



Government of Nepal
Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Supplies
Department of Mines and Geology
Petroleum Exploration Project

Invitation for Bids for Petroleum Exploration

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Government of Nepal, Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Supplies, Department of Mines and Geology/ Petroleum Exploration Project (DMG/PEP) hereby invites bids for Petroleum Exploration in the following Exploration Blocks located in the southern part of Nepal as per the decision of Council of Ministers, Government of Nepal on 2080/10/25. National and International Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Companies desirous of undertaking Petroleum Operations in Nepal can participate in the bidding according to Nepal Petroleum Act 2040, Petroleum Regulation 2041, Petroleum Industry (Income Tax) Rules 2041, and other prevailing laws of Government of Nepal.

- a. The location and size of the offered exploration blocks are:
Block No. 4 (Lumbini) 4965 sq. Km.
Block No. 5 (Chitwan) 4945 sq. Km.
- b. A completed form of bid, along with relevant supporting documents, for each exploration block (s) should be submitted in notarized duplicate in a sealed envelope addressed to the Petroleum Exploration Project/ Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Nepal, Lainchaur, Kathmandu, Nepal. Attn: Director General, on or before the closing day, (before 5 pm). The sealed envelope should prominently be marked "Bid for Exploration Block No.".
- c. A Petroleum Agreement may be signed covering one or both Exploration Blocks.
- d. Bidding documents/ information are available from PEP/DMG, Lainchaur, Kathmandu, Nepal. Each bidder must purchase General Report "A" upon payment of US\$ 5,000.00 (US Dollars Five Thousand only) before submitting their bids and shall be paid to revenue account in Rastriya Banijya Bank, Thamel, Kathmandu with Account No. 1000100200010000, Office Code No. 307023502, and Revenue Title No. 14229.
- e. The application/ bidding fee (non-refundable) is US\$ 1000.00 (US Dollar One Thousand only) for each exploration block applied for and shall be paid to the same revenue account.
- f. There are different data sales packages available upon payment of a fixed price. Information on available data packages is available at DMG/PEP.
- g. International applicants are not required to register in Nepal nor appoint an agent in Nepal as a condition for submitting a bid.
- h. Closing of bids: 90 days from the day of first publication of the notice, If the closing falls on a holiday, the submission shall be done on subsequent working day.

For further information and inquiries, please contact:

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