# High Commission of India Canberra, Australia

### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR

# CONSTRUCTION OF NEW CHANCERY BUILDING AND RESIDENCES at 3-5 Moonah Place, Yarralumla, Canberra, Australia

The President of India, acting through the High Commissioner of India in Canberra, Australia requests Expressions of Interest (EoI) from appropriately qualified and adequately experienced Contractors for the *CONSTRUCTION OF NEW CHANCERY BUILDING AND RESIDENCES at 3-5 Moonah Place, Yarralumla, Canberra, Australia*.

Following the EoI, eligible firms will be able to access the tender documents and their annexures from the Government of India Central Procurement Portal, and also the official website of the *High Commission of India, Canberra, Australia*.

## **Location and Description of Property**

The site for the construction of the new Chancery Building and Residences is 3-5 Moonah Place (Block 20, Section 86), Yarralumla, Canberra. Total area of the land is 10.333 hectares, with a portion of it already occupied by the Existing Chancery Building and smaller associated buildings. The site is accessed (vehicular and pedestrian) from the eastern boundary on Moonah Place.

### Scope of Works

The scope of new works includes a new 3-storey Chancery accommodating consular activities and facilities such as a multipurpose hall, cultural facilities, library & education rooms, a business centre and Head of Mission offices and conference room. Ancillary buildings include a separate single story staff residence with 3x units; a new single storey guardhouse and a waste enclosure. Provision for on-site parking is offset from the southern boundary and is in part provided with a canopy for shelter. A covered walkway links the new Chancery building to the old. New siteworks, infrastructure and landscape design will be established in association with the new buildings. A new perimeter boundary fence is required to all sides of the property. The existing 2-storey Chancery building is to be retained and is excluded from the proposed scope of works. A small brick building currently serving as a staff residence and office, a metal carport and two small metal sheds to the south-west of the site are to be demolished. The total GFA of the new buildings is approximately 3,185m2, excluding site works.

The new Chancery building is situated within the fall of land on the property, with three levels to the south and two levels to the north. The building accommodates primarily diplomatic functions in its southern half, including offices for staff and the Head of Mission, while the northern half of the building will accommodate a double height Multi-Purpose Hall, a business centre, and smaller rooms for cultural activities. Associated toilets, kitchenettes and back-of-house support spaces are provided. Plant rooms for building services are accommodated within the line of the building exterior

wall and roof plane. The two primary functional zones of the building are separated by an entrance hall that runs the full depth of the plan and the full height of the building.

Externally, the new Chancery is characterized by a continuous full height colonnade running along the eastern and northern elevations. The building construction of the new Chancery will consist of precast concrete panel exterior walls, external glazing, and a façade screen. The hip roof is steel-clad, in two tiers.

The residential building, security gatehouse and garbage enclosure are to be constructed of face brick with roofing to match the new Chancery. The carport is steel frame with roofing to match the new Chancery. Boundary fences are steel palisade on a brick plinth.

#### Tender

The tender process will take place in two stages:

- **(i) Stage-I:** Qualification of firms as per eligibility criteria (refer below);
- **(ii) Stage-II**: Eligible firms will be issued with tender documents for submission of a lump-sum financial bid. The Tender Documents for Stage-II will comprise:
  - Architectural drawings, schedules and specification
  - Landscape Architecture drawings and specification
  - Civil drawings and specification
  - Structural drawings and specifications
  - Building Services drawings and specifications
  - · Fire Protection drawings and specifications
  - Security drawings and specification
  - Bill of Quantities
  - Building Approval

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- 1. The Tenderer should have valid permit/registration from a competent local authority for carrying out the work in Canberra in the Diplomatic property of the High Commission of India, Canberra, Australia.
- 2. The Tenderer must have satisfactorily completed in the last five years (i) one similar work of value of AUS\$ 25 Million **or** (ii) two similar works of value of AUS\$ 18 Million **or** (iii) three similar works of value of AUS\$ 12 Million. Similar works means construction works for residential building/office building/diplomatic buildings such as Embassies, Chanceries and Ambassador's residences, or public buildings such as Cultural Centres.
- 3. Certificate of Solvency for AUS\$ 12 Million certified by bank. The certificate should not be older than six months.
- 4. The annual turnover of the tenderer should be equal to AUS\$ 18 Million during the immediate last three consecutive financial years.

- 5. The tenderer should not have suffered loss in more than two years in the previous five financial years and must not have suffered loss in the immediately preceding financial year.
- 6. Joint Venture (JV) firms formed specifically for this tender shall not be permitted. JV, like a single entity, meeting all eligibility criteria shall be permitted. JV partners meeting eligibility criteria on individual basis separately shall not be permitted.

#### **Submission**

The EoI documents are to be submitted by the bidder and shall be capable of establishing the eligibility of the bidder for the tender. They should include a brief introduction, background, company details, credentials, GST & other registration and past performance of the bidder. They may attach any other documents such as company profile, company brochures, capability statements, achievement of the company, resources, experience etc. For similar work, the bidder is required to submit work order, value and completion certificate of the work.

The EoI should be submitted by 5pm on 03 July 2024 to the office of:

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Deputy High Commissioner,
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