REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

MOBILE NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the RFQ is to solicit quotations for the procurement of 10 Executive Notebook Computers,130 Standard Notebook Computers and 100 Type C 65W laptop chargers.

1 BACKGROUND

PRASA has an urgent requirement to procure mobile notebook computers to replace laptops that are out of warranty, no longer covered by maintenance agreements, and have reached a stage where repairs are no longer economically viable.

The requirement for new laptops is driven by the need to provide employees with the essential tools required to perform their daily responsibilities effectively and efficiently. A number of employees rely on laptops to execute critical business functions, many of which cannot be performed without suitable computing equipment. The absence of these devices is negatively impacting productivity and service delivery.

In addition, several laptops have been lost due to theft, further constraining operational capacity and workflow efficiency. Replacing these stolen devices, together with providing the necessary equipment to employees who require them, is critical to maintaining business continuity, operational effectiveness, and the uninterrupted delivery of services across PRASA.

2 SCOPE OF WORK

PRASA's total requirement comprises 140 notebook computers, consisting of 10 Executive Notebook Computers and 130 Standard Notebook Computers, together with

100 USB-C 65W chargers to support operational and business requirements.

The devices are to be delivered to the following address:

Umjantshi House
30 Wolmarans Street
Braamfontein, JHB

3. SPECIFICATION OF THE WORK OR PRODUCTS OR SERVICES REQUIRED

The specifications of the required desktop/mobile computers and associated accessories are provided below. Bidders MUST propose computers that meet PRASA's given specification. Failure to propose computers devices that meet the specification will lead to disqualification.

Bidders are required to provide the make/model of proposed computer equipment of each class of device in the tables below and indicate with a YES or NO for compliance to each INDIVIDUAL specification requirement.

4. SUPPLIERS BRIEFING

- No briefing

5. TIMELINES

Event	Timelines
RFQ Invite	TBA
Non-Compulsory Site Visit	NONE
Questions and Answers / Site Inspections	

RFQ Closure	
Evaluation	
Award/Appointment	

6. EVALUATION PROCESS

Interested bidders for this project shall be evaluated in terms for their administrative responsiveness, substantive responsiveness, technical/functional (capacity testing) evaluation and preference points. The evaluation committee shall use the following Evaluation Criteria depicted in table below for the selection of the preferred bidder that shall render / deliver the required works, goods and / or services.

EVALUATION PROCESS	
Stage 1A - Mandatory Compliance	Substantive responsiveness (mandatory)
Stage 1B - Basic Compliance	Administrative Responsiveness
Stage 1C	
Technical/Functional Criteria	In this stage, the proposed device will be verified that it meets all specification requirements as in Section 4. Only bidders that submitted devices that meet all the specification requirements will pass this stage to proceed to be evaluates in Stage 3 (Price and BBBEE)
Stage 3 **Preference Points**	
Price	80
BBBEE	20
TOTAL	**100**

Figure 7.1: Evaluation criteria for the selection of a potential bidder

STAGE 1 - Mandatory and Basic Compliance Requirements (Substantive and Administrative Responsiveness)

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Stage 1A - Mandatory Compliance Requirements (Substantive Responsiveness)

If a supplier / bidder does not submit the following documents the Proposal will be disqualified automatically:

No.	Description of requirement	Compliant
a)	Completion of ALL RFP documentation (includes ALL declarations, ALL Standard Bidding Documents (SBD) and Commissioner of Oath signatures required)	
b)	Signed Joint Venture, Consortium Agreement or Partnering Agreement *(whichever is applicable*)	
c)	Bidders MUST submit a **letter or certificate from the OEM or Distributer** of the proposed Notebook Computer to proof that they are authorised to sell the proposed Notebook computers.	
d)	Bidders MUST submit **TWO reference letters** (on clients' s letterhead) to proof experience in supplying laptop/notebook computer devices. The references must **not be older than 3 years** from the issue date of the RFQ. **Each reference letter MUST at least be R1 000,000.**	

Stage 1B - Basic Compliance Requirements (Administrative Responsiveness)

If you do not submit the following basic compliance documents your bid may be disqualified and these documents must be made available within a specified period should an award be made: e.g 7 days

No.	Description of requirement	Compliant
a)	Signed Joint Venture, Consortium Agreement or Partnering Agreement *(whichever is applicable*)	
b)	Original or certified B-BBEE certificate issued by SANAS (Certificates issued by IRBA and Accounting Officers have been discontinued, however valid certificates already issued before 1 January 2017 may be used until they phase out completely by December 2017) Bidder to include Affidavit for QSEs and EMEs.	

	In cases of JVs or consortiums, a combined B-BBEE certificate in the name of the JV/Consortium must be submitted	
c)	CSD supplier registration number *(should a bidder not registered on CSD, the bidder will be afforded 14 days after the closing date to register accordingly)*	
d)	A valid and Original Tax Clearance Certificate (valid as at the closing date of this RFP) Or supply SARS Pin	
e)	Company registration documents	
f)	Copies of Directors' ID documents	

STAGE 1C - Technical / Functionality Requirements

Qualifying bidders shall be evaluated on technicality / functionality after meeting all compliance requirements outlined above.

