation where relevant.
UI/UX Design	User interface and experience design; prototyping; accessibility compliance.
Testing & Quality Assurance	Unit testing, integration testing, system testing, UAT support, performance testing, and security testing.
Cybersecurity & Compliance	Ethical hacking, penetration testing, secure coding, vulnerability assessments, compliance with POPIA and other ICT security standards.
Maintenance & Support Services	Ongoing bug fixing, patches, enhancements, version upgrades, and helpdesk support.
Documentation	Technical specifications, system design documents, API references, user manuals, and quick guides.
Training & Knowledge Transfer	Training for employees, administrators, and technical staff; capacity building; preparation of training materials.

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Project Management	End-to-end project governance, scheduling, reporting, and risk management.
Change Management & Adoption Support	Supporting departments in adopting new systems; user onboarding; communication and change readiness.
Internal Systems for Employees	Development of systems, workflow management, internal portals, and collaboration tools.
External / Citizen-Facing Systems	E-government platforms, service delivery apps, online application portals, citizen engagement platforms.

4. DURATION

The panel for software developers will be appointed to provide services within a 60 months (5 years) period, subject to performance.

5. PANEL STRUCTURE & ALLOCATION OF WORK

5.1. Panel Establishment

- 5.1.1. Service providers that meets the mandatory and technical requirements will be appointed to form part of a pre-approved panel for a fixed contract.
- 5.1.2. The panel will consist of multiple service providers to ensure sufficient capacity, specialization, rotation and competition.

5.2. Allocation of Work

- 5.2.1. Rotation basis : For smaller, low-complexity projects, work may be allocated to service providers within the panel on a rotational schedule to ensure fairness.
- 5.2.2. Request for Quotation (RFQ): For medium to large projects MPG may issue a mini-bid or RFQ to selected panel members. The award will be based on price, technical capability, and turnaround time.

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- 5.2.3. Capability-based allocation: For highly specialized or urgent projects, work may be allocated directly to a panel member with proven expertise, resources, or availability in the required area.

5.3. Performance-Based Considerations

- 5.3.1. Future allocations may take into account a service provider's past performance, quality of delivery, and adherence to timelines.
- 5.3.2. Poor performance may result in reduced allocation of work or removal from the panel.

5.4. No Guarantee of Work

- 5.4.1. Appointment to the panel does not guarantee the allocation of projects. Work will only be allocated based on the Provincial Government's needs, project requirements, and availability of funds.

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6. TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

CRITERIA	GUIDELINES FOR CRITERIA	WEIGHT
Relevant experience (portfolio & references)	<p>Demonstrated experience in delivering similar development projects in the public or private sector. Bidders must provide a portfolio of past projects and at least three (3) references (with contactable details) confirming successful delivery.</p> <p>0 Reference = 0 points 1 Reference = 10 points 2 Reference = 20 points 3 Reference = 30 points</p>	30
Key personnel qualifications	<p>Qualifications, certifications, and relevant experience of the proposed project team (e.g., system architects, developers, testers, project managers). CVs must clearly indicate roles and years of experience.</p> <p>The following qualifications are required:</p> <p>National Certificate or NQF level 5 = 1 National Diploma or NQF level 6 = 2 Bachelor's degree or NQF level 7 = 3 Honours Degree or NQF level 8 = 4</p> <p>To be rated on all 5 qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Software development: 5 points • Project Management: 5 points • Business analyst: 5 points • Data scientist: 5 points • System Architect: 5 points 	25
Technical approach & methodology	Proposed methodology for software development (e.g., Agile, Waterfall, Hybrid), quality assurance, risk management, and knowledge transfer. The approach should demonstrate alignment with government	25

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	<p>ICT standards and best practices.</p> <p>Deployment methodology: 5 points</p> <p>Training and mentorship of management and personnel: 10 points</p> <p>Security and integration plan: 10 points</p>	
Tools & technologies supported	<p>Evidence in relevant programming languages, frameworks, databases, and platforms (e.g., Java, .NET, Python, cloud solutions, mobile development, API integration). Certification/partnerships (e.g., Microsoft, Oracle, AWS, Google Cloud) will be an advantage.</p> <p>Track record for successfully completed projects with:</p> <p>Web based systems development: 5 points</p> <p>Cloud hosting: 5 points</p> <p>Enterprise Architecture: 5 points</p> <p>Mobile Development: 5 points</p>	20

Bids that fail to score a minimum of 70 out of a possible 100 points for functionality will not be eligible for further consideration.

