

Kenya Rural Roads Authority

IMPLEMENTATION OF ARID AND SEMI - ARID LAND (ASAL) RURAL ROADS PROGRAMME

- 1. The Rehabilitation and Improvement and Performance Based Routine Maintenance, and
- 2. Low Volume Sealing (LVS) and Performance Based Routine Maintenance, for various roads.

CLARIFICATION No. 1

Reference is made to the Tender Notice that appeared in the Authority's website and the Mygov pullout on The Star Newspaper dated dated 1st April, 2025.

The Authority has received request for clarifications from various bidders and hereby wishes to respond as follows.

No.	Request for Clarification	Response
1	PRELIMINARY EVALUATION CRITERIA item No. 7 which states Current Certificate of Reg- istration with National Construction Authority in the Category "NCA 2, 3 or 4" together with a valid NCA practicing license.	Section III on Evaluation and Qualifi- cation Criteria of the tender docu- ments clearly stipulates the manda- tory requirements bidders are re- quired to meet. There are no excep- tions to the requirements set.
	We kindly request an amendment to this since most this contract are capacity building for lo- cal contractors to Certificate of Registration with National Construction Authority in the Cat- egory "NCA 4, 5 or 6" for low volume seal roads and NCA 5, 6 or 7" for Gravel roads together with a valid NCA practicing	
2	Item no 9 which states Certified copies of Training Certificates of one Director and two Technical Supervisors who have completed A Low Volume Seal Roads Labour Based course from Kenya Institute of Highways and Building Technology (KIHBT) or Kisii Training Centre (KTC); offered by KIHBT Training Centres or Kisii Training Center (KTC); (certified by a Commissioner of Oaths)	
	Question:	
	(A) Assuming a director has been previously trained as supervisor in both R2000 Gravel and LVSR Courses Do They Qualify Under	The training certificates issued by KIHBIT or KTC are either for Low Vol- ume Seal Labour Based course or for

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	This Conditions or They Must Have Attended the Contractors Courses?	Labour Based Course (Gravel). No certificate supersedes the other.
	(B) If The Contractor Has Been Trained as a Director as On LVSR Contractors Training or Supervisor Training Do They Qualify to Apply for R2000 Gravel Project Having Not Been Trained On Gravel. Since the LVSR Training Is Higher Or An Improvement To Gravel Training?	Interested bidders are therefore re- ferred to Section III on Evaluation and Qualification Criteria of the tender documents which clearly stipulates the mandatory requirements bidders are required to meet. There are no ex- ceptions to the requirements set.
3	In reference to the BQ's of the Tender Docu- ments for Rehabilitation and Improvement and Performance Based Routine Maintenance Road Projects (Gravel Standard) the following has been observed:	The unit of measure as provided in the tender documents is correct and bidders are required to submit their BoQs as detailed therein.
	Gabion Works: Provide and place 2mx1mx1m gabion boxes and/or 6mX2mX0.3m gabion mattresses as directed by the Engineer In the BQ's the unit is in No. But the surface area of the above gabion boxes has different areas for each size thus the unit in No. might be incorrect.	
4	We have noted that the wrong tender docu- ment has been uploaded in place of the ten- der for AFD/EU/LKP/GR/38/2024-25 Road Name & No: Babito - Solio villages - Junction A2 Carmel hill tender. Kindly review and up- load the correct tender document for at your earliest convenience.	This was corrected and tender document uploaded.
5	Request for clarification on Variation of Price (VOP) for Tender No.: AFD/EU/ME/LVS/2/2024/25 for Low Volume Sealing and Performance Based Routine Maintenance Works of Isiolo - Muriri (C345) Road - 14km.	All proposed contracts (tenders) with completion periods exceeding 12Months have been amended to a provision for Variation of Price (VOP). See Annex 1 for the inclusion of VOP in the summary page of the BOQ.
	As per standard procurement guidelines, con- tracts exceeding 12 months are typically sub- ject to Variation of Price provisions. For the above referenced tender specifies a construc- tion period of 24 months, therefore we seek clarification and request confirmation that VOP will be included in this contract to ad- dress inflation and cost fluctuations over the extended duration.	Further to this, VOP under Tender No.: AFD/EU/ME/LVS/2/ 2024/25 for Low Volume Sealing and Perfor- mance Based Routine Maintenance Works of Isiolo - Muriri (C345) Road has been catered for. Refer to GCC 45.1.
6	Request for Extension of submission deadline for for Tender No.: AFD/EU/ME/LVS/2/2024/25 for Low Volume Sealing and Performance Based Routine Maintenance Works of Isiolo - Muriri (C345) Road.	Refer to response No. 5 above on VOP.
	Considering the issue on VOP and the addi- tional insights gained from the site visit, we re- spectfully request for an extension of tender	der this tender, there would be No need to extend the submission date as the provided time is quite adequate to prepare and submit a good bid.