In this stage, bidder MUST propose a computer device that meets all the requirements below. The bidder MUST indicate the **Make/Model of the proposed computer** and **also indicate per requirement item that the proposed device meet the requirement**. Only bidders that proposed computer devices that meet all the specification requirements below will proceed to Stage 3.

6.1 Executive Mobile Specification

Bidders MUST explicitly state the proposed make/model of the laptops below and the proposed laptops MUST meet the requirements in the table below. Failure to provide the make/model will result in incomplete bid submission resulting in disqualification.

Laptop A Make/Model Proposed: _____

Laptop B Make/Model Proposed: _____

Laptop C Make/Model Proposed: _____

The proposed laptops must be from different OEMs.

NO	COMPONENT / FEATURE	REQUIREMENT	LAPTOP A COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP B COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP C COMPLY YES / NO
1	Form-Factor & Dimensions	Ultra-light 2-in-1 convertible or detachable laptop, ≤1.4kg, compact footprint suitable for executive mobility			
2	Processor	Latest-generation enterprise-class processor, such as Intel Core Ultra 7 or higher, AMD Ryzen AI 7 PRO or higher, or Qualcomm Snapdragon X Elite or higher, with integrated NPU/AI acceleration where available and Windows 11 enterprise compatibility.			
3	Memory	Minimum 32GB high-speed LPDDR5X RAM			
4	Camera	≥5MP FHD RGB+IR camera with dual microphones, privacy shutter, presence detection, Windows Hello support			
5	Graphics	Integrated next-gen GPU aligned to processor platform, capable of high-performance business and AI workloads			
6	Storage	Minimum 512GB PCIe Gen4 NVMe SSD with hardware encryption (Opal 2.0 compliant)			
7	Display	Premium 12–14” high-resolution (WUXGA/QHD+/2.2K), touch-enabled, anti-glare, ≥400 nits brightness			
8	Connectivity (LTE/5G)	Integrated LTE or 5G mobile broadband module, supporting eSIM and/or physical SIM where available for the proposed model. External USB or			

NO	COMPONENT / FEATURE	REQUIREMENT	LAPTOP A COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP B COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP C COMPLY YES / NO
		hotspot-based connectivity will not be accepted as compliance for this requirement unless explicitly approved by PRASA.			
9	Wireless	Wi-Fi 6E or later accepted and Bluetooth 5.4			
10	Operating System	Windows 11 Professional (64-bit) pre-installed and fully compatible with the organisation's Microsoft Windows 11 Enterprise licensing and management environment. Devices must support Microsoft Intune, Microsoft Entra ID, Group Policy, Autopilot, Microsoft Defender and SCCM/MECM deployment frameworks.			
11	Chassis	Premium lightweight materials (aluminium, magnesium or carbon fibre)			
12	Warranty	4-year comprehensive warranty with next business day onsite support, accidental damage cover, and disk retention			
13	Battery	Minimum 12-15 hours real-world battery life, fast charge (80% ≤ 60 minutes), 4-year battery warranty			
14	Ports	Modern connectivity including multiple USB-C / Thunderbolt ports, audio combo jack, and LAN via adaptor			
15	AC Adapter	OEM-certified power adapter			

NO	COMPONENT / FEATURE	REQUIREMENT	LAPTOP A COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP B COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP C COMPLY YES / NO
16	Security	Enterprise-grade security including fingerprint reader, TPM 2.0 (FIPS certified), self-healing BIOS			
17	Asset Management	Integrated tracking and theft recovery solution (minimum 48 months subscription)			
18	Manageability	Full enterprise manageability (SCCM/Intune integration, remote management via vPro/AMT or DASH)			
19	Audio	Integrated high-quality speakers and microphones			
20	Keyboard	Backlit business keyboard with precision touchpad and multi-touch support			
21	Accessories	Security lock slot and premium executive carry bag			
22	Weight	Maximum 1.4kg			

NB. The bidder's proposed computer make/model MUST meet all the specification items above. Failure to meet all the specification items will result with immediate disqualification for non-responsive bid.

6.2 Standard Mobile computer Specification

Bidders MUST explicitly state the proposed make/model of the laptops below and the proposed laptops MUST meet the requirements in the table below. Failure to provide the make/model will result in incomplete bid submission resulting in disqualification.

Laptop D Make/Model Proposed: _____

Laptop E Make/Model Proposed: _____

Laptop F Make/Model Proposed: _____

The proposed laptops must be from different OEMs.

