

African Pooled Procurement Mechanism (APPM)

ESSENTIAL DIAGNOSTICS AND LABORATORY PRODUCTS FOR PRIORITY PATHOGENS

FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT(S)

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)

REQUEST FOR BIDS | (ONE-ENVELOPE BIDDING PROCESS)

RFB NO: ACDC/APPM/003/25

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Background

The Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) is a specialized technical institution of the African Union (AU), established in 2017 to strengthen the continent's capacity to prevent, detect, and respond to disease threats. Headquartered in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Africa CDC serves as the continent's public health authority, working with all 55 AU Member States to enhance health security and build resilient health systems. Its mandate covers disease surveillance, emergency preparedness and response, laboratory systems, and workforce development. Africa CDC also plays a central role in coordinating Africa's collective response to epidemics and pandemics, promoting equitable access to vaccines, medicines, and diagnostics, and advancing the AU's vision of health sovereignty and self-reliance. Through initiatives such as the Platform for Harmonized African Health Manufacturing (PHAHM) Africa CDC is shaping a future where the continent is better prepared to manage both current and emerging public health challenges.

At the 37th Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the African Union, held on 18 February 2024, the Heads of State and Government officially decided to establish.

The African Pooled Procurement Mechanism (APPM) and directed Africa CDC to implement the modalities for full operationalization of the mechanism immediately, aiming to improve affordability, availability, and equitable access to essential medical supplies across all AU Member States. Africa CDC with the support of development partners, has been working on the design of the Pooled Procurement Mechanism which is designed to take a phased approach with few products identified as a startup phase of the APPM.

In consultation with Member States and Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and through internal consultation the following key categories have been identified for the startup phase of the APPM

i. RMNH Medicines: Oxytocin Injection 10 IU/ml, Carbetocin Injection (Heat-Stable) 100 µg/mL, Amoxicillin Dispersible Tablets 125 mg), Amoxicillin Dispersible Tablets 250 mg (scored), Magnesium Sulphate Injection 50 % (10 mL and 2ml), Misoprostol 200 µg

Tablets (Sublingual),
Levonorgestrel-Releasing
Contraceptive Implant – 1 rod
(150 mg LNG per rod; total 150
mg).Clomiphene Citrate Tablets
50 mg, Labetalol Tablets 200 mg,
and Zinc Sulfate Dispersible
Tablets 20 mg.

ii. Medical Counter Measures for
priority pathogens (Ebola,
Marburg, Cholera, Lassa Fever,
Yellow Fever, Mpox, Cholera,
influenza (IPC, diagnostics and
Therapeutics)

The overall purpose of this Tender is
to source quality assured medical
counter measures at affordable
price to Member States through the
African Pool Procurement
Mechanism. Africa CDC will sign a
nonexclusive Framework Agreement
(FA) with successful bidders through
a competitive and transparent
process.

Product descriptions

The below lists of products with their
detailed technical specification is
provided under Section VII, Schedule
of Requirements' of the bidding
document.

1. Gene Xpert Ebola Assay
Cartridges (10tests/kit);
2. RT-PCR Kit for Ebola
(96tests/kit)
3. Swabs + VTMs, 500/per set
4. PCR tubes 0.2ml
(1000pcs/pack)
5. Ziplock Biohazard Bags
(triple chamber
100pcs/pack)6*9
6. Sample Collection Tubes
(EDTA/Serum) 3ml
(500pcs/pack)
7. Rapid DiagnosticTest kit for
cholera, 10 tests/kit
8. Carry blair medium (sample
collection)
9. Cold box (12 liters)
10. Culture medium: TCBS Agar,
TCBS Selective Agar,
Thiosulphate Citrate Bile Salt

Saccharose Agar

11. Yellow Fever RT-PCR kit 96 Reaction
12. BD Vacutainer K2EDTAPlastic PPT with
Hemogard, 5ml, 100 per case
13. ELISA Kits
14. Elisa Kits for influenza
15. RT-PCR Kits for influenza, 96 rxn kit
16. Lumbar Puncture Kit
17. Culture and sensitivity Media
18. Antimicrobial sensitivity discs kits
19. Identification biochemical
20. Typing sera
21. BIOMERIEUX, VITEK (Vitek
Identification System)
22. BACTEC FX BD BACTECTM PLUS
23. Chikungunya Virus IgG ELISA, 96 rxn
tests
24. Chikungunya RT-PCR Kit, 96 rxn test
25. Convergys® POC RT-PCR Zika
virus/Dengue virus/Chikungunya virus
Detection Kit
26. Bacillus Anthrax Real Time PCR Kit
27. Anthrax Rapid Test kit
28. Lassa Virus (LV) real time RT-PCR kit
29. Lassa Antigen Rapid Test
30. Mpox Virus Real Time PCR
31. Real-time PCR master mix, Monkeypox
Rapid Test Kit

Demand Forecast

Estimated demand per year for the product is
provided under Section VII, Schedule of
Requirements, part of the Bidding document.
Any quantities outlined in this RFP, are an
estimated forecast of the total requirement for
the duration of the FA or, if so specified, an
estimated forecast for the annual requirement.
Any estimates are provided in good faith and
will not in any way be deemed to be a
commitment on the part of Africa CDC
regarding any quantity for future purchases.

Framework Agreement

Africa CDC wishes to enter into non- exclusive
FA for the procurement of Goods described in
Section VII with the specifications outlined in
the schedules contained in the Request for
Bids, as required from time to time during the
term of the FA. It will be a provision of the FA
that Africa CDC will not be committed to
purchase any minimum quantity of these
goods unless Africa CDC specifically agrees to do
so in the FA. Africa CDC will not be liable for

any cost in the event that no purchases are made under any resulting FA. Purchases will be made against Purchase Orders or Call of Contract to be issued by Africa CDC in accordance with the terms and conditions of any resulting FA. Actual quantities to be purchased will be communicated through Purchase order or Call of Contract which may vary from Purchase Order to Purchase Order.

Duration

Framework Agreement shall have a duration of two (2) years from the commencement date specified in the Framework Agreement. The initial term may be extended for a maximum of one (1) additional year, provided that such an extension is duly justified. The justification for any extension shall be limited strictly to public health benefits, such as addressing outbreaks, emergencies, or other critical public health needs.

Bidding

Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the African Union Procurement Manual Issued March 2024 and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement

Manual.

Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from African CDC and inspect the bidding document during office hours from 8.00AM to 5.00PM from Monday to Friday. The bidding document in English may be requested by interested eligible Bidders upon the submission of written application to the address below. The solicitation document will be sent by email upon request.

Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **19 December, 2:30PM Addis Ababa time**. Electronic Bidding is not permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on **19 December 2025, 3:00PM. Addis Ababa time**.

**The address(es) referred to above is (are):
Africa Centres for Diseases Control and Prevention,**

**Administration Directorate Supply
Chain Division Lafto Square, Haile
Garment,
Africa CDC Office, A1Tower, 4th floor Room
No. 408
E-mail: Tender@afriacdc.org and
Tigistb@afriacdc.org (Please submit
your request for clarification to both
emails as per the instruction provided
in the Bid Data Sheet)**



Africa CDC is a continental autonomous health agency of the African Union established to support public health initiatives of Member States and strengthen the capacity of their public health institutions to detect, prevent, control and respond quickly and effectively to disease threats.

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