CALL FOR BIDS FOR

Construction/Rehabilitation of Water Supply Systems for the 150 HCF Challenge – Armani Aqua for Life II Project

1. Introduction
WaterAid is an International Non-Governmental Organisation established in 1981. Our Vision is a world where everyone, everywhere has Safe Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH). Our mission is to transform lives of the poorest and most marginalised people by improving access to Safe Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene. WaterAid has operated in Malawi since the year 2000 and supports service delivery and advocacy programmes of work in both rural and urban areas. Our programmes include work in Machinga, Zomba, Mangochi, Nkhotakota, Kasungu, Dowa, Ntchisi and Lilongwe City.

2. Background
With funding from the Giorgio Armani, WaterAid is implementing a three year 150 HCF Challenge Armani - Aqua for Life 2 Project in Ntchisi District. The project runs from April 2021 to March 2024 and is being implemented in Ntchisi district in the Central Region of Malawi.

The project is targeting Health Care Facilities (HCFs) in Ntchisi, a rural district in the central region of Malawi. The two HCFs Mndinda and Nthondo serve catchment populations of 10,780 and 27,902 people respectively. The facilities have been targeted because they are unable to provide a safe and clean environment for health service delivery due to the poor status of water, sanitation, hygiene and waste management facilities and practices. Women, children, youth, men and health care workers seeking or providing services at these facilities are therefore at risk of acquiring or spreading infections.

The project is thus addressing the following challenges: inadequate and poorly managed WASH infrastructure, and weak hygiene and infection prevention and control practices in HCFs. These challenges will be addressed through provision of new and rehabilitation of existing water, sanitation, hygiene and waste management infrastructure; capacity building and resource planning for operation and maintenance of the infrastructure; hygiene behaviour change and infection prevention and control promotion.

With these interventions, the project is seeking to contribute towards improved health outcomes for 317,069 people living in Ntchisi district. The following are the outcomes that the project is seeking to achieve:
Improved access to inclusive and sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene facilities in two HCFs
Improved hygiene behaviour among health care workers and clients in two HCFs
Improved infection prevention and control practices among health care workers in two HCFs

The project is part of WaterAid Malawi’s flagship programme titled “The 150 Health Care Facility Challenge” aka (150 HCF Challenge) which is a campaign aimed at mobilising stakeholders and resources for increased coverage of improved WASH in HCFs in Malawi. While WaterAid began its work in health care facilities in 2014, the 150 HCF Challenge was conceptualised in 2018 when WaterAid partnered with Nation Publications Limited (NPL), a local media house, to support public hospitals in Ntchisi under their annual corporate social responsibility programme titled the “Mothers Fun Run”. Through the Mothers Fun Run, NPL mobilizes support for public health care facilities to improve maternal and child health services. It is hoped that the partnership with Giorgio Armani Beauty will contribute towards the effort to bring 100% coverage of WASH in HCFs in Ntchisi district.

3. Call for bids
To ensure improved access to inclusive and sustainable Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene facilities in the targeted HCFs WaterAid in Malawi invites suitably qualified firms to submit their bids for construction and rehabilitation of water supply systems and plumbing works at Mdinda and Nthondo Health Centres.

1. Full details of this procurement are given in the Instructions to Bidders ad section 6A (scope of work) and section 6C (Drawings) and section 6D (Bill of Quantity) of this Invitation to Bid.
2. Please submit your quotation using the Letter of Submission of Bid format as in section 4 (bidding Forms) and including all the information requested in the Instructions to Bidders in a sealed envelope, addressed to WaterAid Malawi, at the address under point 8 below before 10:00 hrs on 17th of November 2021.
3. Prices should be quoted without VAT and preferably in Malawi Kwacha.
4. Bidders are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the three sites and make prior arrangements with health care facility administrators before visiting the sites prior to the bid submission.
5. Delivery of services is within 60 Calendar Days of contract signature.
6. With your bid, please provide information as required in section 3 of Part 2 of the attachments to the address in point 8 below.
7. Address for bid submission:

WaterAid Malawi,

Area 47 Sector 5, Next to Masjid Mosque

Behind Zodiak Broadcasting Station, Private Bag

364, Lilongwe, Malawi
8. You may obtain further information concerning this Invitation to Bid from WaterAid Malawi - 0887 376 442/3 or 0999 96 044 on the following link which contains detailed instructions for bidders and BoQ: https://www.wateraid.org/mw/publications

Note:
WaterAid has zero tolerance for all forms of harassment, discrimination, abuse and bullying, especially pertaining to children and vulnerable adults. Consultant(s) will be required to commit to adhere to WaterAid’s safeguarding policies & code of conduct. Consultant(s) will ensure all staff on the project sign up to safeguarding policies as required. The consultant(s) will be required to support district and community level structures in understanding and implementation of safeguarding policies.