

TENDER NOTICE

The Chairman, Tender Board, The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited (ANCL), hereby invites sealed tenders from Manufacturers, Representatives or their Accredited Agents in Sri Lanka for the supply of first class web offset newsprint conforming to the under mentioned basic specifications.

ITEM : 5,000 MT FIRST CLASS WEB OFFSET NEWSPRINT
SUBSTANCE : 42GSM, 45 GSM AND 48.8 GSM
REEL DIAMETER : 1016 – 1066 MM (MAXIMUM)
REEL WIDTH : 700 MM
CORE INNER : 76 MM

1. Tenders should be submitted only on Tender Documents available at Imports Department of the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, on payment of non-refundable tender fee of Rs. 5,000/- in cash. Tender documents will be issued during office hours until 27th December 2010.
2. Tender Documents are also available at the web site www.dailynews.lk and www.sundayobserver.lk and could also be used with non-refundable payment of Rs.5, 000/-.
3. Per MT price to be quoted in acceptable currency preferably US \$ giving both FOB and CIF quotes. Freight and insurance charges of CIF offers are to be indicated separately.
4. Tender should accompany a Bid Bond valuing Rs. 300,000/- issued by a reputed bank in Sri Lanka with a validity of 120 days from the opening date of the tender.
5. Performance Bond equivalent to 10% of the total value of the order ,issued by a reputed bank in Sri Lanka with a validity period of 180 days should be submitted by every successful tenderer before establishment of the L/C.
6. Separate tender documents should be used for each tender.
7. New suppliers will be considered only after testing the quality of the samples.
8. Tender will be closed at 2.00 p.m. on 28th December 2010 and will be opened immediately in the presence of tenderers or their authorized representatives.
9. Further information could be obtained from the Imports Department of ANCL on 2429411/ 2429451.
10. The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers without assigning any reason what so ever.

**Chairman – Newsprint Tender Board,
The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd,
“Lake House”, No. 35, D. R. Wijewardene Mw,
Colombo 10.**

TENDER APPLICATION FORM

TENDER FOR SUPPLY OF 5,000 MT REELED NEWSPRINT TO ANCL

Details of the Supplier/ Principal				
01)	Name			
02)	Address			
03)	Contact person			
04)	Contact telephone no			
05)	Contact fax no			
06)	Contact e-mail			
Details of the Agent in Sri Lanka				
07)	Name			
08)	Address			
09)	Contact person			
10)	Contact telephone no			
11)	Contact fax no			
12)	Contact e-mail			
13)	Agency status			
General				
14)	Name of the mill			
15)	Country of origin			
16)	Delivery period			
17)	Validity of offer (Min 90 days)			
18)	Payment terms			
19)	Quoted currency			
20)	Bid bond number & details			
21)	ANCL Receipt no			
Our quotations are as follows,				
	Substance/grammage	42 Gsm	45 Gsm	48.8 Gsm
	Quantity offered -Mt			
	Price			
	Fob			
	Freight			
	Insurance			
	Total CIF/FOB			
	Total CIF/FOB in words			

We/I the undersigned do hereby undertake to supply the goods described herein in accordance with the terms and the conditions stipulated in attached annexure (i) and in conformity with the specification attached in annexure (ii) and execute the orders to the entire satisfaction of the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited, if our/my tender is accepted.

Date

Company seal

Signature

THE ASSOCIATED NEWSPAPERS OF CEYLON LTD
TENDER FOR SUPPLY OF 5,000MT

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE TENDER

1. FORM OF TENDER

- Tender should be submitted in duplicate (Marked " Original and Duplicate") only on Tender Documents available at Imports Department of The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, on payment of non – refundable fee of Rs. 5,000/- in cash.
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- Tender Documents are also available at the web site www.dailynews.lk or www.sundayobserver.lk and could be used with the payment of non – refundable fee of **Rs. 5,000/-**
- Separate Tender documents should be used for each offers

2. CLOSING DATE OF TENDER

- Tender shall be marked " **TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF WEB OFFSET NEWSPRINT** " on top left hand corner of the envelope and submit by registered cover addressed to **The Chairman, Newsprint Tender Board, The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, Lake House, No. 35, D.R. Wijewardene Mw, Colombo 10.**, or be deposited in the **TENDER BOX** kept for this purpose at the Imports Department of The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, on or before the date and time as mentioned in next paragraph of these instructions . **Tenders received after the closing time will be rejected.**
- **Tender will be closed at 2.00 p.m. on 28th December 2010 and will be opened immediately in the presence of the tenderers or their accredited agents.**

3. ELIGIBILITY TO TENDER

- Manufactures / Principals or their Accredited Local Agents or Local Suppliers are eligible to Tender.
- No local tender on behalf of foreign principals will be considered unless the Tenderers holds an executed Power of Attorney from the manufactures / Principals to enter into a valid agreement to fulfill all the terms and conditions of the contract in the event of it being awarded.
- **New suppliers will be considered only after testing the quality of the samples.**

4. LANGUAGE OF TENDER

All correspondence shall be in English Language.

5. AMENDMENTS TO TENDER DOCUMENTS

No modification or alternations are allowed after the closing of the tenders.

