## **Pre-Bid Reply** Queries / Request for Additional Information: RFP for "Construction of New Two-Lane Bridge with its approaches from Km 0+000 to Km 4+385 across River Brahmaputra on NH-17 at Jogighopa in the State of Assam on EPC mode. Reference Section Cl. No./ Sub-Page No. Title Queries/Remarks by Bidders Reply No. Clause General **DPR & Geotechnical investigation Report** Request you to kindly provide DPR & Geotechnical DPR uploaded in Portal. Bidder to take a note that Investigation Report these drawings are indicative and information Request you to kindly provide Autocad/ Kmz file purpose only. Nothing contained in the Feasibility Draft Contract Agreement, Clause 19.2 Pa. 28 The Authority shall make an interest-bearing advance We understand that the Bank Rate referred herein is the As per RFP 2 payment (the "Advance Payment") @ "Bank Rate + 3%". Bank Rate declared by RBI on its website. Kindly confirm Drawing No-NHIDCL/JOGIGHOPA / The Reinforcement Bars shall be of Thermo Mechnically We understand that note given in drawing is general & all As per RFP VIADUCT/06/RO Treated/ Corrosion Resistant steel (TMT / CRS) (Grade the reinforcement steel will be TMT. No requirement of 3 Designation FE-500D). Conforming to IS:1786 standards. | Corrosion Resistant. Steel. Please confirm. Drawing No-NHIDCL/JOGIGHOPA Permanent steel liner in Pile up to MSL shall be provided Please confirm that permanent liner is not mandatory & the As per design standard /Extradose Bridge/05 / R0 -Note no 5 provision will be as per design requirement. Drawing No-NHIDCL/JOGIGHOPA / All Exposed concrete surface of the Bridge will be painted, We understand that no painting required for Bridge, Kindly As per codal provision ExtradoseBridge/05 /R0 -Note no 15 as per specification with approved protective paint confirm 5 comprising of interpenetrating epoxy phennolic polymeric coating system. Drawing No-NHIDCL/JOGIGHOPA / River Training work will be provided on U/S and D/S side Kindly confirm River Training work Protection work as per RFP but guide Bund is not ExtradoseBridge/05 /R0 -Note no 19 of the Bridge to protect the River Bank. requirement. in bidder scope. Schedule B Schedule B, SN, 12 Pg. 26 Both banks of river shall be protected by Guide bund / We understand that River banks protection work is not in Protection work as per RFP but Guide Bund is not protection work along the abutment as per codal and /or the bidder's scope. Please confirm. in bidder scope. design requirement and specification. Schedule H, A2 New Major Bridge-Request you to kindly consider Payment clause as follows As Per RFP **Foundations** as per earlier tender of Brahmaputra Bridge at Majuli-Jorhat . Assam. (i) Foundation: Cost of each Major Bridge shall be Payment against foundation shall be made on pro-rata As Per RFP determined on pro-rata basis with respect to the total basis on completion of every 10% linear length of the linear length (m) of the Major Bridge. Payment against aggregate length of all foundations for the main bridge in foundation shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion case of Well foundation or completion of minimum 2 (two of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of foundation foundation upto pile cap in case of pile foundation. of the major Bridge. Substructures: - Payment against substructure shall be Sub Structure including pylons: As Per RFP made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not Payment against sub - structure shall be made on pro-rata less than 25% of the scope of sub- structure of major basis on completion of aggregate linear bridge. length greater or equal to minimum scope of two sub-8 structures (pylon etc). Super-structure: - Payment shall be made on pro-rata Unit cost of super structure works will be based on total As Per RFP basis on completion of a stage i.e. completion of super-linear length of the bridge (as determined during the structure including bearings of at least one span in all technical stage) subject to minimum one span length and respects as specified. In case of structures where pre-cast weightage for each work / element shall be as follows:girders have been proposed by the Contractor,50% of the (a) Segment casting - 40% on pro stage payment shall be due and payable on casting of rata basis. girders for each span and balance 50% of the stage (b) Segment Erection - 45 % on pro payment shall be made on completion of stage specified - rata basis. as above. (e) Other Internal / External Cable Stressing i/c bearings etc - 15 % on pro – rata basis General **Bid Submission Date** Request you to kindly extend the bid submission due date Please refer to Corrigendum - III 9 at least for 03 weeks after receiving from Prebid clarifications. **ELIGIBILTY CUM PREQUALIFICATION POINTS**



