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MoPH

20,000 Persons Diagnosed with Cancer Countrywide

As many as 20,000 people, 3,500 of them women, have been suffering from various kinds of cancer in the country, an official said on Tuesday.

KABUL - The Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) has launched a public awareness campaign aimed at prevention and control of breast cancer across the country.

The awareness drive was set to be carried out at governmental organisations, schools, universities in capital Kabul and provinces of the country.

Public Health Minister Dr. Ferouzuddin Feroz at the inaugural ceremony of the campaign said over the past two years the ministry had established three centres for diagnosis and treatment of cancer in Kabul and Herat provinces in order to reduce and cure breast cancer. He said these centres offered free diagnosis and treatment services to people. Feroz called the breast cancer diseases



as a health challenge in the country, saying currently about 20,000 cancer patients,

including 3,500 women suffering from breast cancer across the country.

Nabila Saleh, deputy minister of women affairs, also spoke on the occasion, saying here ministry was mulling over to conduct similar public awareness campaign with regard to reducing the disease in capital and provinces of the country.

According to health experts, in case of early diagnosis of the breast cancer, nearly 90 percent of it could be cured and if women felt pain in the breasts, they should refer to a doctor or health centre as soon as possible. Breast cancer starts when cells in the breast begin to grow out of control. These cells usually form a tumor that can often be seen on an x-ray or felt as a lump. The tumor is malignant (cancer) if the cells can grow into (invade) surrounding tissues or spread (metastasize) to distant areas of the body. (Pajhwok)

High State Medals Awarded for Thwarting Smuggle of 2800-Year-Old Book and Kabul Attack



KABUL - President Mohamad Ashraf Ghani on Monday conferred High State Medals on security officials who had played key roles in thwarting the smuggling of 2800-year-old ancient book and a deadly truck bombing in Kabul city. The Office of the President, ARG Palace, in a statement said the medals were awarded at the end of the ... (More on P4)... (12)

80pc of Helmandis Visit Other Provinces for Treatment

LASHKARGAH - Eighty percent of residents of southern Helmand province visit hospitals in other provinces or travel abroad for medical treatment due to insufficient facilities there.

Helmand is one of the war-torn provinces and most of its residents suffer from problems including lack of access to health services.

Public Health Director Mauladad Tobagar told Pajhwok Afghan News the health sector of Helmand was paid less attention considering ... (More on P4)... (13)

Research Finds Mobile Users' Tax Collection Process Highly Corrupt

KABUL - Research shows massive corruption existed in the 10 percent tax on mobile phone services and the government failed to ensure transparency in this process. Ihsanullah Hekmat, head of the AFCAC who conducted the research, told reporters here the process of 10 percent tax on mobile communication was not transparent from the beginning. ... (More on P4)... (9)

Forces Retake Farah's Shebkoh District

FARAH CITY - Security forces recaptured the Shebkoh district centre from the Taliban on Tuesday, according to local official, residents.

Dadullah Qane, secretary of the Provincial Council, told Pajhwok Afghan News the Taliban overran the Shebkoh district centre on Monday night.

Abdul Hameedi, the resident of Kin village, told Pajhwok Afghan News security forces retook the control of district centre at around 7:00am ... (More on P4)... (10)

Pak FM Asks US to Stop Airstrikes

KABUL - Hours after a deadly US airstrike left several militants dead in Kurram Agency of Pakistan, the country's foreign minister Khawaja Asif called on the United States to stop airstrikes amid ongoing efforts to revive the Afghan peace process.

Asif was speaking to a private TV channel after a series of airstrikes targeted a compound of the notorious Haqqani terrorist network in Kurram Agency, located in the tribal regions of the country. ... (More on P4)... (11)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Broadband Services over DABS Power Lines;

DABS/96/ICB/025

COUNTRY: Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

NAME OF PROJECT: Broadband Services over DABS Power Lines;

Reference NO: DABS/96/ICB/025

EXPRESSION OF INTREST

Background

The proposed DABS planning for utilizing their infrastructure for value added services has two components: (I) DABS offering its power line infrastructure (II) Investors utilizing it for value added services within the current infrastructure.

COMPONENT I: DABS is the sole provider of Electricity in Afghanistan through their power line infrastructure in almost all the provinces across Afghanistan. Having this advantage to our profile, DABS would like to invite investors to invest with DABS such that they can utilize the available resources and provide additional services. This is an invitation for a Public Private Partnership (PPP). DABS will not invest but share in with the investors in the revenue stream generated from the proposed solution.

COMPONENT II: Investors should propose a solution where they can use the existing DABS power line infrastructure and inject VAS "Value Added Services" through it to the end users. The investor should propose a complete solution, which takes care of all the aspects, from planning, deployment and delivery to end users, including maintenance contract of 10 Years and billing solutions for end users. Investors should provide their business plan for at least 5 years. Investors should also provide their full technical proposal along with their compatibility to accomplish the target.

1. Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat now invites expression of interest (EOI) from eligible service providers/firms having experience in the required areas. Interested firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services.
2. The bidders should provide (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, financial annual report.). Service providers may associate to enhance their qualifications.
3. **The Short Listing Criteria are;**
 - The investor should be in ISP business for the last 5-8 years of experience in the region. Understanding the requirement of both business and home users for internet, previous experience in BPL. would be a plus point;
 - Must have a valid business license;
 - The investor should have already sold a bandwidth of more than 1 Gigabit to the end users in the market;

- Bandwidth services over existing power infrastructures to interfaces with both fiber and broadband;
- Advance metering infrastructure;
- Use power infrastructure to Backhaul data;
- The Investor should provide the followings details as well,
 - Business plan ;
 - Technical plans and details of the equipment will be used in this regards;
 - Detailed information on the technology you use and the space it requires;
 - How it can benefit DABS other than the revenue streams generated by this investment;
 - Technical defects and / or interference of the technology you use in the power lines;
 - Technical information on installation processes of the BPL equipment, and if / if not you require power shutdown in power lines.

The requirements for investors who intends to associate with other firm(s) in the form of a Joint Venture (JV) to enhance their qualifications indicated as under:

- Lead partner should be national/international firm meeting the above requirements;
- JV partner should have proven expertise and experience in power infrastructure and data for at least 8 years.

4. The interested bidders will be selected in accordance with procedure set out in the Public Procurement Law and its Procedures, Saratan 1395 (July 2016).

5. Interested bidders may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1500 hours on any working day from Saturday to Wednesday.

Expression of Interest must be delivered to the address below by **15th Nov 2017** at 16:00 local time.

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