AHRC Praises Voters’ Active Participation in Polls

The Afghan Independent Human Rights Commission (AHRC) on Saturday praised people’s active participation in the country’s parliamentary elections while regretting technical problems in the process.

KABUL - The AHRC mentioned the voting process through its 275 employees at 1000 voting centers in more than 22 provinces, the rights commission said in a statement.

“Not opening of voting center in time, the absence of voter lists, dysfunction of biometric devices, removal of electoral ink, the absence of polling centers on time, and people thronging polling centers in Kabul and previous ahead of the voting began, observed by AHRC observers, the commission’s statement said.

Limitations, shortcomings, and irregularities witnessed during the election process by AHRC observers across the country are the following.

Not opening of polling centers on time, AHRC observers of reported that many votes were not cast.

Rally Praised Afghan People for High Electoral Turnout

KABUL - Vice President Sarwar Danish praised Afghan People for High turnout to the Wolesi Jirga elections across the country. He termed the high and intelligent turnout out as the most beautiful season of the new Afghan democracy.

“While there were some security threats, the proud women and men of Afghanistan proved that they will never return to the dark past days,” the Vice President said. “However, it was the first election that was fully managed and led by the Afghan government, military and civil and military Afghan institutions and showed the monumental capability of the Afghan government in leading the national process,” he added. (IOM)

Over 5,500 Complaints, Reports Landed in IECC

KABUL - The Independent Election Commission (IECC) on Sunday termed the October 20 polls as challenging and said 5,547 complaint have so far landed in the commission.

Addressing reporters here, IECC Spokesman Ali Raza Rahmani said as a result of irregularities and problems, many people did not exercise the right to vote. He grilled the IECC on the Wolesi Jirga elections which were shut on the first day of voting due to some technical and security problems.

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Pak-Afghan Border Reopened after Two Days of Hiatus

TORKHAM - Following two days of hiatus, Pakistan-Afghanistan border at Torkham was reopened for all sorts of traffic on Sunday, reported Radio Pakistan.

The border was remained closed for two days due to temporary elections in Afghanistan. Pakistan on Friday decided to keep friendship gates on Pak-Afghan border crossing points at Chaman and Torkham closed for two days.

Foreign Office Spokesman Dr Muhammad Faisal said in a statement, “The crossing points have been closed upon Afghanistan’s request.”

The spokesperson said that the decision has been taken to support, “Islam on PK-65”

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (ICB)

For

Rehabilitation of Lower Kohisa Irrigation - Zone II; Arari Main Canal (AMC), LKP/AMC-004 to 20+450 km Canal Lining and Civil Works

IFB No: NPA/MEW/97/W-2181/ICB

1. National Procurement Authority (NPA) on behalf of on behalf of Ministry of Energy and Water invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for Rehabilitation of Lower Kohisa Irrigation - Zone II; Arari Main Canal (AMC), LKP/AMC-004 to 20+450 km Canal Lining and Civil Works (the Works), IFB No: NPA/MEW/97/W-2181/ICB

2. Bidders will be conducted through the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures in accordance with ABV’s Single-Stage One Envelope bidding procedure and is open to all bidders from eligible countries of the AMC as described in the Building Document.

3. Interested eligible bidders may download bid document in English version from NPA Website: www.npa.gov.af or obtain by email from address: Mohammad.javid@eog.gov of copy to: Zabihulrahman.Rahmani@aop.gov.af, ajaz.rodwal@eog.gov.af, shahabuddin@eog.gov.af, or receive by flash memory at the address below on any working day from Saturday to Wednesday. On Thursday from 08:30 AM to 03:00 PM.

4. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security (Bank Guarantee) mentioned as below in USD or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency

5. A pre-bid Meeting will be held on 10 November 2018, 10:00 AM (Local Time) at below Address:

Address: Program Management Office, Ministry of Energy and Water, Darulaman Road, Kabul, Afghanistan.

Attention: Eng. Fardost Ansari

Email: bidsecurity@eog.gov.af.

Telephone: 0709 43 53 43

6. Bids must be delivered to the address below or at below: December 02, 2018 10:00 hours (Kabul local time) Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. Bids are being opened immediately after the deadline of bid submission at the same place of bid submission, in the presence of the bidders’ representatives who choose to attend in person.

The address referred to above is:

Address: Administrative Office of the President, National Procurement Authority (NPA), Geordly Building, 1st Floor, Pakistan Watt, Kabul, Afghanistan.

Attention: Aziz Abdur Rehman, Procurement Specialist

Email: Mohammad.javid@eog.gov.af, aziz.rodwal@eog.gov.af.

Telephone: +93-420-247587.

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (ICB)

For

Establishment of Ground Station for Afghanstar-1 Satellite

IFB No: NPA/MEW/97/ C-2178/ICB

National Procurement Authority (NPA) on behalf of Ministry of Communication and Information Technology invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for Establishment of Ground Station for Afghanstar-1 Satellite (the Goods), IFB No: NPA/MEW/97/ C-2178/ICB.

Bidding will be conducted through the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures in accordance with Afghanistan Procurement Procedure and is open to all bidders from eligible countries as described in the Building Document.

Interested eligible bidders may download bid document in English version from NPA Website: www.npa.gov.af or obtain by email from address: zahid.rehman@eog.gov.af, or receive by flash memory at the address below or at below: December 02, 2018 10:00 AM to 04:00 PM on any working day from Saturday to Wednesday. On Thursday from 08:30 AM to 03:00 PM.

All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security (Bank Guarantee) mentioned as below in USD or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency

Bid Security (USD) or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.

Valid as per below

USD 22,500

28 Days Beyond Bid Validity Period

A pre-bid Meeting will be held on 05 November 2018, 18:00 AM (Local Time) at below Address:

Address: Mohammad Jan khan Watt, 14th Floor, Room #909, Head of Procurement, Ministry of Communication and Information Technology.

Attention: Khyber Sidiqi

Email: khyber.sidiqi@eog.gov.af,

Telephone: +93(0)775341655.