

**PRE-QUALIFICATION DOCUMENT
(PQD)**

**Construction of Gelephu-Tareythang Road and Bridges
on Southern East-West Highway, Sarpang, Bhutan**

July 2026



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MINISTRY OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT
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PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT: DOST

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July 20, 2026

Specific Procurement Notice Invitation for Prequalification

Country: Kingdom of Bhutan

Name of Project: Accelerating Transport and Trade Connectivity in Eastern South Asia (Access) – Bhutan Project

Contract Title: Construction of Gelephu-Tareythang Road and Bridges

Loan No./Credit No./Grant No: IDA 77560 (Credit)/IDAE4310 (Grant)

Prequalification Reference No: ACCESS/DOST/WD-1, ACCESS/DOST/WD-2 and ACCESS/DOST/WD-3

1. The Royal Government of Bhutan has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the proposed **Accelerating Transport and Trade Connectivity in Eastern South Asia (ACCESS) – Bhutan Project**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contracts for **ACCESS/DOST/WD-1, ACCESS/DOST/WD-2, and ACCESS/DOST/WD-3** for the Construction of Gelephu-Tareythang Road and Bridges.
2. The Department of Surface Transport (DoST), Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport (MoIT), Royal Government of Bhutan, intends to prequalify contractors for the following work packages under the Gelephu-Tareythang Road Project involving the construction of 12,600 m of roadway and major bridge structures. The project comprises five major bridges with bridge lengths varying from 320 m to 1020 m, including PSC I-Girder and Cast-in-Situ Balanced Cantilever superstructures. The longest structure is the Mau River Bridge with a total length of 1020 m. The project corridor starts from Gelephu Town and terminates at Tareythang.

The contract packages are described below:

i. Package I: Segment 1 to 5 (km 0.000 to km 3.868)

Construction of a 4-lane carriageway including earthworks, pavement, drainage, slope protection works, and associated ancillary works. The package also includes construction of the following two major bridges:

- **Gelephu Bridge** – PSC I-Girder Bridge of span configuration (2 × 40 m); and
- **Mau River Bridge** – Cast-in-Situ Balanced Cantilever Bridge of span configuration (4 × 60 m) + 2(60 + 2 × 90 + 60) + (3 × 60 m), including associated structures and ancillary works.

ii. Package II: Segment 5 to 8 (km 3.868 to km 8.453)

Construction of a 2-lane carriageway including formation works, subgrade, pavement layers, cross-drainage structures, culverts, slope stabilization, and protection work. The package includes the following major bridges:



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- **Taklai River Bridge** – PSC I-Girder Bridge of span configuration $2(3 \times 50 \text{ m}) + (4 \times 50 \text{ m}) + 2(3 \times 50 \text{ m})$; and
- **Langer River Bridge** – Cast-in-Situ Balanced Cantilever Bridge of span configuration $(60 + 3 \times 90 + 60 \text{ m})$.

iii. **Package III: Segment 8 to 10 (km 8.453 to km 12.600)**

Construction of a 2-lane carriageway including earthworks, pavement, drainage, and protection work. The package includes construction of the following bridge structures:

- **Singye River Bridge** – Cast-in-Situ Balanced Cantilever Bridge of span configuration $(60 + 3 \times 90 + 60 \text{ m})$; and
- **Tareythang Bridge at km 10.880** – PSC Girder Bridge of span configuration $(4 \times 50 \text{ m}) + (1 \times 30 \text{ m})$, including all associated civil, structural, and finishing works.

It is expected that the Request for Bids (RFB) will be issued in October 2026.

Prequalification will be conducted in accordance with the procedures specified in the *World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, Fifth Edition, September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations")*, and is open to all eligible Applicants as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

Interested eligible Applicants may obtain further information from the Department of Surface Transport, Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, at the address provided below during office hours from 0900 to 1700 hours (Bhutan Standard Time, GMT +6:00). The Prequalification Document may be downloaded free of charge from the official website of the Department of Surface Transport, Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, Royal Government of Bhutan. The document can be downloaded from <https://moit.gov.bt/> from **July 20, 2026**. Applicants are encouraged to register their contact details to receive clarifications, addenda, and other updates, if any. *The Employer shall not be responsible for any failure or delay in downloading the document due to internet connectivity issues, browser incompatibility, or other technical problems at the Applicant's end.*

3. Applications for prequalification should be submitted in clearly marked envelopes and delivered to the address below by **1000 hours** (Bhutan Time, GMT + 0600 hours) on: **September 7, 2026**. Late applications may be rejected.

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Department of Surface Transport (DoST)
Ministry of Infrastructure & Transport (MoIT)
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Prequalification Document Works

Procurement of: Construction of Gelephu-Tareythang Road and Bridges

Invitation for Prequalification No.: ACCESS/DOST/WD-1, ACCESS/DOST/WD-2 and
ACCESS/DOST/WD-3

Prequalification Document (PQD) No: ACCESS/DOST/WORKS/PQ-1

Project: Accelerating Transport and Trade Connectivity in Eastern South Asia (Access) –
Bhutan Project

Employer: Department of Surface Transport, Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport

Country: Kingdom of Bhutan

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Section I - Instructions to Applicants

A. General

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| <p>1. Scope Application</p> | <p>of</p> | <p>1.1 In connection with the invitation for Prequalification indicated in Section II (Prequalification Data Sheet) (PDS), the Employer, as defined in the PDS, issues this Prequalification Document (“Prequalification Document”) to prospective applicants (“Applicants”) interested in submitting applications (“Applications”) for prequalification to bid for the Works described in Section VII (Scope of Works). In case the Works are to be bid as individual contracts (i.e., the slice and package procedure), these are listed in the PDS. The Request for Bids (RFB) number corresponding to this prequalification is also provided in the PDS.</p> |
| <p>2. Source of Funds</p> | <p>and</p> | <p>2.1 The Borrower or Recipient (hereinafter called “Borrower”) indicated in the PDS has applied for or received financing (hereinafter called “funds”) from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development or the International Development Association (hereinafter called “the Bank”) in an amount specified in the PDS, towards the cost of the project named in the PDS. The Borrower intends to apply a portion of the funds to eligible payments under the contract(s) resulting from the bidding for which this prequalification is conducted.</p> <p>2.2 Payment by the Bank will be made only at the request of the Borrower and upon approval by the Bank, and will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the Loan (or other financing) Agreement. The Loan (or other financing) Agreement prohibits a withdrawal from the loan (or credit) account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, equipment, plant or materials, or services if such payment or import, to the knowledge of the Bank, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than the Borrower shall derive any rights from the Loan (or other financing) Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the loan (or credit).</p> |
| <p>3. Fraud Corruption</p> | <p>and</p> | <p>3.1 The Bank requires compliance with the Bank’s Anti-Corruption Guidelines and its prevailing sanctions policies and procedures as set forth in the WBG’s Sanctions Framework, as set forth in Section VI, Fraud and Corruption.</p> <p>3.2 In further pursuance of this policy, Applicants shall permit and shall cause their agents (where declared or not), subcontractors, subconsultants, service providers, suppliers, and personnel, to permit the Bank to inspect all accounts, records and other documents relating to any initial selection process, prequalification process, bid submission (in case prequalified), proposal submission, and contract</p> |

performance (in the case of award), and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

4. Eligible Applicants

- 4.1 Applicants shall meet the eligibility criteria as per this ITA and ITA 5.1 and 5.2.
- 4.2 An Applicant may be a firm that is a private entity, a state-owned enterprise or institution subject to ITA 4.8 or any combination of such entities in the form of a joint venture (“JV”) under an existing agreement or with the intent to enter into such an agreement supported by a letter of intent. In the case of a joint venture, all members shall be jointly and severally liable for the execution of the entire Contract in accordance with the Contract terms. The JV shall nominate a Representative who shall have the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the members of the JV during the prequalification process, bidding (in the event the JV submits a Bid) and during contract execution (in the event the JV is awarded the Contract). Unless specified in the PDS, there is no limit on the number of members in a JV.
- 4.3 A firm may apply for prequalification both individually, and as part of a joint venture, or participate as a subcontractor. If prequalified, it will not be permitted to bid for the same contract both as an individual firm and as a part of the joint venture or as a subcontractor. However, a firm may participate as a subcontractor in more than one Bid, but only in that capacity. Bids submitted in violation of this procedure will be rejected.¹
- 4.4 A firm and any of its affiliates (that directly or indirectly control, are controlled by or are under common control with that firm) may submit its application for prequalification either individually, as joint venture or as a subcontractor among them for the same contract. However, if prequalified, only one prequalified Applicant will be allowed to bid for the same contract. All Bids submitted in violation of this procedure will be rejected.
- 4.5 An Applicant may have the nationality of any country, subject to the restrictions pursuant to ITA 5.1 and 5.2. An Applicant shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Applicant is constituted, incorporated or registered in and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country, as evidenced by its articles of incorporation (or equivalent documents of constitution or association) and its registration documents, as the case may be. This criterion also shall apply to the determination of the nationality of proposed specialized sub-contractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract including related Services.

¹ If this Document is being used to prequalify Applicants for the Procurement of Plant, modify this provision in the PDS to reflect the “One Bid per Bidder” provision in the Bank’s Standard Procurement Document for Plant.

- 4.6 Applicants shall not have a conflict of interest. Applicants shall be considered to have a conflict of interest, if they, or any of their affiliates, participated as a consultant in the preparation of the design or technical specifications or have been hired or proposed to be hired by the Employer or Borrower as Engineer for contract implementation of the Works that are the subject of this prequalification. In addition, Applicants may be considered to have a conflict of interest if they have a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Borrower (or of the project implementing agency, or of a recipient of a part of the loan) who: (i) are directly or indirectly involved in the preparation of the prequalification Document or Request for Bids (RFB) Document or specifications of the Contract, and/or the Bid evaluation process of such Contract; or (ii) would be involved in the implementation or supervision of such Contract, unless the conflict stemming from such relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Bank throughout the prequalification, RFB process and execution of the Contract.
- 4.7 An Applicant that has been sanctioned by the Bank, pursuant to the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines, and in accordance with its prevailing sanctions policies and procedures as set forth in the WBG's Sanctions Framework, as described in Section VI, paragraph 2.2 d. shall be ineligible to be prequalified for, initially selected for, bid for, propose for, or be awarded a Bank-financed contract or benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or otherwise, during such period of time as the Bank shall have determined. The list of debarred firms and individuals is available at the electronic address specified in the PDS.
- 4.8 Applicants that are state-owned enterprise or institutions in the Employer's Country may be eligible to prequalify, compete and be awarded a Contract(s) only if they can establish, in a manner acceptable to the Bank, that they (i) are legally and financially autonomous (ii) operate under commercial law, and (iii) are not under supervision of the Employer.
- 4.9 An Applicant shall not be under suspension from bidding by the Employer as the result of the execution of a Bid/Proposal-Securing Declaration.
- 4.10 An Applicant shall provide such documentary evidence of eligibility satisfactory to the Employer, as the Employer shall reasonably request.
- 4.11 A firm that is under a sanction of debarment by the Borrower from being awarded a contract is eligible to participate in this procurement, unless the Bank, at the Borrower's request, is satisfied that the debarment; (a) relates to fraud or corruption, and (b) followed a judicial or administrative proceeding that afforded the firm adequate

due process.

5. Eligibility

- 5.1 Firms and individuals may be ineligible if they are nationals of ineligible countries as indicated in Section V. The countries, persons or entities are ineligible if:
- (a) as a matter of law or official regulations, the Borrower's country prohibits commercial relations with that country, provided that the Bank is satisfied that such exclusion does not preclude effective competition for the supply of goods or the contracting of works or services required; or
 - (b) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, the Borrower's country prohibits any import of goods or contracting of works or services from that country, or any payments to any country, person, or entity in that country.
- 5.2 When the Works are implemented across jurisdictional boundaries (and more than one country is a Borrower, and is involved in the procurement), then exclusion of a firm or individual on the basis of ITA 5.1(a) above by any country may be applied to that procurement across other countries involved, if the Bank and the Borrowers involved in the procurement agree.

B. Contents of the Prequalification Document

6. Sections of Prequalification Document

- 6.1 This Prequalification Document consists of parts 1 and 2 which comprise all the sections indicated below, and which should be read in conjunction with any Addendum issued in accordance with ITA 8.

PART 1 Prequalification Procedures

- Section I - Instructions to Applicants (ITA)
- Section II - Prequalification Data Sheet (PDS)
- Section III - Qualification Criteria and Requirements
- Section IV - Application Forms
- Section V – Eligible Countries
- Section VI – Fraud and Corruption

PART 2 Works Requirements

- Section VII - Scope of Works
- 6.2 Unless obtained directly from the Employer, the Employer accepts no responsibility for the completeness of the document, responses to requests for clarification, the minutes of the pre-Application meeting (if any), or Addenda to the Prequalification Document in accordance

with ITA 8. In case of any discrepancies, documents issued directly by the Employer shall prevail.

- 6.3 The Applicant is expected to examine all instructions, forms, and terms in the Prequalification Document and to furnish with its Application all information or documentation as is required by the Prequalification Document.

7. Clarification of Prequalification Document and Pre-Application Meeting

- 7.1 An Applicant requiring any clarification of the Prequalification Document shall contact the Employer in writing at the Employer's address indicated **in the PDS**. The Employer will respond in writing to any request for clarification provided that such request is received no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the deadline for submission of the applications. The Employer shall forward a copy of its response to all prospective Applicants who have obtained the Prequalification Document directly from the Employer, including a description of the inquiry but without identifying its source. If so indicated **in the PDS**, the Employer shall also promptly publish its response at the web page identified **in the PDS**. Should the Employer deem it necessary to amend the Prequalification Document as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITA 8. and in accordance with the provisions of ITA 17.2.

- 7.2 If indicated **in the PDS**, the Applicant's designated representative is invited at the Applicant's cost to attend a pre-Application meeting at the place, date and time mentioned **in the PDS**. During this pre-Application meeting, prospective Applicants may request clarification of the project requirement, the criteria for qualifications or any other aspects of the Prequalification Document.

- 7.3 Minutes of the pre-Application meeting, if applicable, including the text of the questions asked by Applicants, including those during the meeting (without identifying the source) and the responses given, together with any responses prepared after the meeting will be transmitted promptly to all prospective Applicants who have obtained the Prequalification Document. Any modification to the Prequalification Document that may become necessary as a result of the pre-Application meeting shall be made by the Employer exclusively through the use of an Addendum pursuant to ITA 8. Non-attendance at the pre-Application meeting will not be a cause for disqualification of an Applicant.

8. Amendment of Prequalification Document

- 8.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of Applications, the Employer may amend the Prequalification Document by issuing an Addendum.
- 8.2 Any Addendum issued shall be part of the Prequalification Document and shall be communicated in writing to all Applicants who have obtained the Prequalification Document from the Employer. The

Employer shall promptly publish the Addendum at the Employer's web page identified **in the PDS**.

- 8.3 To give Applicants reasonable time to take an Addendum into account in preparing their Applications, the Employer may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of Applications in accordance with ITA 17.2.

