

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for **Contract No. 9/LANDS/13–Slope Maintenance and Improvement Works over Hong Kong Island and Islands, Kowloon, Sai Kung, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing Districts**. The works under the contract will consist of routine maintenance works, upgrading/improvement works and emergency repairs to man-made slopes maintained by Lands Department in Hong Kong Island and Islands, Kowloon, Sai Kung, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing Districts. The works will mainly involve providing surface protection, surface/subsurface drainage measures and structural support to slopes. Upgrading/Improvement works will be carried out for about 150 slopes and retaining walls; and routine maintenance works/emergency repair works will be carried out for about 700 slopes and retaining walls. The works are scheduled to commence in March 2014 for completion in March 2017.

Tenders must be clearly marked with the tender reference and the subject of the tender on the outside of the envelope (but should not bear any indication which may relate the tender to the tenderer) addressed to the Chairman, Central Tender Board, and placed in the Government Secretariat Tender Box situated in the lobby of the Public Entrance on the Ground Floor, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong before 12.00 noon on Friday, 13 December 2013. Late tenders will not be accepted.

In the event a tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above or a black rainstorm warning signal is in force between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 13 December 2013, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon on the first working day of the following week. An announcement of the change will be made through the radio.

Forms of tenders and further particulars are obtainable from Chief Geotechnical Engineer, Slope Maintenance Section, Lands Department, Room 639, 6th Floor, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong (Telephone No.: 2231 3773, Fax No.: 2116 0822).

Contractors on the List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works under the Category of Landslip Preventive/Remedial Works to Slopes/Retaining Walls are invited to tender. Contractors will be liable to have their names removed from the approved list if they fail or refuse to implement an accepted tender.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region does not bind itself to accept any tender irrespective of whether the tender is the lowest bid or, where the assessment of the tenders is based on a marking scheme or formula approach, the tender has the highest overall mark.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer.

Details of the award of this contract will be published in the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette and made available on the Internet.

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