

GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA & BARBUDA

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

BASIC EDUCATION PROJECT II (BEP II)

**SUPPLY OF GOODS FOR ST. MARY'S SECONDARY SCHOOL
AND IRENE B. WILLIAMS SECONDARY SCHOOL**

INVITATION TO BID

The Government of Antigua and Barbuda (GOAB) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) towards the cost of Basic Education Project II (BEP II) and intends to apply a part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the Agreement. Payment by CDB will be made only at the request of GOAB and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement. The Loan Agreement prohibits a withdrawal from the Loan Account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOAB shall derive any rights from the Loan Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Loan.

The Ministry of Education - Planning Unit, now invites bids from eligible and qualified Bidders for the **Supply of Goods for St. Mary's Secondary and Irene B. Williams Secondary Schools** in Lots 1 and 2 as follows. The bidder may bid for any individual Lot or both Lots.

- (a) Lot 1 - FURNITURE
- (b) Lot 2 - EQUIPMENT

Consideration will be limited to firms or joint ventures of firms which are legally incorporated or otherwise organised in, and have their principal place of business in an eligible country and are either:

- (a) more than 50% beneficially owned by a citizen or citizens and/or bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country, or by a body corporate or bodies corporate meeting these requirements; or
- (b) owned or controlled by the Government of an eligible country provided that it is legally and financially autonomous and operated under the commercial law of an eligible country and otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of the CDB Guidelines for Procurement (2006).

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

Eligible bidders will be required to submit full qualification information with their bids establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract if the bid is accepted. Tender and qualification information are to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Bid Document. Submissions that do not provide the information required or that do not demonstrate the prospective contractor's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be considered for further evaluation.

Bid documents are available from address 1 below. Written requests can be made by email marked: **"Request for Bid Documents for the Supply of Goods - BEP II Project"** The documents will be promptly dispatched, but under no circumstance will GOAB be held responsible for late delivery, loss or damage to

the documents.

Bids must be submitted either in:

- Hard copy in the form of a sealed envelope, with the name and address of the bidder, and be clearly marked “**Tender for the Supply of Goods - BEPII Project** ” to the postal address in address 2 below; or,
- Electronically to the email address in address 2 below.

The deadline for Bid submission is:

Date: Tuesday, May 07, 2024

Time: 10:00 am Atlantic Standard Time (AST) (Antigua and Barbuda Time)

Each bid must be accompanied by Bid-Securing Declaration. Late bids will be rejected.

GOAB reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected prospective bidder(s) of the grounds for GOAB’s action. GOAB will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

1. Address to Obtain or Request Clarifications Related to Bidding Documents:

Attention: The Project Coordinator, Basic Education Project II
Ministry of Education, Sports and Creative Industries
Street Address: Government Complex, Queen Elizabeth Highway, Saint Johns
Country: Antigua and Barbuda
Tel: 268 771 1331
Email: prounit.moe@gmail.com

2. Address for Bid Submission and Bid Opening:

Attention: Chairman, Tenders Board
Ministry of Finance and Corporate Governance
Street Address: Government Office Complex, Queen Elizabeth Highway, Saint Johns
Country: Antigua and Barbuda
Tel: 268 562-5825 / 5826
Email: tenders.board@ab.gov.ag

3. Address for Qualification Information Only

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