C. Preparation of Applications

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| 9. Cost of Applications | 9.1 | The Applicant shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Application. The Employer will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the prequalification process. |
| 10. Language of Application | 10.1 | The Application as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the prequalification exchanged by the Applicant and the Employer, shall be written in the language specified in the PDS . Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the Application may be in another language, provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language specified in the PDS , in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Application, the translation shall govern. |
| 11. Documents Comprising the Application | 11.1 | The Application shall comprise the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Application Submission Letter, in accordance with ITA 12.1; (b) Eligibility: documentary evidence establishing the Applicant's eligibility, in accordance with ITA 13.1; (c) Qualifications: documentary evidence establishing the Applicant's qualifications, in accordance with ITA 14; and (d) any other document required as specified in the PDS. |
| | 11.2 | The Applicant shall furnish information on commissions and gratuities, if any, paid or to be paid to agents or any other party relating to this Application |
| 12. Application Submission Letter | 12.1 | The Applicant shall complete an Application Submission Letter as provided in Section IV (Application Forms). This Letter must be completed without any alteration to its format. |
| 13. Documents Establishing the Eligibility of the Applicant | 13.1 | To establish its eligibility in accordance with ITA 4, the Applicant shall complete the eligibility declarations in the Application Submission Letter and Forms ELI (eligibility) 1.1 and 1.2, included in Section IV (Application Forms). |
| 14. Documents Establishing the Qualifications of the | 14.1 | To establish its qualifications to perform the contract(s) in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, the Applicant shall provide the information requested in the corresponding |

Applicant	Information Sheets included in Section IV (Application Forms).
	14.2 Wherever an Application Form requires an Applicant to state a monetary amount, Applicants should indicate the USD equivalent using the rate of exchange determined as follows: (a) For construction turnover or financial data required for each year - Exchange rate prevailing on the last day of the respective calendar year (in which the amounts for that year is to be converted). (b) Value of single contract - Exchange rate prevailing on the date of the contract. Exchange rates shall be taken from the publicly available source identified in the PDS. Any error in determining the exchange rates in the Application may be corrected by the Employer.
15. Signing of the Application and Number of Copies	15.1 The Applicant shall prepare one original of the documents comprising the Application as described in ITA 11 and clearly mark it "ORIGINAL". The original of the Application shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by a person duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Applicant. In case the Applicant is a JV, the Application shall be signed by an authorized representative of the JV on behalf of the JV and so as to be legally binding on all the members as evidenced by a power of attorney signed by their legally authorized signatories. 15.2 The Applicant shall submit copies of the signed original Application, in the number specified in the PDS, and clearly mark them "COPY". In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
D. Submission of Applications	
16. Sealing and Marking Applications	16.1 The Applicant shall enclose the original and the copies of the Application in a sealed envelope that shall: (a) bear the name and address of the Applicant; (b) be addressed to the Employer, in accordance with ITA 17.1; and (c) bear the specific identification of this prequalification process indicated in the PDS 1.1. 16.2 The Employer will accept no responsibility for not processing any envelope that was not identified as required in ITA 16.1 above.
17. Deadline for Submission of Applications	17.1 Applicants may either submit their Applications by mail or by hand. Applications shall be received by the Employer at the address and no later than the deadline indicated in the PDS. When so specified in the PDS, Applicants have the option of submitting their Applications electronically, in accordance with electronic Application submission

procedures specified **in the PDS**.

- 17.2 The Employer may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of Applications by amending the Prequalification Document in accordance with ITA 8, in which case all rights and obligations of the Employer and the Applicants subject to the previous deadline shall thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

18. Late Applications

- 18.1 The Employer reserves the right to accept applications received after the deadline for submission of applications, unless otherwise specified **in the PDS**.

19. Opening Applications

- of 19.1 The Employer shall open all Applications at the date, time and place specified **in the PDS**. Late Applications shall be treated in accordance with ITA 18.1.
- 19.2 Applications submitted electronically (if permitted pursuant to ITA 17.1) shall be opened in accordance with the procedures specified **in the PDS**.
- 19.3 The Employer shall prepare a record of the opening of Applications to include, as a minimum, the name of the Applicants. A copy of the record shall be distributed to all Applicants.

E. Procedures for Evaluation of Applications

20. Confidentiality

- 20.1 Information relating to the Applications, their evaluation and results of the prequalification shall not be disclosed to Applicants or any other persons not officially concerned with the prequalification process until the notification of prequalification results is made to all Applicants in accordance with ITA 28.
- 20.2 From the deadline for submission of Applications to the time of notification of the results of the prequalification in accordance with ITA 28, any Applicant that wishes to contact the Employer on any matter related to the prequalification process may do so only in writing.

21. Clarification Applications

- of 21.1 To assist in the evaluation of Applications, the Employer may, at its discretion, ask an Applicant for a clarification (including missing documents) of its Application, to be submitted within a stated reasonable period of time. Any request for clarification from the Employer and all clarifications from the Applicant shall be in writing.
- 21.2 If an Applicant does not provide clarifications and/or documents requested by the date and time set in the Employer's request for clarification, its Application shall be evaluated based on the information and documents available at the time of evaluation of the Application.

22. Responsiveness of Applications

- 22.1 The Employer may reject any Application which is not responsive to the requirements of the Prequalification Document. In case the

information furnished by the Applicant is incomplete or otherwise requires clarification as per ITA 21.1, and the Applicant fails to provide satisfactory clarification and/or missing information, it may result in disqualification of the Applicant.

- 23. Margin Preference** of 23.1 Unless otherwise specified **in the PDS**, a margin of preference for domestic bidders² shall not apply in the bidding process resulting from this prequalification.
- 24. Subcontractors** 24.1 Unless otherwise stated **in the PDS**, the Employer does not intend to execute any specific elements of the Works by sub-contractors selected in advance by the Employer (so-called “Nominated Subcontractors”).
- 24.2 The Applicant shall not propose to subcontract the whole of the Works. The Employer, in ITA 25.2, may permit the Applicant to propose subcontractors for certain specialized parts of the work as indicated therein as (“Specialized Subcontractors”). Applicants planning to use such Specialized Subcontractors shall specify, in the Application Submission Letter, the activity(ies) or parts of the Works proposed to be subcontracted along with details of the proposed subcontractors including their qualification and experience.

F. Evaluation of Applications and Prequalification of Applicants

- 25. Evaluation Applications** of 25.1 The Employer shall use the factors, methods, criteria, and requirements defined in Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, to evaluate the qualifications of the Applicants, and no other methods, criteria, or requirements shall be used. The Employer reserves the right to waive minor deviations from the qualification criteria if they do not materially affect the technical capability and financial resources of an Applicant to perform the Contract.
- 25.2 Subcontractors proposed by the Applicant shall be fully qualified for their parts of the Works. The subcontractor’s qualifications shall not be used by the Applicant to qualify for the Works unless their parts of the Works were previously designated by the Employer **in the PDS** as can be met by Specialized Subcontractors, in which case, the qualifications of the Specialized Subcontractor proposed by the Applicant may be added to the qualifications of the Applicant for the purpose of the evaluation.
- 25.3 In case of multiple contracts, Applicants should indicate in their Applications the individual contract or combination of contracts in

² An individual firm is considered a domestic Bidder for purposes of the margin of preference if it is registered in the country of the Employer, has more than 50 percent ownership by nationals of the country of the Employer, and if it does not subcontract more than 10 percent of the contract price, excluding provisional sums, to foreign contractors. JVs are considered as domestic Bidders and eligible for domestic preference only if the individual member firms are registered in the country of the Employer, have more than 50 percent ownership by nationals of the country of the Employer, and the JV shall be registered in the country of the Borrower. The JV shall not subcontract more than 10 percent of the contract price, excluding provisional sums, to foreign firms. JVs between foreign and national firms will not be eligible for domestic preference.

which they are interested. The Employer shall prequalify each Applicant for the maximum combination of contracts for which the Applicant has thereby indicated its interest and for which the Applicant meets the appropriate aggregate requirements. The qualification criteria and requirements are specified in Section III.

- 25.4 However, with respect to the specific experience under item Section III (Qualification Criteria and Requirements), 4.2 (a) , the Employer will select any one or more of the options as identified below:

N is the minimum number of contracts

V is the minimum value of a single contract.

(a) Prequalification for one Contract:

Option 1: (i) N contracts, each of minimum value V;

Or

Option 2: (i) N contracts, each of minimum value V,

Or

- (ii) Less than or equal to N contracts, each of minimum value V, but with total value of all contracts equal or more than $N \times V$

(b) Prequalification for Multiple Contracts

Option 1: (i) Minimum requirements for combined contract(s) shall be the aggregate requirements for each contract for which the Applicant has applied for as follows, and N1, N2, N3, etc. shall be different contracts:

Lot 1: N1 contracts, each of minimum value V1;

Lot 2: N2 contracts, each of minimum value V2;

Lot 3: N3 contracts, each of minimum value V3; ----etc.

Or

Option 2: (i) Minimum requirements for combined contract(s) shall be the aggregate requirements for each contract for which the Applicant has applied for as follows, and N1, N2, N3, etc. shall be different contracts:

Lot 1: N1 contracts, each of minimum value V1;

Lot 2: N2 contracts, each of minimum value V2;

Lot 3: N3 contracts, each of minimum value V3; ----etc,

Or

- (ii) **Lot 1:** N1 contracts, each of minimum value V1; or number of contracts less than or equal to N1, each of minimum value V1, but with total value of all contracts

equal or more than $N1 \times V1$

Lot 2: N2 contracts, each of minimum value V2; or number of contracts less than or equal to N2, each of minimum value V2, but with total value of all contracts equal or more than $N2 \times V2$

Lot 3: N3 contracts, each of minimum value V3; or number of contracts less than or equal to N3, each of minimum value V3, but with total value of all contracts equal or more than $N3 \times V3$ ----etc.

Or

Option 3: (i) Minimum requirements for combined contract(s) shall be the aggregate requirements for each contract for which the Applicant has applied for as follows, and N1, N2, N3, etc. shall be different contracts:

Lot 1: N1 contracts, each of minimum value V1;

Lot 2: N2 contracts, each of minimum value V2;

Lot 3: N3 contracts, each of minimum value V3; ----etc,

Or

(ii) **Lot 1:** N1 contracts, each of minimum value V1; or number of contracts less than or equal to N1, each of minimum value V1, but with total value of all contracts equal or more than $N1 \times V1$

Lot 2: N2 contracts, each of minimum value V2; or number of contracts less than or equal to N2, each of minimum value V2, but with total value of all contracts equal or more than $N2 \times V2$

Lot 3: N3 contracts, each of minimum value V3; or number of contracts less than or equal to N3, each of minimum value V3, but with total value of all contracts equal or more than $N3 \times V3$ ----etc,

Or

(iii) Subject to compliance as per (ii) above with respect to minimum value of single contract for each lot, total number of contracts is equal or less than $N1 + N2 + N3$ +--but the total value of all such contracts is equal or more than $N1 \times V1 + N2 \times V2 + N3 \times V3$ +--.

25.5 Only the qualifications of the Applicant shall be considered. The qualifications of other firms, including the Applicant's subsidiaries, parent entities, affiliates, subcontractors (other than Specialized Subcontractors in accordance with ITA 25.2 above) or any other firm(s) different from the Applicant shall not be considered.

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| 26. Employer's Right to Accept or Reject Applications | 26.1 The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any Application, and to annul the prequalification process and reject all Applications at any time, without thereby incurring any liability to the Applicants. |
| 27. Prequalification of Applicants | <p>27.1 All Applicants whose applications substantially meet or exceed the specified qualification requirements will be prequalified by the Employer.</p> <p>27.2 An Applicant may be "conditionally prequalified," that is, qualified subject to the Applicant submitting or correcting certain specified nonmaterial documents or deficiencies to the satisfaction of the Employer.</p> <p>27.3 Applicants that are conditionally prequalified will be so informed along with the statement of the condition(s) which must be met to the satisfaction of the Employer before or at the time of submitting their Bids.</p> |
| 28. Notification of Prequalification | <p>28.1 The Employer shall notify all Applicants in writing of the names of those Applicants who have been prequalified or conditionally prequalified. In addition, those Applicants who have been disqualified will be informed separately.</p> <p>28.2 Applicants that have not been prequalified may write to the Employer to request, in writing, the grounds on which they were disqualified.</p> |
| 29. Request for Bids | <p>29.1 Promptly after the notification of the results of the prequalification, the Employer shall invite Bids from all the Applicants that have been prequalified or conditionally prequalified.</p> <p>29.2 Bidders may be required to provide a Bid Security or a Bid-Securing Declaration acceptable to the Employer in the form and an amount to be specified in the bidding document.</p> <p>29.3 The successful Bidder shall be required to provide a Performance Security as specified in the bidding document.</p> <p>29.4 If applicable, the successful Bidder shall be required to provide a separate Environmental and Social (ES) Performance Security.</p> <p>29.5 Bidders shall be required to provide a Code of Conduct which will apply to their and sub-contractors' personnel that includes the minimum requirements specified in the bidding document.</p> <p>29.6 Bidders shall be required to submit management strategies and implementation plans that address key Environmental and Social (ES) risks (including Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and Sexual Harassment (SH)) requirements.</p> <p>29.7 The successful Bidder shall provide additional information about its beneficial ownership using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form</p> |

included in the bidding document.

29.8 If specified in the PDS, Bidders shall be required to submit a Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and/or Sexual Harassment (SH) Declaration, using the Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA), and/or Sexual Harassment (SH) declaration form included in the bidding documents.

29.9 Prior to Contract award, the Employer will verify that the successful Bidder (including each member of a JV) is not disqualified by the Bank due to noncompliance with contractual SEA/SH prevention and response obligations. The Employer will conduct the same verification for each subcontractor proposed by the successful Bidder. If any proposed subcontractor does not meet the requirement, the Employer will require the Bidder to propose a replacement subcontractor.

30. Changes in Qualifications of Applicants

30.1 Any change in the structure or formation of an Applicant after being prequalified in accordance with ITA 27 and invited to bid (including, in the case of a JV, any change in the structure or formation of any member and also including any change in any specialized subcontractor whose qualifications were considered to prequalify the Applicant) shall be subject to the written approval of the Employer prior to the deadline for submission of Bids. Such approval shall be denied if (i) a prequalified applicant proposes to associate with a disqualified applicant or in case of a disqualified joint venture, any of its members; (ii) as a consequence of the change, the Applicant no longer substantially meets the qualification criteria set forth in Section III (Qualification Criteria and Requirements); or (iii) in the opinion of the Employer, the change may result in a substantial reduction in competition. Any such change should be submitted to the Employer not later than fourteen (14) days after the date of the Request for Bids.