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	submission deadline to allow for proper plan- ning and preparation.	
7	Following the recent pre-tender site visits, we would like to highlight the following:	Refer to response No. 5 above on VOP.
	✓ Observations on site indicated a need for Variation of price clause due to potential price fluctuations. We request consideration	The submission date remains as 6 th May, 2025 at 11.00am.
	 to include the VOP in the tender. ✓ In light of these developments, we also request an extension of the submission deadline with 3 weeks to allow for proper adjustments and preparation. 	Completed tender documents should be enclosed in plain sealed envelope, clearly marked with the Tender Name, Tender Number and deposited in the Tender Boxes at the offices of the re- spective Regional Directors or be ad- dressed and posted to the respective Regional Directors. Refer to the Long Advertisement uploaded on the web- site dated 8 th April, 2025.
8	Kindly clarify on tender No. AFD/EU/ TN/GR /44/2024-25, Page 179: Bill of Quantiles, 01- 60-008: Allow a prime cost of sum of Ksh. 5,000,000 for relocation of services: The amount in description column is different	The correct figure for Bill Item No. 01- 60-008 is KShs. 500,000 as given in the unit rate and total amount column for the tender for Matiri - Kamarandi/2, tender No. AFD/EU/ TN/GR /44/2024- 25
	from unit and amount section.	Amend the amount given under the
	So is it 5,000,000/- or 500,000/-?	description for this Bill to read as KShs. 500,000.
		Bidders are only required to input a % as an extra over of this bill under Item No. 01-60-010.
		See Annex 2 of the amended Bill Item 01-60-008.
9	Kindly clarify on Tender No: AFD/EU/LKP/GR/ 38/2024-25, Road Name & No: Babito - Solio- villages - Junction A2 Carmel hill under Bill No. 4 Item no 04-50-006 Trees Removal (200- 450mm girth) with quantity of 30000 trees. Is this in order?	Provide a unit rate for the quantity pro- vided in the BOQ.
10	Tender No: AFD/EU/ TN/GR/43/2024-25 Road Name & No: Marima - Makutano/2 on the BQ for PBRM Works the Instructed Work have LVSR Quantities yet It's a Gravel Road. Is this in Order?	Provide a unit rate for the quantity pro- vided in the BOQ.
11	Kindly clarify on Tender No: AFD/EU/TN/LVS/5 /2024/25 Road Name & No: Marima – Makutano and Tender No: AFD/EU/ME/LVS/3/2024/ 25 Road Name & No: Maili Kumi - Barrier -Junction Bill No. 16	Amend Bill No. 16, Item No.16-60-002 for the tender for Marima – Makutano and Tender No: AFD/EU/TN/LVS/5 /2024/25
	states provide, mix, place and compact 20mm Cold Mix Asphalt yet on Specifications It	To read as follows:
		"Provide, mix, place and compact

