



Gorkhapatra Corporation

Dharmapath, Kathmandu
Sealed Tender Notice No. 1/074/075
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For the supply of 1000±10% m.tons of European origin, or equivalent, quality standard newsprint reels to be delivered at Kathmandu, Nepal.

1. Sealed tenders are invited by the Gorkhapatra Corporation, Dharmapath, Kathmandu, Nepal for the supply of 1000±10% metric tons of European origin, or equivalent, quality standard newsprint in reels.
2. **Specifications of the Newsprint :**
 1. Basic weight (45±1.5) g/ m²
 2. Brightness (60±2) %
 3. Opacity- 92% (minimum)
 4. Thickness- (75±5) micron
 5. Moisture- (7±1) %
 6. Smoothness-(90±10) ml/min (Bendson)
 7. Tensile index (MD)-45(N/m²) minimum
 8. Grade-newsprint
 9. Printing method-suitable for coldset web off-set
 10. Format-reel
 11. Reel diameter- 1000±10mm
 12. Reel width-700mm.
 13. Core- diameter 76mm with strong core plug.
 14. Wrapping- Strong moisture-proof polyethylene laminated kraft paper
3. Reels must be properly wound, have good tensile strength to minimize breaking off. The web newsprint should be of uniform caliber and free from holes, spots and other defect, sound winding and have delivery bar coons for identifying reel position.
4. The tender document can be obtained on written request against a cash deposit receipt of Rs. 5,000.00 (Rupees five thousand) (non-refundable) from the procurement section of this Corporation from 10 A.M to 5 P.M.
 - 1.1 The tender document consist of three portions: "Instructions to Bidders" "Bid Form" and "Technical Specification." All these portions shall become part of the contract when signed formally by the supplier and the Gorkhapatra Corporation.
 - 1.2 Tenders must be submitted in the tender document format purchased from the Gorkhapatra Corporation, along with their bid duly signed and officially sealed by them.
 - 1.3 All documents must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and the words TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF 1000 ±10% METRIC TONS OF NEWSPRINT" must be written in capital letters on the envelope. The envelope must be addressed to the General Manager, The Gorkhapatra Corporation, Dharmapath, Kathmandu, Nepal and must reach this office before 26 April, 2018 before 12:00 p.m.
 - 1.4 Tenders received within the stipulated date and time will be opened, read and recorded in the presence of the tenderers or their authorized representatives on 26 April, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the Gorkhapatra Corporation Office, but the absence of the bidders will not affect the opening. In case the opening day happens to be a public holiday, the next immediate working day will be considered.
 - 1.5 Tenders or modification of tenders, bid bonds or controversy regarding bid bonds or any other relevant documents received after the last date and time aforesaid shall not be entertained nor shall the Gorkhapatra Corporation be responsible for the delivery of any of the tender documents sent by post, by air or by any other means.
 - 1.6 At least 25 sheets of sample (min.A4 size) newsprint, as per the above specifications must be submitted along with the tender bidder's code, or symbol, for easy recognition should be affixed on all the sheets and an ISO certificate submitted.
 - 1.7 The bid price for goods shall be in U.S. dollars for foreign bidders, but in the case of Nepalese bidders, the price should be in Nepalese currency.
 - 1.8 For the purpose of evaluation, the total bid price quoted by the bidder shall be the main governing factor.
 - 1.9 Tenders submitted by any party other than the manufacturer shall be accompanied with a letter of authorization from the manufacturer authorizing the bidder to handle the operation of this tender and containing the stipulation that the manufacturer shall be obliged to honor any commitment of any nature made by the bidder on behalf of the manufacturer. And an ISO certificate must be submitted along with the bid.
 - 1.10 If a local agent in Nepal is authorized by the bidder to deal with the Gorkhapatra Corporation under the contract, the name and address of the agent, the rate of commission and the mode of payment shall be mentioned in the tender.
 - 1.11 All tenders must be accompanied by a bid bond of Rs. 25,20,000. (Twenty five lakhs twenty thousand) inclusive of the cost of transportation (including door delivery upto the Corporation's store, Teku), insurance upto Kathmandu, Govt. of Nepal's customs charges and local taxes, etc. price, along with the bid.
 - (a) The bid bond shall be issued or guaranteed by Nepal Rastra Bank or Nepal Bank Limited or Rastriya Banijya Bank or any other A class bank operating in Nepal. Or
 - (b) A receipt of the cash deposits made in favor of 'The Gorkhapatra Corporation' A/C No 002-11-49803 payable at Nepal Bank Ltd, New Road, Kathmandu. Or
 - (c) A demand draft payable to the Gorkhapatra Corporation drawn on any A class bank in Nepal Or