31. Procurement Related Complaint

31.1 The procedures for making a Procurement-related Complaint are as specified in the PDS.

Section II - Prequalification Data Sheet (PDS)

A. General

ITA 1.1

The identification of the Invitation for Prequalification is:

- i. **ACCESS/DOST/WD-1 for Package I**
- ii. **ACCESS/DOST/WD-2 for Package II and**
- iii. **ACCESS/DOST/WD-3 for Package III**

The Employer is: **Project Director, Department of Surface Transport (DoST), Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport (MoIT)**

The list of contracts is:

- i. **Package I: Segment 1 to 5 (0.0 to 3.868 km)**
- ii. **Package II: Segment 5 to 8 (3.868 to 8.453 km)**
- iii. **Package III: Segment 8 to 10 (8.453 to 12.600 km)**

RFB name and number are:

- i. **ACCESS/DOST/WD-1 for Package I**
- ii. **ACCESS/DOST/WD-2 for Package II and**
- iii. **ACCESS/DOST/WD-3 for Package III**

Package I – Segment 1 to 5 (km 0.000 to km 3.868)

Construction of a 4-lane carriageway including earthworks, pavement works, drainage systems, slope protection works, and associated ancillary works. The package also includes construction of the following major bridges:

- **Gelephu Bridge** – PSC I-Girder Bridge of span configuration (2 × 40 m); and
- **Mau River Bridge** – Cast-in-Situ Balanced Cantilever Bridge of span configuration: (4 × 60 m) + 2(60 + 2 × 90 + 60 m) + (3 × 60 m), including all associated structural and ancillary works.

Package II – Segment 5 to 8 (km 3.868 to km 8.453)

Construction of a 2-lane carriageway including formation works, subgrade, pavement layers, cross-drainage structures, culverts, slope stabilization, and protection works. The package includes construction of the following major bridges:

- **Taklai River Bridge** – PSC I-Girder Bridge of span configuration: 2(3 × 50 m) + (4 × 50 m) + 2(3 × 50 m); and
- **Langer River Bridge** – Cast-in-Situ Balanced Cantilever Bridge of span configuration: (60 + 3 × 90 + 60 m).

Package III – Segment 8 to 10 (km 8.453 to km 12.600)

Construction of a 2-lane carriageway including earthworks, pavement works, drainage systems, protection works, and associated ancillary works up to Tareythang. The package includes construction of:

- **Singye River Bridge** – Cast-in-Situ Balanced Cantilever Bridge of span configuration:

	(60 + 3 × 90 + 60 m); and Minor bridges and associated civil, structural, drainage, and finishing works. ▪ Tareythang Bridge at km 10.880 – PSC Girder Bridge of span configuration (4 × 50 m) + (1 × 30 m), including all associated civil, structural, and finishing works. Application for Multiple Packages Applicants may apply for one or more packages. Applicants seeking prequalification for multiple packages shall satisfy the aggregate qualification requirements specified under Sections 3.1, 3.2, 4.2(a), and 4.2(b) of the Prequalification Document.
ITA 2.1	The Borrower is: Kingdom of Bhutan
ITA 2.1	Loan or Financing Agreement amount: Credit No: IDA 77560-US\$ 154 million Grant No: IDAE4310-US\$146 million.
ITA 2.1	The name of the Project is: ACCELERATING TRANSPORT AND TRADE CONNECTIVITY IN EASTERN SOUTH ASIA (ACCESS) – BHUTAN PROJECT.
ITA 4.2	Maximum number of members in the JV shall be: Three (03)
ITA 4.7	A list of debarred firms and individuals is available on the Bank's external website: http://www.worldbank.org/debarr.
ITA 4.11	The National debarment shall not apply
B. Contents of the Prequalification Document	
ITA 7.1	For clarification purposes, the Employer's address is: Attention: Chief Engineer Construction Division, Department of Surface Transport Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport Address: Drentoen Lam, Thimphu, Bhutan and Post Box No:791 Office of the Director General, Third Floor, Block C City: Thimphu ZIP Code: 11001 Country: Bhutan Telephone: +975-2-322086 Facsimile number: +975-2-322086 Electronic mail address: cmpradhan@moit.gov.bt

ITA 7.1 & 8.2	Web page: www.moit.gov.bt
ITA 7.2	Pre-Application Meeting will be held: Yes [✓] No [] Date of Pre-Application Meeting: August 3, 2026 Time: 1030 hours (Bhutan Time, GMT+6:00 hours) Address: Department of Surface Transport (DoST), Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport (MoIT) Mobile Phone: +975-17867616; E-mail: cmpradhan@moit.gov.bt Contact person/ Pre-Application Meeting: Chandra Man Pradhan, Project Manager The Pre-Application Meeting will also be connected virtually for which the electronic connection link will be sent by the Client at least two (2) calendar days before the meeting through email to all the interested bidders.
C. Preparation of Applications	
ITA 10.1	This Prequalification document has been issued in the ENGLISH language. All correspondence exchange shall be in ENGLISH language. The Application as well as all correspondence shall be submitted in ENGLISH
ITA 11.1 (d)	The Applicant shall submit, along with its Application, the supporting documents required under the respective Application Forms, including but not limited to: All documents shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements stipulated in the respective Forms, including, as applicable, submission of original documents, notarized copies, certified copies, or true copies of the original documents.
ITA 14.2	The source for determining exchange rates is Royal Monetary Authority of Bhutan, https://www.rma.org.bt
ITA 15.2	In addition to the original, the number of copies to be submitted with the Application is: One (1). Submit PDF softcopy in a USB Memory Stick. If there is discrepancy between softcopy and hardcopy, hardcopy shall prevail.
D. Submission of Applications	
ITA 17.1	The deadline for Application submission is: Date: September 7, 2026 Time: 1000 hours (Bhutan Time, GMT+6:00 hours) For Application submission purposes only, the Employer's address is: Attention: Chandra Man Pradhan, Project Manager

	Address: Chief Engineer, Construction Division Department of Surface Transport Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport Drentoen Lam, Thimphu, Bhutan and Post Box No:791 City: Thimphu ZIP Code: 11001 Country: Bhutan Telephone: +975-2-322086 Facsimile number: +975-2-322086 Email address: cmpradhan@moit.gov.bt Applicants “Shall Not” have the option of submitting their Applications electronically. The electronic Application submission procedures shall be: Not Applicable
ITA 18.1	The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject late Applications.
ITA 19.1	The opening of the Applications shall be at Date: September 7, 2026 Time: 1030 hours (Bhutan Time, GMT+6:00 hours) Venue: Office of the Director General, Department of Surface Transport Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, Drentoen Lam, Thimphu, Bhutan and Post Box No:791
ITA 19.2	The electronic Application opening procedures shall be: Not Applicable
E. Procedures for Evaluation of Applications	
ITA 23.1	A margin of domestic preference “Shall Not” apply
ITA 24.1	At this time the Employer “does not intend” to execute certain specific parts of the Works by sub-contractors selected in advance.
ITA 25.2	Not Applicable
ITA 25.4 (b)	Option 3
ITA 29.8	The Employer intends to require Bidders to submit Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and/or Sexual Harassment (SH) Declaration.
ITA 31.1	The procedures for making a Procurement-related Complaint are detailed in the <u>“Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers</u> (Annex III).” If an Applicant wishes to make a Procurement-related Complaint, the Applicant shall submit its complaint following these procedures, in writing (by the

	quickest means available, that is either by email or fax), to: For the attention: Mr. Tenzin Title/position: Director General Employer: Department of Surface Transport, Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, Thimphu, Bhutan Email address: tenzin@moit.gov.bt In summary, at this stage, a Procurement-related Complaint may challenge any of the following: 1. the terms of the Prequalification Documents; and 2. the Employer's decision not to prequalify an Applicant.
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Section III - Qualification Criteria and Requirements

This section contains all the methods, criteria, and requirements that the Employer shall use to evaluate Applications. The information to be provided in relation to each requirement and the definitions of the corresponding terms are included in the respective Application Forms.

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				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
1. Eligibility							
1.1	Nationality	Nationality in accordance with ITA 4.5	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N/A	Forms ELI – 1.1 and 1.2, with attachments
1.2	Conflict of Interest	No conflicts of interest in accordance with ITA 4.6	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N/A	Application Submission Letter
1.3	Bank Eligibility	Not having been declared ineligible by the Bank, as described in ITA 4.7 and 5.1	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N/A	Application Submission Letter
1.4	State-owned Entity of the Borrower Country	Applicant required to meet conditions of ITA 4.8	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N / A	Forms ELI - 1.1 and 1.2, with attachments
1.5	United Nations resolution or Borrower’s country law	Not having been excluded as a result of prohibition in the Borrower’s country laws or official regulations against commercial relations with the Applicant’s country, or by an act of compliance with UN Security Council resolution, both in accordance with ITA 5.1 and 5.2 and Section V.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N/A	Forms ELI – 1.1 and 1.2, with attachments

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2. Historical Contract Non-Performance							
2.1	History of Non-Performing Contracts	Non-performance of a contract ¹ did not occur as a result of contractor’s default since 1 st January 2021.	Must meet requirement ¹	Must meet requirements	Must meet requirement ²	N/A	Form CON-2
2.2	Suspension Based on Execution of Bid/Proposal Securing Declaration by the Employer	Not under suspension based on execution of a Bid/Proposal Securing Declaration pursuant to ITA 4.9.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N/A	Application Submission Letter
2.3	Pending Litigation	Applicant’s financial position and prospective long-term profitability still sound according to criteria established in 3.1 below and assuming that all pending litigation will be resolved against the Applicant	Must meet requirement	N/A	Must meet requirement	N/A	Form CON – 2
2.4	Litigation History	No consistent history of court/arbitral award decisions	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirements	Must meet requirement	N/A	Form CON – 2

¹ Nonperformance, as decided by the Employer, shall include all contracts where (a) nonperformance was not challenged by the contractor, including through referral to the dispute resolution mechanism under the respective contract, and (b) contracts that were so challenged but fully settled against the contractor. Nonperformance shall not include contracts where Employers decision was overruled by the dispute resolution mechanism. Nonperformance must be based on all information on fully settled disputes or litigation, i.e. dispute or litigation that has been resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution mechanism under the respective contract and where all appeal instances available to the applicant have been exhausted.

² This requirement also applies to contracts executed by the Applicant as JV member.

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				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		against the Applicant ³ since 1st January 2021		nt			
2.5	Declaration: Environmental, and Social (ES) past performance	Declare any civil work contracts that have been suspended or terminated and/or performance security called by an employer for reasons related to the non-compliance of any environmental, or social (including Sexual Exploitation and Abuse) contractual obligations in the past five years ⁴ .	Must make the declaration. Where there are Specialized Sub-contractor/s, the Specialized Sub-contractor/s must also make the declaration	N/A	Each must make the declaration. Where there are Specialized Sub-contractor/s, the Specialized Sub-contractor/s must also make the declaration.	N/A	Form CON-3 ES Performance Declaration
2.6	Bank’s SEA and/or SH Disqualification	(a) At the time of Contract Award, not subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations (b) If the Applicant had been subject to disqualification by	Must meet requirement (including each subcontractor)	N/A	Must meet requirement (including each subcontractor proposed by the Applicant)	N/A	Application Submission Letter, Form CON-4

³ The Applicant shall provide accurate information on the related Application Form about any litigation or arbitration resulting from contracts completed or ongoing under its execution over the last five years. A consistent history of awards against the Applicant or any member of a joint venture may result in rejection of the Application.

⁴ The Employer may use this information to seek further information or clarifications during the bidding stage and the associated due diligence.

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		the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations, the Applicant shall either (i) Provide evidence of an arbitral award on the disqualification made in its favour; or (ii) demonstrate that it has adequate capacity and commitment to comply with SEA/SH prevention and response obligations; or (iii) provide evidence that it has already demonstrated such capacity and commitment for another Bank financed works contract					
3. Financial Situation and Performance							
3.1	Financial Capabilities	(i) The Applicant shall demonstrate that it has access to, or has available, liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and other financial means (independent of any contractual	Must meet requirement	Must meet requireme	N/A	N/A	Form FIN – 3.1, with attachments

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				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		advance payment) sufficient to meet the construction cash flow requirements estimated as given below for the subject contract(s) net of the Applicants other commitments (ii) The Applicant shall also demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Employer, that it has adequate sources of finance to meet the cash flow requirements on works currently in progress and for future contract commitments. (iii) The audited balance sheets or, if not required by the laws of the Applicant's country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last five (05) years starting 1st January 2021 and shall be submitted and must demonstrate the current soundness of the Applicant's financial position and indicate its prospective long-term profitability. The minimum requirement as per (i) above;	Must meet requirement Must meet requirement	nt Must meet requirement N/A	N/A Must meet requirement		

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No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		For ACCESS/DOST/WD-1 USD \$ 8.0 million	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	Form FIN – 3.1, with attachments
		For ACCESS/DOST/WD-2 USD \$ 6.0 million	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	Form FIN – 3.1, with attachments
		For ACCESS/DOST/WD-3 USD \$ 2.5 million	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	Form FIN – 3.1, with attachments
3.2	Average Annual Construction Turnover	Minimum average annual construction turnover of as given below, calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress and/or completed within the last five (05) years starting 1st January 2021 , divided by five (05) years.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet 25% (twenty-five percentage) of the requirement	Must meet 40% (forty percentage) of the requirement	Form FIN – 3.2
		For ACCESS/DOST/WD-1; United States Dollars Sixty-five million (US\$ 65.0 million)	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet 25% (twenty-five percentage) of the requirement	Must meet 40% (forty percentage) of the requirement	Form FIN – 3.2

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No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		For ACCESS/DOST/WD-2; United States Dollars Forty-six million (US \$ 46.0 million)	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet 25% (twenty-five percentage) of the requirement	Must meet 40% (forty percentage) of the requirement	Form FIN – 3.2
		For ACCESS/DOST/WD-3; United States Dollars Twenty million (US\$ 20.0 million)	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet 25% (twenty-five percentage) of the requirement	Must meet 40% (forty percentage) of the requirement	Form FIN – 3.2
4. Experience							
4.1 (a)	General Construction Experience	Applicant Shall have Experience under construction contracts in the role of prime contractor, JV member, subcontractor, or management contractor for at least the last ten (10) years starting 1 st January 2016	Must meet requirement	N/A	Must meet requirement	N/A	Form EXP – 4.1
4.2 (a)	Specific Construction & Contract	(i) A minimum number of similar contracts specified below that have been satisfactorily and	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement ⁷	N/A	N/A	Form EXP 4.2(a)

⁷ In the case of JV, the value of contracts completed by its members shall not be aggregated to determine whether the requirement of the minimum value of a single contract has been met. Instead, each contract performed by each member shall satisfy the minimum value of a single contract as required for single entity. In determining whether the JV

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				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
	Management Experience	substantially ⁵ completed as a prime contractor, joint venture member ⁶ , management contractor or subcontractor between 1st January 2016 and Application submission deadline: “Similar contracts shall mean construction of road projects including bridges, involving Two/four -lane carriageway or higher standard highways, and including construction of major bridges of PSC I Girder/ Cantilever Bridge/ Box Girder bridge/ Extradosed bridge/ Cable stayed bridge. The bridge component shall form a significant part of the contract (generally not less than 20% of contract value or involving bridges of substantial					

meets the requirement of total number of contracts, only the number of contracts completed by all members each of value equal or more than the minimum value required shall be aggregated.

⁵ Substantial completion shall be based on 80% or more works completed under the contract.

⁶ For contracts under which the Applicant participated as a joint venture member or sub-contractor, only the Applicant's share, by value, and role and responsibilities shall be considered to meet this requirement.

