1. This invitation for bids (IFB) follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project which was published on the website of the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) (www.isdb.org) on the 9th of April, 2019, the UN Development Business Website on the 5th of April, 2019, and in the local newspaper Times of Suriname on the 5th of April, 2019, issue volume 16 no. 4483.

2. The Republic of Suriname has an agreement with the International Islamic Trade and Finance Corporation (ITFC), part of the Islamic Development Bank Group for financing of ‘The Purchase of Foodstuff, Medical Supplies, Agriculture Inputs, Cement and Construction Materials’ Project up to the amount of US$25,000,000.00 (US Dollars Twenty Five million) and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this financing to payments under the contract for supply of medicines.

3. The Ministry of Trade, Industry and Tourism of Suriname now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for 32 essential medicines with an estimated total value of USD 4 million. The delivery time for all items is four (4) months after contract signing. Bidders are allowed, at its option, to bid for one or for a group of medicines. In case of the latter, each medicine must be priced separately.

4. Bidding will be conducted through the international competitive bidding procedures specified in the Guidelines for Procurement of Goods and Works under Islamic Development Bank Financing (May 2009 Amended February 2012), and are open to all bidders from member and non-member countries (ICB) as defined in these Guidelines.

5. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Tourism of Suriname and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below from 9.00hrs – 13.00 hrs (Suriname local time) starting February 17th till March 17th, 2020.

6. A complete set of bidding documents in English may be purchased from February 17th, 2020 by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below during office hours 08.00 to 14.00 hrs and upon payment of a non refundable fee of USD 500.00 (five hundred US dollars) or the equivalent in Surinamese Dollars at the exchange rate fixed by the Central Bank of Suriname. The methods of payment will be direct deposit or bank transfer into one of the two following accounts at the Central bank of Suriname:
Account name: “ITFC Murabaha Basic Goods Products"
USD account number: 0313100-001-139-840 and
SRD account number: 0313100-001-241-968

The documents will be sent by e-mail or can be picked up on a CD, after delivery of the payment receipt at the PMU of the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Tourism at the address below.
All banking charges and fees related to the direct deposit or bank transfer shall be for the bidder’s account.

7. Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before 10.00 AM Suriname time on Tuesday, April 21st 2020. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of 2.5% of the bid price.
Late bids will be rejected and returned unopened. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders’ representatives, who choose to attend at the address below at 10.20 AM on Tuesday, April 21st 2020.

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