TransPeshawar (The Urban Mobility Company)



Request for Quotation (RFQ)

For Provision of External Auditor's Services to TransPeshawar

Procurement Title	Provision of External Auditor's Services to TransPeshawar		
Source of Funding	ADB Loan 3543-PAK: Peshawar Sustainable Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Project		
Contract Ref	TPC/FD/IA/Shopping/2020/001		
Date of this Request	September 11, 2020		
Deadline for Submission of Quotations	11:00 AM PST September 22, 2020		
Date and Time for Opening of Quotations	11:15 AM PST September 22, 2020		

Sir/Madam:

- 1. TransPeshawar (The Urban Mobility Company) has been established by the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to operate the bus rapid transit (BRT) system currently being implemented in Peshawar. Set up under section 42 of the Company's Act, 2017, TransPeshawar is responsible to carry out the project implementation, management and maintenance of urban rapid transit projects in Peshawar, assigned by Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Urban Mobility Authority for the benefits of public at large, organize training programs for the selected bus operators and drivers. TransPeshawar transit system will be served by 31 stations, and span the entire urban region of Peshawar from Chamkani in the east and to Karkhano in the west.
- TransPeshawar intends to hire the services of a Chartered Accountants Firm for external audit of the company for the year ending on June 30, 2021 in accordance with Terms of Reference attached as **Appendix-I.**If you, however, have been associated with the firm that prepared the requirements, and specifications of the contract that is subject of this procurement, you shall be disqualified.
- 3. It is understood that the bidder has gone through the entire RFQ and has complete understanding of the terms and conditions, scope of services etc. mentioned here along with their implication.
- 4. You must quote for complete services under this request. Price quotations will be evaluated for whole services and contract awarded to the firm offering the lowest evaluated total cost of all the services.
- 5. You shall submit **one original of the Price Quotation** with the Form of Quotation, and clearly marked "**Original**". In addition, you shall also submit **one copy marked as "COPY**". In case of any discrepancy between the Original and Copy, the original shall prevail. **Your quotation in the attached format should be signed, sealed in an envelope** and addressed to and delivered to the following address:

Chief Executive Officer TransPeshawar First (1st) Floor KPUMA Building Main BRT Depot, Opposite NHA Complex Chamkani, Peshawar.

- 6. Your quotation must be written in the English language, must be accompanied by adequate supporting documentation, profiles and other relevant material/documentation in the same English language for each item of services.
- 7. The deadline for receipt of your quotation (s) by the TransPeshawar at the above address is 11:00 AM (PST) September 22, 2020.
- 8. You shall submit only one set of quotations for the above services. (Hard copy in the sealed envelope on the date and time to the address indicated above). Your quotation must be typed and shall be signed by you or your authorized representative. Without a signature in your Form of Quotation, your quotation will not be considered any further.
- 9. Your quotation should be submitted as per the following instructions and in accordance with the attached form of Contract. The attached Terms and Conditions of Services is an integral part of the Contract.

- (i) <u>PRICES</u>: The prices should be quoted for complete services given under **(Appendix-I)** as a lump sum basis in Pakistani Rupees (PKR) and inclusive of all applicable Taxes in Pakistan.
- (ii) <u>EVALUATION OF QUOTATIONS</u>: Offers determined to be substantially responsive to the requirements will be evaluated by comparison of their prices. An offer is not substantially responsive if it contains material deviations or reservations to the terms, conditions, and specifications in this Request for Quotation, and it will not be considered further. TransPeshawar will evaluate and compare only the quotations determined to be substantially responsive. In evaluating the quotations, TransPeshawar will adjust for any arithmetical errors as follows:
 - (a) where there is a discrepancy between amounts in figures and in words, the amount in words will govern;
 - (b) where is a discrepancy between the unit rate and the line item total resulting from multiplying the unit rate by the quantity, the unit rate as quoted willgovern; and
 - (c) if a Bidder refuses to accept the correction, his quotation will be rejected.
- (iii) AWARD OF PURCHASE ORDER: The award will be made to the bidder offering the lowest evaluated price that meets the required standards of technical and financial capabilities. The successful bidder will sign a Contract as per attached form of contract and terms and conditions of services. Required Technical and Financial Capability are as follows:
 - a) Technical Capability
 - 1. Registration with Registrar of Firms;
 - 2. Registered with ICAP;
 - 3. Satisfactory QCR Rating of ICAP (Current);
 - 4. Valid License of Practice;
 - 5. Firm has a minimum of Three (03) partners;
 - 6. Has overall experience of at least five years;
 - 7. Has specific experience of audit of public sector companies;
 - 8. Declaration on stamp paper that the firm has never been blacklisted by any Government Department/ Authority/agency/company.
 - 9. A declaration from the firm that the below mentioned criteria as per section 247 of the Companies Act 2017 is being met.
 - a person who is, or at any time during the preceding three years was, a director, other officer or employee of TransPeshawar;
 - ii. a person who is a partner of, or in the employment of, a director, officer or employee of TransPeshawar;
 - iii. the spouse of a director of the TransPeshawar;
 - iv. a person who is indebted to TransPeshawar other than in the ordinary course of business of such entities;
 - v. a person who has given a guarantee or provided any security in connection with the indebtedness of any third person to TransPeshawar other than in the ordinary course of business of such entities;
 - vi. a person or a firm who, whether directly or indirectly, has business relationship with TransPeshawar other than in the ordinary course of business of such entities:
 - vii. a person who has been convicted by a court of an offence involving fraud and a period of ten years has not elapsed from the date of such conviction;