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	States 30MM Coldmix Layer. Which Will Pre- vail?	30mm Cold Mix Asphalt -Prepare primed surface of carriageways, shoulders, busbays and junctions; provide and spray Anionic Emulsion bitumen A4-60% tack coat with 1:6 dilution at the at a spray rate of 1.0- 1.2Litres/m2 All Inclusive-By Labour/Equipment" Amend Bill No. 16, Item No.16-60-002 for the tender for Maili Kumi - Barrier - Junction Bill Tender No: AFD/EU/ME/ LVS/3/2024/ 25 To read as follows: "Provide, mix, place and compact 30mm Cold Mix Asphalt -Prepare primed surface of carriageways, shoulders, busbays and junctions; provide and spray Anionic Emulsion bitumen A4-60% tack coat with 1:6 dilution at the at a spray rate of 1.0- 1.2Litres/m2 All Inclusive-By Labour/Equipment"
		Provide rate for the quantity as per the amendment.
12	Kindly clarify on All LVSR projects Bill No. 15 Item No. 15-93-005 WHICH STATES Prepare surface, provide and spray MC30 at the rate of 0.9Litres/M2 as prime coat or as directed by the Engineer. IS THIS IN ORDER SINCE PREVIOUSLY ITS BEEN ANIONIC EMUL- SION A4-60 DILUTED AT 1:6 AT A RATE OF 0.8LTRS/M2?	The Specifications as provided are in order. Provide a unit rate for the quantity provided in the BOQ.
13	Kindly clarify on All LVSR Projects Bill No. 14 Item No. 14-50-004 WHICH STATES Allow for Mixing in Cement, Lime & Emulsion Stabi- lizer into Natural Gravel/Quarry Dust mix YET UNDER BILL 14 ITEM NO 14-50-003 WHICH STATES Provide and Transport to site Bitu- men Emulsion, THE EMULSION QUANTI- TIES ARE NOT PROVIDED NEITHER DOES IT STATE WHETHER ITS ETB OR ESM DE- SIGNED ON DESCRIPTIONS, IS THIS IN ORDER? SINCE THE QUANTIES FOR THE CRUSHED STONES/DUST AND EMULSION ARE MISSING	Provide a unit rate for the quantity pro- vided in the BOQ.
14	Kindly clarify on All LVSR Projects Qualification Criteria Clause 6.1 Site Agent Qualification = Bachelors in Civil Eng.	Provide requirements as given under Section III on Evaluation and Qualifi- cation Criteria of the tender docu- ments.

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	General Experience= 5yrs, Specific Experience = 3 Yrs	
	These being small works contracts, please al- low Higher Diploma and Diploma holders with enhanced general and specific experience to be considered	
15	Kindly clarify on tender for Low Volume Seal- ing and Performance Based Routine Mainte- nance Works of Maili Kumi – Barrier (E4249) ROAD - 7 KM, Tender No. AFD/EU/ME/LVS/3/2024/25.	Amend See A nnex 3 of the amended Bill No. 4.
	Bill Item No. 04-50-005 Pruning Tree Branches and 04-50-008 Rock & Boulder Re- moval.	
	Both indicate unit as Provisional Sums but with conflicting quantities of 1 & 100,000 re- spectively. Please confirm if correct. Also, item 04-50-010 Excavate remove & disposal of concrete structures does not have quanti- ties. Please confirm if correct?	
16	Kindly clarify on tender for Low Volume Seal- ing and Performance Based Routine Mainte- nance Works of Maili Kumi – Barrier (E4249) ROAD - 7 KM, Tender No. AFD/EU/ME/LVS/3/2024/25	See Annex 3 of the amended Bill No. 25.
	Bill Item No. 25-50-002 Provision of Environ- mental and Social Mitigation Measures and 25-50-003 Health and Safety Measures on Site.	
	Lump Sum units do not indicate any quantity. Confirm that the items will not be needed or utilized.	
17	Kindly clarify on tender for Low Volume Seal- ing and Performance Based Routine Mainte- nance Works of Maili Kumi – Barrier (E4249) ROAD - 7 KM, Tender No. AFD/EU/ME/LVS/3/2024/25.	See Annex 3 of the Amended Bill No. 25
	Bill Item No. 25-50-027 Allow Pc sum of 1,000,000 for Roads and safety awareness campaign along entire road.	
	Indicates Quantity and Rate as Kshs. 1,000,000. Please correct.	
18	Kindly clarify on tender for Low Volume Seal- ing and Performance Based Routine Mainte- nance Works of Maili Kumi – Barrier (E4249)	See Annex 3 of the amended Bill No. 16.
	ROAD - 7 KM, Tender No. AFD/EU/ME/LVS/3/2024/25.	Book of Drawing uploaded.

