

TERM CONTRACTS FOR SLOPE MAINTENANCE AND  
IMPROVEMENT WORKS (2025–2028) FOR

- (1) REGION A (CONTRACT NO. 20239241)
- (2) REGION B (CONTRACT NO. 20239242)
- (3) REGION C (CONTRACT NO. 20239243)
- (4) REGION D (CONTRACT NO. 20239244)

NOTICE OF PRE-QUALIFICATION OF TENDERERS

Pre-qualification of tenderers is hereby invited for the Term Contracts for Slope Maintenance and Improvement Works (2025-2028) for Regions A, B, C and D. The tender to be invited will be covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization.

2. The scope of works under the above contracts comprises slope maintenance and improvement works, leakage detection and repair works, monitoring and maintenance of ground anchors as well as ad-hoc referral and emergency works under respective regions. A plan showing the designated boundaries of the four regions is attached at **Annex A**. The four contracts are expected to commence in January 2025 with contract periods of about 36 months.

3. Contractors who are interested in the pre-qualification of tenderers for the above contracts are requested to submit the following information -

- (a) Reply letter for Expression of Interest;
- (b) Company profiles;
- (c) Copies of their ISO9001 certificates;
- (d) Declaration of Restriction by Development Bureau and Buildings Department;
- (e) Contractor's Experience;
- (f) Statement of confirmation of acceptance of related company restriction; tender irregularity restriction and probity requirement; and
- (g) Submission of Financial Information for Financial Evaluation.

4. Proforma for preparing the above submission for the pre-qualification of tenderers are obtainable from -

Geotechnical Engineering Management Unit,  
4/F., Block 1, Housing Authority Headquarters,  
33 Fat Kwong Street, Kowloon, Hong Kong  
(Enquiries if any are to be made to Geotechnical Engineer/ Management 5  
at Tel: 2761 7253 or fax: 2761 7300)

5. A Pre-qualification Panel of Housing Department will check and assess the contractors' submissions and their performance records. Only those who can satisfactorily demonstrate their experiences and capabilities as required together with a record of satisfactory performance will be invited to tender. The pre-qualification criteria are as per the enclosed **Annex B**.

6. Reply letter and submission of information for pre-qualification of tenderers (i.e. **Items 3(a) to 3(f)**) shall be enclosed in a covering envelop (**Pre-qualification Evaluation Envelope**), labeled with the captioned term contracts title, and address to the **Chairman, Tender Opening Committee, Hong Kong Housing Authority**. On the other hand, all financial information (i.e. **Item 3(g)**) shall be enclosed in a separate **Financial Evaluation Envelope**), labeled with the captioned term contracts title, and addressed to the **Finance Manager / Risk Management, Risk Management Unit, Finance Sub-division, Hong Kong Housing Authority**. **Both envelopes** should be delivered **on or before 10:00 a.m. Friday, 1 December 2023** in one of the following ways -

(a) be deposited personally in Hong Kong Housing Authority Tender Box situated at Ground Floor, Block 2, Housing Authority Headquarters, 33 Fat Kwong Street, Kowloon, Hong Kong; or

(b) be sent by post or courier to -

The Chairman, Tender Opening Committee,  
c/o Receipt & Despatch Unit,  
The Hong Kong Housing Authority,  
Basement 1, Block 2,  
Housing Authority Headquarters,  
33 Fat Kwong Street, Kowloon,  
Hong Kong

7. The submission closing time will automatically be deferred to 10:00 a.m. on the first working day (excluding Saturday) of the following circumstances -

(a) if tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above is hoisted and remains in force for any duration within two (2) hours before the submission closing time on the submission closing date; or

(b) if a black rainstorm warning or "extreme conditions after super typhoons" is announced by the Government (via the Information Services Department) and remains in force for any duration within two (2) hours before the submission closing time on the submission closing date; or

(c) when the Director of Housing announces the closure of the Housing Authority Headquarters Building due to unforeseen circumstances and the Housing Authority Headquarters Building remains closed for any duration within two (2) hours before the tender closing time on the tender closing date.