6. BUSINESS ADDRESS

Tender should state in their tenders, the address to which notices, orders and correspondence relating to the tenders and agreements are to be sent. Any change of address should be notified to the Chairman, Newsprint Tender Board, The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, Lake House, No. 35, D.R. Wijewardene Mw, Colombo 10.

7. PERIOD OF VALIDITY

Tenderers are required to keep their prices firm and valid for a minimum period of 90 days from the date of closing of tender.

8. OFFERS

- The Tenderers should quote both **FOB** and **C I F Colombo prices**. **CIF offers should clearly detail Cost, Freight & Insurance** separately. The Freight invoiced against the shipping invoice should be the actual freight paid indicated in the Bill of Lading or the Freight receipt issued by the Shipping Company. However, the freight paid against the shipping documents will be the actual freight paid or quoted whichever is lower.
- ANCL reserves the right to place the order on FOB or on C&F terms.
- All Quotations must be in words and figures. Any changes, erasures, alterations or amendments should be authenticated by the tenderer's full signature. In the event of any discrepancy between words and figures, the amount given in words shall prevail.
- Tender should state separately the Commission/Charges, which will be paid to the local agent in Sri Lanka in Sri Lankan Rupees on completion of the contract. Local Agent's commission will not be included in the Letter of Credit.
- The Chairman, Newsprint Tender Board, The Associated Newspaper of Ceylon Ltd, reserves right to reject any or all offers without assigning any reasons what so ever.

9. BID CURRENCY

The offers shall be in the currency of the country of the Tenderers or in **US \$ (Dollars)** or **Pounds Sterling** or **Euros** or **Japanese Yen** Only. (**US \$ prefer**)

10. DETAILS OF DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH OFFER

Completed offer sheet bid bond, sample and any technical literatures (If Any).

11. SAMPLES

Minimum of 30 sheets of A₄ size paper or 5 to 10 meter piece of paper in roll form.

12. MODE OF PAYMENT

Letter of Credit at sight or DP terms. If any supplier wishes to grant any other terms (ie. credit facilities or loan etc.), could be indicated separately.

13. PRE – SHIPMENT INSPECTION CERTIFICATION

Supplier has to provide on his own expenses. (If Required)

14. SHIPMENT

Quantity should be shipped in batches of 250 MT and on 1000 MT per month arrival basis. Shipping schedule will be provided.

15. BID BOND

All offers should be accompanied by a Bid Bond (One offer per one Bid Bond) acceptable to the Tender Board for the value of Rs. 300,000/-. This Bid Bond may be offered in one of the following alternative forms.

- A Cash deposit.
- An Acceptable Bank Guarantee confirmed by a Bank operating in Sri Lanka payable to The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd.
- An unconditional Bid Bond excusable on demand issued by a reputed Insurance company in Sri Lanka payable to The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd. The Validity of any of the above Guarantee will be at least 120 days from the date of opening of Tenders.
- **If no Bid Bond is submitted the offer will not be considered.**

16. PERFORMANCE BOND

- The successful Tenderers should provide a performance Guarantee Bond to the value of 10% from an approved Bank operating in Sri Lanka.
- Depending on the circumstances, the Newsprint Tender Board of the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited will decide on a lower performance bond requirement from existing suppliers.
- This Bond should be submitted to The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, **within 01 week of the date of the offer is accepted.**
- This Bond should be valid for a minimum period of 180 days from the date of awarding of tender and will be released only after satisfactory receipt of goods.
- In case of delay or default by the supplier, Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, shall have the option to terminate the contract and collect the performance bond without prejudice to any other claims that be lodged in this regard.

17. AGREEMENT

The successful Tenderers must enter into an Agreement with The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, within 01 week of the information of the award is made. This agreement should not be assigned or transfer to anyone without the written consent of The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd.

18. ARBITRATION

All disputes arising out of contract agreement will be dealt within accordance with the provision of Arbitration Act No. 11 of 1995.

19. SPECIFICATION

Please see Annexure II

SPECIFICATION OF NEWSPRINT

Quality	:	First class web offset Newsprint papers in reels
Substance	:	Grammage [g/m ²] 42 GSM , 45 GSM and or 48.8 GSM
Diameter of Reel	:	Equivalent to 1016 – 1066 mm
Diameter of Inner Core	:	3" Equivalent to 76 mm
Reel Width	:	700 mm The required size will be indicated when a firm order is given
Ash Content	:	Not more than 2%
Moisture Content	:	42 GSM – 7% - 8 % 45 GSM – 7% - 8% 48.8 GSM – 6.5% - 7%
PH Value	:	5 – 6
Tensile Strength	:	M/D Not less than 2.20 KN/m C/D Not less than 0.50 KN/m
Tear Strength	:	M/D Not less than 300 mN C/D Not less than 325 mN
Opacity	:	Not less than 93%
Brightness ISO	:	Not less than 58%
Bulking Thickness	:	65 – 72 (Micron)
Weight of the fiber content	:	Not less than 65%
Packing	:	Strong Sea worthy export packing in 3 to 4 sheets of thick hardboard with one inner layer of moisture barrier including reinforced sides.
Core Plug	:	Heavy Duty Compressed hardboard (non – Collapsible) wood, Metal or Plastic.

**Head of Press
Press Dept.**