Each BEC member shall award points for each criterion on the score sheet.

The assessment of functionality shall be done in terms of the above-mentioned evaluation criteria and the minimum threshold of **70** points.

All bidders who scored the minimum threshold of **70** points or above shall advance.

Bids that do not score the specified minimum points of **70** for functionality shall not be considered further.

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7. SERVICE PROVIDER COMPLIANCE

The bidder must comply with:

- Corporate Governance of ICT Policy Framework
- POPIA
- ICT Security Standards, and ISO/IEC 27001.
- Provincial/National ICT frameworks.

8. DELIVERABLES

8.2. Functional Systems

- 8.2.1. Systems or applications must be developed in accordance with the Provincial Government's approved requirements, technical specifications, and user needs.
- 8.2.2. Development must comply with government ICT standards, cybersecurity policies, and applicable legislation such as POPIA.
- 8.2.3. Systems must be scalable, secure, and interoperable with existing platforms, with the ability to accommodate future enhancements.
- 8.2.4. Solutions must be delivered fully functional, tested, and ready for deployment according to the agreed project timelines.

8.3. Source Code, Licenses and Intellectual Property

- 8.3.1. Complete source code, configuration files, and related scripts must be handed over upon project completion.
- 8.3.2. All licenses must be registered under Mpumalanga Provincial Treasury and MPT must have access / be able to renew access without reliance on service provider.
- 8.3.3. All intellectual property developed under the contract will remain the property of the Mpumalanga Provincial Government.
- 8.3.4. Source code must be well-structured, documented, and version-controlled to enable future maintenance.
- 8.3.5. Central code repository must be provided.

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8.4. Documentation and User Manuals

- 8.4.1. Comprehensive technical documentation, including system architecture, database schema, configuration guides, and API references.
- 8.4.2. End-user manuals and quick reference guides tailored for non-technical staff.
- 8.4.3. Maintenance and support documentation to enable ongoing system management.

8.5. Testing and Quality Assurance Reports

- 8.5.1. Test plans, test cases, and results of unit, integration, system, and user acceptance testing.
- 8.5.2. Defect logs and resolution reports.
- 8.5.3. Confirmation of compliance with quality and performance standards.

8.6. Training and Knowledge Transfer

- 8.6.1. Provision of training to system users, administrators, and technical staff.
- 8.6.2. Workshops for knowledge transfer sessions to ensure internal capacity for system operation and support.
- 8.6.3. Training materials in both digital and print formats.

8.7. Project Closure Deliverables

- 8.7.1. Final project report summarizing outcomes, challenges, and recommendations.
- 8.7.2. Sign-off documents from stakeholders confirming acceptance of the solution.
- 8.7.3. Post-implementation support plan, including defined service levels where applicable.

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8.8. BIDDING PROCESS

The National Treasury requires service providers to be registered on CSD, which therefore requires bidders to be registered. For this bid as a result, reports from the CSD will be used to verify bidders' information including:

- Company registration
- Directorship, shareholding, trusteeship and membership
- Bank account holder details
- State employees' status
- Tax compliance status
- Identity information, etc.

The aforementioned information should be submitted in the following templates for both the compulsory and supporting returnable documents:

8.8.1. or the bidders benefit you may clearly indicate with a **YES or NO** on whether the following compulsory returnable documents are attached or not. Where a **YES or NO** is not applicable, indicate as such with a **N/A**.

Section	Compulsory Returnable Schedule	Attached YES/NO/N/A
a.	The bid document must be securely bound or filed.	
b.	Invitation to Bid (SBD 1) must be fully completed.	
C.	Fully completed Pricing Tables	
d.	Fully completed and signed SBD 4 (Bidder disclosure).	
e.	A valid Pin Letter from SARS. Failure to submit a Valid Pin Letter your bid proposal will be considered as being non-responsive, be invalidated or disqualified.	
f.	Copies of CIPRO/ CIPC Company registration documents	
g.	A copy of an agreement and a resolution by each party if the bidders are in a joint venture/consortium/partnership. If the bidder is not in a joint venture/consortium/partnership, this	

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	section (h) is not compulsory.	
h.	Certified copies of identity documents/valid passports and work permits of all the directors of the company. The date on the certified copies must not be older than three (3) months as at the closing date of the bid.	
i.	A copy of Central Supplier Database (CSD) printout report.	

