Request for Bids

TENDER FOR THE REHABILITATION OF SERENJE - MPIKA ROAD (T2) (237KM) IN 2 LOTS IN CENTRAL AND MUCHINGA PROVINCES OF ZAMBIA

Country:	Zambia
Project Name:	Transport Corridors for Economic Resilience Project
Contract title:	Rehabilitation of Serenje - Mpika Road (T2) (237km) in 2 Lots in Central and Muchinga Provinces of Zambia **Lot 1:** Serenje to Mpomfu Primary School section (118km) in Central and Muchinga Provinces of Zambia **Lot 2:** Mpomfu Primary School to Mpika section (119km) in Central and Muchinga Provinces of Zambia
Grant No:	IDA V0570001
RFB No:	**RDA/CE/ICB/001/2026**
Issued on:	19th October, 2026

1. The Government of the Republic of Zambia *has received* financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the *Rehabilitation of the Serenje Mpika Road (T2)* and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contracts[1] for *Rehabilitation of the Serenje Mpika Road (T2): Lot 1(Serenje to Mpomfu Primary School – 118 km) and Lot 2 (Mpomfu to Mpika – 119 km)*. For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank's Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing."

2. The **Road Development Agency (RDA)** now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for **Rehabilitation of the Serenje Mpika Road (T2): Lot 1 (Serenje to Mpomfu Primary School – 118 km) and Lot 2 (Mpomfu to Mpika – 119 km)**. The Works consist of construction of the road to bitumen standards, partial reconstruction, which entails reprocessing of existing pavement and adding new pavement layers, installation of some new drainage structures, rehabilitation of some existing drainage structures and other ancillary works. The Contractor shall ensure proper traffic management during the construction period and comply with statutory Environment and Safety protection guidelines.

   The major works quantities include the following (approximate numbers)

[1] Substitute "contracts" where Bids are called concurrently for multiple contracts. Add a new para. 3 and renumber paras 3 - 8 as follows: "Bidders may Bid for one or several contracts, as further defined in the bidding document. Bidders wishing to offer discounts in case they are awarded more than one contract will be allowed to do so, provided those discounts are included in the Letter of Bid."

ITEM	LOT 1	LOT 2
Replacing and lengthening pipe cross and access culverts, 900-1200mm	2,070m	2,510m
Earthworks /Cut and Borrow to fill	295,000m^3	236,000m^3
In situ reconstruction and stabilization of pavement layers by recycler	289,507m^3	289,300m^3
Natural gravel for subbase and subgrade (in widening) and to augment new subbase	253,318m^3	254,200m^3
Construction of crushed aggregate base course	289,507m^3	315,241m^3
Asphalt base layer	1,422,094m^2	1,581,982m^2
Asphalt wearing course	1,422,094m^2	1,581,982m^2
Prime coat	1,489,813 ltrs.	1,450,000ltrs.
Tack coat	744,906ltrs.	870,090ltrs.

3. The intended completion period for lot 1 is 36 months and lot 2 is 36 months, followed by a 36 months defect liability period.

4. Bidding will be conducted through International Competitive Bidding procurement using Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers- Procurement in Investment Projects Financing" September 2025 7th Edition ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

5. Bids will be evaluated in accordance with the Evaluation Criteria set out in the bidding documents. The following weightings shall apply for Rated Criteria (including technical and non-price factors): 50% and for the Bid cost: 50%. The Rated Criteria shall be as follows:

No	Rated Criteria	Weight (%)
1	Construction Methodology, Work Programming, Mobilization, Equipment and Quality Management	40
2	Key Personnel and Contract Management Capacity	15
3	Local Employment, Skills Transfer and Community Engagement	10
4	Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS), Risk Management and Traffic Management	20
5	Contract Management, Subcontracting Strategy and Local Supplier Participation	15
	Total	**100**

6. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Road Development Agency, Silas Simweleba, rda_hq@roads.gov.zm or ssimweleba@roads.gov.zm,

mtembo@roads.gov.zm and inspect the Bidding document during office hours ***09:00 hours to 17:00 hours*** at the address given below.

7. The Bidding document in **English** may be purchased by interested eligible Bidders upon the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of **USD100.00 or equivalent in a convertible currency**. The method of payment will be cash deposited into the Agency's account or bank certified cheque and the bank details are as follows:

ZAMBIA NATIONAL COMMERCIAL BANK PLC

Account Name	:	ROAD DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
Account Number	:	0393996300530
Branch	:	GOVERNMENT COMPLEX A
Branch Code	:	084
Swift Code	:	ZNCOZMLU

8. A Site Visit will be held on **Thursday 5th November, 2026** and the bidders are requested to meet at **Serenje Town Council** at **09:00 hours** to clarify all issues that bidders may raise. The timing of the pre-bid meeting shall be determined by RDA after the site visit.

9. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **Friday, 18th December, 2026 at 10:30 AM hours, Local Time**. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. The outer Bid envelopes marked "**ORIGINAL BID**," and the inner envelopes marked "TECHNICAL PART" will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend, at the address below on **Friday, 18th December, 2026 at 10:30 AM hours, Local Time, in the RDA Main Conference Room**. All envelopes marked "**FINANCIAL PART**" shall remain unopened and will be held in safe custody of the Employer until the second public Bid opening.

10. All Bids must be accompanied by a: ***Bid Security*** **of USD$1,500,000.00 per Lot***; (ii)* Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and/or Sexual Harassment (SH) Declaration; and (iii) Local Labour Method Statement.

11. Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.

12. The address (es) referred to above is (are):

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