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MSC-Proposals

CONCEPT PROPOSALS FOR MSC'S APPLICATIONS TO BE ISSUED IN PACKAGES

KUALA LUMPUR, July 14 (Bernama) -- Several specific Concept Requests for Proposals (CRFPs) will be issued under the four flagship applications for the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC) -- scheduled to be launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on July 26.

Multimedia Development Corporation (MDC) executive chairman Tan Sri Dr Othman Yeop Abdullah, in a media briefing today, said there would be five CRFPs issued for Electronic Government and Smart Schools, four for Telemedicine and one for Smart Card.

The CRFP is a refined approach of the Request For Proposals normally issued by companies or public institutions in the course of implementing new projects. CRFP, however, puts more emphasis on defining the project objectives and targeted benefits rather than specifying detailed technical requirements.

Dr Othman said that for Electronic Government, the CRFPs were for Licensing and Related Vehicle Services and Utility Payment, Prime Minister's Generic Office Environment, Electronic Procurement, Human Resource Management Information System and Project Monitoring System.

As for Smart School, the CRFPs will encompass Smart School Teaching-Learning Materials, Assesment System, Management System, Technology Infrastructure and Systems Intergration.

He added that the four CRFPs for Telemedicine will cover Mass Customised/Personalised Health Information and Education, Continuing Medical Education, Teleconsultation and Lifetime Health Plan

"Immediately after the launch (July 26), companies interested to bid may obtain the hardcopies of the CRFP documents from the related agencies," he said. The brief summary of the CRFPs could also be accessed at MSC website at <http://www.mdc.com.my>.

He also reminded the companies to do the bidding as a consortium.

MSC is 15-by-50km technology hub extending south from Kuala Lumpur City Centre, devoted to companies wanting to create, distribute and employ multimedia products and services.

The other three flagship applications to be implemented in line with the MSC development are Research and Development Clusters, Borderless Marketing Centres and World-wide Manufacturing Webs.

Dr Othman also annouced that to date, 19 companies had been awarded MSC status and MDC was still processing another 75 applications. -- BERNAMA

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