



The Ministry of Finance and Planning, Procurement and Asset Policy Unit (PAPU)

Frequently Asked Questions is an editorial feature that will seek to address Procurement issues and provide a response and clarity to those issues raised.

Q: WHAT IS THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT ACT?

The Public Procurement Act is the regulatory framework that governs government procurement. It provides for clear and comprehensive understanding of the procurement function.

Q: WHY DO WE NEED THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT ACT?

The Public Procurement Act will consolidate, harmonize and modernize the current legal system and is aligned to international best practices and the CARICOM Public Procurement Protocol. The Act will also redefine and strengthen the institutions that administer public procurement.

- a. The Office of Public Procurement
- b. The Public Procurement Commission
- c. The Procurement Review Board
- d. Procuring Entities

If you are interested in doing business with the government, you are invited to view tender notices for procurement contracts on this page.



Government of Jamaica Ministry of Transport, Works & Housing



NATIONAL WORKS AGENCY



Invitation to Bid MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION WORKS - JACOBS BRIDGE JACOBS 2 (LIME BUSH) BRIDGE, PORTLAND

The Government of Jamaica (GOJ), acting through the Ministry of Transport, Works and Housing, has committed funds from the Major Infrastructure Development Programme (MIDP), jointly financed by the China Exim Bank and the GOJ, toward the cost of the Sub-Contract Work

The National Works Agency, acting on behalf of China Harbour Engineering Company Limited, the Main Contractor, now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for bridge construction works at Jacobs Bridge - one (1) and Jacobs Bridge - two (2) [Lime Bush] in the parish of Portland.

Scope of Works: The proposed works will be collection, assembly and launch of single lane 10 bay Compact 200 bridges (Employer's Free Issue Material), construction of abutments, river protection works and approach roads.

Eligibility: Bidders must be registered with the National Contracts Commission (NCC) in Grades 1, 2 of the Bridge Construction Works or Civil Engineering Works category and must have a valid Tax Compliance Certificate (TCC) at the time of bid.

Availability: Bidding Documents will be available as of **Monday, October 6, 2014** from the Directorate – Major Projects, National Works Agency, 140 Maxfield Avenue, Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I. between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday.

Fee: A non-refundable payment of J\$5,000.00 in cash or Manager's Cheque made payable to the "The Chief Executive Officer, National Works Agency" is required for each set of bidding documents.

Bid Security: Bid Security valued at \$240,000.00 in the form of a Bid Bond/Bid Guarantee or a Manager's Cheque made payable to "The Chief Executive Officer, National Works Agency" must accompany the tender.

Return of Bidding Documents: Completed bids along with the required documents are to be placed in a sealed envelope marked "**BID DOCUMENTS FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION WORKS one (1), JACOBS BRIDGE & JACOBS 2 (LIME BUSH) BRIDGE, PORTLAND two (2)**" and placed in the box similarly labelled located in the Lobby of the National Works Agency, 140 Maxfield Avenue, Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I., no later than **12 noon Monday, October 27, 2014**.

Bidders with Bidding Documents not accompanied by a valid Tax Compliance Certificate (TCC), a current National Contracts Commission (NCC) certificate in Grade 1 or 2 of the Bridge Construction Works or Civil Engineering Works category and the stipulated Bid Security will be rejected.

Opening of Bidding Documents: Bidding documents will be opened publicly at **12:15 p.m. on Monday, October 27, 2014** in the Main Conference Room, National Works Agency, 140 Maxfield Avenue, Kingston 10, Jamaica W.I. Bidders or their representatives are allowed to have their representatives present at the opening of the Bids.

All queries concerning the Bidding Documents shall be made in writing and addressed to the Directorate – Major Projects, National Works Agency, 140 Maxfield Avenue, Kingston 10, Jamaica, W.I. Tel: 733-4100.

The National Works Agency reserves the right not to accept the lowest or any other bid or to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to award without incurring any liability.