

Only one (1) representative per bidder will be allowed entry into the premises.

For the purpose of constituting a quorum, both the physical and virtual presence of the BAC members shall be considered pursuant to GPPB Resolution No. 09-2020.

II. Section V. Special Conditions of the Contract

a. **GCC Clause 2.2, Schedule of Payment**, on page 31 of the bidding documents, is hereby amended to read:

- Xxx... (NOTE: The Supplier must furnish copy of the above-mentioned documents to DepEd Accounting and the End-user **[Bureau of Learning Resources – Learning Resources Production Division (BLR-LRPD)]** and the Contract Management Division of the Procurement Service, Central Office...xxX.
- Payments shall be subject to the Warranty provision in the form of either retention money in an amount equivalent to at least one percent (1%) **of the contract price**, or a special bank guarantee in the amount equal to at least one percent (1%) of the Contract Price as provided under Section 62.1 of R.A. 9184 and its Revised IRR.

b. **GCC Clause 5, Warranty**, on page 32 of the bidding documents, is hereby amended to read:

The obligation for the warranty shall be covered by retention money in an amount equivalent to one percent (1%) **of the contract price** or a special bank guarantee equivalent to one percent (1%) of the Contract Price.

III. Section VII. Technical Specifications, Lot No. 5, Binding Requirement, on page 40 of the bidding documents, is hereby amended to read:

Lot No.	Description	Binding Requirement	
		From	To
5	Printing and Delivery of SHS LR – Business Finance TX & TM	TX - Perfect Binding TM – Saddle Stitch	TX - Perfect Binding TM – Perfect Binding

IV. Attached as **Annex “A”** is the list of clarified issues raised by prospective bidder/s.

All other provisions not herein modified shall remain in full force and effect.

For your information and guidance.

FOR THE BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE III:



G.H. S. AMBAT

Assistant Secretary and BAC III Chairperson 

CLARIFICATIONS TO ISSUES RAISED BY BIDDERS

Item No.	Clarification	BAC's Decision
1	Delivery Schedule – Does the Authority to Mass Print (AMP), include the thirty (30) calendar-day contract duration from the receipt of NTP?	Yes, the Authority to Mass Print (AMP) is already included in the thirty (30) calendar days contract duration from the receipt of NTP.
2	Delivery Sites – What if the Taguig Warehouse is full at the time the goods are delivered?	End-user assures that the warehouse is available and can accommodate the goods to be delivered by December.
3	What if one bidder wins for all the six (6) lots, yet they can only accommodate three (3) lots, can we refuse to accept the remaining lots?	<p>The BAC during post-qualification will determine the capacity of the bidder of the number of lots to be awarded.</p> <p>Please refer to Section III. Bid Data Sheet, ITB Clause 19.5 on pages 21 to 22 of the bidding documents, NFCC computation where you can indicate the lots bid for in the order of priority or preference, following the form prescribed in this bidding documents. This will be used by the BAC as reference.</p>
4	Technical Specifications - Can you consider Foldcote no. 12 sandwich as a paper requirement for cover?	No, the preferred paper requirement for cover is Foldcote cal. 12 Solid White or better.
5	Would there be any possible changes in the ABC due to an increased exchange rate considering that the technical specifications are high as well?	There will be no changes to be made in the ABC since the latest market survey conducted by the end-user is sufficient to satisfy the technical specifications.
6	Is a Single Contract allowed for all the lots as a requirement for the Statement of Single Largest Completed Contract?	The bidder has an option to submit a Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC) or at least two (2) similar aggregated contracts as prescribed in Section I. Invitation to Bid and Section III. Bid Data Sheet of the Bidding Documents.

7	Technical Specifications – What is the percentage requirement for the Brightness and Opacity of the Inside Pages?	As prescribed in Section VII. Technical Specifications, the requirements are as follows: Inside Pages: Uncoated Text Paper, 70 gsm; Brightness: 76% to 80%; Opacity: 86% to 90%
8	Single Largest Completed Contract: Are we allowed to submit different SLCC for different lots as long as it is within the prescribed percentage of the ABC to be bid?	Yes, but you can also submit one (1) Contract for all the lots as long as it is within the prescribed percentage of the ABC to be bid and indicated in the Statement of SLCC the number of Lots being bid for.
9	Technical Specifications – For Lot. 5, the binding requirement is Saddle Stitch for TMs. Considering the 128 pages, which cannot be covered by this, can we suggest to use Perfect Binding as a binding requirement? What does 4/1 mean in the cover page requirement?	Please refer to the Bid Bulletin No. 2 for the Binding requirement; 4/1 means four (4) colors for the front cover and one (1) color for back cover.
10	Bid Envelopes – does the Copy 1 of the Financial Proposal need an electronic copy?	BDS, ITB Clause 15 states that Financial Proposal is requested to have an electronic copy to be included in Copy 1. You can also submit one (1) Bidding Documents for all the six (6) lots.
11	Since the FPRDI is unsure of its operation, what other companies or government agencies are able to examine the paper test requirements?	ITB Clause 20.2, item b of the bidding documents will retain, to wit: Certificate of Test Results from the FPRDI dated within three (3) months prior to the date of the deadline for the submission and opening of bids for this project or Certification from Manufacturer that the paper to be used is compliant with the requirements. Revise specific portion of the requirements and indicate in the bidding documents.
12	When is the date of award between Purchase Order or Notice of Award?	Contract award refers to the issuance of Notice of Award

13	When is the Contract Date? Is it the same with the date of Purchase Order?	Contract date refers to the issuance of the contract which will be used instead of Purchase Order.
14	When is the date for completion?	<p>Completion date refers to the last date of contract completion period counting from the date of receipt of the NTP, e.g., 30 Calendar Days Contract Completion Period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 15, 2022 - Receipt of NTP • December 14, 2022 - Completion Date
15	Does the contract performance need to be certified by the end-user or will Delivery Receipt (DR) and Official Receipt (OR) suffice?	The end user will issue a Certificate of Final Acceptance upon validation of payment documents specified in the Office Order (OO-OSEC-2021-038) or the Guidelines on the Processing of Billing and Payment of Procurement Documents.
16	Will you allow Foldcote no. 12 Sandwich instead of Foldcote no. 12 Solid since the latter is limited in the market?	Currently, Foldcote cal. 12 Solid White is available in the market and this is more durable than the foldcote 12 sandwich.