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BHARATMALA ROAD TO PROSPERITY BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE - BUILDING THE NATION CIN: U45400DL2014GOI269062

(A Government of India Enterprise)

No. NHIDCL/Ar.Pr./CivilWork/FootTrack/Bruni-Lama/2021 Dated 10.09.2021

To,

M/s Amar Construction Add- House No. 60, KK Road, Chenikuthi Hill Side, Guwahati,Assam Ph:- 9774926991 Email id:- amarconstruction19@gmail.com

Subject: i) Construction of Foot Track from Bruni to Lama from KM 0.000 to KM 32.800 in Anini District of the state of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode. ii) Construction of Foot Track from Basam to Tathi from KM 0.000 to KM 32.060 in Upper Subansiri Valley District of the state of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode-Debarment from participating in future projects of NHIDCL -Reg.

Ref:- i) Tender ID: 2021_NHIDC_633664_1.

ii) Tender ID: 2021_NHIDC_633670_1

1. WHEREAS, Bids for the work of "Construction of Foot Track from Bruni to Lama from KM 0.000 to KM 32.800 in Anini District of the state of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode and "Construction of Foot Track from Basam to Tathi from KM 0.000 to KM 32.060 in Upper Subansiri Valley District of the state of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode" (hereinafter referred as "Project") were invited by National Highways Infrastructure & Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) (hereinafter referred as the "Authority") with bid due date 12.08.2021; and.

2. **WHEREAS**, M/s Amar Construction had submitted bids for both subject works online on 12.08.2021. Bids submitted by M/s Amar Construction were evaluated on the basis of the documents submitted alongwith the bid. Consequent to the evaluation of the bid by the Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC),

3. **WHEREAS**, a complaint was received by NHIDCL, informing that M/s Amar Construction has submitted false work experience certificate and other documents in the bid for

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the subject work. The experience certificates submitted by M/s Amar Construction have been verified from the certificates issuing Authority.

4. **WHEREAS**, it has been found that the Completion Certificate for the project of "Re-Construction cum Re-alignment of Hunli-Desali Dibang Valley District under RIDF-XII issued by Executive Engineer office, Roing Division, PWD A.P., as submitted by M/s Amar Construction is fake. Executive Engineer office, Roing Division, PWD A.P., vide letter dated 28.08.2021 has informed that neither such work was executed by M/s Amar Construction nor any certificate was issued to the firm by their division.

5. **WHEREAS**, it is found that M/s Amar Construction has deliberately and with malafide intention submitted false/fake documents at the time of submission of bid and influenced the bidding process and the bids were opened based on those false documents.

6. **WHEREAS,** M/s Amar Construction, has caused breach to the relevant provisions of the RFP and more particularly to Clause 2.6.3, 2.20.5 and Section 4 of the RFP which reads as under:

Clause 2.6.3 of the RFP:

" In case it is found during the evaluation or at any time before signing of the Agreement or after its execution and during the period of defect liability subsistence thereof, that one or more of the eligibility and /or qualification requirements have not been met by the Bidder, or the Bidder has made material misrepresentation or has given any materially incorrect or false information, the Bidder shall be disqualified forthwith if not yet appointed as the contractor either by issue of the LOA or entering into of the Agreement, and if the Selected Bidder has already been issued the LOA or has entered into the Agreement, as the case may be, the same shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein or in this RFP, be liable to be terminated, by a communication in writing by the Authority to the Selected Bidder or the Contractor, as the case may be, without the Authority being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Selected Bidder or the Contractor. In such an event, the Authority shall be entitled to forfeit and appropriate the Performance Security, as damages and/or to debar the Bidder/Selected Bidder/Contractor from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL, for a period of one year, without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority under the Bidding Documents and / or the Agreement, or otherwise."

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Clause 2.20.5 of RFP

"The Bidder may be debarred for a period of one year from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL, for causing loss of time and effort of the Authority without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority under the bidding documents and / or under the Agreement, or otherwise, under the following conditions:

a. Deleted

b. If a Bidder engages in a corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice as specified in <u>Section 4</u> of this RFP;

c. If a Bidder withdraws its BID during the period of Bid validity as specified in this RFP and as extended by mutual consent of the respective Bidder(s) and the Authority;

d. In the case of Selected Bidder, if it fails within the specified/extended time limit by Authority -

i. to sign and return the duplicate copy of LOA

ii. to furnish the Performance Security /Additional Performance Security (if any) as per Clause 2.21; or

iii. to sign the Agreement;

Section 4.1 of RFP

"The Bidders and their respective officers, employees, agents and advisers shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the Bidding Process and subsequent to the issue of the LOA and during the subsistence of the Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, or in the LOA or the Agreement, the Authority may reject a BID, withdraw the LOA, or terminate the Agreement, as the case may be, without being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Bidder, if it determines that the Bidder, directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice in the Bidding Process. In such an event, the Authority shall be entitled to debar the Selected Bidder from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL for a period of One year and forfeit & appropriate the Performance Security, as damages, without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority under the Bidding Documents and/ or the Agreement, or otherwise."

7. In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, it is found that M/s Amar Construction, has adopted the fraudulent practice in order to obtain the bid and thereby influenced/vitiated the bidding process, and deliberately with malafide intention has caused breach to the relevant provisions of the RFP. Keeping in view the fraudulent practice adopted by M/s Amar Construction, NHIDCL/Authority is entitled to debar the M/s Amar Construction, for a period of one year from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL, without prejudice to

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any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority under the Bidding Documents and / or the Agreement, or otherwise, in accordance with the provisions of the RFP.

8. M/s Amar Construction has deliberately used the fabricated/fake documents/certificate in the bidding purpose for the project of strategic importance and on the basis of fabricated/false documents, the technical and financial bid of M/s Amar Construction, was considered hence, M/s Amar Construction, has influenced/vitiated the bidding process as well as also caused the loss of time and efforts of the Authority.

9. Therefore, in view of the above and after taking into consideration all the facts & records, it is concluded that the bidder has indulged in Fraudulent Practices and in terms of clause 2.6.3, 2.20.5 and under the provisions of clause 4.2 of section 4 of the RFP document, the Competent Authority hereby passes the orders:-

" **M/s Amar Construction** is hereby debarred for a period of 01 (one) year, effective from the date of issue of this order, from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL, directly or indirectly, in any form, in any work connected with NHIDCL".

10. This letter is issued without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to NHIDCL under the RFP document and/or applicable law and is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority of NHIDCL.

Yours faithfully,

(Ajay Ahluwalia) Executive Director (T)

Copy to :

- i. Director General (RD) & SS Ministry of Road Transport & Highways.
- ii. Director General (Border Roads), Seema Sadak Bhawan, Ring Road, Narayana, New Delhi-100010.
- iii. Chairman, NHAI
- iv. Chief Secretaries (PWD/Roads) of all State Govt./UT with National Highways and Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

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- v. Chief Engineer of all State Govt./UT dealing with National Highways and Centrally Sponsored Schemes.
- vi. P.S to MD, NHIDCL/Director (A&F/T), NHIDCL
- vii. All officers of NHIDCL-HQ/Branch Offices.
- viii. Media relation/IT division/INFRACON cell with request to get it hosted on NHIDCL website.