

BIOSECURITY AUTHORITY OF FIJI

TENDER NO. 04/2026

TERMS OF REFERENCE

TENDER FOR THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, REGISTRATION, TESTING AND DELIVERY OF ONE (1) 29.5-FOOT ALUMINIUM BOAT

Closing Date: 20th August 2026

Closing Time: 5PM

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SECTION A - BIOSECURITY AUTHORITY OF FIJI BACKGROUND

The Biosecurity Authority of Fiji (BAF) was established under the Biosecurity Act 2008.

BAF is responsible for safeguarding Fiji against the introduction and spread of regulated pests and diseases that may adversely affect agriculture, livestock, fisheries, biodiversity, human health, trade, and the environment.

The Authority's principal functions include:

1. Protecting Fiji against the entry of regulated pests and diseases affecting plants, animals, humans, and the environment.
2. Conducting surveillance and monitoring programmes to determine the status of regulated pests and diseases.
3. Preventing the establishment and spread of regulated pests and diseases.
4. Eradicating, containing, or controlling regulated pests and diseases already present within Fiji.
5. Facilitating the safe importation of animals, plants, plant products, animal products, machinery, equipment, and other regulated articles.
6. Facilitating exports in accordance with importing country biosecurity requirements.
7. Supporting international cooperation on biosecurity matters.
8. Enforcing compliance with the Biosecurity Act 2008 and associated regulations.

The Biosecurity Act 2008 provides the legislative framework governing the movement of animals, plants, plant products, animal products, and regulated articles into, out of, and within Fiji while facilitating safe trade and protecting Fiji's agricultural and environmental resources.

Due to Fiji's geographical location and numerous islands, marine transportation is an important operational requirement for BAF. The Authority requires reliable marine assets to support coastal surveillance, inter-island biosecurity operations, emergency response activities, and transportation of personnel and equipment.

SECTION B - TENDER INVITATION AND SUBMISSION

1. Introduction

The Biosecurity Authority of Fiji invites sealed tenders from reputable, experienced, and eligible boat builders, marine engineering companies, and registered vessel manufacturers for the:

Design, Construction, Registration, Testing and Delivery of One (1) 29.5-Foot Aluminium Work Boat.

The successful supplier shall provide a complete operational vessel including design, fabrication, installation, testing, registration, commissioning, and delivery.

The vessel shall be suitable for coastal and inter-island biosecurity operations within Fiji waters and shall comply with Maritime Safety Authority of Fiji (MSAF) requirements.

2. Purpose of this Tender

The purpose of this Tender is to:

- Obtain competitive offers from qualified marine vessel manufacturers.
- Ensure transparency and fairness during the procurement process.
- Select a supplier offering the best value for money while meeting BAF's operational requirements.
- Ensure the vessel is constructed to a high standard, suitable for Fiji marine conditions.
- Ensure all submissions are evaluated using consistent and objective criteria.

3. Submission of Tender

Interested suppliers shall submit one original hard copy in a sealed envelope clearly marked:

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The Tender Committee
Biosecurity Authority of Fiji
Level 3, FNPF Plaza 1
Ellery Street
Suva
Fiji

Electronic submissions will not be accepted.

Late submissions will not be considered.

4. Tender Closing

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5. Clarifications

All clarification requests shall be submitted in writing to:

Secretary – Tender Committee
Biosecurity Authority of Fiji
Email: hbuksh@baf.com.fj

Clarification requests shall be received before the tender closing date.

6. Mandatory Submission Requirements

Tenderers shall submit the following:

- Valid Business Registration Certificate.
- FRCS Tax Compliance Certificate.
- FNPF Compliance Certificate.
- Company Profile.
- Details of marine vessel construction experience.
- Technical proposal.
- Vessel design drawings (where available).
- Manufacturer's specifications.

- Construction methodology.
- Proposed work programme.
- Delivery schedule.
- Warranty details.
- After-sales service details.
- References for similar marine projects.
- MSAF registration experience.
- Financial proposal.

Failure to provide the above mandatory documents may result in the submission being declared non-responsive.

SECTION C – SCOPE OF WORK AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Scope of Works

The successful bidder shall design, construct, register, test, and deliver:

One (1) 29.5-Foot (9.0 Metre) Aluminium Work Boat

The vessel shall be a commercial-grade marine vessel suitable for:

- Coastal operations.
- Inter-island transportation.
- Biosecurity surveillance.
- Emergency response activities.
- Transportation of officers and equipment.

The supplier shall provide:

- Vessel design.
- Marine engineering.
- Aluminium fabrication.
- Hull construction.
- Cabin construction.
- Installation of systems.
- Installation of BAF-supplied equipment.
- Testing and commissioning.
- Sea trials.
- MSAF registration.
- Final delivery.

Minimum Technical Specifications

Description	Minimum Requirement	Bidder's Response
Vessel Type	Aluminium Work Boat	
Length	29.5 Feet (9.0 metres)	
Hull Type	Single Hull	
Construction Material	Marine Grade Aluminium	
Passenger Capacity	16 Persons	
Configuration	Centre Console with Forward Cabin	
Cabin	Enclosed Forward Cabin	
Engine Configuration	Twin 250HP Outboard Engines	
Engine Supply	Supplied by BAF	
Fuel Capacity	2 x 500 Litres Aluminium Tanks	
Fuel System	Complete Marine Fuel System	
Deck Type	Self-Draining Deck	
Buoyancy	Watertight Sealed Compartments	
Steering	Internal Helm Station	
Seating	Fixed Bench Seating Port & Starboard	
Anchor System	Heavy Duty Anchor Roller	
Safety Rails	High Bow Safety Rails	
Electrical System	Complete Marine Electrical Installation	
Navigation Equipment	Installed by Contractor	
Communication Equipment	Installed by Contractor	
Depth Sounder	Installed by Contractor	
Life Raft	Installed by Contractor	
Washroom	Provision Required	
Registration	MSAF Certified and Registered	
Warranty	Minimum 12 Months	
Delivery Period	State	
Unit Price (VAT Inclusive)	State	

Additional Requirements

Tenderers shall clearly indicate:

1. Price validity (minimum 90 days).
2. Construction period.
3. Delivery period.
4. Vessel warranty period.
5. Structural warranty.

6. Workmanship warranty.
7. Local service and repair support.
8. Availability of spare parts.
9. Previous experience with aluminium vessels.
10. MSAF registration experience.
11. Any additional value-added services.
12. Any optional equipment included.

SECTION D – TENDER EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following documents are mandatory and will be assessed before detailed evaluation:

- Business Registration Certificate.
- FRCS Tax Compliance Certificate.
- FNPF Compliance Certificate.
- Company Profile.
- Similar Marine Construction Experience.

Only compliant submissions will proceed to detailed evaluation.

Evaluation Criteria	Marks
Administrative Compliance	10
Technical Compliance	50
Financial Evaluation	40
Total	100

Administrative Compliance (10 Marks)

Assessment will include:

- Company profile and experience.
- Years in operation.
- Similar vessel construction references.
- Financial capacity.
- Compliance documents.

Technical Compliance (50 Marks)

Assessment will include:

- Compliance with vessel specifications.
- Aluminium fabrication capability.
- Hull construction methodology.
- Marine engineering experience.
- MSAF registration capability.
- Quality assurance procedures.
- Delivery timeframe.
- Warranty provisions.
- After-sales support.
- Spare parts availability.

Financial Evaluation (40 Marks)

Assessment will include:

- VAT inclusive tender price.
- Value for money.
- Price validity.
- Cost transparency.
- Whole-of-life operational considerations.
- Maintenance and support costs.