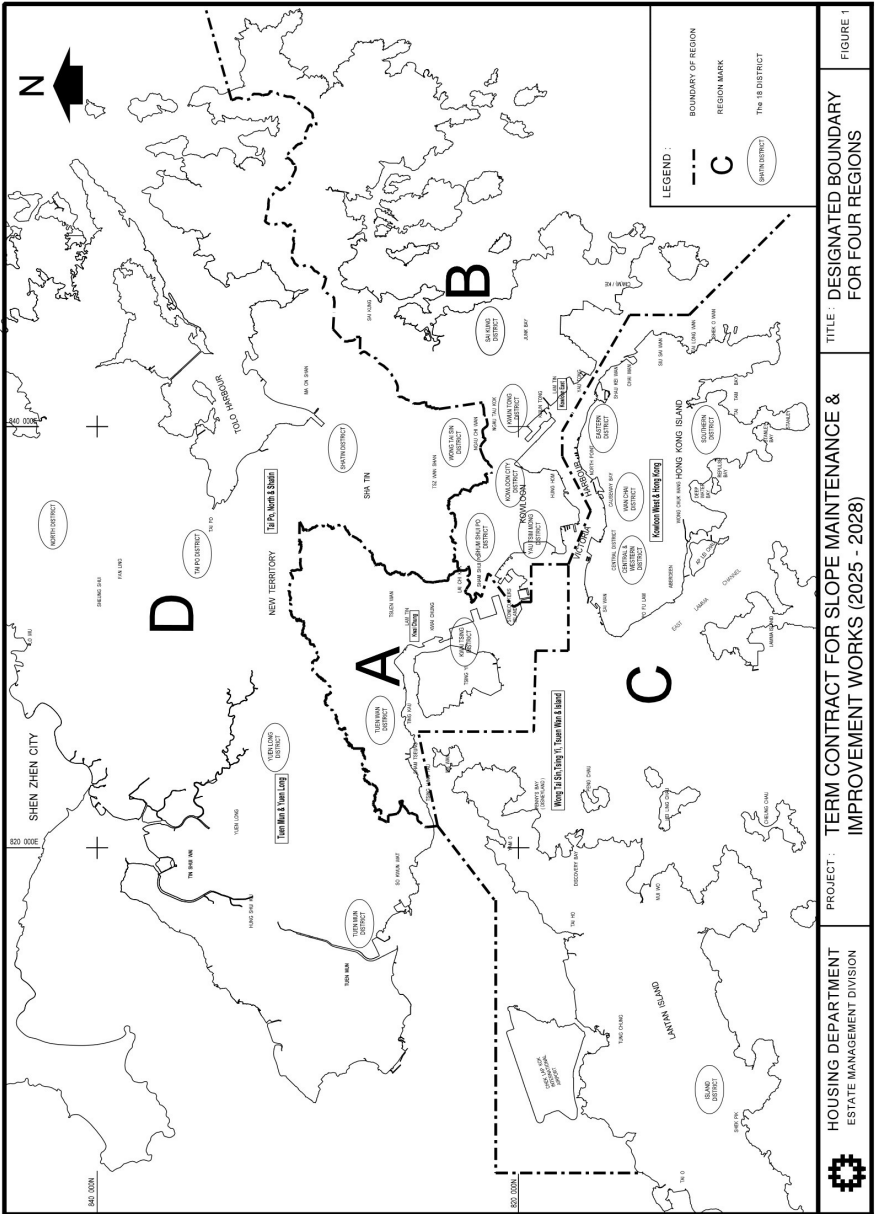
8. For the avoidance of doubt, the submission closing time will remain unchanged if black rainstorm warning signal or tropical cyclone signal No. 8 or above, or “extreme conditions after super typhoons” is lowered or cancelled or the Hong Kong Headquarters Building is reopened, two (2) hours or more before the submission closing time on the submission closing date.

9. An individual contractor is restricted to undertake only one out of the four contracts.

10. Late submissions shall not be considered. Inclusion in the pre-qualified tenderers list will be at the entire discretion of the Housing Authority and no explanation whatsoever will be given under any circumstances.

3 November 2023

Rosanna LAW *Director of Housing*



## **PRE-QUALIFICATION CRITERIA**

1. Contractors applying for pre-qualification shall meet the following criteria:
  - (a) being on the DEVB List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works under LANP Category, and not being restricted or suspended from tendering or removed from the List when being considered for admission to pre-qualified tenderers list, tender invitation, tender return and tender award;
  - (b) being on the BD Register of Specialist Contractors (Site Formation Works Category), and not being restricted or suspended from tendering or removed from the Register when being considered for admission to pre-qualified tenderers list, tender invitation, tender return and tender award;
  - (c) not being imposed any regulatory action by HA <sup>Note 1</sup> for works of similar nature when being considered for admission to pre-qualified tenderers list, tender invitation, tender return and tender award;
  - (d) having less than 10% of “Adverse” reports for all their on-going and completed HA projects in the past three years preceding the due date of submission for pre-qualification as stipulated in the Gazette Notice of pre-qualification of tenderers;
  - (e) if performance report on HA or DEVB projects in the past three years is not available, confirmation on satisfactory performance for project(s) under BD’s control in the past three years from the Client, or Main Contractor, or Authorized Person/Registered Structural Engineer/Registered Geotechnical Engineer preceding the due date of submission for pre-qualification as stipulated in Gazette Notice of pre-qualification of tenderers will be considered;
  - (f) have direct experience <sup>Note 2</sup> in slope maintenance and improvement works of contract value over \$5M in Hong Kong within the last five years counting from the due date of submission as stipulated in the Gazette Notice of pre-qualification of tenderers;

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Note 1 It is also applicable to contractor whose key management staff has been involved in serious incident(s).

Note 2 Direct experience shall be considered as the experience obtained from works carried out under the direct control and supervision of the contractor and by its workforce, irrespective of the fact whether the contractor is engaged as main or sub-contractor or a party to a joint venture.

- (g) joint ventures will not be considered in this pre-qualification exercise;
- (h) having achieved ISO 9001 certification covering the scope of geotechnical engineering works;
- (i) having met the minimum capital ratio requirement in the financial vetting conducted by HA; and
- (j) demonstrating reasonable understanding of the contract requirements and capacity of delivering quality works in a timely manner during the pre-qualification interview.