



NATARBORA NEARSHORE GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION, TIMOR-LESTE

TENDER/155/MPRM-2025

CLARIFICATION NO.4

Date: 27October 2025

This Clarification No.4 is issued in accordance with the ITB 7.1 of Section I (Instructions to Bidders) of the Bidding Documents.

No.	Reference	Question(s)	Response(s)
1.	Section IV – Bidding Forms Letter of Technical Bid	Who is the name of Adjudicator to be named in the Letter in the Technical Bid? As mentioned in ITB 51, the name of the Adjudicator is in the BDS, but in the BDS there is no name of the Adjudicator.	Deleted paragraph m from Letter of Technical Bid m) Adjudicator: We accept the appointment of [insert name proposed in Bid Data Sheet] as the Adjudicator. [or] We do not accept the appointment of [insert name proposed in Bid Data Sheet] as the Adjudicator, and propose instead that [insert name] be appointed as Adjudicator, whose daily fees and biographical data are attached


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ADDENDUM NO. 3
Date: 27 October 2025

This Addendum No.3 is issued to amend following items in the Bidding Documents in accordance with ITB 8.1 of the Bidding Documents (Section I).

Item	Section/Clause/Page No. of Bidding Documents	As is the Original Bidding Documents	As amended in the Addendum No. 3
1	Section IV – Bidding Forms Letter of Technical Bid	(m) Adjudicator: We accept the appointment of <i>[insert name proposed in Bid Data Sheet]</i> as the Adjudicator. [or] We do not accept the appointment of <i>[insert name proposed in Bid Data Sheet]</i> as the Adjudicator, and propose instead that <i>[insert name]</i> be appointed as Adjudicator, whose daily fees and biographical data are attached.	Deleted
2	Part 2 – Terms of Reference PART 2 – Terms of Reference	Volume III Scope of Work	Volume III Nearshore GI SOW_MPRM-PMU-33-TOR-001 Rev 3 yellow


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CLARIFICATION NO.1

Date: 6 October 2025

This Clarification No.1 is issued in accordance with the ITB 7.1 of Section 1 (Instructions to Bidders) of the Bidding Documents.

No.	Reference	Question(s)	Response(s)
1.	SECTION II – Bid Data Sheet (BDS) ITB 22.1 The Deadline for Bid Submission is: Date: 10 November 2025 (Timor-Leste Time Zone) Time: 15.00 PM (Timor-Leste Time, Local Time Zone)	Bidder kindly requests that the submission deadline be extended to 1 December 2025 .	The Deadline for Bid Submission is: Date: 24 November 2025 (Timor-Leste Time Zone) Time: 15.00 PM (Timor-Leste Time, Local Time Zone)
2.	Section IV Letter of Technical Bid Page 70	Please provide the editable native file (Microsoft Word, Excel, etc) for the Letter of Technical Bid	Please find the editable native file as attached in Annex-1 .
3.	Section IV Appendix B to Technical Proposal: Equipment Page 80	Please provide the editable native file (Microsoft Word, Excel, etc) for Appendix B to Technical Proposal: Equipment.	Please refer to Response #2 .
4.	Section IV Appendix C to Technical Proposal Page 82 - 85	Please provide the editable native file (Microsoft Word, Excel, etc) for: 1. Form PER – 1: Key Personnel 2. Form PER–2: Resume and Declaration	Please refer to Response #2 .
5.	Section IV Appendix D to Technical Proposal: Bidder Qualification Page 87 -	Please provide the editable native file (Microsoft Word, Excel, etc) for: 1. Form ELI – 1.1: Bidder Information Form. 2. Form CON – 2: Historical Contract Non-Performance,	Please refer to Response #2 .



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		Pending Litigation and Litigation History. 3. Form CON – 3: ESHS Performance Declaration. 4. Form FIN – 3.1: Financial Situation and Performance. 5. Form FIN – 3.2: Average Annual Project Turnover. 6. Form FIN – 3.4: Current Contract Commitments/ Works in Progress. 7. Form EXP – 4.1 & Form EXP – 4.1 (Cont): Specific/Similar Surveys Experience. 8. Form EXP – 4.1(b) Page 104-106: Experience of Sub-Contractors in Key Activities.	
6.	Section IV Appendix E to Technical Proposal: Bid Security Page 103 - 106	Please provide the editable native file (Microsoft Word, Excel, etc) for: 1. Form of Demand Guarantee Form of Bid Security: Bid Bond	Please refer to Response #2.
7.	Section IV Letter of Price Bid Page 107 - 108	Please provide the editable native file (Microsoft Word, Excel, etc) for Letter of Price Bid.	Please refer to Response #2.
8.	Section IV Form of Bid Security- Bid Bond	We kindly request the Employer to clarify whether the Bidder is allowed to use the draft of the Bid Security issued by our Bank, provided that the draft complies with the requirements stipulated in the tender documents.	The Bid Security Format is provided in the Section IV-Bidding Forms (Page 107).
9.	Section IV Form of Bid Security- Bid Bond	Bidder request the Employer to clarify, whether the Bid Security shall be submitted using the Bid Security Form in the format of a Demand Guarantee or a Form of Bid Security – Bid Bond.	The Bid Security shall be submitted in the form Demand Guarantee issued from the any commercial bank. Please refer to BDS-ITB 19.3. The Bid Security in the Form of Bid Bond from Insurance Company is not acceptable.