 - (d) Bid bond issued by a foreign bank should be endorsed by an authorized local bank.
 - 1.12 The Corporation will issue the letter of acceptance within 7 days to the successful bidders. After the receipt of the acceptance letter, the successful bidder shall furnish a performance bond equivalent to 5% of the total door delivery price, including all the above mentioned value, and contact the office of the Gorkhapatra Corporation for execution of the contract document within 15 days. In case the performance bond is provided by a foreign bank, it must be countersigned by an A class bank in Nepal.
 - 1.13 Bidders shall supply the goods at the earliest possible time after opening a commercially acceptable and confirmed irrevocable Letter of Credit. (The price should be valid for 8 months from the date of opening of the tender.)
 - 1.14 At the time of placing the actual order to the successful bidder, the Gorkhapatra Corporation reserves the right to alter the quantity mentioned in the tender document. In such an eventuality, a Letter of Credit shall be opened on a proportionate basis.
 - 1.15 Bid bonds should be valid for at least 180 days from the date of opening of the tenders. The bid bond shall be returned to the unsuccessful bidders as soon as possible after opening of the tenders, and to the successful bidder, after he or she furnishes the performance bond and duly enters into a contract with the Gorkhapatra Corporation. No interest shall be paid for the bond amounts.
 - 1.16 Bid bond shall be forfeited by the Gorkhapatra Corporation in case:
 - (a) The bidder withdraws the bid either before the date of expiry or after the date of notification or withdraws of contract by the Corporation. Or
 - (b) The successful bidder fails to furnish the required performance bond. Or
 - (c) Fails to sign the contract within the specified period.
 - 1.17 The tenderers shall comply with all the terms and conditions as stated in the tender document, and non-compliance, therefore, shall result in disqualification of the concerned tender.
 - 1.18 In case the suppliers fail to supply the goods within the stipulated time, the performance bond shall be forfeited.
 - 1.19 Failure to supply goods in time as per the contract by the supplier, except in a situation affected by force majeure or circumstances beyond the control of the supplier, shall incur a daily penalty of Rs.50,000 (fifty thousand Nepalese rupees) or its equivalent in U.S. dollars to be charged to the successful bidder.
 - 1.20 The successful bidder is required to submit a certificate issued by an internationally recognized surveyor that the newsprint is of the tendered specifications and quality along with other related documents to the bank of the bidder.
 - 1.21 All consignments shall be insured 125% against all risks, and the insured amount should be included in the total bid price. All bank charges outside Nepal will be on the supplier's A/C.
 - 1.22 Irrespective of whatever is mentioned above or in the tender document or in the "Instructions to Bidders," the Corporation reserves the right to reject any or all tenders and accept the whole or a part of it without assigning any reason whatsoever.
 - 1.23 Bidders must mention the mode of shipment of their principal manufacturer along with the bid.
 - 1.24 Bidder should submit the authorization letter of their principal manufacturer along with the bid.
 - 1.25 For door delivery at Kathmandu, the consignment of 1000±10% M. tons of newsprint of the same quality should be supplied in three lots within a gap of three months. Consignment of 300 metric tons each shall be supplied in the first & second lots & 400 metric tons in the final lot.
 - 1.26 Any dispute arising out of or relating to the supply shall be settled through a decision of the board of this Corporation according to the prevailing laws.
 - 1.27 In the case of a Nepalese bidder her/he must submit the VAT/PAN and tax clearance certificate of fiscal year 073/074.
 - 1.28 The bidder warrants that the newsprint in reels intended to be supplied by them shall have at least a 12-month guarantee period against any manufacturing defect. The bids received without a promise letter of the above guarantee period shall be considered non-responsive.
 - 1.29 In case the newsprint sample fails to meet the specified specification mentioned in the tender document by the lab test of the Govt. of Nepal, the tender will be rejected.
 - 1.30 Other rules and regulations which are not mentioned in this notice, will be according to the rules and regulations of the Nepalese Government.

S.No.	Item Details	Bid-Bond	Tender form
1	1000±10% metric tons of European origin, or equivalent, quality standard newsprint in reels. Door delivery at Kathmandu.	Rs.25,20,000	Rs. 5,000/-

Note: This notice can also be seen on the website: www.gorkhapatraonline.com

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