



**CLARIFICATION No. 3 to
Invitation to Bid REF.: # ITB/KRTGF/09/001
“Rehabilitation/Construction of 80 Healthcare Facilities (HFs) in 15 States in North Sudan”**

Question 1.

The bid security form requests the sum of 5% of the contract value. Please advise if the bid security will roll into the performance bond upon award with an extra 5%?

Answer 1.

The Bidder must replace the Bid Security with the Performance Security. The Purchaser/Employer will give back/return the Bid Security to the Bidder immediately after presentation of the Performance Security. This operation will be completed within one or two days and, therefore, the Bidder will remain liable for 5% + 10% towards his bank only for a few days.

Question 2.

Why do you accept insurance guarantee for the performance bond and for the bid bond you do not accept this kind of security?

Answer 2.

As per bidding documents (Instruction to Bidders) Section C “Preparation of Bids” Clause 13 “Bid Security” (point c). Those mentioned in point c) are the forms allowed for the Bid Security. Any bid not accompanied by an acceptable Bid Security shall be rejected by the Purchaser/Employer as being non-responsive.

It is recommended to provide a Bid Security in accordance with the enclosed format in the Annex XV – Bid Security Form. Alternatively it would be ideal for Bidders to furnish a certified bank cheque which will be easily verified.

Bidders could provide Performance Security given by an acceptable/reputable insurance company as per Clause 10 “Performance Security” (paragraph b) of the General Conditions of Contract for Civil Works in the format included in the bidding documents (Annex XV).

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End of Clarification No. 3