

TENDER DOCUMENT

PURCHASE OF NETWORK FIREWALL ALONGWITH LICENSE

(Single Stage - One Envelope Procedure)

Submission Date: **09.05.2025 (Friday) at 10:00am**

Bids Opening Date: **09.05.2025 (Friday) at 10:30am**



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INVITATION TO BID

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Pakistan Scientific and Technological Information Centre a National Agency for collection and dissemination of scientific information intends to initiate online proposals on EPADS portal of PPRA from authorized dealers, sole distributors or resellers having NTN & GST numbers and are on Active Tax Payer List (ATL) for the purchase of following:

| Description | Qty |
|--|------------|
| Next Generation Firewall (Hardware base solution) | 1 |
| Option-1: With One Year license of IPS, Web Filter and Application Filter | |
| Option-2: With Three Year license of IPS, Web Filter and Application Filter | |

1. A complete set of bidding document along with the detailed specifications, procedure for submission of proposals, evaluation criteria, terms and conditions etc. is available online and can be seen on EPADS.
2. Bidding documents shall carefully be prepared and submitted/applied on EPADS as per instructions on or before the closing date **09.05.2025 (Friday) by 10:00 am**. Tenders will be opened at **10:30 am on the same date** at committee room of PASTIC National Centre, QAU, Islamabad. Only EPADS-registered bidders shall be eligible to apply for the tender, and bids must be submitted through EPADS. Original bids & CDR or Pay Order shall also have to be submitted by on or before **09.05.2025, up to 10:00 am (Sharp)**. Late submitted tenders shall not be entertained.
3. Tender documents can be seen on the PPRA website (www.ppra.org.pk), PASTIC website (www.pastic.gov.pk) and EPADS & can be had from Deputy Director (Admin), PASTIC National Centre, QAU Islamabad against the price of RS 2,000/- on written request during office hours.

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COMPANY / FIRM PROFILE PROFORMA:

1. Name of the Firm _____
2. Address _____
3. Email _____
4. Website (if any) _____
5. Land Line & Cell No _____
6. Fax Number _____
7. GST Reg. No. _____
8. National Tax Number _____
9. Registration of the Firm in Pakistan (Year) _____
10. Age of firm _____
11. Ownership/ CEO _____

CONTACT PERSON DETAIL:

1. Name _____
2. Designation _____
3. Mobile Number _____
4. Email _____

TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

| S# | Description | Remarks (Proofs to be attached) | Marks |
|--------------|--|---|-----------|
| 1. | Age of the firm/Year of establishment For three years 5 marks, above three years 10 marks | (Age of firm should not less than three years and valid proof of incorporation be attached) | 10 |
| 2. | Vendor must be authorized dealer or sole distributor or reseller of the quoted brand and must be in the business of quoted brand since last three years. | Please attach valid Manufacturer Authorization Letter/certificate with the proposals | 10 |
| 3. | Already supplied quoted brand in organizations of Pakistan (1 marks for each relevant contract/award max. Marks 5) | (Contract/Award letters be attached) | 5 |
| 4. | Complete name of firm/bidder/supplier , address & Ownership / CEO Name (1 mark for each) | (Proof to be attached) | 3 |
| 5. | Warranty period quoted by firm (2 mark for each year, max. marks:6) | Minimum warranty period is one year | 6 |
| 6. | The Firm should have setup availability and support Centre at Islamabad / Rawalpindi | Proofs of setup availability and support Centre at Islamabad/Rawalpindi | 4 |
| 7. | The bidder must have sound financial status (2 marks for each year report, max. marks 4) | (Audited accounts statement for last two years) | 4 |
| 8. | The firm should National Tax Number(NTN) registered | (Registration certificate to be attached) | 2 |
| 9. | The firm should General Sales Tax(GST) Registered | (Registration certificate to be attached) | 2 |
| 10. | The firms should Active Taxpayer List Registered | (Registration certificate to be attached) | 2 |
| 11. | The firm is neither black listed nor in litigation with any of public sector or organizations. | (The firm must attach an undertaking on Stamp Paper duly signed) | 2 |
| Total | | | 50 |

Note:

- Point #2 is mandatory as per Tender Clause #2. Non-compliance with the said clause shall result in outright disqualification of the bidder.
- Firm should secure 70% of Technical evaluation Score (i.e 35 out of 50) to qualify for further process of tender.

FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

Firms / Bidders have to submit their financial proposal as per following format for the purchase of Next Generation Firewall ensuring all codal formalities and regulations of PPRA / EPADS rules.

| Purchase of Firewall | | | |
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| Options | Description | Qty | Rate (Incl. all Taxes) (Rs) |
| Option-1: 1 Year license | <p>Next Generation Firewall</p> <p>NGFW should be listed in Gartner Magic Quadrant , ICSA Labs and Cyber Ratings for Enterprise Firewall, Throughput 20 Gbps ,12Gbps Application Control Throughput, Minimum NGFW 3GbpsThroughput (FW+SA+IPS), Minimum 1.5Gbps Threat Protection Throughput (FW, SA, IPS and Antivirus), Support 2 million concurrent sessions, Built in Storage for reports and logging (minimum for 3 months), Minimum 8 x 1G Ethernet Interfaces and 2 x 10G SFP+ Interfaces with Transceivers, Support Dual Power Supply (Hot-Swapping), Support Minimum expansion ports Slot for scalability, Intrusion Prevention System (IPS), Anti-Virus & Anti-Malware, Email Security Protection, Cloud-Based Security Sandbox, Web Filtering, Anti-Brute force attack Application Control, Bandwidth Management, Interactive Traffic Monitoring and Management Support 100Concurrent Users for SSL VPN, Built-in SOC monitor for visibility</p> <p>1 Year Complete Security Features License 1Year Software Upgrade & 24x7 Technical Support 3 Year Hardware Warranty Service OEM Onsite Installation, Configuration and compliance with exiting Network MAL Letter from OEM must be attached</p> | 1 | |
| Option-2: 3 Year license | <p>Next Generation Firewall</p> <p>NGFW should be listed in Gartner Magic Quadrant , ICSA Labs and Cyber Ratings for Enterprise Firewall, Throughput 20 Gbps ,12Gbps Application Control Throughput, Minimum NGFW 3GbpsThroughput (FW+SA+IPS), Minimum 1.5Gbps Threat Protection Throughput (FW, SA, IPS and Antivirus), Support 2 million concurrent sessions, Built in Storage for reports and logging (minimum for 3 months), Minimum 8 x 1G Ethernet Interfaces and 2 x 10G SFP+ Interfaces with Transceivers, Support Dual Power Supply (Hot-Swapping), Support Minimum expansion ports Slot for scalability, Intrusion Prevention System (IPS), Anti-Virus & Anti-Malware, Email Security Protection, Cloud-Based Security Sandbox, Web Filtering, Anti-Brute force attack Application Control, Bandwidth Management, Interactive Traffic Monitoring and Management Support 100Concurrent Users for SSL VPN, Built-in SOC monitor for visibility</p> <p>3Year Complete Security Features License 3Year Software Upgrade & 24x7 Technical Support 3 Year Hardware Warranty Service OEM Onsite Installation, Configuration and compliance with exiting Network MAL Letter from OEM must be attached</p> | 1 | |

