**Drone Strike Leaves 5 Militants Dead**

KUNAR - At last five militants were killed in a drone strike apparently carried out by the coalition security forces in eastern Kunar province on Sunday, officials said.

The Ministry of Defense (MoD) said Sunday that the strike was carried out in the Achin district, targeting a group of militants in Kunar. No civilian casualties were reported.

MoD statement said at least two militants were also injured in the strike but did not give further information regarding the identities of the militants killed in the raid. The operation involved a group of Afghan security forces who were aided by coalition forces.

Kunar is among the volatile provinces where anti-government armed militant groups are actively operating and frequently carry out attacks against Afghan security forces, as well as Afghan Taliban positions.

The Afghan Taliban said that a chopper crash near Shokra Qala in Kunar was blamed on US forces.

A statement released by the Taliban claimed that a US chopper was hit by a roadside bomb in the Shokra Qala area in Kunar, killing all eight US forces on board.

**Army Helicopter Crashes in Logar**

PUL-E-ALAM - An Afghan army helicopter crashed near Logar province on Sunday, officials said.

The helicopter was en route to a training center near the town of Barakzai when it crashed in the volatile province of Logar on Sunday, 40 km east of Kabul, they said.

The helicopter belongs to the Afghan air force and had been on a training mission.

Thirteen people, including six soldiers, were killed in the crash.

An investigation into the cause of the crash has been launched.

**ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN MINISTRY OF RURAL REHABILITATION & DEVELOPMENT**

**NATIONAL SOLIDARITY PROGRAMME**

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**PROCURMENT OF INTERNET SERVICES**

**FOR PROTOCOL OF INTERNET SERVICES DETAILS GIVEN BELOW**

**IFB No.: MRRD/NSP/LS/1162-NCB**

**Date:** January 6th, 2016

**1.** The Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation & Development (MRRD) has received a grant from the International Development Association towards the Emergency National Solidarity Programme, and intends to apply part of the grant to payment under the contract for procurement of Internet Services.

**2.** The National Solidarity Programme (NSP) of Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation & Development (MBRP) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for carrying out the Provision of Internet Services. The contract period is Eight Months.

**3.** Bidders will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the World Bank’s Guidelines: Procurement under BRD Loans and ARTF Credits, January 2004 and is open to all bidders from Eligible Source Countries as defined in the Bidding Documents.

**4.** Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Abdul Rahman Azizi, Procurement Department, Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation & Development, Email: a.azizi@nspafghanistan.org and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below from 9:00 to 16:00 hrs from Saturday to Wednesday.

**5.** Qualifications requirements include:

(a) The minimum required annual volume of provision of internet services/related services for the successful bidder in any of the last five years shall be: in AFN 4,600,000.00

(b) Experience as prime contractor (Service Provider) in the provision of internet services of at least one service contract of value (AFN) 3,220,000.00 or more, during the last five (5) years (to comply with this requirement, services cited should be at least 70 percent complete).

**6.** The contract period is Eight Months.

**7.** Bids must be delivered to the address below or by sending an e-mail to the address below, or by downloading from the web site(s) mentioned below.

**8.** Bid Security amount is AFN 120,000.

**9.** A pre-bidding conference shall be held at 14:00 hrs. On January 18, 2016 at:

Procurement Building third floor, NSP Procurement Department, Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development, Tashkilat Street, Darulaman Road, Kabul, Afghanistan

**9.** The address(referred to above is (are):

(a) Procurement Building third floor, NSP Procurement Department, Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development, Nola Bagh Street, Darul-Aman, Kabul

(b) Attention: Abdul Rahman Azizi, Sr. Procurement Officer

(c) e-mail: a.azizi@nspafghanistan.org, n.azimi@nspafghanistan.org;


**10.** All interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below or sending an e-mail to the address below, or by downloading from the web site(s) mentioned below.

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**12.** The deadline for submission of bids is January 18, 2016, at 14:00 hrs.

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