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	Bill Item No. 16-60-002 Provide, mix, place and compact 20mm Cold Mix Asphalt.	
	Book of drawing not uploaded, please confirm if AC thickness will be 20mm or 30mm.	
19	Kindly clarify on tender for Low Volume Seal- ing and Performance Based Routine mainte- nance Works of Githaga Matiri Road (C385) - 5 KM, Tender No. AFD/EU/TN/LVS/6/2024/25.	See Annex 4 of amended Bill No. 4.
	Bill Item No. 04-50-005 Pruning Tree Branches, Bill Item No. 04-50-008 Rock & Boulder Removal and 04-50-010 Excavate re- move & disposal of concrete structures.	
	All indicate unit as Provisional Sums but with conflicting quantities of 1; 600,000 & 500,000 respectively. Please confirm if correct.	
20	Kindly clarify on tender for Low Volume Seal- ing and Performance Based Routine mainte- nance Works of Githaga Matiri Road (C385) - 5 KM, Tender No. AFD/EU/TN/LVS/6/2024/25.	See Annex 4 of amended Bill No. 25.
	Bill Item No. 25-50-027 Allow Pc sum of 1,000,000 for Roads and safety awareness campaign along entire road.	
	Indicates a Rate as Kshs. 1,000,000 with no quantity. Please correct.	
21	We request for an extension of the submis- sion deadline with 3 weeks to allow for proper adjustments and preparation.	Refer to response No. 7 above on re- quest for extension of time.
	A significant number of prospective bidders, are currently participating in the Low Volume Sealed Roads (LVSR) Labour Based Methods Training being conducted by KIHBT. We pro- pose that the submission deadline be ex- tended by one (1) week to 13th May 2025, to allow adequate preparation time.	The submission and opening date re- mains as 6th May, 2025 at 11.00am.

Bids not received at the submission venue by the closing time will not be accepted for opening and will be rejected and returned unopened.

All other information pertaining to the tenders remains the same.

Deputy Director (Supply Chain Management) For. **Director General**

Annex 1: Isiolo – Muriri Road

SUMMARY							
	PROJECT: IMPROVEMENT WORKS FOR MURIRI ISIOLO ROAD						
Bill No.	Description	Amount (Kshs.)					
1	Preliminaries and General Costs Items						
2	Setting Out						
4	Site Clearance						
5	Earthworks						
7	Excavation and filling for structures						
8	Culverts and Drainage works						
9	Traffic Control						
10	Grading and Gravelling Works						
12	Natural Material for sub-base/base						
11	Shoulder to pavement						
14	Treated Subbase & Base						
15	Bituminous Surface Treatments						
16	Bituminous mixes						
17	Concrete Works (Major Structures)						
20	Road Furniture						
22	Dayworks (Provisional) Schedule of Rates						
25	Cross Cutting issues						
	Sub Total (1 A)						
	Add provisional sum of 10 % of the Sub Total (1A) for contingencies to be expended only with the express approval of the Engineer (1 B)Add 15 % of the Sub Total (1A) for Variation of Prices (1						
	C)						
	SUB TOTAL 1D= (1A+1B + 1C)						
	Add 16% VAT SUBTOTAL 1D (1E)						
	Add 0.03% Public Procurement Capacity Building Levy of Subtotal 01D (1F)						
А	Total Improvement Works (1D+1E+1F)						

