



ROAD DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

TENDER NO.RDA/CE/ONB/001/2026: TENDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MBESUMA BRIDGE OVER CHAMBESHI RIVER IN MUCHINGA PROVINCE OF ZAMBIA

The Road Development Agency (RDA) has received an allocation of financing for various road works from the Government of the Republic of Zambia and wishes to apply a portion of these funds to cover eligible payments for the **Construction of Mbesuma Bridge over Chambeshi River in Muchinga Province.**

The RDA now invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the **Construction of Mbesuma Bridge over Chambeshi River in Muchinga Province.**

The scope of work will include among other things:

1. Flow diversion, temporary works and earthworks;
2. Construction of a 144m long, 4 span, concrete bridge with in-situ concrete deck slab on pre-cast pre-stressed concrete beams and substructure composed of piled foundations;
3. The roadway is 8m wide with 1.2m walkways either side;
4. Construction of 1600m of approach embankment: 300m on the Chinsali side and 1300m on the Isoka side. The embankment height on the approach is approximately 4m high.
5. Upgrading of approximately 20km of road to bituminous standards, from Mbesuma Bridge towards Isoka District.

The RDA now invites bids from eligible and qualified bidders, who are registered with the Engineering Institution of Zambia and National Council for Construction (NCC) in Category R or C, Grades 1 or 2, for the Construction of Mbesuma Bridge over Chambeshi River in Muchinga Province. Bidding will be conducted through Open National Bidding Procedures in accordance with Section 39 of the Public Procurement Act No.8 of 2020 as amended. Bidding is open to both citizen and local bidders; however, local bidders shall be required to partner with citizen bidders as required by Section 39 (3) of the Public Procurement Act No.8 of 2020 as amended.

The bidding documents can be accessed from the e-GP system through the ZPPA website (www.zppa.org.zm) and the RDA website (www.rda.org.zm).

The RDA will conduct a site visit on **Tuesday 31st March, 2026** and bidders are requested to meet at Office of the Regional Manager, RDA Regional Offices, Muchinga Province at **09:00 hours local time**. A pre-bid meeting will be held to address and clarify any issues raised by bidders. The location and timing of the pre-bid meeting will be determined by the RDA following the site visit. Bidders are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the project site.

Bidders are invited to submit their bids for the Construction of Mbesuma Bridge over Chambeshi River in Muchinga Province. Bids must be accompanied by either a Bid Security of not less than **2% of the Bid Sum or a Bid Securing Declaration Form.**

All bids must be submitted via the e-GP platform no later than **10:30 hours on Friday, 17th April, 2026**. The **bid opening** shall take place through the e-GP system on **Friday 17th April, 2026 at 11:00 hours local time.**

LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED and will be automatically disqualified by the system.

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First Date of issue: **Thursday 19th March, 2026**

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