NO	COMPONENT / FEATURE	REQUIREMENT	LAPTOP D COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP E COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP F COMPLY YES / NO
1	Form-Factor & Dimensions	Slim, lightweight business laptop (≤32 x 22 x 2.0 cm; ≤1.6kg) suitable for mobile professionals			
2	Processor	Latest-generation high-performance processor (Intel Core Ultra 7 / AMD Ryzen AI 7 PRO), AI-enabled			
3	Memory	Minimum 32GB high-speed LPDDR5X or DDR5 RAM			
4	Camera	≥5MP RGB+IR camera with dual microphones and Windows Hello support			
5	Graphics	Integrated next-generation GPU aligned to processor platform			
6	Storage	Minimum 512GB PCIe Gen4 NVMe SSD with encryption (Opal compliant)			
7	Display	14” FHD+/WUXGA IPS, anti-glare, ≥400 nits brightness			
8	Connectivity (LTE/5G)	Integrated LTE or 5G mobile broadband module, supporting eSIM and/or physical SIM where available for the proposed model. External USB or hotspot-based connectivity will not be accepted as compliance for this requirement unless explicitly approved by PRASA.			
9	Wireless	Wi-Fi 6E or later accepted and Bluetooth 5.4			

NO	COMPONENT / FEATURE	REQUIREMENT	LAPTOP D COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP E COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP F COMPLY YES / NO
10	Operating System	Windows 11 Professional (64-bit) pre-installed and fully compatible with the organisation's Microsoft Windows 11 Enterprise licensing and management environment. Devices must support Microsoft Intune, Microsoft Entra ID, Group Policy, Autopilot, Microsoft Defender and SCCM/MECM deployment frameworks.			
11	Chassis	Durable premium materials (aluminium, magnesium, or carbon fibre)			
12	Warranty	4-year comprehensive warranty with next-business-day onsite support, accidental damage cover, and disk retention			
13	Battery	≥12 hours battery life, fast charging (80% ≤ 60 minutes), 4-year battery warranty			
14	Ports	Modern connectivity including USB-C/Thunderbolt, USB-A, HDMI, audio jack, and LAN (built-in or adaptor)			
15	AC Adapter	OEM-certified power adapter			
16	Security	Enterprise-grade security: fingerprint reader, TPM 2.0 (FIPS certified), self-healing BIOS			
17	Asset Management	Integrated tracking and theft recovery solution (48 months subscription)			

NO	COMPONENT / FEATURE	REQUIREMENT	LAPTOP D COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP E COMPLY YES / NO	LAPTOP F COMPLY YES / NO
18	Manageability	Full enterprise management support (SCCM/Intune integration, vPro/AMT or DASH remote management)			
19	Audio	Integrated business-class speakers and microphones			
20	Keyboard	Backlit keyboard with precision touchpad			
21	Accessories	Security cable lock and OEM-branded durable laptop backpack			
22	Weight	Maximum 1.6kg			

NB. The bidder's proposed computer make/model MUST meet all the specification items above. Failure to meet all the specification items will result with immediate disqualification for non-responsive bid.

6.3 Type C 65W laptop Charger Specification

Make/Model Proposed: _____

NO	COMPONENT / FEATURE	REQUIREMENT (Standard Mobile computer Specification)	COMPLY (YES/NO)
1	Compatibility	• USB-PD 3.0 compliance • CE/FCC certification • Minimum 2-year warranty • OEM original charger or OEM-certified equivalent with proof of certification.	
2	Power Output	65W maximum	
3	Weight	Generally lightweight, ranging from 0.2kg to 0.5kg	
4	Safety	• **Smart Auto-Voltage:** Automatically selects the correct voltage/amperage for the device. • **Safety Protections:** Built-in protection against over-voltage, over-current, and short-circuits. • **GaN Technology:** Select models use GaN to decrease size while increasing efficiency.	
5	Cable Length	Often includes a 1m power cord and 1.8m USB-C cable	
6	Output Voltage	supporting output voltages of 5V/3A, 9V/3A, 12V/3A, 15V/3A, and 20V with a max output of 3.25A.	

7. Stage 3 - Price and Specific Goals

The following formula, shall be used to allocate scores to the interested bidders:
The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

Details	Points
Price	80
Specific Goals	20
Total Points for Price and Specific Goals	100

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POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE
THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS
A maximum of 80 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20
PS = 80 (1−Pt−PminPmin)
Where
Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration
Pt = Price of tender under consideration
Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender.

For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:

Table 1: Specific goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.
***Note to tenderers: The tenderer must indicate how they claim points for each preference point system.*)**

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this RFQ	Returnables	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
Black Women Owned	Certified copy of ID Documents of the Owners	04	
Black Youth Owned	Certified copy of ID Documents of the Owners	04	
Owned by Black People with Disability	Certified copy of ID Documents of the Owners and Doctor's note confirming the disability	04	
Entities with B-BBEEE contributor status of at least level 2	B-BBEE Certificate / Affidavit	04	
EME or QSE 51% Black Owned	Audited Annual Financial/ B-BBEE Certificate / Affidavit	04	