

It is hereby notified that tenders are invited for the following:—

| <i>Tender Reference</i> | <i>Subject</i> | <i>Closing Date and Time</i> |
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| HHB/H/16/123/45 | Provision of Short Message Service for COVID-19 Testing Related Systems for the Health Bureau | 2.3.2023 (12.00 noon) |

This tender is covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organisation (WTO GPA). This notice also serves as a summary notice required under WTO GPA.

Open tendering is adopted. All interested contractors and service providers are invited to tender.

The tender documents can be downloaded from the e-Tender Box (ETB) of the Government Logistics Department. Information about electronic tendering/submission is available on the ETB website (<https://pcms2.gld.gov.hk/>). They are also available on digital versatile discs (DVD-ROMs). The relevant DVD-ROMs are obtainable from the office of Team 6, Health Bureau (HHB) at Unit 1803-6, 18th Floor, AIA Tower, 183 Electric Road, North Point, Hong Kong (Enquiry Telephone No.: (852) 3586 2321).

Additional information is also available on the Internet at the following address:—

<https://www.healthbureau.gov.hk/en/tender/index.html>

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region does not bind itself to accept the lowest tender or the tender with the highest overall score or any tender, and reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer. Details of the award of the contract will be published on the HHB's website mentioned above.

- Remarks:
- (i) For paper-based tendering, tenders must be submitted in two separate envelopes (one on Technical Proposal and one on Price Proposal). These two envelopes shall then be placed together inside one large envelope; the envelopes shall be sealed and clearly marked with the tender reference and the subject of the tender on the outside of the envelope (but should not bear any indication which may relate the tender to the tenderer), addressed to the Chairman of the Tender Opening Committee, Government Logistics Department and deposited in the Government Logistics Department Tender Box ('Specified Tender Box') situated at the Ground Floor, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong before the tender closing time.
 - (ii) For electronic tendering, transmission of the tender through the e-Tender Box shall be successfully completed in accordance with the requirements of the e-Tender Box before the tender closing time.
 - (iii) Late tenders or tenders not submitted in accordance with any one of the submission methods specified in (i) and (ii) above will not be accepted.
 - (iv) If tropical cyclone signal No. 8 or above is hoisted, or a black rainstorm warning signal or 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government is/are in force at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon (Hong Kong time) on the tender closing date, the closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon (Hong Kong time) on the first working day after the tropical cyclone signal No. 8 is lowered, or the black rainstorm warning signal or the 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government has/have ceased to be in force.
 - (v) In case of blockage of the public access to the location of the Specified Tender Box at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon (Hong Kong time) on the tender closing date, the Government will announce extension of the tender closing time until further notice. Following removal of the blockage, the Government will announce the extended tender closing time as soon as practicable. The above announcement will be made *via* press releases on the website of the Information Services Department (<https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/today.htm>).