PROCUREMENT SPECIFICATION: OVERLANDING FIRST AID KITS FOR DOG HANDLERS AND DETECTOR DOGS

1. Purpose

To procure suitable **overlanding first aid kits** for use by SARS Detector Dog Unit handlers during operational deployments, travel, roadside stops, remote inspections, and field-based activities. Separate first aid kits must be provided for:

- **Dog handlers / employees**; and
- **Detector dogs / working dogs**.

The kits must support immediate first response until professional medical or veterinary care is available.

2. Human First Aid Kit – Dog Handlers

2.1 General Requirement

The supplier must provide a robust, portable **overlanding first aid kit for human use**, suitable for vehicle-based and field operations.

2.2 Supplier Requirement

The kit must be supplied by an **approved medical centre, registered medical supplier, or accredited occupational health / first aid service provider**.

2.3 Minimum Specification

The kit must include, at minimum:

- Sterile wound dressings and gauze pads;
- Bandages, adhesive plasters, and medical tape;
- Antiseptic wipes or wound-cleaning solution;
- Burn dressings or burn gel;
- Disposable medical gloves;
- CPR face shield or resuscitation barrier device;
- Triangular bandages and safety pins;
- Scissors and tweezers;
- Eye wash or sterile saline solution;
- Cold pack;

- Emergency blanket;
- Basic splints or support bandages;
- First aid instruction booklet;
- Durable, clearly marked, portable carry bag or case suitable for vehicle storage.

2.4 Quality Requirement

All contents must be unused, sealed, within expiry date, and suitable for operational use in outdoor, vehicle-based, and remote working environments.

3. Veterinary First Aid Kit – Detector Dogs

3.1 General Requirement

The supplier must provide a separate **working-dog / K9 veterinary first aid kit** suitable for detector dogs deployed in field, vehicle, inspection, and overlanding environments.

3.2 Supplier Requirement

The kit must be supplied or approved by an **approved veterinarian, registered veterinary practice, or recognised veterinary medical supplier**.

3.3 Minimum Specification

The detector dog first aid kit must include, at minimum:

- Sterile gauze, wound dressings, and bandages suitable for dogs;
- Vet wrap / self-adhesive bandage;
- Antiseptic wound-cleaning solution suitable for animal use;
- Saline solution for eye or wound flushing;
- Tick remover or tweezers;
- Disposable gloves;
- Digital thermometer suitable for animal use;
- Muzzle or soft restraint device, where appropriate;
- Emergency blanket or thermal wrap;
- Paw protection items, such as paw dressing material;
- Blunt-ended scissors;
- Syringe for flushing wounds, without needle;

- Contact card template for handler, veterinarian, and emergency details;
- Basic veterinary first aid guidance document;
- Durable, waterproof or water-resistant carry case suitable for vehicle and field deployment.

3.4 Quality Requirement

All veterinary items must be safe for canine use, sealed, within expiry date, and suitable for working dogs operating in high-mobility and outdoor environments.

4. Packaging and Identification

Each kit must be:

- Clearly labelled as either **"Handler First Aid Kit"** or **"Detector Dog Veterinary First Aid Kit"**;
- Supplied in a durable, portable, easy-to-access case;
- Suitable for storage in operational vehicles;
- Provided with a contents inventory list;
- Supplied with expiry dates clearly indicated where applicable.

5. Supplier Deliverables

The supplier must provide:

- Separate quotation for human and detector dog kits;
- Proof that the human kit is supplied by an approved medical centre or medical supplier;
- Proof that the detector dog kit is supplied or endorsed by an approved veterinarian or veterinary supplier;
- Full contents list for each kit;
- Expiry dates for all consumable items;
- Replacement/refill option for expired or used items.

6. Procurement Note

The human first aid kit and detector dog veterinary first aid kit must be procured as **separate kits**, as the medical requirements for employees and working dogs differ and must not be used interchangeably.