N.B: BIDDERS WHO FAIL TO ATTACH ANY OF THE COMPULSORY DOCUMENTS AS LISTED ABOVE WILL BE DISQUALIFIED

9. CONDITIONS OF BID

- The Provincial Government reserves the right not to appoint.
- Appointment does not guarantee allocation of work.
- Service Providers must meet agreed turnaround times.

10. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

10.1. The Special Conditions of Contract are supplementary to the General Conditions of Contract. Where the Special Conditions of Contract are in conflict with the General Conditions of Contract, the latter take precedence. The Department reserves its right to disqualify any bidder who:

- a. engages in any collusive tendering, anti-competitive conduct, or any other similar conduct, including but not limited to any collusion with any other bidder in respect of the subject matter of this bid;

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- b. seeks any assistance, other than assistance officially provided by a government entity, from any employee, advisor or other representative of a government entity in order to obtain any unlawful advantage in relation to procurement or services provided or to be provided by the Department;
- c. makes or offers any gift, gratuity, anything of value or other inducement, whether lawful or unlawful, to any of the Department officials, directors, employees, advisors or other representatives;
- d. accepts anything of value or an inducement that would or may provide financial gain, advantage or benefit in relation to procurement or services provided or to be provided by the Department;
- e. pays or agrees to pay any person any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or any other consideration, that is contingent upon or results from, the award of any tender, contract, right or entitlement which is in any way related to procurement or the rendering of any services by the Department;
- f. has in the past engaged in any matter referred to above; or has been found guilty in a court of law on charges of fraud and/or forgery.
- g. The customized source code remains the property of Mpumalanga Provincial Government (both parties will sign an end user licence agreement)
NB: At the end of the contract, the bidder must hand over the source code, live system and third party licences.
- h. The system will be hosted by Mpumalanga Provincial Treasury (The Provincial Treasury will direct in the hosting environment).

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11. MISREPRESENTATION DURING THE LIFE CYCLE OF THE CONTRACT

Misrepresentations in a bid may give rise to the termination of the contract and a claim by the Department against the contractor, its employees or agents under any obligation whatsoever. Including in respect of costs, expenses or losses incurred by the bidder(s) in the preparation of his/her response to this bid.

12. INDEMNITY

If a bidder breaches the conditions of this bid and, as a result of that breach, incurs costs or damages (including the cost of any investigation, procedural impairment, enforcement of intellectual property rights or confidentiality obligations), then the contractor shall indemnify the Department for any damages or harm and all such costs that the contractor may incur.

Equally, a bidder(s) participates in this bid process entirely at his/her own cost and related risks. The Department shall not be liable for any cost incurred or damages suffered as a result of the bidder's participation in the bidding process.

13. PRECEDENCE

This document shall prevail over any form of information that may have been provided during any briefing session (whether oral or written) unless such written information expressly amends the contents of this document.

14. VALIDITY PERIOD

The validity period of the bid is **90 days**. Any time or date in this bid is subject to change at the discretion of the Mpumalanga Provincial Treasury. The bidder(s) accepts that if the Department extends the deadline for submission (i.e. closing

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date) for any reason, the terms and conditions of this bid shall apply equally to the extended period.

15. DEFAULTERS AND RESTRICTED SUPPLIERS

The bid shall not be awarded to a bidder(s) whose name or any of his/her company members, directors, partners or trustees are regarded as defaulters and/or appear on the Register of Defaulters or List of Restricted Suppliers.

16. LATE BIDS

Bids received after the closing date and time, at the address indicated in the bid documents, will not be considered and where practical, will be returned unopened to the bidder(s).

17. DURATION OF CONTRACT

The panel for software developers will be appointed to provide services within a 60 months (5 years) period, subject to performance.

18. RIGHTS RESERVED

The Mpumalanga Provincial Treasury reserves the rights, as follows:

- Reject an award of a specific category where responses are found to be unsubstantial by the evaluating panel;
- To appoint multiple service providers subject to the assessment.
- Reserves the right to cancel the bid
- Reserves the right to terminate the contract due to underperformance
- The onus lies with the bidder to provide adequate and verifiable information.

