

State Ministry of Rural Housing and Construction & Building Materials Industries Promotion



CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Directive on Standard Documents to be used in Identified Construction Works

As the apex body for the Construction Industry Development in the Country empowered by the Construction Industry Development Act 33 of 2014, we wish to address all Employer/Client/Contractor Organizations and Qualified Persons of the construction industry to treat all Identified Construction Work (ICW) related contracts with great importance as they are infrastructure used by the general public.

As such, all Employers including Public and Private Sector Client organizations of the construction industry, Contractor Organizations and Qualified Persons registered with CIDA shall be attentive that the following provisions are complied with, in carrying out ICWs.

Reference to Section 46 of CID Act 33 of 2014

As per the provisions of the section 46 of the Construction Industry Development Act, any party that engages a qualified person registered with CIDA as a consultant or a registered contractor in any ICW, in all fields of Electrical, Mechanical, Civil Engineering and other specialised work, shall use the standard documents specified for the purpose by the Construction Industry Development Authority.

As such the requirement of adhering to the CIDA published Standard Bidding Documents (SBDs), for any ICW has been made mandatory. Modifications or amendments to the Volume 1 of this Bidding Document shall not be carried out without prior approval of the Authority. Any such changes should be provided only in the Volume 2, Section 2- Bidding Data, Section 4a -Contract Data and Section 4b – Special provisions.

As per the interpretation given in the Construction Industry Development Act, Identified Construction Work (ICW) means any construction work for public use which are exceeding in value **Rupees Ten Million (Rs.10,000,000.00)** or such higher value as may be prescribed by the Minister from time to time.

It is important that all relevant Contractors, Qualified Persons and Client organizations shall abide by the said legal requirements. Any person who commits an offense under this Act be liable to a fine not exceeding **Rs. 100,000** or imprisonment for a period not exceeding **2 years** or to both such fine and imprisonment.

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