

Terms of Reference (TOR)**Drilling of Nine (9) Modified Boreholes (40–60 m Depth) – Southwest State, Somalia****Location:** Southwest States – Somalia**Donor:** Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS)**Project Title:** Drilling of Nine (9) Modified Boreholes for Southwest State – Somalia**Reference No.:** Drought Impact Response Project / Somalia / Southwest State / 0001 / 2026**1. Background**

Qatar Red Crescent Society (QRCS) is a humanitarian organization operating in more than seventeen (17) countries worldwide. Since its establishment, QRCS has been committed to improving livelihoods, increasing agricultural productivity, raising living standards in disaster-affected and vulnerable rural communities, and contributing to economic recovery and resilience.

Ensuring sustainable access to safe and sufficient drinking water is one of the core pillars of QRCS's humanitarian work, as it directly supports public health, dignity, and community well-being.

QRCS works closely with a wide range of partners, including non-governmental organizations and United Nations agencies. Accordingly, QRCS intends to launch this tender to select a qualified contractor for the **drilling of nine (9) modified boreholes with depths ranging from 40 to 60 meters** in Southwest State, Somalia.

2. Overall Objective of the Procurement

The objectives of this procurement are to:

- Contract a qualified drilling company to support QRCS in implementing nine (9) modified boreholes in Somalia.
- Ensure the bidder possesses adequate hydrological capacity and technical expertise to carry out drilling and construction works efficiently.
- Evaluate bids based on technical capacity, implementation period, previous experience, and proven track record in similar projects.

3. Supplier Performance Evaluation Criteria

Suppliers will be assessed based on:

- Effectiveness:** Ability to manage time and implement activities according to the approved plan.
- Relevance:** Availability of qualified personnel and valid documentation demonstrating experience in borehole drilling and hydrological works within Somalia.
- Efficiency:** Capacity to deliver services at reasonable cost with adequate resources and equipment.

4. Scope of Work and Methodological Approach

The supplier shall be responsible for all phases, including geophysical investigations, mobilization, drilling, construction, installation, testing, and commissioning, across **nine (9) different sites** in Southwest State, Somalia.

QRCS retains full authority over supervision, inspection, approval, and final decision-making regarding all drilling activities.

Scope of work includes, but is not limited to:

- Drilling of boreholes to a depth of **40–60 meters**.

- b) Geophysical and hydrogeological studies including groundwater depth, hardness, and salinity.
- c) Construction of an elevated water tank (**10,000 liters / 10 m³**).
- d) Installation of a complete **solar-powered water pumping system**, including submersible pump (**3 HP**), discharge **5–8 m³/hour**, solar panels, controller, accessories, testing, and commissioning.
- e) Establishment of communal water points for humans and livestock.
- f) Fencing and securing the borehole site.
- g) Coordination with QRCS field teams for supervision.
- h) Chemical and water quality testing to meet **WHO drinking water standards**, with official accredited laboratory reports.

5. Bidder / Supplier Requirements

Bidders must provide:

1. Detailed company profile including drilling and construction experience.
2. Valid company registration certificate (Federal Government – Ministry of Commerce).
3. Recent tax or zakat clearance certificate (last fiscal quarter).
4. Bank statements for the last **six (6) months** showing full transactions.
5. Evidence of similar experiences with international NGOs or UN agencies (WASH, drilling, hydrology).
6. Technical proposal: approach & methodology, work plan & timeline, technical capacity & equipment.
7. Financial proposal with **all-inclusive prices** (transportation, labor, loading/unloading, etc.).
8. Details of technical staff and CVs.
9. Proof of operational capacity in Southwest and Central Somalia.

6. Bill of Quantities (Indicative – Per Borehole)

No.	Description	Quantity
1	Drilling of deep borehole (40–60 m) with solar pumping system	1
2	GRP/FRP water tank – 10 m ³	1
3	Communal water points (human & livestock)	2
4	Security room	1
5	Fencing works	1

Note: Quantities apply per borehole site.

Total Project: Drilling of nine (9) modified boreholes.

7. General and Contractual Conditions

7.1 Legal Eligibility

- Bidder's business license must cover borehole drilling and hydrological works.
- All licenses must be valid at bid submission.

7.2 Language

- All bids and correspondence must be in **English**.

7.3 Bid Preparation Costs

- All costs are borne by the bidder.

7.4 Bid Validity

- Minimum validity: **90 days** from the closing date.

7.5 Currency & Taxes

- Prices in **USD**, exclusive of government taxes (zero-rated invoice).

7.6 Submission Method

- Bids in **two sealed envelopes**: technical and financial.
- Each page must be signed and stamped.
- Each envelope must clearly state tender number, subject, and bidder name.

7.7 Bid Bond

- 5% of bid value (bank guarantee or certified bank cheque).
- Valid 90 days from closing date, renewable.

7.8 Performance Bond

- 10% of contract value, submitted within **one week** of award notification.
- Valid 90 days after contract completion or warranty period.

7.9 Maintenance Guarantee

- Replace performance bond after final acceptance.
- 10% of contract value for **90 days**.

7.10 Compliance with Bid Information

- Bidders must adhere fully to all information in submitted bids until expiration.

7.11 Failure to Perform

QRCS may:

- Liquidate guarantees.
- Award contract to next lowest bidder, charging defaulting supplier price difference + **10% administrative costs**.
- Blacklist supplier for a period determined by QRCS.

7.12 QRCS Rights

- Not obligated to accept lowest or any bid.
- May cancel or re-tender without justification.

7.13 Variation of Quantities

- QRCS may increase or decrease quantities by up to **20%**.

7.14 Arithmetic Errors

- Any bid with an arithmetic error >5% of total value shall be rejected.

7.15 Late Submissions

- Bids after the deadline will not be accepted.

7.16 Tender Conditions

- Technical specifications and special conditions form part of these terms.
- Conditions in the advertisement are integral.
- Non-compliant bids will not be considered.

8. Submission Information

Terms of Reference: <https://somalijobs.net>

Inquiries: Logistics and Procurement Officer – QRCS Somalia

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Submission Address:

Qatar Red Crescent Society – Somalia Office

Behind Qatar Embassy, Next to Peace University

Wadajir District – Mogadishu

Bid Title: *Drilling Modified Boreholes*

Submission Deadline: 24th February 2026 – 4:00 PM

9. Declaration and Commitment

I hereby declare and fully commit to comply with all the terms and conditions stated in this document.