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10.	Volume 1 - Bidding Document TENDER-155-MPRM 2025 <i>Section IV - Bidding Forms</i> Survey Schedule Bidder shall propose sufficient resources (personnel, drill rig, drill team) to work comprising the Nearshore Geotechnical Investigation within a 6 month period summarised as follows:- - Survey preparation and mobilisation 3 months - Completion of all fieldwork 3 months - Demobilisation, laboratory testing and reporting 3 months	We kindly request the Employer to allow Bidder to propose survey preparation become 5 months, due to the Bidder need more time to prepare 3 (three) jack Up drilling rig. So, the Survey Schedule summarized as follow: - Survey preparation and mobilization is 5 months - Completion of all field work is 3 months Demobilization, Laboratory testing and reporting is 3 months	We acknowledge the Bidder's request to extend the survey preparation period to five (5) months. Please be advised that the Employer's expectation is for field work to commence at site within three (3) months following Contract Award and for the Geotechnical Investigation Report to be completed within nine (9) months. Bidders are requested to propose the best achievable schedule for survey preparation, execution, and reporting, taking the above expectations into consideration. Please note that the proposed schedule will form an important aspect of the evaluation under the survey execution plan, (refer to ITB 30.1, Technical Competencies point 3.4) and that unrealistic or unsubstantiated schedules may negatively affect the evaluation outcome.
11.	Volume 3 - Scope of Works 3.2.3 Rotary core drilling Rotary core drilling shall produce continuous cores of 100mm diameter throughout the length of each core run. and 3.4 Drilling, Sample Handling, and Testing Protocols d. Open tube sampling should normally be carried out using pushed thin wall samplers (UT100). Aluminium or steel tubes shall be adopted for all open tube sampling.	We kindly request the employer to allow Bidder to use core barrel and shelby tube (undisturbed sample) with diameter size (73mm to 89mm) as this size is accordance to ASTM D1587 and ASTM D2113, that common in this region. To find UT100 tube that not based on ASTM is difficult in this region.	For Item 3.2.3 (Rotary Core Drilling): The specification requires cores of 100 mm diameter to ensure adequate sample size, reliable recovery, and minimal disturbance for testing. However, a minimum recovered rock core diameter of 76 mm will be accepted in accordance with ASTM D2113. Larger diameter coring may be required in weak or soft rock to maintain core integrity. Any reduction in tube size must not affect



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			recovery, continuity, or suitability for testing. For Item 3.4 (Shelby Tube Sampling): In line with ASTM D1587, Shelby tubes not less than 76.2 mm diameter will be accepted, provided they yield undisturbed samples suitable for all laboratory tests and are compatible with the testing equipment.				
12.	Financial Proposal Nearshore - Pricing Schedules (Excel file) A3 Provisional Scope <table border="1"> <tr> <td>00</td><td>Laboratory Tests (Physical Properties)</td><td>18</td><td>1</td></tr> </table>	00	Laboratory Tests (Physical Properties)	18	1	Please Company advises: - How many samples will be tested? - What types of physical properties laboratory tests will be performed?	1. Employer refers Bidder to section 3.2.6 of the Scope of Work (Terms of Reference) which stipulates one sample every 1.0 m depth. 2. Tests include - Confirm sand/clay types and layering. To be repeated for each identified layer: - Water (Moisture) Content Test (ASTM D2216) - Total Unit Weight Test (ASTM D7263) - Particle Size Distribution Test (with Hydrometer, ASTM D6913 and D7928) - Atterberg Limits Test (ASTM D4318) - Specific Gravity Test (ASTM D854) - Clays – assess undrained shear strength (Cu) - Laboratory Miniature Vane Test - Undisturbed (ASTM D4648) or Unconsolidated Undrained Triaxial Test (ASTM D2850)
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			- Static Direct Simple Shear Test (ASTM D6528), on a few samples for confirmation - Sands – assess friction angle (ϕ) and relative density - For friction angle: Consolidated Drained Triaxial Test (CID/CAD/CK0D) (ASTM D7181) or Direct Shear Test (ASTM D3080) - Minimum index density (γ_{max} / e_{min}) (ASTM D4253) - Maximum index density (γ_{min} / e_{max}) (ASTM D4254) - Backfilling suitability: Assess granulometry to evaluate reuse as natural backfill and flotation risk - Total Unit Weight Test (ASTM D7263) of remoulded sample - Unconsolidated Undrained Triaxial Test - Remoulded (ASTM D2850) - Static Direct Simple Shear Test - Remoulded (ASTM D6528) on a few samples for confirmation - Permeability Test - Coarse Grained Soil (ASTM D2434) - Permeability Test - Fine Grained Soil (ASTM D5084) One Dimensional Consolidation Test - Increment Loading (IL) Method (ASTM 2435) and/or Consolidated Undrained Triaxial Test (CIU/CAU/CK0U) (ASTM D4767), nice to have but long and expensive, suggestion is it could be left out.
13.	Volume 3 - Scope of Works Nearshore GI - Scope of Works.pdf 3.2.1 Soil Sampling from boreholes 3.2.2 Standards Penetration Tests (SPT) 3.2.3 Rotary core drilling	There is no termination criteria mentioned in the document. Bidder required termination criteria to be able to calculate duration and cost. Therefore, Bidder proposed the termination criteria are reaching the	Boreholes shall be drilled to the depths indicated on the Drawings. Where rock is encountered, continuous coring shall extend for a minimum of 5.0 m into competent rock or to the specified depth,



