



Date: 26/02/2025**Clarification No. (2)**

Project:	Water Security and Resilience Program (SoP1)
Contract Title:	Construction of Water Transmission Pipelines between Main Booster Pump Station to the Regional Water Tank
RFB No.:	PWA/WSRP- SoP1/W02/RFB
Invitation No.:	PWA/WB/2024/020-CTD

Reference is made to the BDS, Section I – Instruction to Bidders (ITB), Clause 7.
Clarification of Bidding Document.

Questions and Responses:**Q.1. Request for bid period extension – additional 20 days.**

We appreciate your consideration of a 20-day extension for the above-mentioned tender. Given the international nature of this tender, we are currently engaged in negotiations with potential joint venture partners from outside Palestine to meet the technical prequalification requirements. Additionally, due to the prevailing political situation in the West Bank, obtaining quotations for pipes and fittings, as well as finalizing negotiations, has taken longer than anticipated. We kindly request your approval for an additional 20-day extension of the bid period. This will enable us to submit a well-prepared technical and financial proposal that aligns with the project's requirements.

A. The Bid submission deadline was extended to March 19th 2025 as per the attached amendment.

Q. 2 Request for Clarification on Tender Submission Date and Deadline Extension

We refer to the tender advertisement published and to the original tender documents (Request for Bids- BDS) and the documentation provided during the pre-bid meeting received on January 09, 2025. We have identified a discrepancy in the submission deadlines:

- Newspaper advertisement and Bid Data Sheet (original tender documents): The bid submission deadline is stated as March 11, 2025.
- Minutes of the pre-bid meeting (PreBid meeting Presentation Package 2, Bid Data Sheet Page 20): The submission date is indicated as March 12, 2025.

Could you kindly confirm the correct deadline to ensure our compliance with the tender requirements?

A. The Bidder is hereby instructed to disregard the error in the presentation. The correct reference documents are the RFBs (Request for Bids). Additionally, please



note that the Bid submission deadline has been officially extended to March 19, 2025. Please refer to the amendment that has been issued in this regard.

- Additionally, due to ongoing operational challenges affecting multiple regions, we respectfully request an extension of the submission deadline. Would it be possible to adjust the date to accommodate these unforeseen circumstances? We believe this adjustment would enable all bidders to submit comprehensive and competitive proposals.

A. The Bid submission deadline has been officially extended to March 19, 2025.

Q. 3 Please we ask to postpone the delivery of this tender at least two weeks since the delivery time is too near to the first stage of this program.

A. The Bid submission deadline has been officially extended to March 19, 2025 as per the attached amendment.

Q. 4 As mentioned in our previous email, the extension is essential due to the international coordination with potential joint venture partners and the current challenges in obtaining quotations and finalizing negotiations given the situation in the West Bank. We would appreciate an update on the status of our request as soon as possible. Please let us know if you need any more information to facilitate the approval process.

A. The Bid submission deadline has been officially extended to March 19, 2025

5. Clarification: Place of Arbitration (Clause 21.6(a)):

In the event the contract is entered into with foreign contractors, the place of arbitration shall be determined as a neutral location. This location will be specified in the Contract Data, taking into account the nationality of the contractors, and in accordance with the provisions outlined in the Special Provisions, Part B.

Q. 6 Refer to Volume - Section 2 – Bid Data sheet(BDS) , ITB 11.2 g -point 8:

8. Bank statement specifying the financial amounts transferred from the Employer or the main contractor to the bidder's account that show the volume of participation in total contract amount for evaluating criterion 4.2 (a).

Please note that we will submit Completion Certificate stamped & signed by the "employer/ main contractor" showing the final project amount. Please advise?

A. All the supporting documents listed in ITB 11.2 (g) shall be submitted.



Q. 7 The contractors would like to clarify whether it is possible to issue the bid bond under the individual names of the two or three participating contractors i.e. (X company and Y company) instead of under a Joint Venture (JV) entity. This is because the JV company has not yet been formally registered. Should the contract be awarded to us, we confirm that we will promptly complete the JV company registration under the agreed names of the partnering companies and provide the necessary documentation.

A. If the JV has not been legally constituted into a legally enforceable JV at the time of Bidding, the Bid Security shall be in the names of all future members as named in the letter of intent referred to in ITB 4.1 and ITB 11.6.

End.

Annex 1: Amendment- Extension of bid submission deadline