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#	QUESTION	RESPONSE
1	The current requirement for bidders to demonstrate the successful completion of a single project with a minimum value of R40 million may unintentionally limit participation by capable and experienced contractors. A contractor may have successfully completed several projects of a similar nature which, when considered collectively, exceed the R40 million threshold and clearly demonstrate the technical capability, financial capacity and performance required to execute the work. Furthermore, the tender already requires a minimum CIDB Grade 7GB, which is itself an indication that the contractor has been assessed and graded to undertake projects of this magnitude. In the interest of promoting broader competition while maintaining the required standard of competence, we respectfully recommend that the experience criterion be amended to allow bidders to demonstrate experience through the collective value of completed projects of a similar nature, rather than requiring a single completed project with a minimum value of R40 million.	The criterion is specifically designed to assess the ability to execute a project of comparable size and complexity, rather than relying on the cumulative value of multiple smaller projects

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2	I hope this email finds you well today, I have a query on a tender, tender number on subject line, On bill no. 4 <u>STORMWATER DRAINAGE</u> <table border="1"><tr><td>142</td><td></td><td><u>Grassing, ground covers, etc.:</u></td><td><u>H3</u></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>-</td><td>-</td></tr><tr><td>142</td><td>42</td><td>LM Grass roll on lawn</td><td>m2</td></tr></table> As per attached table, this item hasn't been quantified, I just wanted to know if this was an error or it's an item that's not to be priced?	142		<u>Grassing, ground covers, etc.:</u>	<u>H3</u>			-	-	142	42	LM Grass roll on lawn	m2	This item is a screengrab of the excel BOQ. The PDF BOQ does indicate the quantity of this item. Bidders are to utilize the PDF BOQ when pricing
142		<u>Grassing, ground covers, etc.:</u>	<u>H3</u>											
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3	Kindly note that the Tender document refers to JBCC PBA 4.1 whereas BOQ refers to JBCC PBA 6.2.	Bidders are required to refer to JBCC PRINCIPAL BUILDING AGREEMENT, EDITION 4.1 CODE2101 MARCH 2005 as explained at the compulsory tender briefing.												
4	The descriptions of bill items 33 to 36 on bill pages 128 to 129 in Bill no.2 for Covered Walkways in Section 3 External Works reads: “(Refer to Engineer's Typical Ramp Detail).” We cannot find this engineer's detail with the tender drawings issued. Kindly and urgently issue this ramp detail to assist pricing these items properly.	Documents <u>SAB1777-Typical Covered Walkway Detail</u> & <u>SAB1777-Typical Ramp Detail</u> refers												
5	The descriptions of bill items 18 to 21 on bill pages 120 to 121 in Bill no.1 for Landscaping in Section 3 External Works reads: “Pre-cast concrete bench overall size 23 700mm long x 1200mm wide x 400mm high with base, reinforced concrete slab and earthworks all in accordance with the engineer, architects and manufacturer's details and specifications” We cannot find this engineer or architect details with the tender drawings issued. Kindly and urgently issue more information, details, or drawings to assist pricing these items properly.	Document <u>082-PSS-ND-200 LAYOUTS & DETAILS rev C</u> refers												

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6	The descriptions of bill items 15 + 16 on bill page 147 in Bill no.5 for Fencing in Section 3 External Works reads: “complete to the engineer’s specifications and approval” We cannot find this engineer specification with the tender drawings issued. Kindly and urgently issue the specification mentioned to assist pricing these items properly	This was incorrectly labeled in the query, this query refers to Soil Drainage. Documents SAB1777-Typical Soakaway 1 Detail & SAB1777-Typical Soakaway 2 Detail refers
7	The preamble descriptions of Structural Steel Bill no.12 in Section 2 Building Works reads: “Tenderer are advised to acquaint themselves with the structural engineer’s structural steel layout and details with drawing numbers 18008/CE/500 and 18008/CE/501 before pricing this section. Should there be any discrepancies between these bills of quantities and the engineer’s structural steel layout and details, the latter shall take precedence over these bills of quantities.” The description is clear that the structural layouts take precedence over the bill quantities. We cannot find these engineer’s structural steel layout drawings with the tender drawings issued. Kindly and urgently issue these drawings mentioned to assist pricing the structural BOQ properly.	The referenced documents were included in the BoQ in error. Bidders should disregard those referenced documents as it is not required to price the affected items
8	We respectfully request an extension of the tender closing date for the above-mentioned project. After thoroughly reviewing the tender documentation, we have identified several critical information gaps that prevent us from completing a fully compliant and accurately priced submission.	The request for an extension has been approved. The tender closing date has been moved to 13 August 2026, providing bidders with an additional week to prepare and submit their tender responses.
9	Covered Walkways – Bill No. 2 (Items 33–36, Pages 128–129) The bill refers to “Engineer’s Typical Ramp Detail,” which is not included in the tender drawings issued. This detail is essential for proper measurement and pricing.	Bidders to refer to addendum documents SAB1777-Typical Covered Walkway Detail & SAB1777-Typical Ramp Detail
10	Landscaping – Bill No. 1 (Items 18–21, Pages 120–121) The pre-cast concrete bench items reference engineer, architect, and manufacturer details and specifications. None of these details appear in the tender documentation provided, making accurate pricing impossible without further information	Bidders to refer to addendum document 082-PSS-ND-200 LAYOUTS & DETAILS rev C

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11	Fencing – Bill No. 5 (Items 15–16, Page 147) The bill requires completion “to the engineer’s specifications and approval,” yet the referenced specification is not included in the tender drawings.	This was incorrectly labeled in the query, this query refers to Soil Drainage. Bidders to refer to addendum documents <u>SAB1777-Typical Soakaway 1 Detail</u> & <u>SAB1777-Typical Soakaway 2 Detail</u>
12	Structural Steel – Bill No. 12 (Preamble) The preamble instructs tenderers to acquaint themselves with structural steel layout drawings 18008/CE/500 and 18008/CE/501, which are stated to take precedence over the BOQ. These drawings were not issued with the tender package and are required to price the structural steel section correctly.	The referenced documents were included in the BoQ in error. Bidders should disregard those referenced documents as it is not required to price the affected items.

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