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				All Members Combined	Each Member	One Member	
		length or complexity).					
		ACCESS/DOST/WD-1 i. Two (2) contracts, each of minimum value USD \$ 78 million; or ii. Up to Three (03) contracts, each of minimum value USD\$ 60 million, with total value ≥USD\$ 200 million; Out of the above contracts: At least one contract shall include construction of a cast-in-situ PSC I Girder/ Cantilever Bridge/ Box Girder bridge/ Extradosed bridge/ Cable stayed bridge having span configuration comparable to long-span bridges with a minimum central span of 90 m; and	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement ⁸	N/A	N/A	Form EXP 4.2(a)
		ACCESS/DOST/WD-2	Must meet	Must meet	N/A	N/A	Form EXP

⁸ In the case of JV, the value of contracts completed by its members shall not be aggregated to determine whether the requirement of the minimum value of a single contract has been met. Instead, each contract performed by each member shall satisfy the minimum value of a single contract as required for single entity. In determining whether the JV meets the requirement of total number of contracts, only the number of contracts completed by all members each of value equal or more than the minimum value required shall be aggregated.

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No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		i. Two (2) contracts, each of minimum value US\$ 46 million; Or ii. Up to three (03) contracts, each of minimum value US\$ 35 million, with total value $\geq$US\$ 110 million; Out of the above contracts: At least one contract shall include PSC I Girder/ Cantilever Bridge/ Box Girder bridge/ Extradosed bridge/ Cable stayed bridge having span configuration comparable to long span bridges with a minimum central span of 50 m.	requirement	requirement ⁹			4.2(a)
		ACCESS/DOST/WD-3 i. Two (2) contracts, each of	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement ¹⁰	N/A	N/A	Form EXP 4.2(a)

⁹ In the case of JV, the value of contracts completed by its members shall not be aggregated to determine whether the requirement of the minimum value of a single contract has been met. Instead, each contract performed by each member shall satisfy the minimum value of a single contract as required for single entity. In determining whether the JV meets the requirement of total number of contracts, only the number of contracts completed by all members each of value equal or more than the minimum value required shall be aggregated.

¹⁰ In the case of JV, the value of contracts completed by its members shall not be aggregated to determine whether the requirement of the minimum value of a single contract has

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No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		minimum value USD 20 million Or ii. Up to three (3) contracts, each of minimum value USD 15 million, with total value $\geq$ USD 50 million Out of the above contracts: At least one contract shall include PSC I Girder/ Cantilever Bridge/ Box Girder bridge/ Extradosed bridge/ Cable stayed bridge having span configuration comparable to long span bridges with a minimum central span of 50 m.					
4.2 (b)		For the above and any other contracts substantially completed and under implementation as prime contractor, joint venture member, or sub-contractor between 1st January 2016 and Application submission deadline, a					

been met. Instead, each contract performed by each member shall satisfy the minimum value of a single contract as required for single entity. In determining whether the JV meets the requirement of total number of contracts, only the number of contracts completed by all members each of value equal or more than the minimum value required shall be aggregated.

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				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		minimum construction experience in the following key activities successfully completed¹¹: The activities indicating volume, number or rate of production as applicable¹². The rate of production given below should have been achieved for anyone years during last ten years (2016-2025)					
		ACCESS/DOST/WD-1 a. Road Works Earthwork: $\geq 150,000\text{m}^3/\text{year}$ Asphalt works: $\geq 10,000\text{ m}^3/\text{year}$ b. Bridge Works Experience in construction of major bridges, including: At least one box-girder bridge of length $\geq 800\text{ m}$, or	Must meet requirements	Must meet requirements	N/A	N/A	Form EXP – 4.2 (b)

¹¹ Volume, number or rate of production of any key activity can be demonstrated in one or more contracts combined if executed during same time period.

¹² The minimum experience requirement for multiple contracts will be the sum of the minimum requirements for respective individual contracts, unless specified otherwise.

Eligibility and Qualification Criteria			Compliance Requirements				Document/ Form
No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		- Experience in construction of long-span box girder bridges with individual span $\geq 80\text{m}$ - Concrete works: $\geq 40,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$					
		ACCESS/DOST/WD-2 a. Road Works Earthwork: $\geq 150,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$ Asphalt works: $\geq 10,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$. b. Bridge Works - Experience in construction of major bridges, including: At least one bridge of length $\geq 500 \text{ m}$, or - Experience in construction of long-span bridges with individual span $\geq 60\text{m}$ - Concrete works: $\geq 25,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$	Must meet requirements	Must meet requirements	N/A	N/A	Form EXP – 4.2 (b)
		ACCESS/DOST/WD-3	Must meet	Must meet	N/A	N/A	Form EXP –

Eligibility and Qualification Criteria			Compliance Requirements				Document/ Form
No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		a. Road Works Earthwork: $\geq 200,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$ Asphalt works: $\geq 10,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$ b. Bridge Works ▪ Experience in construction of major bridges, including: At least one bridge of length $\geq 300 \text{ m}$, or ▪ Experience in construction of long-span bridges with individual span $\geq 60\text{m}$ ▪ Concrete works: $\geq 15,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{year}$	requirements	requirements			4.2 (b)
4.2 (c)	Specific Experience in ES managing aspects	For the contracts in 4.2 (a) above and/or any other contracts substantially completed and under implementation as prime contractor, joint venture member, or Subcontractor between 1st January 2021 and Application submission deadline, experience in	Must meet requirements	Must meet requirement	N/A	N/A	Form EXP – 4.2 (c)

Eligibility and Qualification Criteria			Compliance Requirements			Document/ Form	
No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		managing ES risks and impacts in the following aspects: The Applicant shall demonstrate experience in at least two (2) highway and/or bridge infrastructure contracts, each with a contract value of not less than USD 20 million, completed and/or under implementation as prime contractor, joint venture member, or subcontractor between 1st January 2021 and the Application submission deadline, in which the Applicant implemented Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) measures, Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) requirements, and other Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) obligations, specifically including the following sustainable procurement aspects: i. Environmental Sustainability Use of environmentally					

Eligibility and Qualification Criteria			Compliance Requirements			Document/ Form	
No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		sustainable and locally sourced construction materials, implementation of pollution prevention and control measures (including dust, noise, wastewater and hazardous waste management), incorporation of climate resilience measures into construction methodology, and adoption of energy efficiency or carbon footprint reduction measures during construction operations. ii. Labor, Social and Worker Welfare Implementation of a documented Labor Management Procedure (LMP) prohibiting child and forced labor, ensuring fair wages, non-discrimination, and safe working and living conditions; and operation of a functional Worker Grievance Mechanism					

Eligibility and Qualification Criteria			Compliance Requirements			Document/ Form	
No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		(WGM) accessible to all workers including vulnerable and migrant workers. iii. Prevention of Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment (SEA/SH) Implementation of a SEA/SH prevention programmes including a signed Code of Conduct for all workers and managers, supported by mandatory awareness training and a confidential reporting mechanism. iv. Supply Chain Sustainability Screening of primary suppliers and subcontractors against ESHS standards prior to engagement, inclusion of ESHS obligations in subcontracts with provisions for monitoring compliance, and measures to avoid sourcing materials from suppliers with known					

Eligibility and Qualification Criteria			Compliance Requirements				Document/ Form
No.	Subject	Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture (existing or intended)			Submission Requirement
				All Members Combine d	Each Member	One Member	
		violations of labor rights or environmental regulations. v. Institutional ESHS Capacity Deployment of a dedicated ESHS team or officer(s) with verifiable qualifications on comparable contracts, implementation of a documented corporate ESHS Management System aligned with recognized standards (ISO 14001, ISO 45001 or equivalent), and submission of regular ESHS progress reports to the employer on at least a quarterly basis.					

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Application Submission Letter

Date: *[insert day, month, and year]*
PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

To: *[insert full name of Employer]*

We, the undersigned, apply to be prequalified for the referenced PQD and declare that:

- (a) **No reservations:** We have examined and have no reservations to the Prequalification Document, including Addendum(s) No(s), issued in accordance with ITA 8: *[insert the number and issuing date of each addendum]*.
- (b) **No conflict of interest:** We have no conflict of interest in accordance with ITA 4;
- (c) **Eligibility:** We (and our subcontractors) meet the eligibility requirements as stated ITA 4, we have not been suspended by the Employer based on execution of a Bid/Proposal-Securing Declaration in accordance with ITA 4.9;
- (d) **Suspension and Debarment:** We, along with any of our subcontractors, suppliers, consultants, manufacturers, or service providers for any part of the contract, are not subject to, and not controlled by any entity or individual that is subject to, a temporary suspension or a debarment imposed by the World Bank Group or a debarment imposed by the World Bank Group in accordance with the Agreement for Mutual Enforcement of Debarment Decisions between the World Bank and other development banks. Further, we are not ineligible under the Employer's country laws or official regulations or pursuant to a decision of the United Nations Security Council;
- (e) **Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and/or Sexual Harassment (SH):** *[select the appropriate option from (i) to (v) below and delete the others]*.

We *[where JV, insert: "including any of our JV members"]*, and any of our subcontractors:

- (i) *[have not been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations.]*
- (ii) *[are subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations.]*
- (iii) *[had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations. An arbitral award on the disqualification case has been made in our favor.]*
- (iv) *[had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations for a period of two years. We have subsequently provided and demonstrated that we have adequate capacity and commitment to comply with SEA and SH prevention and response obligations.]*
- (v) *[had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations for a period of two years. We have attached documents demonstrating that we have adequate capacity and commitment to comply with SEA and SH prevention and response obligations.]*

- (f) **State-owned enterprise or institution:** *[select the appropriate option and delete the other] [We are not a state-owned enterprise or institution] / [We are a state-owned enterprise or institution but meet the requirements of ITA 4.8];*
- (g) **Subcontractors and Specialized Subcontractors:** We, in accordance with ITA 24.2 and 25.2, plan to subcontract the following key activities and/or parts of the works:
[Insert any of the key activities identified in Section III - 4.2(a) or (b) which the Employer has permitted under the Prequalification Document and which the Applicant intends to subcontract along with complete details of the Specialized Subcontractors, their qualification and experience]
- (h) **Commissions, gratuities, fees:** We declare that the following commissions, gratuities, or fees have been paid or are to be paid with respect to the prequalification process, the corresponding bidding process or execution of the Contract:

<u>Name of Recipient</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<i>[insert full name for each occurrence]</i>	<i>[insert street/ number/ city/ country]</i>	<i>[indicate reason]</i>	<i>[specify amount currency, value, exchange rate and U.S.\$ equivalent]</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

[If no payments are made or promised, add the following statement: "No commissions or gratuities have been or are to be paid by us to agents or any third party relating to this Application"]

- (i) **Not bound to accept:** We understand that you may cancel the prequalification process at any time and that you are neither bound to accept any Application that you may receive nor to invite the prequalified Applicants to bid for the contract subject of this Prequalification process, without incurring any liability to the Applicants, in accordance with ITA 26.1.
- (j) **True and correct:** All information, statements and description contained in the Application are in all respect true, correct and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Signed *[insert signature(s) of an authorized representative(s) of the Applicant]*

Name *[insert full name of person signing the Application]*

In the capacity of *[insert capacity of person signing the Application]*

Duly authorized to sign the Application for and on behalf of: Applicant's

Name *[insert full name of Applicant or the name of the JV]*

Address *[insert street number/ town or city/ country address]*

Dated on *[insert day number]* day of *[insert month]*, *[insert year]*

[For a joint venture, either all members shall sign or only the authorized representative, in which case the power of attorney to sign on behalf of all members shall be attached]

Form ELI -1.1
Applicant Information Form

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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Applicant's name <i>[insert full name]</i>
In case of Joint Venture (JV), name of each member: <i>[insert full name of each member in JV]</i>
Applicant's actual or intended country of registration: <i>[indicate country of Constitution]</i>
Applicant's actual or intended year of incorporation: <i>[indicate year of Constitution]</i>
Applicant's legal address [in country of registration]: <i>[insert street/ number/ town or city/ country]</i>
Applicant's authorized representative information Name: <i>[insert full name]</i> Address: <i>[insert street/ number/ town or city/ country]</i> Telephone/Fax numbers: <i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city codes]</i> E-mail address: <i>[indicate e-mail address]</i>
1. Attached are copies of original documents of ☐ Articles of Incorporation (or equivalent documents of constitution or association), and/or documents of registration of the legal entity named above, in accordance with ITA 4.5. ☐ In case of JV, letter of intent to form JV or JV agreement, in accordance with ITA 4.2. ☐ In case of state-owned enterprise or institution, in accordance with ITA 4.8 documents establishing: ▪ Legal and financial autonomy ▪ Operation under commercial law ▪ Establishing that the Applicant is not under supervision of the Employer 2. Included are the organizational chart, a list of Board of Directors, and the beneficial ownership.

Form ELI -1.2

Applicant's JV Information Form

[The following form is additional to Form ELI – 1.1., and shall be completed to provide information relating to each JV member (in case the Applicant is a JV) as well as any Specialized Subcontractor proposed to be used by the Applicant for any part of the Contract resulting from this prequalification]

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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Applicant name: <i>[insert full name]</i>
Applicant's JV Member's name: <i>[insert full name of Applicant's JV Member]</i>
Applicant's JV Member's country of registration: <i>[indicate country of registration]</i>
Applicant JV Member's year of constitution: <i>[indicate year of constitution]</i>
Applicant JV Member's legal address in country of constitution: <i>[insert street/ number/ town or city/ country]</i>
Applicant JV Member's authorized representative information Name: <i>[insert full name]</i> Address: <i>[insert street/ number/ town or city/ country]</i> Telephone/Fax numbers: <i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city codes]</i> E-mail address: <i>[indicate e-mail address]</i>
1. Attached are copies of original documents of ☐ Articles of Incorporation (or equivalent documents of constitution or association), and/or registration documents of the legal entity named above, in accordance with ITA 4.5. ☐ In case of a state-owned enterprise or institution, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy, operation in accordance with commercial law, and they are not under the supervision of the Employer, in accordance with ITA 4.8. 2. Included are the organizational chart, a list of Board of Directors, and the beneficial ownership.

Form CON – 2**Historical Contract Non-Performance, Pending Litigation and Litigation History**

[The following table shall be filled in for the Applicant and for each member of a Joint Venture]

Applicant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member's Name: *[insert full name]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

Page *[insert page number]* of *[insert total number]* pages

Non-Performed Contracts in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements			
☐ Contract non-performance did not occur since 1 st January <i>[insert year]</i> specified in Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, Sub-Factor 2.1.			
☐ Contract(s) not performed since 1 st January <i>[insert year]</i> specified in Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, requirement 2.1			
Year	Non-performed portion of contract	Contract Identification	Total Contract Amount (current value, currency, exchange rate and US\$ equivalent)
<i>[insert year]</i>	<i>[insert amount and percentage]</i>	Contract Identification: <i>[indicate complete contract name/ number, and any other identification]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[insert full name]</i> Address of Employer: <i>[insert street/ city/ country]</i> Reason(s) for nonperformance: <i>[indicate main reason(s)]</i>	<i>[insert amount]</i>
Pending Litigation, in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements			
☐ No pending litigation in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, Sub-Factor 2.3.			
☐ Pending litigation in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, Sub-Factor 2.3 as indicated below.			

