

**PROCUREMENT NOTICE**  
**FIRST CLASS WEB OFFSET NEWSPRINT**  
**IMP/ ADV/ 2017 /16**

The Chairman, Procurement Committee, The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited (ANCL), hereby invites sealed bids 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** : **FIRST CLASS WEB OFFSET NEWSPRINT**  
**SUBSTANCE & QUANTITY:** **45 GSM - 2,000 MT**  
**48.8 GSM - 1000 MT**  
**REEL DIAMETER** : **1016 – 1066 mm (MAXIMUM)**  
**REEL WIDTH** : **350 mm, 700 mm**  
**CORE INNER** : **76 mm**

1. Bids should be submitted only on Bid Documents available at Procurement Department of the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, with a payment of non-refundable tender fee of Rs. 5,000/- in cash. Bid documents will be issued during office hours until 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017.
2. Bid Documents are also available at the web site [www.dailynews.lk](http://www.dailynews.lk) and [www.sundayobserver.lk](http://www.sundayobserver.lk) and could also be used with a non-refundable payment of Rs.5, 000/-.
3. Per MT price to be quoted in acceptable currency preferably in US \$ giving both FOB and CIF quotes on LC at sight basis and 90 days usance basis. Freight and insurance charges of CIF offers are to be indicated separately. **ANCL reserves the right to place the order on FOB or on CIF terms.**
4. Bids 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 bidder before establishment of the L/C.
6. Separate bid documents should be used for each bid.
7. New suppliers will be considered only after testing the quality of the samples.
8. Bids should be delivered to the below address on or before **14.00 hrs on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017 .** **Late bids will be rejected.** Bids will be opened soon after closing the bid, in the presence of bidders or their authorized representatives.
9. Further information could be obtained from the Procurement Department of ANCL on 2429451.
10. The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason what so ever.

Chairman –Procurement Committee,  
The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd,  
“Lake House”, No. 35, D. R. Wijewardene Mw.,  
Colombo – 10.  
Sri Lanka.



**BID SUBMISSION FORM****SUPPLY OF 3,000 MT REELED NEWSPRINT TO ANCL**

<b>Details of the Supplier/ Principal</b>		
01)	Name	
02)	Address	
03)	Contact person	
04)	Contact telephone no	
05)	Contact fax no	
06)	Contact e-mail	
<b>Details of the Agent in Sri Lanka</b>		
07)	Name	
08)	Address	
09)	Contact person	
10)	Contact telephone no	
11)	Contact fax no	
12)	Contact e-mail	
13)	Agency status	
<b>General</b>		
14)	Name of the mill	
15)	Country of origin	
16)	Delivery period	
17)	Payment terms	
18)	Validity of offer ( Min 90 days)	
19)	Quoted currency	
20)	Bid bond number & details	
21)	ANCL Receipt no	

<b>Our quotations are as follows,</b>		
<b>Substance/grammage</b>	<b>45 Gsm</b>	<b>48.8 Gsm</b>
Quantity offered -Mt		
<b>Price - L/C at Sight</b>		
FOB		
Freight		
Insurance		
Total CIF/FOB		
Total CIF/FOB in words		

<b>Substance/grammage</b>	<b>45 Gsm</b>	<b>48.8 Gsm</b>
Quantity offered -Mt		
<b>Price - With 90 days Usance</b>		
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**

**Signature**

**THE ASSOCIATED NEWSPAPERS OF CEYLON LTD**  
**PROCUREMENT OF 3,000 MT NEWSPRINT**

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE TENDER**

**1. BID DOCUMENT**

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- Bid Documents will be issued during the office hours until **18<sup>th</sup> October 2017**.
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- Separate Bid documents should be used for each offers.

**2. CLOSING DATE**

- Bid shall be marked "**SUPPLY OF WEB OFFSET NEWSPRINT** " on top left hand corner of the envelope and submit by registered cover addressed to **The Chairman, Procurement Committee, The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, Lake House, No. 35, D.R. Wijewardene Mw, Colombo 10.**, or be deposited in the BOX kept for this purpose at the Procurement Department of The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, on or before the date and time as mentioned in next paragraph of these instructions . **Bids received after the closing time will be rejected.**
- Bids shall be delivered to the below address on or before **14.00 hrs on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017**. Bids will be opened soon after closing in the presence of bidders or their authorized representatives.

**3. ELIGIBILITY**

- Manufactures / Principals or their Accredited Local Agents or Local Suppliers are eligible to submit bids.
- No local bids 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**

All correspondence shall be in English Language.

**5. AMENDMENTS TO BID DOCUMENTS**

No modification or alternations are allowed after the closing.

## 6. BUSINESS ADDRESS

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

## 7. PERIOD OF VALIDITY

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

## 8. BIDDS

- The bidders should quote both **FOB** and **CIF Colombo prices ( on at sight as well as 90 days usance)**. **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, C&F or on CIF terms.**
- Bid 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.
- Local offers should be clearly detail Ex Stock price, transport charges, VAT and other Levies separately .
- 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.
- The Chairman, Procurement Committee, The Associated Newspaper of Ceylon Ltd, reserves right to reject any or all bids without assigning any reasons what so ever.

## 9. BID CURRENCY

The Bids 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 Application Form, bid bond, sample and any technical literatures.

## 11. SAMPLES

Minimum of 30 sheets of A<sub>4</sub> size paper or 5 to 10 meter piece of paper in roll form.

## 12. MODE OF PAYMENT

Letter of Credit at sight or usance 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 1,000 MT per month arrival basis. Shipping schedule will be provided.

### 15. BID BOND

All bids should be accompanied by Bid Bonds (One Bid Bond per one offer) acceptable to the Procurement Committee 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 Bids.
- **If no Bid Bond is submitted the offer will not be considered.**

### 16. PERFORMANCE BOND

- The successful Bidder should provide a performance Guarantee Bond to the value of 10% from an approved Bank operating in Sri Lanka.
- Depending on the circumstances, the Procurement Committee 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 contract 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 Bidders 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**

<b>Quality</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>First class web offset Newsprint papers in reels</b>
<b>Substance</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Grammage [g/m<sup>2</sup>] 45 GSM and or 48.8 GSM</b>
<b>Diameter of Reel</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Equivalent to 1016 – 1066 mm</b>
<b>Diameter of Inner Core</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>3" Equivalent to 76 mm</b>
<b>Reel Width</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>700 mm &amp; 350 mm The required size will be indicated when a firm order is given</b>
<b>Ash Content</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Not more than 2%</b>
<b>Moisture Content</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>45 GSM – 7% - 8% 48.8 GSM – 6.5% - 7%</b>
<b>PH Value</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>5 – 6</b>
<b>Tensile Strength</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>M/D Not less than 2.20 KN/m C/D Not less than 0.50 KN/m</b>
<b>Tear Strength</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>M/D Not less than 300 mN C/D Not less than 325 mN</b>
<b>Opacity</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Not less than 93%</b>
<b>Brightness ISO</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Not less than 58%</b>
<b>Bulking Thickness</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>65 – 72 (Micron)</b>
<b>Weight of the fiber content</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Not less than 65%</b>
<b>Packing</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Strong Sea worthy export packing in 3 to 4 sheets of thick hardboard with one inner layer of moisture barrier including reinforced sides.</b>
<b>Core Plug</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Heavy Duty Compressed hardboard (non – Collapsible) wood, Metal or Plastic.</b>