CONTACT PERSON FOR TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES

Please direct any enquiries in relation to these specifications/Terms of Reference (TORs) to the following person/s:

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Mr. Lucky Radebe

(013) 766 4380

LJRadebe@mpg.gov.za

I fully understand and accept in full, the contents of the special conditions contained in this bid document and authorized to sign and accept these conditions.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER

OR AUTHORISED PERSON

DATE

Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate**Purpose**Select the applicable option Tenders Good standing

If "Good standing", please state the purpose of this application

Particulars of applicantName/Legal name
(Initials & Surname
or registered name)Trading name
(if applicable)

ID/Passport no

Company/Close Corp.
registered no

Income Tax ref no

PAYE ref no 7

VAT registration no 4

SDL ref no L

Customs code

UIF ref no U

Telephone no

Fax
no

E-mail address

Physical address

Postal address

Particulars of representative (Public Officer/Trustee/Partner)

Surname

First names

ID/Passport no

Income Tax ref no

Telephone no

Fax
no

E-mail address

Physical address

Particulars of tender (If applicable)

Tender number

Estimated Tender amount R

Expected duration year(s)
of the tender**Particulars of the 3 largest contracts previously awarded**

Date started	Date finalised	Principal	Contact person	Telephone number	Amount
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Audit

Are you currently aware of any Audit investigation against you/the company?..... YES NO
If "YES" provide details

Appointment of representative/agent (Power of Attorney)

I the undersigned confirm that I require a Tax Clearance Certificate in respect of Tenders or Goodstanding.

I hereby authorise and instruct to apply to and receive from SARS the applicable Tax Clearance Certificate on my/our behalf.

Signature of representative/agent

Date

Name of representative/agent

Declaration

I declare that the information furnished in this application as well as any supporting documents is true and correct in every respect.

Signature of applicant/Public Officer

Date

Name of applicant/
Public Officer**Notes:**

1. It is a serious offence to make a false declaration.
2. Section 75 of the Income Tax Act, 1962, states: Any person who
 - (a) fails or neglects to furnish, file or submit any return or document as and when required by or under this Act; or
 - (b) without just cause shown by him, refuses or neglects to-
 - (i) furnish, produce or make available any information, documents or things;
 - (ii) reply to or answer truly and fully, any questions put to him ...

As and when required in terms of this Act ... shall be guilty of an offence ...
3. SARS will, under no circumstances, issue a Tax Clearance Certificate unless this form is completed in full.
4. Your Tax Clearance Certificate will only be issued on presentation of your South African Identity Document or Passport (Foreigners only) as applicable.

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.

22 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship

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.

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with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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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:

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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.
- 3.4 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.
- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring

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.

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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.

3.6 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.

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Signature

.....
Date

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Position

.....
Name of bidder

THE NATIONAL TREASURY

Republic of South Africa



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NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that clients be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with government.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

- The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended.
- Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific bid, should be compiled separately for every bid (if applicable) and will supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions in the SCC shall prevail.

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions

1. 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 any thing 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 those 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	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) 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 (b) a cashier's or certified cheque <p>7.4 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.</p>
8. Inspections, tests and analyses	<p>8.1 All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or</p>

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

9.1 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.

9.2 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

10.1 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.

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

11. Insurance

11.1 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

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

13. Incidental services

13.1 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.

13.2 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

14.1 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

15.1 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.

15.2 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.

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

15.4 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.

15.5 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

- 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 16.2 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.
- 16.3 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.
- 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

17. Prices

- 17.1 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

- 18.1 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

- 19.1 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

- 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts 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

- 21.1 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.
- 21.2 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.
- 21.3 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.
- 21.4 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.

- 21.5 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.
- 21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without canceling 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

- 22.1 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

- 23.1 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.
- 23.2 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.
- 23.3 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.
- 23.4 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.

23.5 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.

23.6 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.

These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of suppliers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

23.7 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

24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping 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

25.1 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.

25.2 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

26.1 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

27.1 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.

27.2 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.

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

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

27.5 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

28.1 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	29.1	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	30.1	The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
31. Notices	31.1	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
	31.2	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	32.1	A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
	32.2	A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
	32.3	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	33.1	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	34.1	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).
	34.2	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 1998.

34.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.

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