Year of dispute	Amount dispute (currency) in	Contract Identification	Total Contract Amount (currency), USD Equivalent (exchange rate)
<i>[insert year]</i>	<i>[insert amount]</i>	Contract Identification: <i>[indicate complete contract name, number, and any other identification]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[insert full name]</i> Address of Employer: <i>[insert street/city/country]</i> Matter in dispute: <i>[indicate main issues in dispute]</i> Party who initiated the dispute: <i>[indicate "Employer" or "Contractor"]</i> Status of dispute:	<i>[insert amount]</i>
Litigation History in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements ☐ No Litigation History in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, Sub-Factor 2.4. ☐ Litigation History in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, Sub-Factor 2.4 as indicated below.			
Year of award	Outcome as percentage of Net Worth	Contract Identification	Total Contract Amount (currency), USD Equivalent (exchange rate)
<i>[insert year]</i>	<i>[insert percentage]</i>	Contract Identification: <i>[indicate complete contract name, number, and any other identification]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[insert full name]</i> Address of Employer: <i>[insert street/city/country]</i> Matter in dispute: <i>[indicate main issues in dispute]</i> Party who initiated the dispute: <i>[indicate "Employer" or "Contractor"]</i> Reason(s) for Litigation and award decision <i>[indicate main reason(s)]</i>	<i>[insert amount]</i>

Form CON – 3 ES Performance Declaration

[The following table shall be filled in for the Applicant, each member of a Joint Venture and each Specialized Subcontractor]

Applicant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member's or Specialized Subcontractor's Name: *[insert full name]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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Environmental and Performance Declaration in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria, and Requirements			
☐ No suspension or termination of contract: An employer has not suspended or terminated a contract and/or called the performance security for a contract for reasons related to Environmental or Social, (ES) performance since the date specified in Section III, Qualification Criteria, and Requirements, Sub-Factor 2.5.			
☐ Declaration of suspension or termination of contract: The following contract(s) has/have been suspended or terminated and/or Performance Security called by an employer(s) for reasons related to Environmental or Social, (ES) performance since the date specified in Section III, Qualification Criteria, and Requirements, Sub-Factor 2.5. Details are described below:			
Year	Suspended or terminated portion of contract	Contract Identification	Total Contract Amount (current value, currency, exchange rate and US\$ equivalent)
<i>[insert year]</i>	<i>[insert amount and percentage]</i>	Contract Identification: <i>[indicate complete contract name/ number, and any other identification]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[insert full name]</i> Address of Employer: <i>[insert street/ city/ country]</i> Reason(s) for suspension or termination: <i>[indicate main reason(s) e.g. gender-based violence; sexual exploitation or sexual abuse breaches]</i>	<i>[insert amount]</i>
<i>[insert year]</i>	<i>[insert amount and percentage]</i>	Contract Identification: <i>[indicate complete contract name/ number, and any other identification]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[insert full name]</i> Address of Employer: <i>[insert street/ city/ country]</i> Reason(s) for suspension or termination: <i>[indicate main reason(s)]</i>	<i>[insert amount]</i>
...	...	<i>[list all applicable contracts]</i>	...

Performance Security called by an employer(s) for reasons related to ES performance		
Year	Contract Identification	Total Contract Amount (current value, currency, exchange rate and US\$ equivalent)
<i>[insert year]</i>	Contract Identification: <i>[indicate complete contract name/ number, and any other identification]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[insert full name]</i> Address of Employer: <i>[insert street/ city/ country]</i> Reason(s) for calling of performance security: <i>[indicate main reason(s) e.g. gender-based violence; sexual exploitation or sexual abuse breaches]</i>	<i>[insert amount]</i>

Form CON – 4**Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and/or Sexual Harassment Performance Declaration**

[The following table shall be filled in by the Applicant, each member of a Joint Venture and each subcontractor proposed by the Applicant]

Applicant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member's or Subcontractor's Name: *[insert full name]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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SEA and/or SH Declaration**in accordance with Section III, Qualification Criteria, and Requirements**

We:

- ☐ (a) have not been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations
- ☐ (b) are subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations
- ☐ (c) had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations
An arbitral award on the disqualification case has been made in our favor.
- ☐ (d) had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations
for a period of two years. We have subsequently demonstrated that we have adequate capacity
and commitment to comply with SEA/ SH obligations.
- ☐ (e) had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations
for a period of two years. We have attached evidence demonstrating that we have adequate
capacity and commitment to comply with SEA/ SH obligations.

[If (c) above is applicable, attach evidence of an arbitral award reversing the findings on the issues underlying the disqualification.]

[If (d) or (e) above are applicable, provide the following information:]

Period of disqualification: From: _____ To: _____

If previously provided for another Bank financed works contract, details of evidence that demonstrated adequate capacity and commitment to comply with SEA/ SH obligations **(as per (d) above)**

Name of Employer: _____

Name of Project: _____

Contract description: _____

Brief summary of evidence provided: _____

Contact Information: (Tel, email, name of contact person): _____

As an alternative to the evidence under (d), other evidence demonstrating adequate capacity and commitment to comply with SEA/ SH obligations (**as per (e) above**) [*attach details as appropriate*].

Form FIN – 3.1

Financial Situation and Performance

[The following table shall be filled in for the Applicant and for each member of a Joint Venture]

Applicant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member Name: *[insert full name]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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1. Financial data

Type of Financial information in (currency)	Historic information for previous <i>_[insert number]_</i> years, <i>[insert in words]</i> (amount in currency, currency, exchange rate*, USD equivalent)				
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Statement of Financial Position (Information from Balance Sheet)					
Total Assets (TA)					
Total Liabilities (TL)					
Total Equity/Net Worth (NW)					
Current Assets (CA)					
Current Liabilities (CL)					
Working Capital (WC)					
Information from Income Statement					
Total Revenue (TR)					
Profits Before Taxes (PBT)					
Cash Flow Information					
Cash Flow from Operating Activities					

* Refer ITA 14 for the exchange rate

2. Sources of Finance

[The following table shall be filled in for the Applicant and all parties combined in case of a Joint Venture]

Specify sources of finance to meet the cash flow requirements on works currently in progress and for future contract commitments.

No.	Source of finance	Amount (US\$ equivalent)
1		
2		
3		

3. Financial documents

The Applicant and its parties shall provide copies of financial statements for *[number]* years pursuant Section III, Qualifications Criteria and Requirements, Sub-factor 3.1. The financial statements shall:

- (a) reflect the financial situation of the Applicant or in case of JV member, and not an affiliated entity (such as parent company or group member).
- (b) be independently audited or certified in accordance with local legislation.
- (c) be complete, including all notes to the financial statements.
- (d) correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited.

☐ Attached are copies of financial statements¹ for the *[number]* years required above; and complying with the requirements

¹ If the most recent set of financial statements is for a period earlier than 12 months from the date of Application, the reason for this should be justified.

Form FIN - 3.2**Average Annual Construction Turnover**

[The following table shall be filled in for the Applicant and for each member of a Joint Venture]

Applicant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member Name: *[insert full name]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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Annual turnover data (construction only)			
Year	Amount Currency	Exchange rate*	USD equivalent
<i>[indicate calendar year]</i>	<i>[insert amount and indicate currency]</i>		
		Average Annual Construction Turnover **	

* Refer ITA 14 for date and source of exchange rate.

** Total USD equivalent for all years divided by the total number of years. See Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, 3.2.

Form EXP - 4.1

General Construction Experience

[The following table shall be filled in for the Applicant and in the case of a JV Applicant, each Member]

Applicant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member Name: *[insert full name]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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[Identify contracts that demonstrate continuous construction work over the past [number] years pursuant to Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, Sub-Factor 4.1. List contracts chronologically, according to their commencement (starting) dates.]

Starting Year	Ending Year	Contract Identification	Role of Applicant
<i>[indicate year]</i>	<i>[indicate year]</i>	Contract name: <i>[insert full name]</i> Brief Description of the Works performed by the Applicant: <i>[describe works performed briefly]</i> Amount of contract: <i>[insert amount in currency, mention currency used, exchange rate and US\$ equivalent*]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[indicate full name]</i> Address: <i>[indicate street/ number/ town or city/ country]</i>	<i>[insert "Prime Contractor" or "JV Member" or "Sub-contractor" or "Management Contractor"]</i>
		Contract name: <i>[insert full name]</i> Brief Description of the Works performed by the Applicant: <i>[describe works performed briefly]</i> Amount of contract: <i>[insert amount in currency, mention currency used, exchange rate and US\$ equivalent*]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[indicate full name]</i> Address: <i>[indicate street/ number/ town or city/ country]</i>	<i>[insert "Prime Contractor" or "JV Member" or "Sub-contractor" or "Management Contractor"]</i>
		Contract name: <i>[insert full name]</i> Brief Description of the Works performed by the Applicant: <i>[describe works performed briefly]</i> Amount of contract: <i>[insert amount in currency, mention currency used, exchange rate and US\$ equivalent*]</i> Name of Employer: <i>[indicate full name]</i> Address: <i>[indicate street/ number/ town or city/ country]</i>	<i>[insert "Prime Contractor" or "JV Member" or "Sub-contractor" or "Management Contractor"]</i>

* Refer ITA 14 for date and source of exchange rate.

Form EXP - 4.2(a)**Specific Construction and Contract Management Experience**

[The following table shall be filled in for contracts performed by the Applicant, each member of a Joint Venture, and Specialized Sub-contractors]

Applicant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member Name: *[insert full name]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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Similar Contract No. <i>[insert number] of [insert number of similar contracts required]</i>	Information			
Contract Identification	<i>[insert contract name and number, if applicable]</i>			
Award date	<i>[insert day, month, year, e.g., 15 June, 2015]</i>			
Completion date	<i>[insert day, month, year, e.g., 03 October, 2017]</i>			
Role in Contract <i>[check the appropriate box]</i>	Prime Contractor ☐	Member in JV ☐	Management Contractor ☐	Sub-contractor ☐
Total Contract Amount	<i>[insert total contract amount in local currency]</i>		US\$ <i>[insert Exchange rate and total contract amount in US\$ equivalent]*</i>	
If member in a JV or sub-contractor, specify share in value in total Contract amount and roles and responsibilities	<i>[insert percentage amount]</i>	<i>[insert total contract amount in local currency]</i>	<i>[insert exchange rate and total contract amount in US\$ equivalent]*</i>	
	<i>[insert roles and responsibilities]</i>			
Employer's Name:	<i>[insert full name]</i>			
Address:	<i>[indicate street / number / town or city / country]</i>			
Telephone/fax number	<i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city area codes]</i>			
E-mail:	<i>[insert e-mail address, if available]</i>			

* Refer ITA 14 for date and source of exchange rate.

Form EXP - 4.2(a) (cont.)**Specific Construction and Contract Management Experience (cont.)**

Similar Contract No.	Information
<i>[insert number] of [insert number of similar contracts required]</i>	
Description of the similarity in accordance with Sub-Factor 4.2(a) of Section III:	
1. Amount	<i>[insert amount in local currency, exchange rate, US\$ in words and in Figures]</i>
2. Physical size of required works items	<i>[insert physical size of items]</i>
3. Complexity	<i>[insert description of complexity]</i>
4. Methods/Technology	<i>[insert specific aspects of the methods/technology involved in the contract]</i>
5. Construction rate for key activities	<i>[insert rates and items]</i>
6. Other Characteristics	<i>[insert other characteristics as described in Section VII, Scope of Works]</i>

Form EXP - 4.2(b)
Construction Experience in Key Activities

Applicant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Applicant's JV Member's Name: *[insert full name]*

Sub-contractor's Name² (as per ITA 24.2 and 24.3): *[insert full name]*

PQD No. and title: *[insert PQD number and title]*

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All Sub-contractors for key activities must complete the information in this form as per ITA 24.2 and 24.3 and Section III, Qualification Criteria and Requirements, 4.2.

1. Key Activity No. One: *[insert brief description of the Activity, emphasizing its specificity]*

Total Quantity of Activity under the contract: _____

Information				
Contract Identification	<i>[insert contract name and number, if applicable]</i>			
Award date	<i>[insert day, month, year, e.g., 15 June, 2015]</i>			
Completion date	<i>[insert day, month, year, e.g., 03 October, 2017]</i>			
Role in Contract <i>[check the appropriate box]</i>	Prime Contractor ☐	Member in JV ☐	Management Contractor ☐	Sub-contractor ☐
Total Contract Amount	<i>[insert total contract amount in contract currency(ies)]</i>		US\$ <i>[insert exchange rate and total contract amount in US\$ equivalent]</i>	
Quantity (Volume, number or rate of production, as applicable) performed under the contract per year or part of the year <i>[Insert extent of participation indicating actual quantity of key activity successfully completed in the role performed]</i>	Total quantity in the contract (i)	Percentage participation (ii)	Actual Quantity Performed (i) x (ii)	
Year 1				
Year 2				
Year 3				
Year 4				
Employer's Name:	<i>[insert full name]</i>			

² If applicable

Address:	<i>[indicate street / number / town or city / country]</i>
Telephone/fax number	<i>[insert telephone/fax numbers, including country and city area codes]</i>
E-mail:	<i>[insert e-mail address, if available]</i>

2. Activity No. Two

3.

	Information
Description of the key activities in accordance with Sub-Factor 4.2(b) of Section III:	
	<i>[insert response to inquiry indicated in left column]</i>

Form EXP - 4.2(c)**Specific Experience in Managing ES aspects and any additional sustainable procurement aspects**

[The following table shall be filled in for contracts performed by the Applicant, and each member of a Joint Venture]

Applicant's Name: _____

Date: _____

Applicant's JV Member Name: _____

PQD No. and title: _____

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1. Key Requirement no 1 in accordance with 4.2 (c): _____

Contract Identification				
Award date				
Completion date				
Role in Contract	Prime Contractor ☐	Member in JV ☐	Management Contractor ☐	Subcontractor ☐
Total Contract Amount			US\$	
Details of relevant experience				

2. Key Requirement no 2 in accordance with 4.2 (c): _____

3. Key Requirement no 3 in accordance with 4.2 (c): _____

4. ...

Section V - Eligible Countries

Eligibility for the Provision of Goods, Works and Services in Bank-Financed Procurement

In reference to ITA 5.1 and 5.2, for the information of the Applicants, at the present time firms and individuals, supply of goods, or contracting of works or services, from the following countries are excluded from this prequalification process:

Under ITA 5.1 (a): **None**

Under ITA 5.1 (b): **None**

Section VI - Fraud and Corruption

(This Section VI shall not be modified)

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and this annex apply with respect to procurement under Bank Investment Project Financing operations.

2. Requirements

- 2.1 The Bank requires that Borrowers (including beneficiaries of Bank financing); bidders (applicants/proposers), consultants, contractors and suppliers; any sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers or suppliers; any agents (whether declared or not); and any of their personnel, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process, selection and contract execution of Bank-financed contracts, and refrain from Fraud and Corruption.