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10	**	SECTION-2 OF RFP INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS CLAUSE - 2.1.15			its related parties, who are either having 2 (two) on-goin EPC Project(s) in NHIDCL or on-going Project(s) worth or		ng ts on
						The yard stick measuring Bidders capabilities in execution should not be restricted by imposing the limit of participation having already bagged two contract is not feasible since most of the reputed bidders have secure more than two projects with NHIDCL. This will not only restrict the participation from such bidders but als Authority will not get fair competitive offers	of ot d ly
			w)			In any case apart from technical prequalification criteria's the financial qualification criteria requirement coupled with financial securities & contractual performance guarantee will ensure any bidder's capabilities to timely execute projects of such magnitude in line with project requirements	h e e
CHN	IO-COMMERCIAL POINTS					with reference to above, we request you to kindly delete this clause.	y
11	Tender Document RFP	NIB, SECTION-7		Did price in favore and	A) = "		
		DATA SHEET CI. 5.1 (a) and BOQ Excel sheet	ľ	Bid price in figure and total amount in figure & word Excluding GST to be entered by the Bidder	Estimated Project Cost (Excl. GST)- Rs. 504.26 Crs     In BOQ -Bid price in figure, Total amount in figure & total amount in word Excluding GST to be entered by the Bidder.	We understand that bidder's Quoted offer is Excluding Goods & Service Tax (GST). GST Will be paid separately by Department as applicable at the time of payment.  Please confirm the same.	
12	Tender document			Secured Advance:	Secured Advance: Not mentioned	We request the department to provide 90% of cost of materials brought at site as secured advance to ease the	As per RFP
3	General			Protective coating to		cash flow.  Is it required any Protective coating to Reinforcement	As per IRC Codal Provision
14	General			Reinforcement Steel: Protective coating to the		Steel?	•
5	RFP document	Technical Schedules		concrete surface Schedules ( A, B, Cetc)		Request you to let us know whether protective coating to concrete surface required?	
6	Design	General		Congestion factor		Technical Schedules are missing in DCA. Kindly provide the schedules.	Refer RFP
	Drawings			8.7		Please clarify whether congestion factor is to be adopted.	Latest IRC codal provisions prior to 28 days of B submission shall be followed.
		General		ype of superstructure		Bidder understand that shape of box girder and dimensions shown in Tender drawings are only indicative & type of superstructure & dimensions can be altered / Change based on the design requirement as an EPC contract. Please confirm.	Being a EPC contract, EPC contractor can chang it as per design requirement based on the IR codal provision. The type of superstructure shall to
	Drawings  Drawings	General		ype of substructure		Bidder understand that type of substructure can be altered / Change based on the design requirement as an EPC contract. Please confirm.	Reply same as above
	Diawiiiya	General	T	ype of Foundation		Bidder understand that type of foundations can be altered Change based on the design requirement as an EPC contract. Please confirm.	As per RFP

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Discharge, velocity, scour depth.....etc.

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40	General	Clause		Alignment plan in Google Earth		Please provide alignment plan in Google Earth format of Provide the Google Earth co-ordinates of the entire alignment	
41	Tender Document			Decorative lighting for the bridge elements including the stay Cables		Whether any Decorative lighting for the bridge elements including the stay Cables is require for this project?  If yes, Please provide the detailed specification and items	
42	Tender RFP Document			Bridge Health Monitoring System (BHMS)		require for the same.  Whether Bridge/ Structural Health Monitoring System (BHMS) is required for this project?  If yes, Please provide the detailed specification and BOC	
43	Drawings			Typical cross sections		items require for the same.  Please provide chainages for TCS type 1 & type 2 in	1
44	General			Obtaining permits, approvals, etc. from various Government bodies		embankment portion  We request the Employer to arrange all the necessary permits, licenses, clearances, & approvals as required from the various Government bodies prior to award of work.	
45	General		<b>†</b>	Dumping Ground for Debris / Muck		Kindly indicate the location, lead for Dumping ground	Contractor's responsibilities
46	General			Land for Site Establishment / Casting Yard/ Labour hutment / Batching Plantetc		required for disposal of debris / foundation Muck.  We request Department to provide us land nearby to site for site establishment, Installation of Batching plant, Casting yard, labour camp (approx. 15.0 acres) etc. free of cost on each side of proposed Main Bridge.	
47	General			Tender Submission date	Current Bid submission date 11.03.2021 upto 15:00 hrs	Since the tender is based on "Design & Construction EPC Contract" and the tender estimate is to be based on pretender design, we request you to extend the tender submission date by 06 weeks from the current date.	
48	Volume-I, Main report	Fig. 3	10	Fig. 3		Bridge is proposed with footpath, is there any possibility that these footpaths will be dismantled in future to create traffic lane. Kindly inform if increased traffic lanes are to be considered.	•
49	Volume-I, Main report	12.6	18	Bearing		As per IRC:-114, elastomeric bearing are preffered in high seimic area, however the tnder document mentions POT-PTFEbearing, Can contractor use elastomeric bearings.	
50	Volume-I, Main report	clause 8.1		Span arrangement of new bridge		Kindly inform if contractor can use increase span ensuring piers in line with existing bridge piers.	due to this change shall be borne by the EPC
51	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.4.6	5	Bridge Geometry		It is written that "Each segment will consist of two parts, central spine beam and cantilever deck supported by wing/rib", please specify, as spine and wing type superstructure is not proposed here.	
52	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.5.1.2	7	SIDL		In SIDL, it is proposed to consider weight of water supply pipe of 600mm dia, kidly share the proposed location of this pipe and supporting arrangement required to be considered by contractor.	location of pipe line duly approved from authority

