

Questions and Answers – FY21-184-DRC-009 – Pharmaceuticals – ASSR

1. *Is there any requirement for the tender participants (entities) to be located in any region/country?*

No, there are no restrictions. As long as products and your offering meet the required specs, you can participate in the bidding process.

2. *Is it possible to participate in the tender as a consortium e.g. distributor + manufacturer?*

Yes, it is possible. Moving forward, if the contract is awarded, you will need to introduce a single point of contact to us – you will need to internally coordinate everything. We can only issue a mutual binding agreement with one party.

3. *Does the statement below apply to all of the items in the RFP list? Is it required to have the respective medical devices registered in DRC to be able to participate in the RFP? Or this could be worked in parallel regardless of the tender procedure. Re: "We need products that have been authorized by the DRC authorities for the DRC market (they have "une autorisation de mise sur le marché en RDC"—AMM) and on their list of essential medicines."*

Legally, no drug can circulate on the Congolese market without AMM, so it is imperative but for the present case (generic pharmaceutical products delivered on behalf of NGOs: donation), if the supplier (Laboratory / distributor) is already prequalified by the DPM (example of those who already bring the products to the DRC) the national list of essential drugs of the DRC and / or the presence of the DCI in the said list are the only conditions required. See below for a follow up question:

- *Does the statement below apply to all of the items in the RFP list? Is it required to have the respective medical devices registered in DRC to be able to participate in the RFP?*

Compared to the 3rd question, consumables and drugs need AMM to circulate but in practice, this is not restrictive (the presence of AMM). As said before concretely a supplier who already markets his brand in the DRC or makes the consumables available is not forced to present an AMM if the laboratory is already prequalified in the DRC.

In short, there is no AMM requirement if the laboratory/source is already selling in the DRC, especially on behalf of NGOs.

4. *What is the UoM for the items 126-133, pcs or box (dozen)?*

The unit is the piece and not the dozen.

5. *For the items 126-133, is there any requirement on the needle steel grade?*

The specificities described must be respected, including the size and shape of the needle.

6. *Is it mandatory to have previous registration need for consumables and diagnostics in DRC?*

Any drug and pharmaceutical products in general are subject to this restriction. At least with less rigor as in question 3.

7. *Total quantities indicated in the last column reflects total number units in tablets or capsule or ampoules? or it is in number packs as per pack size indicated in the description column?*

The total quantity in the last column refers to the sum of required quantities for 3 regions. The total quantity is showing the total of individual units, not based on the Unit of Measurement (UoM) as mentioned in the description. Please see below for follow up questions and answers for more clarification.

- *Oxytocine : IMA want 104869 ampoules in total? So in case if our UOM is 10 amp, the offered qty should be 10487 packs of 10 amps. Is this correct?*

Correct, we will need 10,487 packs of 10

- *Zinc sulfate, 20mg, Tablette dispersable, 100, blister 100, 153815. Does IMA want 1540 tabs of 100's OR $153815 \times 100's = 15381500$ tablets in total?*

1540 Packets of 100 tablets

- *Aciclovir, 200mg, Tab, 100, Vrac 100 ,9621s IMA want 96 tabs of 100's OR $9621 \times 100's = 962100$ tablets in total?*

Normally 96 Box of 100 but it would be preferable to have 97 Box of 100 tablets to overcome the deficit of 21 tablets.

- *Acide Acetylsalicylique, 500mg, Tab, 1000, Vrac 1000 2562417. Does IMA want 2562 tabs of 1000's OR $2562417 \times 1000's = 2,562,417,000$ tablets in total?*

Normally 2562 boxes of 1000 tablets but to compensate for the shortage of 417 tablets, 2563 boxes of 1000 is preferable. So in short it is in the simplest unit (see the unit price used can already show it) but it is better to round up to the higher number of boxes even if after the decimal point it is less than 5 to avoid the missing

8. *Can we supply product with English language?*

The law requires the language spoken in the country, French for this case.

So, we can write in English but French is mandatory; like a double-language packing or RCP.

9. *The RFP documents indicates: "We need products that have been authorized by the DRC authorities for the DRC market (they have "une autorisation de mise sur le marché en RDC"—AMM) and on their list of essential medicines. If something has changed that the offerors are aware of and feels they need to inform us then they should do so. We will not seek any waivers" -*
- We have been supplying to DRC for several years although our products do not have a registration in DRC, this has never caused any issues. Can you confirm we can offer/supply products without a registration?

Referring to my answer to the 3rd question, you will have some clarifications.

10. *Should the goods be palletized or not needed?*

It is a plus for operational purposes, but it is not a requirement.