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		target drilling depth, or When the Standard Penetration Test (SPT) value reached N-SPT = 50 for the blow 3 times, which ever occurred first.	whichever is greater, or as directed by the Engineer. Competent rock is defined as material with an RQD greater than 75% over a 1.0 m core run and a core recovery not less than 90%.
14.	Section III - Evaluation and Qualification Criteria 1. 1.1.2. Qualification and Technical Criteria (Document page 58 or PDF page 64. Point no. 1.2 Average Annual Project Turnover) And 2. 1.1.3.2. Financial Performance and Technical Capability (Document page 63 or PDF page 69, Point no. 2.1.c)	1. In the "Qualification and Technical Criteria", the minimum average annual project turnover required within the last 5 years is USD 2,000,000. Meanwhile 1. In the "Financial Performance and Technical Capability, the minimum average annual project turnover required within the last 5 years is USD 4,300,000. We kindly request clarification on this matter: which one is the correct minimum average annual project turnover within the last 5 years?	The correct minimum project value is US\$ 4,300,000.00 each. Please refer to Addendum no. 1

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ADDENDUM NO. 1

Date: 6 October 2025

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1	Section II - Bid Data Sheet (BDS) ITB 7.4 (page 38-39)	MANDATORY Pre-Bid Meeting and Site Visit A Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting <i>shall</i> take place at the following date and time Date: 7 October 2025 Time: 10:00 AM (Dili, Local Time) At place: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Attention: Hermingardo Albano S.C. Soares Address: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Patrimonio Estado, Balide Floor/ Room number: N/A City: Dili ZIP Code: N/A Country: Timor-Leste E-mail: nf@cna.gov.tl	MANDATORY Pre-Bid Meeting and Site Visit A Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting <i>shall</i> take place at the following date and time Date: 7 October 2025 Time: 10:00 AM (Dili, Local Time) At place: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Attention: Hermingardo Albano S.C. Soares Address: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Patrimonio Estado, Balide Floor/ Room number: N/A City: Dili ZIP Code: N/A Country: Timor-Leste E-mail: nf@cna.gov.tl

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2	Section II - Bid Data Sheet (BDS) ITB 22.1	For <u>Bid submission purposes</u> only, the Employer's address is: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Attention: Hermingardo Albano S.C. Soares Address: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Patrimonio Estado, Balide	For <u>Bid submission purposes</u> only, the Employer's address is: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Attention: Hermingardo Albano S.C. Soares Address: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Patrimonio Estado, Balide

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	(page 42)	Floor/ Room number: N/A City: Dili ZIP Code: N/A Country: Timor-Leste The deadline for Bid submission is: Date:.. 10 November 2025 (Timor-Leste Time Zone) Time: 15:00 PM (Timor-Leste Time, Local Time Zone) Bidders <i>shall</i> not have the option of submitting their Bids electronically	Floor/ Room number: N/A City: Dili ZIP Code: N/A Country: Timor-Leste The deadline for Bid submission is: Date: 24 November 2025 (Timor-Leste Time Zone) Time: 15:00 PM (Timor-Leste Time, Local Time Zone) Bidders <i>shall</i> not have the option of submitting their Bids electronically
3	Section II - Bid Data Sheet (BDS) ITB 25.1 (bpage 42-43)	The Bid opening shall take place at: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Attention: Hermingardo Albano S.C. Soares Address: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Patrimonio Estado, Balide Floor/ Room number: N/A City: Dili ZIP Code: N/A Country: Timor-Leste Date: 10 November 2025 (Timor-Leste Time Zone) Time: 15:00 PM (Timor-Leste Time, Local Time Zone)	The Bid opening shall take place at: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Attention: Hermingardo Albano S.C. Soares Address: National Procurement Commission (NPC) Patrimonio Estado, Balide Floor/ Room number: N/A City: Dili ZIP Code: N/A Country: Timor-Leste Date: 24 November 2025 (Timor-Leste Time Zone) Time: 15:00 PM (Timor-Leste Time, Local Time Zone)

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