INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

MINISTRY OF TRADE, COMMERCE, FOOD SECURITY AND COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT

SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF RAW NON-IODIZED SALT TO SRI LANKASTATE TRADING (GENERAL) CORPORATION LIMITED.

BID Number: STC/MPC/2024/003

Sri Lanka State Trading (General) Corporation Limited, which is a fully Government owned self-financed Corporation operated under the Ministry of Trade, Commerce Food Security and Cooperative Development, has been authorized by the Cabinet of Ministers to import up to thirty thousand metric tons (30,000) of Raw Non-Iodized Salt depending on the market requirement. The Chairman, Ministry Procurement Committee on behalf of the Secretary Ministry of Trade, Commerce Food Security and Cooperative Development invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the procurement of Raw Non-Iodized Salt.

- 1. Interested eligible bidders may inspect and download the bidding document from the website https://stc.lk/salt2024 commencing from 21st December 2024 until 02nd January 2025
- 2. Bidding will be conducted through the process of International Competitive Bidding

If further information is required can be obtained from The Manager Procurement, Sri Lanka State Trading (General) Corporation Ltd, No. 100, Nawam Mawatha, Colombo 02,Sri Lanka on working days from 9.00 am to 4.30 pm. (Colombo Time)

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3. Bidding will be conducted under the International Competitive Bidding process as follows:

Quantity	Delivery Period	Bid Validity	Bid Bond
30,000 Metric Ton Raw Non-Iodized Salt	As per the delivery schedule	From 03 /01/ 2025 up to 31/01/2025	1% of Bid value in USD (up to 14.02.2025)

- 4. Qualification requirements of bidders include;
 - A. Minimum annual average turnover of USD two million or equivalent within the last three years. (i.e. 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24)
 - B. Minimum 5 years of experience in exporting salt
 - C. The bidder should have completed at least one export order not less than 10,000 MT of salt within the last 3 years.
 - D. The Certificate of Origin issued by the Trade and Development Authority or a relevant authorized institute of the country of origin should certify that the items quoted are genuinely of the specified country's origin.
- 5. Properly sealed bidding documents along with required certificates in duplicate may be sent through the courier / registered post or hand delivered by agent along with samples of 2Kg of quoted variety with the cover marked top left-hand corner of the envelope "Importation of 30,000 MT Non-Iodized Salt "on or before 03rd January 2025 12.00 p.m. and sent to the Chairman, 1st Floor, Main Lobby, Sri Lanka State Trading (General) Corporation limited, No. 100, Nawam Mawatha, Colombo 02. Colombo. Late Bids shall not be accepted.

- 6. Bids will be closed soon after above mentioned time (03rd January 2025 12.00 p.m. Colombo) and opened immediately in the presence of the Bidders' authorized representatives who chose to attend.
- 7. All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security **irrevocable and unconditionally** encashable equal to 1% of Bid value in USD valid up to 14th February 2025

The bid bond to be issued either

- a. From commercial bank operating in Sri Lanka approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka or
- b. From commercial bank based in the country concern backed by a bank operating in Sri Lanka and approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka

The Bid Bond should be drawn in favor of, Secretary Ministry of Trade, Commerce Food Security and Co-operative Development No. 492, R.A.De Mel Mawatha, colombo

8. All bids should accompany receipt for a non-refundable bidding fee of USD 100 paid through online link https://stc.lk/salt2024 or deposit to below account number

Sri Lanka State Trading (General) Corporation Limited Account No: 004-1-001-2-0210918 People's Bank Corporate Banking Division, Head Office Swift Code – PSBKLKLX

The Chairman,

Ministry Procurement Committee

Ministry of Trade, Commerce Food Security and Co-operative Development

21st December 2024