

Request for Quotation

SERVICE SUMMARY

Service Title	Conducting engineering laboratory tests for construction projects
Contract Period	One year
Projects Locations	The project are located in the capital cities of the provinces across Afghanistan. The provinces are to be determined during the course of the contract

BACKGROUND

Integrity Watch is an Afghan civil society organization committed to increase transparency, accountability, and integrity in Afghanistan.

The mission of Integrity Watch is to put corruption under the spotlight through community monitoring, independent assessments, research, and advocacy. Integrity Watch's work has four major components: (1) Community Monitoring, (2) Independent Assessments (3) Research, and (4) Advocacy. We mobilize and train communities to monitor infrastructure projects, public services, courts, and extractives industries. We evaluate proper use and efficiency of aids, provide policy-oriented research, facilitate policy dialogue, and advocate for integrity, transparency, and accountability in Afghanistan.

Integrity Watch was created in October 2005 and established itself as an independent civil society organization in 2006. It has approximately 50 staff members and 1400 volunteers. The head office of Integrity Watch is in Kabul with provincial programmatic outreach in Badakhshan, Balkh, Bamyan, Ghor, Herat, Kabul, Kapisa, Logar, Nangarhar, Parwan, Panjshir, Samangan, and Wardak.

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Reconstruction Assessment Program (RECAP) is an Integrity Watch program which focuses on assessment of infrastructure and development aid projects. At RECAP, we perform independent engineering evaluations of on-going and completed infrastructure projects, operation and maintenance inspection of public facilities and impact assessment of national development projects.

RECAP works closely with the U.S. government oversight agency, SIGAR, to provide independent and objective inspections of Afghanistan reconstruction projects. In addition to this, RECAP also manages the Construction Sector Transparency Initiative (CoST) establishment in Afghanistan. CoST aims to improve the value for money spent on public infrastructure by increasing transparency in the delivery of public sector construction projects.

SERVICE DETAILS

The engineering laboratory company will be directly responsible to conduct the following engineering site tests according to the international engineering standards, and reporting the results to Integrity Watch

Afghanistan on a pre-set schedule:

1. Concrete Core Cutting Tests (5 vertical and 5 horizontal)
2. Standard Proctor Soil Compaction Density Test
3. Water Quality Test (i.e. for all the physical, chemical and biological parameters, chlorination test...)
4. Repairing all the areas at the project which are destructed during the course of sampling for the tests; i.e. filling the core cutting area with the same sample material and bringing the tested area to its original condition.

The costs related to these engineering tests such as transportation to the projects site, accommodation, and food shall be covered by the service provider. Moreover, the service provider will be responsible for providing security to its laboratory staff during travels and while taking samples on the project site. The prices offered on the quotation shall include 2% deductible Afghan Government income tax.

Attachment A, Request for Quotation Form, represents the default type and number of tests which will be conducted for each project. However, the number of tests for each project will be decided by Client and paid accordingly. The engineering laboratory companies shall not provide price for the capital cities across Afghanistan where they are not able to travel and work.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

- Must be hold valid certificate from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- As engineering and construction materials testing laboratory company must hold valid license from AISA
- Hold minimum 5 years of experience in performing quality engineering tests for donors' infrastructural projects across different provinces of Afghanistan
- Hold a good reputation for good customer service and quality work

HOW TO SEND THE BID

Your sealed bid envelope shall be sent to House #942, District 4 Street, Traffic Square, Kolola Poshta, Kabul, Afghanistan, and include the followings:

- 1) Filled RFQ Form in Attachment A, dully stamped and signed
- 2) A color copy of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers certificate, and
- 3) A color copy of AISA license

The deadline for sending sealed bids is 15:00 October 12, 2016. Late and incomplete quotations will not be accepted. For more information, Logistics with bellow detail,

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