- viii. a body corporate;
- ix. a person who is not eligible to act as auditor under the code of ethics as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan and the Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of Pakistan; and
- x. a person or his spouse or minor children, or in case of a firm, all partners of such firm who hold any shares of an audit client or any of its associated companies.
- b) Financial Capability
 - Registration with FBR and reflected on Active Tax Payer List;
 - Registration with Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Revenue Authority (KPRA);
 - ❖ Has submitted bid security amounting to PKR 20,000/- in form of a CDR / Demand Draft in favor of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) TransPeshawar.

Verifiable documentary proof of above requirements (Technical & Financial) along with company profile shall be submitted by the bidders for responsiveness of their bids. Failure to submit any relevant document to the above requirements will result in disqualification of bidder.

- (iv) <u>VALIDITY OF THE OFFER:</u> Your quotation should be valid for a period of thirty (30) days from the deadline for receipt of quotation indicated in Paragraph 7 of this Request for Quotation.
- (v) If you withdraw your quotation during the validity period and/or refuse to accept the award of a contract when and if awarded, then your bid security will be forfeited and you will be excluded from the list of service providers for the project for two years.
- 10. Bidders should note that during the period from the receipt of the quotation and until further notice from the Contact, all queries should be communicated via the Contact and in writing using e-mail only. The Contact for all enquires in relation to this quotation is as follows:

Name: Mr. Khalil Ahmed

Email Address: khalil.ahmed@transpeshawar.pk with cc fayyazak@yahoo.co.uk

- 11. The bidder whose quotation has been accepted will be notified of the award of contract through the Letter of Acceptance issued by TransPeshawar within validity of quotation.
- 12. This Request for Quotation is being conducted under ADB Procurement Guidelines. As such under ADB's Anti-Corruption Policy, bidders shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. ADB will reject a proposal for award, and will impose sanctions on parties involved, if it determines that the bidder recommended for award or any other party, has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices in competing for, or in executing, the Contract. At the time of submission of your quotation, you should not be in ADB's sanctions list.
- 13. Please confirm by e-mail (see email address in Paragraph (10) the receipt of this request and whether or not you will submit the price quotation(s).

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Yours sincerely,

1 FORM OF QUOTATION

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Chief Executive Officer TransPeshawar, First (1st) Floor KPUMA Building Main BRT Depot, Opposite NHA Complex Chamkani, Peshawar.

We offer	to execute the Provision of Externa	al Auditor's Service	es for TransPeshav	var in accordance
with the Co	nditions of Contract accompanying th	is Quotation for the	Contract Price of	inclusive
of all taxes	(amount in words and numbers) () in Pl	KR with following
breakup.				
The total pr	ice of the services must be quoted in	clusive of all taxes in	the below format:	
				Total Price in

S/No.	Description	Cost of Services (PKR)	Out of Pocket Expenses (PKR)	Total Price in PKR Inclusive of Taxes
1	All services as per Appendix-I of this RFQ. The total price shall be inclusive of out of pocket expenses.			

We propose to complete the Services (mentioned in Appendix-I) within the Delivery Time from the Date of Signing of the Contract.

This Quotation and your written acceptance will constitute a binding Contract between us. We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any Quotation received by you.

We hereby confirm that this Quotation complies with the Validity of the Offer and bidder's liability conditions imposed by the Request for Quotation document and the Terms and Conditions of Services, respectively.

We have not been associated with the firm that prepared the TOR of the contract that is subject of this request for quotation.

We are not in the ADB sanctions list.

