



**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
SMALLHOLDER AGRICULTURE TRANSFORMATION AND AGRIBUSINESS  
REVITALIZATION PROJECT (STAR-P)  
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Gardnersville – Monrovia, Liberia**

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**Letter of Invitation for Bids**

Monrovia, Liberia  
March 2, 2026

**Re:** *Supply and Delivery of Organic and Inorganic Fertilizer for 2000 Smallholder Farmers;*  
Ref No: LBR-2000001194-0014-G-ICB

1. The *Government of Liberia* has received financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) towards the cost of the *Smallholder Agriculture Transformation and Agribusiness Revitalization (STAR) Project* and intends to apply part of the financing for the purchase of these goods. The use of any IFAD financing shall be subject to IFAD’s approval, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the financing agreement, as well as IFAD’s rules, policies, and procedures. IFAD and its officials, agents, and employees shall be held harmless from and against all suits, proceedings, claims, demands, losses, and liability of any kind or nature brought by any party in connection with the *Smallholder Agriculture Transformation and Agribusiness Revitalization (STAR) Project*.
2. The *Smallholder Agriculture Transformation and Agribusiness Revitalization (STAR) Project* includes **improving** livelihood and food security for smallholder farmers in the rice and oil palm value chains. The scaled-up phase will add 35,525 beneficiaries, including: (i) 16,825 smallholder farmers accessing matching grants through FBOs/cooperatives; (ii) 12,000 rural residents benefiting from community action plans (CAPs); (iii) 1,700 individuals supported via MSME matching grants; and (iv) 5,000 farmers receiving direct production support. After five years of project implementation under World Bank supervision, IFAD assumed project supervision in July 2025 to implement the IFAD Additional Financing until September 2029.
3. The Ministry of Agriculture, through the Smallholder Agriculture Transformation and Agribusiness Revitalization Project (STAR-P) now invites sealed bids from eligible entities (“bidders”) for the provision of:

Lot #	Description of Procurement	Item	Qty.	Delivery Period	Destination
1	Supply and Delivery of Fertilizers for Rice and Oil Palm Farmers	Fertilizers (NPK & UREA)	481,250kg	90-120 days	STAR-P Warehouses in the 15 Counties
2	Supply and Delivery of Fertilizers for Vegetable Farmers	Organic Fertilizers (Compost)	250,000kg	60-90 days	STAR-P Warehouses in the 15 Counties

More details on these goods and related services are provided in the schedule of requirements in this bidding document.

4. This IFB is open to all eligible bidders who wish to respond. Subject to the restrictions noted in the bidding document, eligible entities may associate with other bidders to enhance their capacity to successfully deliver the goods and related services.
5. The goods and related services, and the contract expected to be awarded, are divided into the following lots:
  - a. Lot 1: Supply and Delivery of Inorganic Fertilizer (NPK & UREA)
  - b. Lot 2: Supply and Delivery of Organic Fertilizer (Compost)
6. Bidding will be conducted using the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) method, the evaluation procedure for which is described in this bidding document, in accordance with the IFAD procurement handbook, which is provided on the IFAD website [www.ifad.org/project-procurement](http://www.ifad.org/project-procurement). The ICB process, as described, will include a review and verification of qualifications and past performance, including a reference check, prior to the contract award.
7. Please note that a pre-bid conference *will not* be held as described in the bid data sheet BDS, Section II of the bidding document.
8. Bids must be delivered to the address below and in the manner specified in the BDS ITB 25 no later than 1400 Hours GMT (2:00 pm Monrovia Time) on April 13, 2026.

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9. Bidders should be aware that late bids will not be accepted under any circumstances and will be returned unopened to the bidder. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security (as required) in the manner and amount specified in the bid data sheet.
10. Please note that electronic bids shall not be accepted as defined in ITB BDS 25. However, bidders must include a USB that contains the files of their proposals to accompany the hard copies.

Yours sincerely,

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