2) PEI	RFORMANCE BASED ROUTINE MAINTENANCE WORKS	
	(2A) Maintenance Services to prescribed service levels	
	(2B) Instructed Works	
	Sub Total (2C)=(2A + 2B)	
	Add provisional sum of 10 % of the Sub Total (2C) for contingencies to be expended only with the express approval of the Engineer (2D)	
	Add 15 % of the Sub Total (2C) for Variation of Prices (2E)	
	(2F) SUBTOTAL= (2C+2D+ 2E)	
	Add 16% VAT (2G)	
	Add 0.03% Public Procurement Capacity Building Levy of Subtotal 2F (2H)	
В	Total -Maintenance Works(2F+2G+2H)	

Annex 2: Matiri – Kimarandi Road

Bill 1	Preliminaries and General Costs Items	PROJECT: MATIRI KAMARANDI/2 ROAD				
Item No.	- Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit rate Ksh.	Amount Ksh.	
01-50-026	Allow a prime cost sum of Ksh. 750,000 for Engineer's miscellaneous account	PC Sum	1	750,000	750,000	
	Include % of Prime cost sum in item 01-50-026 for contractor's overhead and profit	%	750,000			
01-50-022	Provide a Prime Cost Sum of Ksh. 400,000 for Training of staff for professional registration, and other career developments trainings and workshops, as directed by the Engineer	PC Sum	1	400,000	400,000	
01-50-022a	Include % of Prime cost sum in item 01-50-022 for contractor's overhead and profit	%	400,000			
01-60-002	Clearance on Completion	Lump sum	1			
01-60-003	Insurance and Securities	Lump sum	1			
01-60-004	Allow a prime cost sum of Kshs. 500,000 for Quality Control Tests and Surveys	PC. Sum	1	500,000	500,000	
	Include % of Prime cost sum in item 01-60-004 for contractor's overhead and profit	%	500,000			
01-60-005	Provide and Erect Publicity Signboards as directed by the Engineer	No.	2			
01-60-006	Provide safe drinking water on site for the workers for the duration of the contract as directed by the Engineer	Lump sum	1			
01-60-007	Provision of Site Sanitation Facilities	Lump sum	1			
01-60-008	Allow a prime cost sum of Ksh.500,000 for relocation of services	PC Sum	1	500,000	500,000	
01-60-010	Include % of Prime cost sum in item 01-60-008 for contractor's overhead and profit	%				
01-80-142	Allow a PC Sum of Ksh. 2,000,000for a CSR Project as instructed by the Engineer	PC Sum	1	2,000,000	2,000,000	
01-80-142a	E.O for Item 01-80-142 for Contractors Overheads and Profit	%	2,000,000			
01-80-143	Allow a PC Sum of Ksh. 200,000 for provision and maintenance of trees throughout the contract period, and at designated locations off the project road, as instructed by the Engineer	PC Sum	1.00	200,000	200,000	
01-80-143a	E.O for Item 01-80-143 for Contractors Overheads and Profit	%	200,000			

Annex 3 : Maili Kumi – Barrier Road

Bill 4	Site Clearance	PROJECT: MAILI KUMI – BARRIER ROAD			
Item No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit rate	Amount
04-50-002		m ²		Ksh.	KSh.
04-50-002	Grass Cutting Manual Bush Clearing (Heavy)	m^2			
			54.000		
04-50-004	Bush Clearing (Light)	m^2	54,600		
04-50-005	Pruning Tree Branches	Prov. Sum	1	200,000	200,000
04-50-006	Trees cutting And Stump Removal (200-450mm girth)	No.	38		
04-50-007	Trees cutting And Stump Removal (>450mm girth)	No.	23		
04-50-008	Rock & Boulder Removal	Prov. Sum	1	200,000	200,000
04-50-009	Stripping and Grubbing	m2	39,000		
04-50-010	Excavate remove & disposal	Prov.	1	200,000	200,000
	of concrete structures	Sum		ŕ	-
04-60-005	Removal of existing pipe culverts to spoil or stock file for re-use as directed by the Engineer	m	118		