- 2.2 To this end, the Bank:

- a. Defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - i. "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - ii. "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
 - iii. "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - iv. "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
 - v. "obstructive practice" is:
 - (a) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a Bank investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or
 - (b) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's inspection and audit rights provided for under paragraph 2.2 e. below.
- b. Rejects a proposal for award if the Bank determines that the firm or individual recommended for award, any of its personnel, or its agents, or its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/ or their employees, has, directly or indirectly, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;

- c. In addition to the legal remedies set out in the relevant Legal Agreement, may take other appropriate actions, including declaring mis procurement, if the Bank determines at any time that representatives of the Borrower or of a recipient of any part of the proceeds of the loan engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices during the procurement process, selection and/or execution of the contract in question, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Bank to address such practices when they occur, including by failing to inform the Bank in a timely manner at the time they knew of the practices;
- d. Pursuant to the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines, and in accordance with the Bank's prevailing sanctions policies and procedures, may sanction a firm or individual, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, including by publicly declaring such firm or individual ineligible: (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or in any other manner;¹ (ii) to be a nominated² sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a Bank-financed contract; and (iii) to receive the proceeds of any loan made by the Bank or otherwise to participate further in the preparation or implementation of any Bank-financed project;
- e. Requires that a clause be included in bidding/request for proposals documents and in contracts financed by a Bank loan, requiring (i) bidders (applicants/proposers), consultants, contractors, and suppliers, and their sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers, suppliers, agents, personnel, permit the Bank to inspect³ all accounts, records and other documents relating to the procurement process, selection and/or contract execution, and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

¹ For the avoidance of doubt, a sanctioned party's ineligibility to be awarded a contract shall include, without limitation, (i) applying for pre-qualification, expressing interest in a consultancy, and bidding, either directly or as a nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider, in respect of such contract, and (ii) entering into an addendum or amendment introducing a material modification to any existing contract.

² A nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider (different names are used depending on the particular bidding document) is one which has been: (i) included by the bidder in its pre-qualification application or bid because it brings specific and critical experience and know-how that allow the bidder to meet the qualification requirements for the particular bid; or (ii) appointed by the Borrower.

³ Inspections in this context usually are investigative (i.e., forensic) in nature. They involve fact-finding activities undertaken by the Bank or persons appointed by the Bank to address specific matters related to investigations/audits, such as evaluating the veracity of an allegation of possible Fraud and Corruption, through the appropriate mechanisms. Such activity includes but is not limited to: accessing and examining a firm's or individual's financial records and information, and making copies thereof as relevant; accessing and examining any other documents, data and information (whether in hard copy or electronic format) deemed relevant for the investigation/audit, and making copies thereof as relevant; interviewing staff and other relevant individuals; performing physical inspections and site visits; and obtaining third party verification of information.

PART 2 – Works' Requirements

Section VII - Scope of Works

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1. Description of the Works

1.1. Introduction

The objective of the proposed project is to increase the efficiency and resilience of trade and transport along selected corridors in Bhutan. The proposed project is expected to reduce trade and transport costs through (i) an increase in throughput at priority border points; (ii) a reduction in average travel time for vehicles along selected regional corridors; (iii) a reduction in annual fatalities on program corridors; and (iv) increase the number of people provided with improved climate resilient road access along regional corridors.

The Construction of a new road from Gelephu (26°52'13.57"N, 26°52'13.57"E) to Tareythang (26°48'39.00"N, 90°35'35.78"E)- namely, Gelephu-Tareythang (G-T) road in the Sarpang District of Bhutan which the Department has the plan to extend further to Panbang from Tareythang (about 80.0 Km). The new G-T road works will include (i) a seamless and safe integration of G-T road at both its terminal ends with the existing road and street system, including improvements to the intersecting street infrastructure; (ii) provision of short road connections from the new road to the existing settlements north of the selected alignment, facilitating access to these areas; and (iii) a bypass road connecting the eastern end of the new Mau River bridge with the PNH5 highway, to avoid the massive landslide and the existing narrow, low-level bridge, upstream from the project site. Project being located on the floodplains, will be a bridge-heavy road with over 3500m of bridge segments of different lengths, including about a 1000-meter-long bridge across Mau River. In addition to their usual functions, the bridges are expected to support the GMC development, be climate resilient, and also serve as underpasses for elephants and other wildlife.

1.2. Scope of Works

The Contractors shall be responsible for the construction, completion, and defects liability of the Works, including but not limited to:

- Construction of a **primary national highway**, including carriageways, shoulders, pavement, and road safety features
- Construction of **major and minor bridges**, including river crossings (e.g., Mau River and other tributaries)
- Earthworks including excavation, embankment, and slope stabilization in varying terrain.
- Construction of **drainage systems**, culverts, and stormwater management structures.
- River training and protection works at bridge locations and vulnerable sections.
- Pavement works including subgrade, base, and surfacing layers.
- Installation of **utility infrastructure**, including optical fiber ducting.
- Implementation of **environmental and social mitigation measures**.
- Provision of all temporary works, traffic management, and ancillary facilities.

1.3. Key Characteristics and Complexity

The Works are characterized by:

- Construction in **mixed terrain**, including floodplains and sections with slope stability concerns
- Multiple **bridge structures** with varying foundation conditions
- Exposure to **high rainfall, flooding, and seismic risks**

- Environmentally sensitive areas requiring compliance with applicable safeguards
- Integration of **climate-resilient and green infrastructure measures**.

1.4. Construction Period

The expected construction duration is 36 months for Package 1 and 30 months each for Packages 2 and 3. The above durations are exclusive of the one-year Defects Liability Period, which will commence upon completion of the respective construction works.

1.5. Applicable Standards

The Works shall be carried out in accordance with:

- Applicable **national standards of Bhutan**
- Relevant **international standards** acceptable to the Client
- Environmental, social, health, and safety (ESHS) requirements in line with the World Bank Environmental and Social Framework.

The tentative detailed description of work packages are as follows as per the Preliminary design which is subject to change based on completion of detailed design report by October 2026;



Package-I

Package I comprise the western section of the project alignment, covering approximately 4 km of new greenfield road development. The scope includes the construction of two major bridges, namely the **Mau River Bridge** and the **West Mau River Bridge**, which constitute critical components of the package.

This package represents more than 50% of the total project cost and involves complex bridge engineering works, including long-span structures. Owing to its scale, technical complexity, and high value, the package is expected to attract experienced international contractors, either independently or in joint venture with qualified local contractors.

Package-I

A. General

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Package Identification number | ACCESS/DOST/WD-1 |
| 2. Tentative length of the package | 3868m |
| 3. New green field alignment | |
| 4. Number of bridges | Two |

B. Road geometric parameters

1. Design speed 60km/hr
2. Number of lanes 4 (with planter box provision as a median)
3. Width of each lane 3.75m
4. Width of shoulders 1-2m
5. Cycle & footpath 3.00m

C. Pavement

1. 40 mm Asphalt Concrete Surface Course
2. 100 mm Dense Bitumen Macadam (or asphalt concrete) Binder Course
3. 250 mm Graded Aggregate Base Course
4. 200 mm Granular Sub-base

Note : The final pavement design, including layer thicknesses and material specifications, shall be determined during the detailed design stage based on results of geotechnical investigations, laboratory testing (including CBR and aggregate properties), and approved mix designs, in accordance with applicable standards such as American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidelines

D. Bridges

SL. No	Name of the Bridge	Location	Length (m)	Width(m)	Type	Span Arrangements
1	Gelephu	Ch 1+450	80	20.95	PSC Box girder	(2 x 40) m
2	Mau river	Ch 2+553	1020	20.95	Balance Cantilever PSC Bridge	(4x60) +2(60+2x90+60) + (3x60)

E. Tentative Civil Work Quantities

1. Earth work 150,000 cum
2. Asphalt for pavement 10,000 cum
3. Volume of concrete 40,000 cum

Package-II

Package II includes most of the new road construction and two bridges of PSC I Girder and cast in situ Balance Cantilever. The total length is approximately 4.5 km. The bridges have identical cross sections, which allows for repetition and economy of scale for construction. This package represents more than 40% of the total project cost.

A. General

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| 1. Package Identification number | ACCESS/DOST/WD-2 |
| 2. Tentative length of the package | 4585m |
| 3. New green field alignment | |
| 4. Number of bridges | Two |

B. Road geometric parameters

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|-----------------------|---------|
| 1. Design speed | 60km/hr |
| 2. Number of lanes | 2 |
| 3. Width of each lane | 3.75m |
| 4. Width of shoulders | 1-2m |
| 5. Cycle and footpath | 3.00m |

C. Pavement

1. 40 mm Asphalt Concrete Surface Course
2. 100 mm Dense Bitumen Macadam (or asphalt concrete) Binder Course
3. 250 mm Graded Aggregate Base Course
4. 200 mm Granular Sub-base

D. Bridges

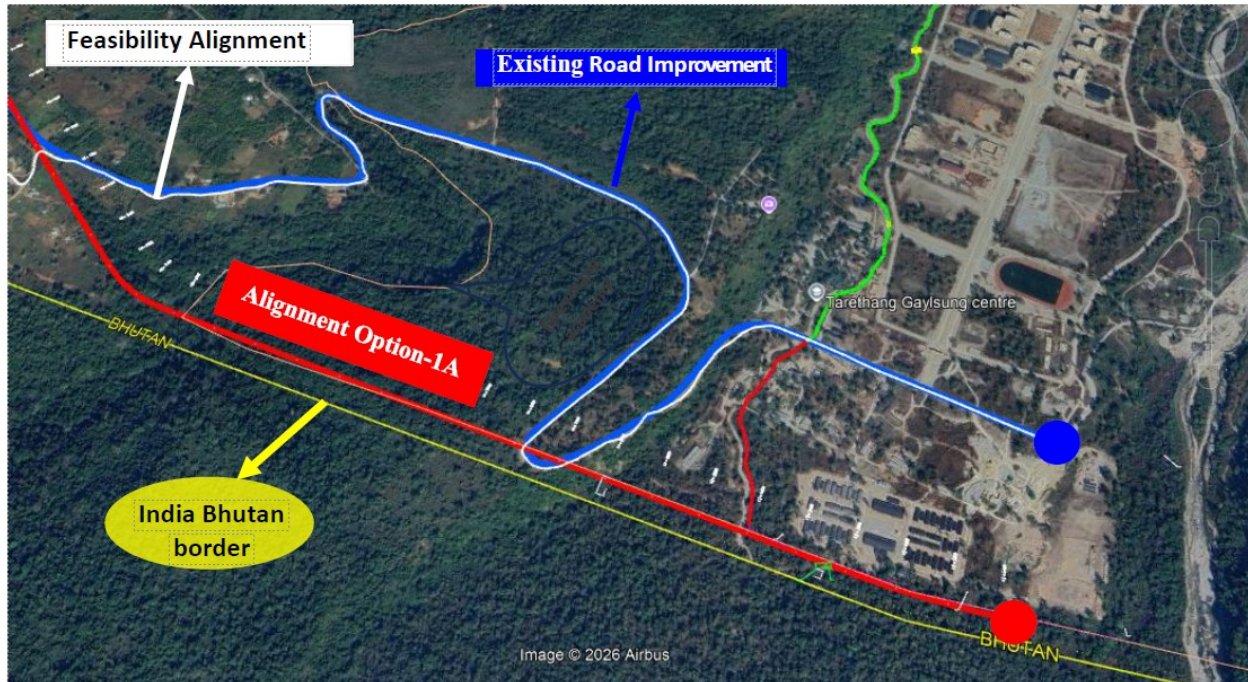
SL. No	Name of the Bridge	Location	Length (m)	Width (m)	Type	Span Arrangements
1	Taklai & Jengkhurung	Ch 4+632	800	12.15	PSC I Girder	2(3x50) + (4x50) + 2(3x50)
2	Langer	Ch 7+842	390	12.15	Cast in situ Balance Cantilever	(60+3x90+60)

E. Tentative Civil Work Quantities

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Earth work | 150,000.00 cum |
| 2. Asphalt for pavement | 10,000.00 cum |
| 3. Volume of concrete | 25,000.00 cum |

Package-III

Package III consisting of approximately 6 km of road widening with curve improvements (initial Plan). However, this package may increase in size depending on the final decision and detailed design to make an alternative green field alignment to meet the required design speed of 60km/h and making provision of future connection eastwards towards (Panbang).



A. General

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| 1. Package Identification number | ACCESS/DOST/WD-3 |
| 2. Tentative length of the package | 5888m |
| 3. New green field alignment and widening of existing road | |
| 4. Number of bridges | 2 |

B. Road geometric parameters

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|-----------------------|---------|
| 1. Design speed | 60km/hr |
| 2. Number of lanes | 2 |
| 3. Width of each lane | 3.75m |
| 4. Width of shoulders | 1-2m |
| 5. Cycle footpath | 3.00m |

C. Pavement

1. 40 mm Asphalt Concrete Surface Course
2. 100 mm Dense Bitumen Macadam (or asphalt concrete) Binder Course
3. 250 mm Graded Aggregate Base Course
4. 200 mm Granular Sub-base

D. Bridges

SL. No	Name of the Bridge	Location	Length (m)	Width(m)	Type	Span Arrangements
1	Singye	ch 8+742	390	12.15	Cast in- Situ Balance	(60+3x90+60)

					Cantilever	
2	Tareythang Bridge	At ch 10+880	230	12.15	PSC I Girder	(4x50+ (1x30)

E. Tentative Civil Work Quantities

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Earth work | 200,000.00 cum |
| 2. Asphalt for pavement | 10,000.00 cum |
| 3. Volume of concrete | 15,000.00 cum |

DISCLAIMER

The bridge span arrangements, structural configurations, chainages, quantities, cost and other technical particulars indicated in this Prequalification Document are preliminary and tentative in nature, based on currently available conceptual and preliminary engineering information.

The final span configurations, bridge lengths, structural systems, quantities, and associated details may vary during detailed engineering investigations, design development, and finalization of construction drawings prior to issuance of the Request for Bids (RFB) and/or award of contract.

Applicants are advised to consider the information provided herein as indicative only for the purpose of Prequalification. No claim shall be entertained by the Employer on account of subsequent variations in spans, quantities, dimensions, or technical details during later stages of procurement or execution.