(Service Provider to complete below)

Authorized Signature:

Name and Title of Signatory:

Name of Service Provider:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

2. FORM OF CONTRACT

•	2020 between TransPeshawar (hereinafter called "the (hereinafter called "the Service Provider") on the other
part.	
for TransPeshawar to be provided by the service	
 The following documents shall be deemed to forr viz: 	m and be read and construed as part of this agreement,
a) Letter of Acceptance;	
b) Form of Quotation;	
c) Terms and Conditions of Services	
d) Terms of Reference (Appendix-I)	
mentioned, the Service Provider hereby conclude	ne TransPeshawar to the Service Provider hereinafter des an Agreement with the TransPeshawar to execute and remedy any defects/ perform the complete service Contract.
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IN WITNESS whereof the parties hereto have exthe date indicated above.	xecuted the Contract under the laws of Pakistan on
Signature and seal of the Employer: For and on behalf of	Signature and seal of the Service Provider: For and on behalf of
Mr	Mr
Name of Authorized Representative	Name of Authorized Representative

3. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICES

Project Name: Provision of External Auditor's Services for TransPeshawar

Employer: TransPeshawar (The Urban Mobility Company)	
Service Provider:	

- 1. <u>Fixed Price:</u> The prices indicated in the Form of Quotation are firm and fixed and not subject to any adjustment during contract performance.
- 2. <u>Delivery of Services:</u> Delivery of whole Services should be completed within time limits decided by TransPeshawar.
- 3. <u>Applicable Law:</u> The Contract shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of Pakistan.
- 4. Resolution of Disputes: The Employer and the Service Provider shall make every effort to resolve amicably by direct informal negotiation any disagreement or dispute between them under or in connection with the Contract. In the case of a dispute between the Employer and the Service Provider, the dispute shall be settled in accordance with the provisions of the arbitration law or rules of Pakistan.
- 5. <u>Intellectual Property Delivery:</u> TransPeshawar shall own and have a right in perpetuity to use all newly created Intellectual Property Rights which have been developed solely during execution of the Contract, including but not limited to all designs, application configurations and specifications. The Service Provider shall ensure that all approvals, registrations, licenses, permits and rights etc. which are necessary for use of the service provided by the Service Provider are legally acquired and assigned in the name of TransPeshawar. In case of any infringement on Intellectual Property Rights by the Service Provider, the Service Provider shall have sole control of the defense and all related settlement negotiations. Subject to above on intellectual property, the Service Provider shall retain exclusive ownership of all methods, concepts, algorithms, trade secrets, software documentation, other intellectual property or other information belonging to the Service Provider that existed before the effective date of the contract.
- 6. <u>Payment:</u> The Service Provider shall be providing all necessary supporting documents along with invoices for payment after completion of required services. The TransPeshawar shall verify and pay the service charges in 10 working days in lump sum through cross cheque in the name of Company and in Pakistani Rupees.
- 7. <u>Warranty</u>: The service provider is responsible for all loses or damages and short coming in deliverables etc. suffered by the Service provider as a result of min-conduct or inadequate services in performing the contract.
- 8. <u>Force Majeure:</u> The Service Provider shall not be liable for penalties or termination for default if and to the extent that its delay in performance or other failure to perform its obligations under the Contract is the result of an event of Force Majeure.

For purposes of this clause, "Force Majeure" means an event beyond the control of the Service Provider and not involving the Service Provider's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but not restricted to, act of Employer in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, and freight embargoes.

If a Force Majeure situation arises, the Service Provider shall promptly notify the Employer in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the Employer in writing, the Service Provider shall continue to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by Force Majeure event.

	(i) Appendix-I provides the services requirements for External Auditor.
	The Service Provider confirms compliance with above requirements.
10.	<u>Failure to Perform</u> : The Employer may cancel the Agreement if the Service Provider fails to deliver the required services, in accordance with the above terms and conditions, in spite of a 14-day notice given by the Employer, without incurring any liability to the Service Provider.
	Name of Service Provider:
	Authorized Signature:
	Place:
	Date <u>: </u>

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Service Requirements:

TERMS OF REFERENCE (TORS)

1. Background

TransPeshawar (The Urban Mobility Company) has been established by the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to operate the bus rapid transit (BRT) system currently being implemented in Peshawar. Set up under section 42 of the Company's Act, 2017, TransPeshawar is responsible to carry out the project implementation, management and maintenance of urban rapid transit projects in Peshawar, assigned by Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Urban Mobility Authority for the benefits of public at large, organize training programs for the selected bus operators and drivers.

TransPeshawar transit system will be served by 31 stations, and span the entire urban region of Peshawar from Chamkani in the east and to Karkhano in the west. The BRT system is planned to be operating soon.

2. Objective(s) of the Assignment

The engagement of external auditors is a statutory requirement of the Companies Act 2017, requiring inter alia under its relevant sections that every company shall at each annual general meeting appoint an auditor or auditors to hold office from the conclusion of that meeting until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting. The Board of Directors of TP in 24th meeting has decided to follow competitive process to hire services of a reputable Chartered Accountants Firm for external audit of the company for the year ending on June 30, 2021.

3. Scope of Work/Deliverables:

- 1. Audit of the annual financial statements of the Company for twelve months ending on June 30, 2021 as per companies act;
- 2. Review Report on Statement of Compliance with the Public Sector Companies (Corporate Governance) Rules, 2013 for the year ended June 30, 2020;
- 3. Attend meetings of Committee's, Board of Directors and Annual General Meeting.