

3RD SET OF REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATIONS: SDPS BID DOCUMENT

1. Are you able to disclose the budget available for this project?

You will find this information in the Procurement Plan published on the external website of the World Bank.

2. In the event that you are not able to provide a list of the states for which deliverables are required, can you consider extending the bid submission date until such time as the list is available?

All states except FCT Abuja should be included.

3. The SFTAS seems to have mistakenly used the World Bank's tendering format for Goods (defined by the World Bank as including "commodities, raw material, machinery, equipment, vehicles, Plant, and related services"), as opposed to that for Non-Consulting Services (the World Bank-definition of which explicitly includes "satellite imagery, mapping, and similar operations"). Many of the references within the RFB are not relevant to the noted Scope of Work, nor can all of the "required" forms be submitted in their current format (i.e. the Manufacturer's Authorization, which would only be relevant to the provision of Goods manufactured in factories; and Price Schedules for Goods). Please provide clarification on how Bidders should appropriately address the Services requirements of the Scope of Work, or indicate whether a new RFB will be issued regarding these Non-Consulting Services and their requirements (in lieu of those for a contract based on the provision of Goods).

*(Response pending)

4. Observation: We understand that you want to have 3 test areas specifically from different regions in Nigeria.

Question: Due to this requirement and the globally new escalating Covid-19 situation and increasing lock-downs in Europe, we kindly ask the tendering Agency to extend the submission deadline by four weeks. We thank you very much for your understanding

What was asked for in the BDs was for samples of work done in similar circumstances but these do not necessarily have to be from Nigeria.

5. Are services required in the proposal to help states to setup and conduct their enumeration during the first 12 months and if so, can you elaborate further on the kind of these? For example, support to set up COTS software, load the data, setup enumerations templates and training.

The supplier of COTS software should be prepared to provide the level of basic training required for any standard software product, in collaboration with the technical assistance provider that is already in place. Additional services can be described as optional elements if needed but are not mandatory.

6. Will services be required past the 12 months period of performance outlined in this tender?

No.

7. Is a pilot included as a part of this tender? If so please provide further details.

While it is of course up to the bidder to suggest arrangements based on experience and good practice elsewhere as well as the data requirements specified in the bidding documents, the team thinks that a well-designed pilot might indeed be justified.

8. Will specific data templates be made available for the states both to consume the requested imagery and vector data and in support of the data to be collected via enumeration?

Yes, a set of variables to be collected via enumerators at parcel, structure, and occupier level is attached.

9. Is there an expectation that the COTS software for field enumeration be made available and quoted for a duration greater than 12 months? If yes, how long?

No.

10. For states and departments that lack the necessary IT infrastructure to host and maintain the data, is there a recommended central-level agency or entity that might be best placed to host and maintain data on their behalf? If that is not the case, how long will it be expected for the data provider to support access to the data for states who do not have the capacity to host the data themselves?

No.

11. Is there a requirement to support monitoring and reporting of progress between states involved in the enumeration process? If yes, who would host this reporting hub during and after the project completion?

Yes. The reporting hub will be hosted in the Project Coordination Unit.

12. Should bidders assume all Nigerian states will be involved in the project, and therefore, propose COTS software packages for all Nigerian states?

Yes