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

1. Only NTN, GST Registered and Active Tax Payer (ATL) suppliers will participate in tender.
2. Age of firm should not less than three years (valid proof be attached)
3. Vendor must be authorized dealer or sole distributor or reseller of the quoted brand and must be in the business of quoted brand since last three years. (Please attach valid Manufacturer Authorization Letter/certificate with the proposals).
4. An affidavit on legal stamp paper worth Rs.50/- to the effect that the firm has not been blacklisted by any Government/semi Government organization, and there is no litigation against the firm and not any inquiry/investigation in NAB or FIA.
5. Bidder must not quote refurbished/gray or used equipment.
6. Firm must have certified Engineer & relevant staff for this particular project.
7. The firms shall submit earnest money for Rs. 100,000/- in the shape of Bank Draft/ Pay Order/CDR in favour of PASTIC National Centre, Islamabad. The bid shall not be considered without earnest money
8. Free services after sales must be mentioned on financial proposal.
9. The bids will be evaluated according to technical criterion parameters of the required equipment as laid down in the tender document and the bids which do not conform to the prescribed criterion parameters or terms and conditions of tender, shall be rejected.
10. The financial proposal with lowest financial value conforming to the specifications and other terms and conditions prescribed in tender document shall be considered for placement of work/supply orders subject to fulfillment of procedural/codal formalities & technical consideration.
11. Firm should mention warranty coverage period which will not be less than quoted option.
12. The successful bidders have to deposit 10% of the total cost of supply order as performance warranty, which will be retained for one year; however earnest money will be released after receiving of performance warranty.
13. All applicable government taxes shall be deducted at source as per government rules
14. If the successful bidder fails to provide equipment/license as per requirements, PASTIC may forfeit his earnest money besides initiating blacklisting/Cross debarred process against it under intimation to PPRA.
15. If any fault/defect occurs in the equipment during the warranty period, it will be repaired/ replaced by the supplier at his own risk and cost.
16. PASTIC reserves the right to reject any, all or part of bids before or after tender process by invoking Rule 33 of PPRA rules.
17. Bid must be valid for 60 days.
18. Incomplete and conditional tenders shall not be entertained. Proposals submitted late or after due date and time shall be returned intact without entertaining.
19. All pages of bidding documents shall be signed and stamped by the bidder/representative.
20. Tenders shall be processed on single stage one envelopes procedure.
21. If any discrepancy arises between unit price and total price in bid which is worked out by multiplying the unit price with quantity, the unit price shall prevail and total price shall be corrected. If there is a discrepancy between the words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail. If there is a mistake in

addition/ totaling, that shall be corrected. If the bidder does not accept the corrected amount of bid, his bid shall be rejected.

22. Bidders shall provide a certificate from their bank certifying their sound financial position and credit limit from the bank or any appropriate documentary proof (e.g. Bank Statement along with Annual Audit Report), showing the financial position of the firm.
23. The bidder shall be bound to supply equipment and services at the quoted rates in financial proposal and no escalation cost shall be admissible due to any reason. The rates once quoted shall be considered as final.
24. Procuring equipment/licensed firewalls shall be delivered within seven-days after issuance of Supply/Purchase order.
25. Equipment & License shall be delivered / installed at PASTIC National Centre, Quaid-e-Azam University Campus Islamabad. No carriage/transportation charges shall be paid by PASTIC.
26. The supplier shall be bound for installation, commissioning of the equipment, besides imparting training and orientation to concerned staff free of cost.
27. Rawalpindi/ Islamabad based firms shall be given priority.
28. In case of any dispute arises during execution of the contract, the terms shall be settled amicably or else decision of the Chairman PSF shall be binding on both parties which shall not be challengeable at any court of law.
29. Provided firewall solution should be compatible with already installed network solution (WLAN, LAN) at PASTIC, National Center, Islamabad.

30. Force Majeure:

- a. The Contractor shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, liquidated damages or termination for default, if and to the extent that, it's delay in performance or other failure to perform its obligations under the contract is the result of an event of Force Majeure.
- b. If either party is temporarily rendered unable, wholly or in part by Force Majeure to perform its duties or accept performance by the other party under the Contract it is agreed that on such party, giving notice with full particulars in writing of such Force majeure to the other party within 14 (fourteen) days after the occurrence of the cause relied on, then the duties, of such party as far as they are affected by such Force Majeure shall be suspended during the continuance of any inability so caused but for no longer period and such cause shall as for as possible be removed with all reasonable speed. Neither party shall be responsible for delay caused by Force Majeure.

31. Arbitration:

- c. The Contract will be construed under and governed by THE LAWS OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN, PASTIC and the Supplier shall make every effort to resolve amicably by direct informal negotiation any disagreement or dispute arising between them under or in connection with supply of procuring objects.
- d. Any dispute, disagreement or question arising out of or relating to or in consequence of this contract award or relating to its execution or performance which cannot be settled amicably, shall be referred to arbitration to Chairman PSF. Only Chairman PSF will have sole authority in arbitration to decide. All the decisions will be made in view of Arbitration Act 1940.

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