



NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

TENDER No. PA/068/NDC/2020/2021/INV/02 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MHUKURU COAL PROJECT

1. INTRODUCTION

The National Development Corporation (NDC) was established as a statutory body by an Act of Parliament in 1962, wholly owned by the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, charged with responsibility of promoting economic development in Tanzania in partnership with the private sector.

The NDC is mandated by the Government of Tanzania to develop projects in the Mtwara Development Corridor. Mhukuru Coal (Mhukuru Coalfield) Project, located in Songea Rural District in Ruvuma Region is among the coal projects in the Mtwara Development Corridor.

2. GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION AND ACCESSIBILITY

Mhukuru coal field is located in Songea Rural district, Ruvuma region. The coal field is about 90km southwest of songea. The Mhukuru coal field is situated at South Western extreme of the Country and it is only 20km from Mozambique border town of Mitomoni. The topography of the coalfield is rather undulating with the highest elevation reaching 600m to 700m above sea level and the land rises gently from the Mhukuru valley. The coal field lie between latitudes 11°14'20"South and 11° 17'00"South and Longitude 35° 25' 30" and 35° 26' 56.04" East.

3. GEOLOGICAL SETTING

Mhukuru coal field is the only one among all the coalfield of Tanzania with workable seams occurring in the Mhukuru formation (K4) according to the Karoo sediments. The thickness of Mhukuru formation (K4) is more than 300m thick, but drilling through the formation conducted by Geological Survey of Tanzania in 1953, revealed remarkable coal seams or coal zones of workable thickness.

In this coalfield, Mhukuru formation consists of carbonaceous shale, mudstone, siltstone, sandstone with considerable development of shale coal and thin coal seams. The coal seams normally inter-bedded with shale and mudstone. The rock is exposed along Mhukuru River and its tributaries and overlies conformably rocks of Mbuyura Formation (K3). Occasionally band of ironstone are intercalated with the sediments and limestone bands occur at the top of Mhukuru formation (K4).

The coalfield is divide into two parts, by a fault trending almost east-west. The fault is prominent in the Mhukuru River and Migelegele Stream where many dips of strata have been observed. The coalfield is divided into the Northern and Southern areas. In the Northern

... has divided the coalfield into the northern and southern areas. In the northern area the normal strike of the beds is north-westerly with dips of 10°-20° to the southwest or south-south west. In the Southern area strike direction is Southwest and northwest and the dip is 10°-15°. Considerable faulting has occurred in the Karoo rocks, which may have affected the distribution of the coal seams

4. OBJECTIVE

The main objective is to secure experienced and competent investor who will partner with NDC in the development and implementation of the Mhukuru Coal Project. The investor or firm is free to form joint ventures/consortia to express the interest.

5. PROPOSED PROJECT

The NDC intends to pre-qualify experienced and competent investors and/or firms to act as co-sponsors and shareholders alongside the NDC in promoting a joint venture company which will have the right to develop the Project. This will likely involve:

- exploration and identification of quantity and quality of coal deposit at Mhukuru Coalfield, including evaluation of the mineralogy and coal quality for steaming, industrial grade and coking/semi coking coal; and
- the development of an efficient method for exploiting the deposits having in mind the infrastructural needs of the region including the access road to the mine site, dumping site and the aim of providing clearly any processing or washing facilities within the project area.

6. INTERESTED INVESTORS

The NDC now seeks eligible investors to submit their application for pre-qualification for the above-mentioned Project. The evaluation criteria will take into consideration the **technical, managerial and financial capability, as well as the experience and past performance of similar business, of the prospective investors/firms.**

7. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST DOCUMENT

Expression of Interest, along with company profile, audited financial statements and power of attorney must be made by way of submission of a completed set of pre-qualification documents in English. Completed applications for pre-qualification must be submitted in five (5) hard copies (one original plus four (4) copies including electronic copy on CD in sealed envelopes, and delivered to the address below.

8. SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The Expressions of Interest must be submitted/delivered to the address below on or before 13th November 2020 at 14:00hrs, 6th Floor, Room No. 605, clearly marked **"Tender No. PA/068/NDC/2020/2021/INV/02 "Expression of Interest for Development and Implementation of Mhukuru Coal Project"**

9. Late or electronic submission of Expressions of Interest shall not be accepted for evaluation irrespective of the circumstances.

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