2. Construction Period

SL. No	Package name	Package identification number	Duration (months)	Remarks
1	Package-I	ACCESS/DOST/WD-1	36	Duration excludes one year of Defect Liability Period which shall be accounted after the works are completed and handed over to the client successfully.
2	Package-II	ACCESS/DOST/WD-2	30	
3	Package-II	ACCESS/DOST/WD-3	30	

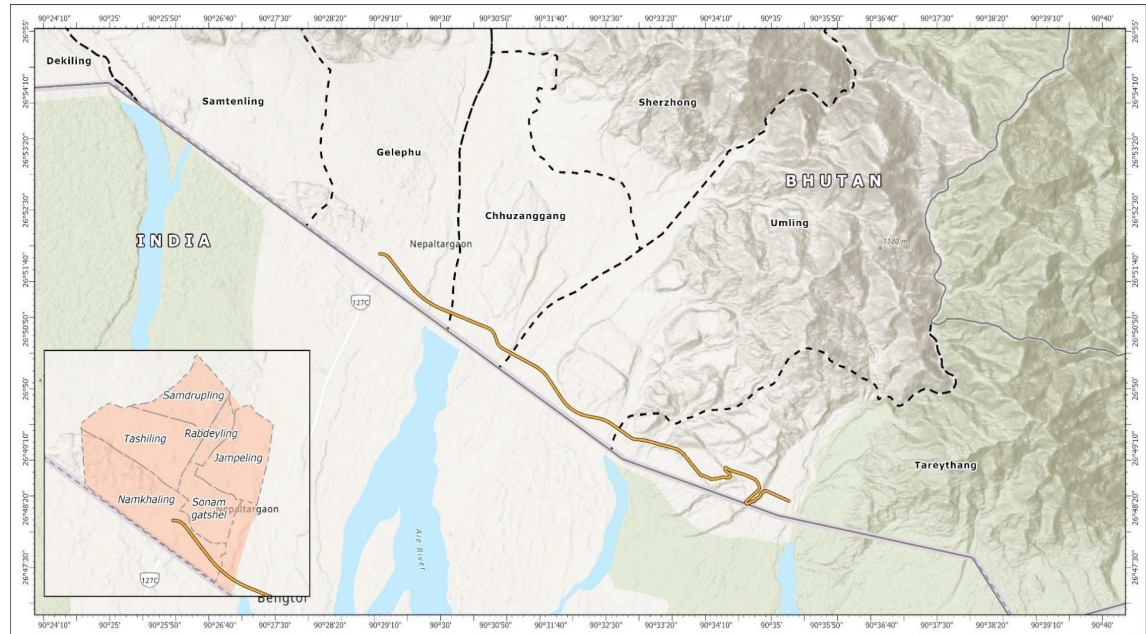
3. Site and Other Data

i. Geographical Location

The Project is situated in Sarpang District (Dzongkhag), centrally located in southern Bhutan, with elevations ranging from 200 to 3,600 m above sea level. Sarpang borders the Indian state of Assam and serves as one of the three gateways to Bhutan from India via Gelephu. It is also one of Bhutan's emerging socio-economic zones.

The alignment crosses the lower lying natural terrain of Sarpang, mainly comprising floodplains and plains of agricultural land and forest. The Project would connect western part of Gelephu Town (Thromde)¹ and the eastern part of the area in Tareythang that was being developed as Tareythang. It passes through parts of Gelephu Thromde and partly through three (03) Gewogs: Chhuzanggang Gewog, Umling Gewog and Tareythang Gewog.

Geographical Coordinates	Start	End
	26° 51' 54" N, 90° 29' 05" E	26° 48' 26" N, 90° 35' 16" E



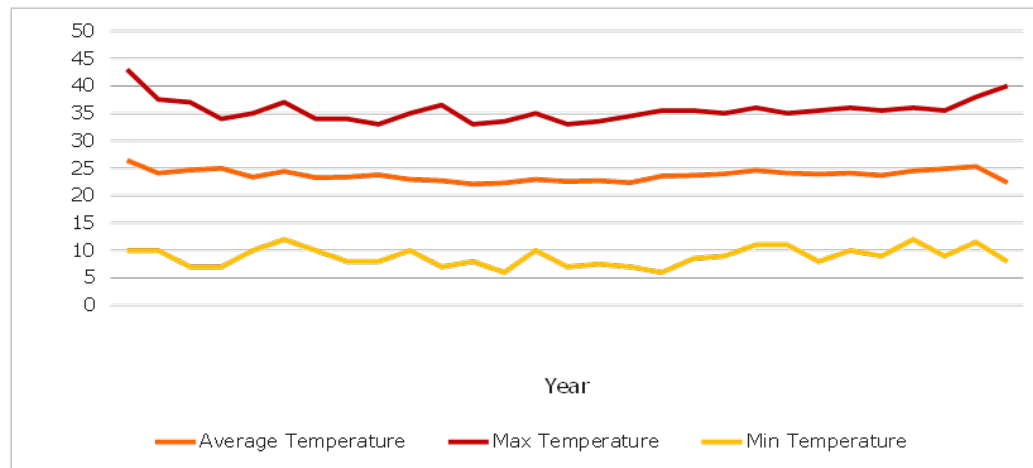
ii. Climate

Bhutan's climate is primarily influenced by the southwestern monsoon originating from the Bay of Bengal. The monsoon season typically begins in June and continues until September, bringing heavy rainfall especially in the southern regions. Post-monsoon rains can occur in October and November, sometimes with severe intensity. The period from November to March is usually dry, though occasional showers may happen due to westerly winds that bring winter rains to the Himalayan foothills. The pre-monsoon period in April and May features light showers, hailstorms, and thunderstorms.

There are four seasons in Bhutan: winter, spring, summer and autumn. The southern edge of Bhutan is characterized by a warm, humid (tropical) climate different from most of the country. Bhutan receives about 70% of the precipitation during monsoons, while pre-monsoon rainfall accounts for 20%. The annual precipitation ranges widely across the country.

iii. Temperature

The mean maximum temperature during the months of June to August ranges from 28°C to 32°C, while the mean minimum temperature during December to January ranges from 18°C to 24°C. The annual average, minimum and maximum temperatures at Bhur, Sarpang22 from 1996 – 2023 is shown below. The average annual temperature ranges from 20°C to 25°C. The maximum temperature was recorded at 43°C in 1996 while the minimum was recorded at 6°C in 2008.

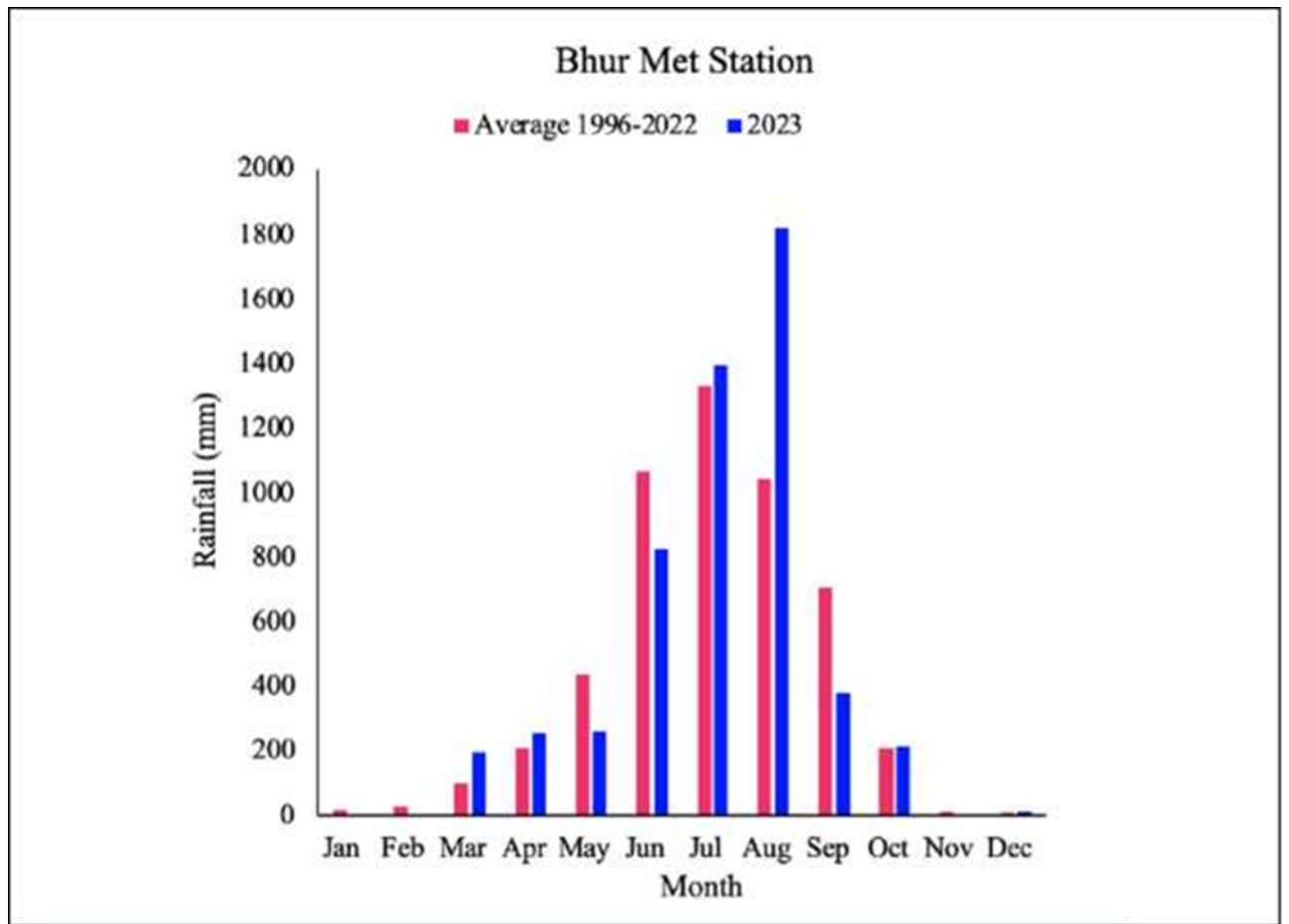


iv. Rainfall

The rainfall patterns of Bhutan are determined by the Southwest monsoon circulation, which dominates the Indian subcontinent during the summer period. Due to this, there is a seasonal cycle that results in wet summers that extend from June to September for the majority of the country. The southern regions are the most at risk for drought and dry spells brought on by the unpredictable monsoon rainfall. In total 72% of the total annual rainfall in Bhutan comes from the Southwest or Summer Monsoon (June - September), the highest rainfall amount can be recorded in July and August. The spring (March - May) and autumn (October - November) rainfalls contribute around 22% of the total annual rainfall.

Depending on latitude, Bhutan's climate varies widely both within and between its valleys. Due to rain shadow effects, these characteristics also cause significant shifts in rainfall over short distances. Based on historical data, the average yearly precipitation in the southern foothills ranges between 2,500 and 5,500 mm, in the inner valleys between 1,000 and 2,500 mm, and in the northern region between 500 mm and 1,000 mm.

The monthly rainfall statistics at Bhur station in 2023 were compared with the average rainfall from 1996 to 2022, as shown below. The monthly rainfall in the Project Area follows the typical pattern of southern Bhutan, with rainfall concentrated between the months of June and September and accounts for more than half of the total annual rainfall.



v. Wind speed and direction

Wind speed data from the Bhur Meteorological Station from 1996 to 2023 shown below indicates that winds predominantly originated from the south and the southwest, with occurrences of approximately 20% and 15% respectively. Wind speeds below 1 knot were the most common throughout the period, while speeds under 2 knots accounted for over 99% of the recorded observations. The average wind speed during this time was 0.32 knots.

Data from January to July 2024 shown in Figure below, illustrates a similar trend to the long-term wind speed and direction patterns. Wind speeds were predominantly below 1.5 knots, with the majority coming from the south, followed by the southwest direction. The average wind speed was 0.23 knots.

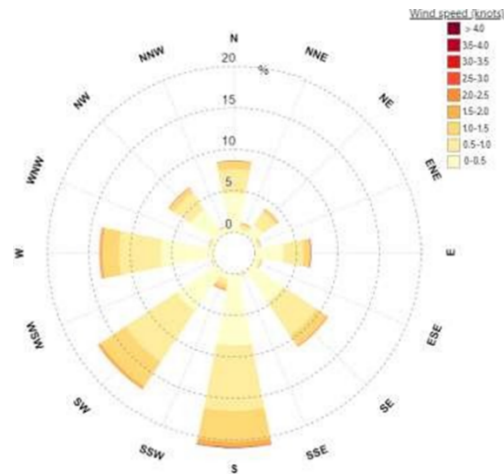


Figure. Wind rose at Bhur station (1996 – 2023)

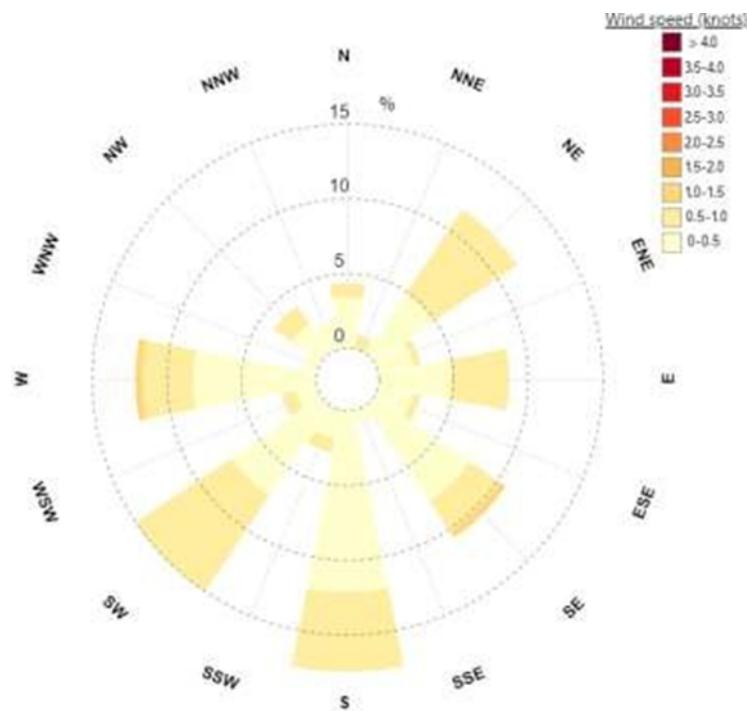


Figure. Wind rose at Bhur station (2024)

vi. Water availability

The project's exposure to water availability issues will primarily occur during the construction phase, as water is essential for activities like dust control and material mixing. Therefore, as the construction phase will last maximum of 4 years, the climate change related risks are unlikely to occur. During operation the water use is limited to potential cleaning during the dry season and watering of the roadside greenery (likely to be limited to the Mau River Bridge) both likely to require a negligible amount of water. As such no significant impacts have been identified.

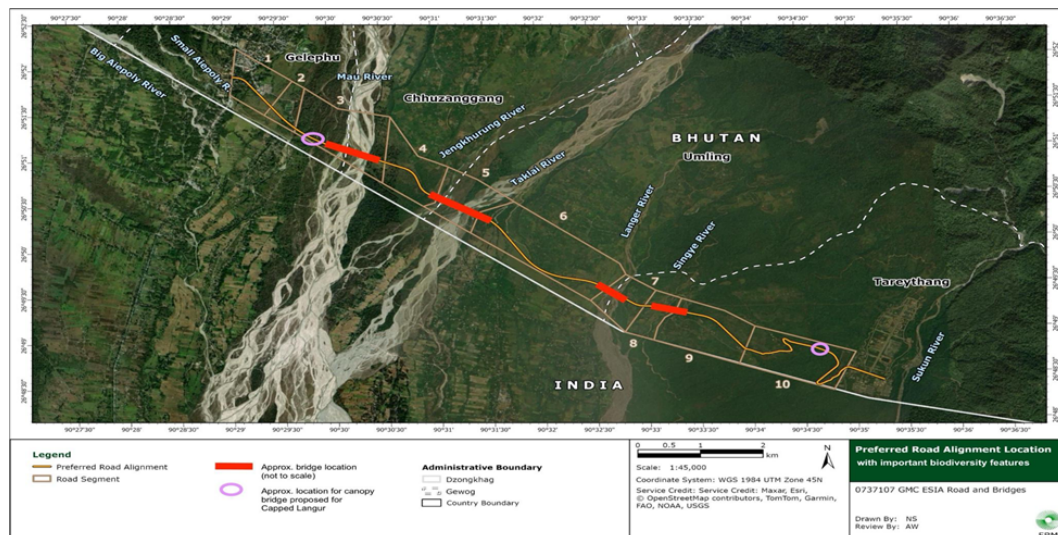
vii. Access to sites

The Project Road from Gelephu to Tareythang in Sarpang Dzongkhag is located along a predominantly greenfield alignment traversing foothill terrain, forested areas, and multiple river crossings. Gelephu shall serve as the primary access point and logistical hub for the Project, with connectivity to the national highway network and domestic air transport facilitating mobilization of personnel, equipment, and materials.

Initial sections of the Project corridor near Gelephu are accessible through existing feeder and farm roads. However, the majority of the alignment passes through undeveloped areas where no established motorable access currently exists. Access to bridge sites and remote sections is limited and will require the development of temporary access infrastructure.

The bidders shall be fully responsible for the planning, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of all temporary access roads, site tracks, and detours necessary for execution of the Works. This includes access to all work fronts, bridge locations, material sources, spoil disposal areas, camps, and storage facilities. Temporary crossings, diversions, or structures will be required to be constructed to have continuity of access across rivers and streams, taking into account seasonal variations, particularly monsoon conditions.

The Project area is subject to challenging terrain and seasonal weather conditions, including heavy rainfall during the monsoon, which may significantly affect accessibility. The Contractor shall plan construction activities accordingly, ensuring safe and efficient operations under such conditions. The Contractor shall be deemed to have inspected and examined the Site and to have satisfied itself regarding all aspects of site access and logistics.



viii. Source of materials

Construction materials for the Gelephu–Tareythang Road and Bridges Project shall be sourced from a combination of approved local suppliers, existing licensed quarries, and Contractor-developed borrow areas, in compliance with applicable regulations and Environmental and Social (E&S) requirements.

Natural materials such as sand, gravel, and boulders may be available from riverbeds and nearby deposits within Sarpang Dzongkhag; however, their suitability and availability shall be verified by the Contractor. The use of existing licensed quarries is encouraged. Materials not available locally

in adequate quality or quantity, including cement, bitumen, and steel, shall be procured through national or international supply chains, with Gelephu serving as the main logistics hub.

The Contractor shall be responsible for identifying, testing, securing, and developing all material sources, including obtaining necessary permits and environmental clearances. Any new quarries or borrow areas shall be operated sustainably and rehabilitated after use.

All materials shall meet the specified technical standards, and the Contractor shall ensure proper quality control, transportation, and storage. Material haulage, including access to remote work fronts, shall be the Contractor's responsibility.

All costs related to material sourcing, processing, transport, and environmental management shall be deemed included in the Contract Price. The Contractor shall be deemed to have assessed material availability and shall not be entitled to additional payment due to sourcing constraints.

List of Raw Materials	Source	Storage
General Fill	Dredged from the rivers close to the Project site	Covered
Boulders / Rock Fill	Dredged from the rivers close to the Project site	Open
Bitumen	Local	Open
Cement	Local	Covered
Sand	India	Covered
Aggregates	Dredged from the rivers close to the Project site	Open
Steel Reinforcement	India	Above ground and covered
Prestressing Steel	India	Above ground and covered
Steel Wire	India	Above ground and covered
Structural Steel	India	Covered

ix. Project Team

The Contractor shall establish a competent and adequately resourced Project Team to manage all aspects of the Gelephu–Tareythang Road and Bridges Project, including planning, construction, quality control, contract management, environmental and social compliance, and stakeholder coordination.

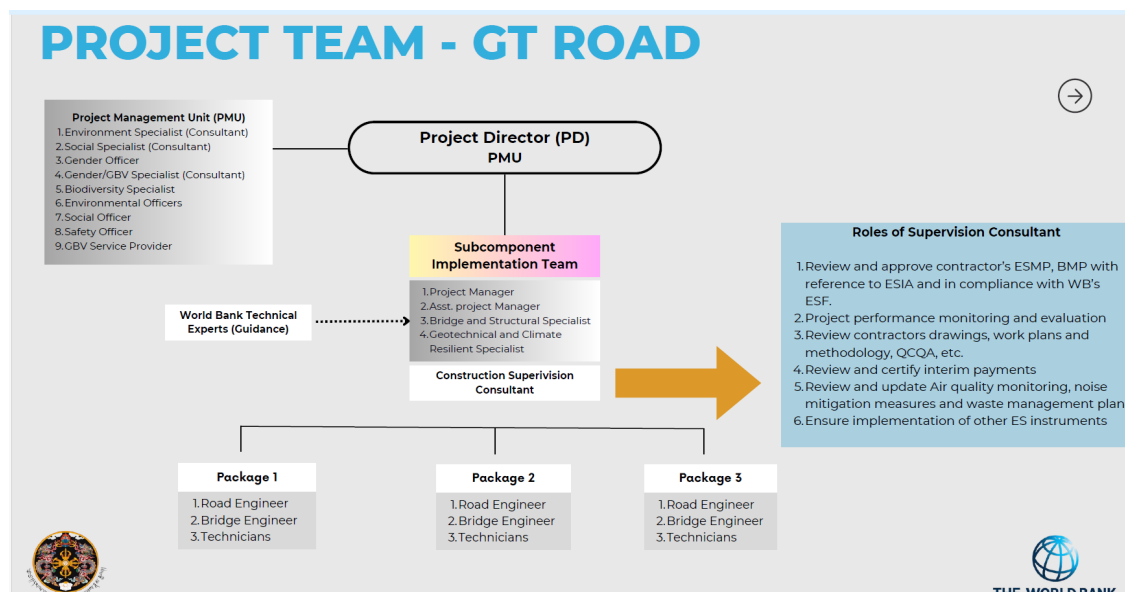
The Project shall be led by a full-time Project Manager with proven experience in similar road and bridge works, particularly in challenging mountainous or greenfield conditions, and responsible for overall execution and coordination.

The team shall include qualified specialists in road and bridge engineering, geotechnical engineering, surveying, planning and scheduling, QA/QC, environmental and social management, and health and safety. Adequate site supervision teams shall be deployed to manage multiple work fronts, including remote locations, with dedicated resources for major work components such as bridges, earthworks, and pavements.

All key personnel must be mobilized promptly, remain engaged throughout their assignments, and may only be replaced with Employer approval and equivalent qualifications. The Contractor shall also provide necessary supporting systems, including laboratories, survey equipment, plant management, and documentation controls. Effective coordination with the Employer, authorities, and local communities shall be ensured through designated liaison staff, particularly for access, environmental, and social matters. All staffing, logistics, and operational costs for the Project Team shall be included in the Contract Price, and the Contractor remains fully responsible for ensuring the team's adequacy and performance.

All key personnel shall be able to communicate fluently in the English language to ensure effective coordination, reporting, and contract administration.

The client's project team shall be composed with following structure



4. Environmental and Social (ES) Requirement and additional sustainable Procurement Aspects

The E&S risk category of the G-T Road is assessed as 'high risk' under the World Bank's Environment and Social Framework (ESF) based on the potential impacts and risks on the environment and community.

The following table shows the impacts & risks and mitigation measures assessed and identified for both during the Construction and Operational phase.

Sl. No	Risks and Impacts	Mitigation Measure
A	Construction Phase	
1	Labor and/OHS Risks	
	Labor and working conditions, worker influx,	A comprehensive Occupational Health and Safety Management Plan (OHSMP) applicable to all workers, including direct employees, contract workers, and community workers. Key measures include Risk-based safety training and induction for all workers, use of PPEs, Strict protocols for handling explosives and conducting blasting operations, Excavation safety measures, Traffic and transport safety plans, Wildlife conflict mitigation measures, Medical screening before mobilization, on-site healthcare, Regular safety inspections, anonymous grievance reporting for OHS concerns, Establishment of a GRM to allow workers to anonymously report health and safety concerns. Labor management procedures, and worker code of conduct is in place.
	Worker health and safety, labor exploitation risks, poor working conditions	
	OHS risks during construction	
2	Impact on Natural Resources	
	Use of Borrow and Quarry Materials	Improve resource efficiency by reducing reliance on borrow materials through maximizing the reuse of excavated materials on-site and balancing cut and fill operations to avoid unnecessary earthworks, and complying with environmental regulations
	Erosion and sedimentation, Water contamination	Implement strict erosion control measures before initiating any land-disturbing activities. Contractors will be prohibited from clearing or disturbing land beyond approved limits, and all affected areas will have sediment control structures, such as bund walls, silt fences, and vegetative buffer strips, installed to prevent runoff from reaching water bodies, Proper drainage design, Sediment traps, Controlled excavation, Spill prevention
	Potential alteration of natural water flows, Flood/debris flow risk	Ensure the design of bridge structures and drainage infrastructure prioritizes long-term hydrological stability and flood risk reduction, incorporate Climate resilience by ensuring 100-year return period drainage capacity, robust culverts, and other stormwater management systems.

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3	Air, Noise, Water and Soil Pollution	
	Dust from earthworks and vehicular movement	Use of dust suppression techniques, such as regular watering of exposed surfaces, covering construction materials, and ensuring proper maintenance of machinery. Minimize Noise from construction activities by restricting noisy operations near sensitive receptors during daylight hours, maintaining equipment regularly, and conducting noise monitoring at key locations. Implement erosion control measures and construct sediment retention structures and bund walls/barriers to reduce sediment flow into water bodies.
	Emissions from construction equipment and traffic	
	Noise and vibration from construction	
	Water quality degradation/pollution (air quality degradation)	Water spraying/dust suppression, Cover stockpiles, maintain equipment, Limit vehicle speeds, Monitoring of air quality, Promote efficient traffic flow, Road maintenance and Emission control policies
	Excavation, fuel storage will lead to soil compaction and damage, Contamination from spills	
	Contamination of soil and groundwater	Controlled machinery movement, Hazardous material storage protocols
	- High dust (PM10, PM2.5) emissions - Exhaust emissions (NOx, SO2) - Respiratory health risks	
River crossing, earthworks, drainage disruption		
4	Waste Generation	
	Waste generated by workers	Implement a comprehensive Waste Management Plan (WMP) to minimize environmental pollution and public health risks associated with domestic construction, and hazardous waste. Approved disposal sites. Waste management measures will include segregation of waste at the source, ensuring that organic waste is
	Waste from site clearance, and extraction that are large	

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	Hazardous material waste	composted or sent to vermicomposting facilities, while recyclable materials are collected for reuse or recycling. Hazardous waste will be stored in designated areas with secondary containment and returned to vendors or authorized waste disposal facilities. Construction debris will be reused wherever possible, with non-recyclable waste transported to approved landfills or disposal sites. Routine waste management system
5	Community Health and Safety Risks	
	Community health and safety risks, pressure on services, social conflict	Implement strict traffic and road safety management plans, air quality and noise control measures, and compliance with the national and international standards. Worker accommodation planning, prioritize to hire local
	Labor influx and immigration may lead to risk of disease transmission, wellbeing.	Implement a code of conduct and establish adequate health facilities within the camps and water supply facilities, ensuring minimal disruption to local services. Health and safety plans, community awareness. The project GRM is in place.
	Sexual exploitation and abuse, and sexual harassment	Implement a SEA/SH Action Plan and prevention measure and engage a third-party GBV service provider to support incident response and enforcement of mitigation measures. A dedicated SEA/SH-specific GRM is linked to the project-level GRM, ensuring a survivor-centered approach to grievance handling.
	Increased traffic during construction which may lead to increased risk of accidents, local traffic disruption,	Implement strict traffic and road safety management plans/ Signage and speed control, road safety design, enforcement, awareness programs.
	Climate- change induced risks - flood, landslide, seismic activity which may lead to damage of infrastructure, service disruption	Ensure the design of bridge structures and drainage infrastructure prioritizes long-term hydrological stability and flood risk reduction, incorporate Climate resilience by ensuring 100-year return period drainage capacity, robust culverts, and other stormwater management systems. Climate-resilient design, Slope stabilization, Emergency preparedness
6	Resettlement impacts	
	Physical and economic displacement	Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) identifies affected households, structures, and livelihoods and establishes a comprehensive

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		entitlement framework that includes compensation at full replacement cost, relocation assistance, coverage of transaction costs, and administrative charges; Implement livelihood restoration programs, including vocational training, financial support, and skills development initiatives, with a particular focus on supporting vulnerable groups, including women. Livelihood restoration plan and community development plan.
7	Biodiversity Impact	
	Loss of Natural Habitat	A Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP) is a standalone document to present mitigation to address potential project impacts and a Biodiversity Net Gain Strategy (NGS) to achieve net gain requirements. - Minimize clearing, Wildlife crossings, Timing of works
	Human-wildlife conflict, aquatic habitat impacts	
8	Cultural Heritage	
	Impact on Cultural Heritage from excavation can damage heritage sites, and lead to site disturbance	Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) is in place. The CHMP includes measures such as delineating cultural site boundaries with signage, raising awareness about intangible cultural heritage preservation, and supporting ceremonies and rituals to appease nature-linked deities as advised by local stakeholders. The detailed ESMP will also include standard Chance Find Procedures.
B	Operational Phase	
	OHS Risks during Routine Maintenance, labor exploitation risks, poor working conditions	Establish clear work zones with protective barriers, rerouting traffic when required, and using channeling devices (e.g., cones) to separate vehicles from personnel. Controlled traffic flow, reduced speed limits in work areas, and appropriate warning lights to reduce risks. Continue compliance to labor management procedures, and worker code of conduct.
	Noise and vibration from increased traffic during operation,	Mitigation measures include land use buffers, vegetation strips, speed limits and regular road maintenance to address tire noise.
	Habitat degradation and connectivity fragmentation for threatened mammals	Develop Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP) as a standalone document to present mitigation to address potential project impacts and a Biodiversity Net Gain Strategy (NGS) to achieve net gain requirements
	Road Safety (accident	Provide effective signage, speed enforcement, barrier placement,

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	risks, congestion), increased traffic volume, and Community Health and Safety	and clear work zones. Clear communication, targeted training, and high-visibility attire for maintenance crews to further enhance safety. Road safety audits and public awareness campaigns will be regularly conducted to uphold community health and safety standards. Road safety design, Enforcement of rules, Awareness programs, emergency response systems
	Transboundary Impacts	Hydrological modelling to confirm that natural flow patterns will be maintained with the implementation of appropriate design measures, ensuring that downstream flows will not be affected by bridge construction. Additionally, provide gabion walls and riparian buffer zones to stabilize river banks and reduce erosion
	Air quality due to Increased traffic. Vehicular emissions - Long-term air quality degradation	Promote efficient traffic flow - Road maintenance - Emission control policies
	Road drainage - Runoff pollution - Localized flooding	Drainage systems maintenance - Oil interceptors
	Accidental spills leading to Soil/groundwater pollution	- Emergency response plans
	Road and traffic can disrupt wildlife, road kill, HWC	Eco-bridges/culverts - Speed control - Monitoring programs
	Demographic change	Planning support
	Increased access to culture heritage can led to potential site disturbance	Adhere to CHMP and protection measures.