Bill 16	Bituminous mixes	MAIL	MAILI KUMI – BARRIER ROAD		
Item No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit rate Ksh.	Amount KSh.
16-60-002	Provide, mix, place and compact 30mm Cold Mix Asphalt -Prepare primed surface of carriageways, shoulders, busbays and junctions; provide and spray Anionic Emulsion bitumen A4- 60% tack coat with 1:6 dilution at the at a spray rate of 1.0-1.2Litres/m2 All inclusive-By Labour/Equipment	m ³	1,642		

Bill of Quantit					
Bill 25	CROSS CUTTING ISSUES	PROJEC	ER ROAD		
Item	- Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit rate	Amount
No.		Omt	Quantity	Ksh.	KSh.
25-50-001(a)	HIV/AIDS Awareness Campaigns	Lump sum	1		
25-50-001(b)	HIV/AIDS Prevention Campaigns	PC Sum	400,000		400,000
25-50-001©	Include % of Prime cost sum in item 25-50-001(b) for contractor's overhead and profit	%	400,000		
25-50-002	Provision of Environmental and Social Mitigation Measures	Lump Sum	1		
25-50-003	Health and Safety Measures on Site	Lump Sum	1		
25-50-027	Allow Pc sum of 1,000,000 for Roads and safety awareness campaign along entire road	PC sum	1	1,000,000	1,000,000
25-50-027a	Include % of Prime cost sum in item 25-50-006 for contractor's overhead and profit	%	1,000,000		
Bill 25: Total (Carried forward to Summary	:		•	

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Annex 4: Githaga – Matiri Road

Bill 4	Site Clearance	PROJECT: GITHAGA MATIRI ROAD				
Item	Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit rate	Amount	
				Ksh.	KSh.	
04-50-002	Grass Cutting Manual	M ²				
04-50-003	Bush Clearing (Heavy)	M ²	1,000			
04-50-004	Bush Clearing (Light)	M ²	33,880			
04-50-005	Pruning Tree Branches	Prov. Sum	1	200,000	200,000	
04-50-006	Trees cutting And Stump Removal (200-450mm girth)	No.	25			
04-50-007	Trees cutting And Stump Removal (>450mm girth)	No.	15			
04-50-008	Rock & Boulder Removal	Prov. Sum	1	600,000	600,000	
04-50-009	Stripping and Grubbing	M2	24,200			
04-50-010	Excavate remove & disposal of concrete structures	Prov. Sum	1	500,000	500,000	
04-60-005	Removal of existing pipe culverts to spoil or stock file for re-use as directed by the Engineer	m	118			

Bill 25 Item No.	CROSS CUTTING ISSUES Description	PROJECT: GITHAGA MATIRI ROAD					
		Unit	Quantity	Unit rate	Amount		
				Ksh.	KSh.		
25-50-001(a)	HIV/AIDS Awareness Campaigns	Month	12				
25-50-001(b)	HIV/AIDS Prevention Campaign	PC Sum	1	400,000	400,000		
25-50-001©	Include % of Prime cost sum in item 25-50-001(b) for contractor's overhead and profit	%	400,000				
25-50-002	Provision of Environmental and Social Mitigation Measures	Lump sum	1				
25-50-003	Health and Safety Measures on Site	Lump Sum	1				
25-50-027	Allow Pc sum of 1,000,000 for Roads and safety awareness Campaign along entire road	PC sum	1	1,000,000	1,000,000		
25-50-027a	Include % of Prime cost sum in item 25-50-006 for contractor's overhead and profit	%	1,000,000				

Annex 5: