

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for **Contract No. 1/LANDS/17—Slope Improvement and Emergency Works over Hong Kong Island and Islands, Kowloon, Sai Kung, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing Districts**. The works include upgrading/improvement and emergency repairs to slopes and retaining walls maintained by Lands Department in the above districts. Upgrading/Improvement works will be carried out for about 120 slopes and retaining walls. Emergency repair works will be carried out for about 600 slopes and retaining walls. The works are scheduled to commence in March 2017 and will take about 36 months to complete.

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, Public Works Tender Board, and placed in the Public Works Tender Box situated in Room 4128f on the 41st Floor of the Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway Road, Hong Kong before 12.00 noon on Friday, 3 February 2017. Late tenders will not be accepted.

If a black rainstorm warning signal or a tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above is in effect at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 3 February 2017, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon on the first working day after the black rainstorm warning signal has ceased to be in effect or the tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 is lowered. An announcement of change will be made through the radio.

Forms of tender 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 3776, Fax No.: 2116 0822).

Selective tendering is adopted. Contractors on the List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works—Landslip Preventive/Remedial Works to Slopes/Retaining Walls, who also meet the qualifications and conditions for participation stipulated in the tender documents 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 score.

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 at (http://www.gld.gov.hk/eng/services_2_c.htm).

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