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53	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.5.4	10	Live load		Kindly specify if congestion factor (as per table 7 o IRC:06) needs to be consider.	Yes, the congestion factor and SV load shall be considered in the design as per IRC codal provision & MoRTH Cir.					
54	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.9.3	18	Temperature gradient		1	In IRC:6-2017, the thermal gradient is for concrete deck with about 50mm wearing surface. There is					
55	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.9.3	19	Differential settlement		Please inform, if Ec/2 can be used for differential settlement loads considering long term effect	As per IRC codal provision					
56	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.13	19	Accidental loads		Seismic loads are considered under accidental load, kindly inform that the same can be combined under accidental loading combinations of IRC:06	1					
57	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.13	19	Accidental loads		AS per IRC:06, for cable supported structures, site specify seismic studies needs to conducted. It is requested to provide site specific response spectra so that all the bidders are on same page. If site specific spectra is not available, kindly allow bids as per IRC spectra, and specify that variation as per site specific spectra shall be paid extra in post tender stage.	responsible to perform seismic analysis of the structure as per the IRC codal provision.					
58	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.13.4	21	Piers protection for barge impact by floating berges.		Please specify the pier locations which needs to be considered barge impact and that the piers in approach viaduct need not be designed for any barge impact.						
59	Volume-I, Main report, Chapter 6	6.26.3	33	Stability of well foundation		It is mentioned that well stability to be checked as per IRC:06 ULS factor along with FOS as per IRC:78. Well design is generally done as per factors given in IRC:45. Please confirm. Further, in case loads are applied ULS factors, there is no need to use factor of safety. Please confirm.	responsible to perform design of well foundation as per the IRC codal provision.					
52	Schedule-B	Annex-I		Depth of superstructure		Schedule B mentions depth of superstructure as 3.5m, please inform if contractor can use different depth considering the clearance requirements.						
60	Schedule-B	Annex-I	14	Width of superstructure		The width of superstructure considers 2x1.0m for pylon, however in the drawings pylon size is considered as 1.1m. Please inform that the sizes mentioned here are indicative, pylon size shall be as per the design.	responsible to perform design of pylon as per the					
61	Schedule-D		45	Strand dia			Being an EPC contract, the contractor is responsible to select the dia of strand as per the IRC codal provision.					
62	Schedule-E	Annex-II	112	Dehumidification device		Schedule E mentions dehumidification devices, however schedule B do not mentions the same. Please inform if	As per Schedule E					

these provisions are mandatory.

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63		General		Bid submission date		Request to extend the bid submission date at least 4 weeks after replying to prebid queries	Refer the Corrigendum -III					
64		General				Plan and Profile drawings are not provided. GAD of Bridge is provided in pdf format. Please provide the PPD/GAD and detail topographic survey data along with benchmark details in soft Cad format.	take a note that these drawings are indicative and					
65	Schedule B, Annex-I	Notes		Both banks of river shall be protected by protection work along the abutment as per codal and /or design requirement, specification utilizing existing embankment.		Both abutments are beyond service road. And it is presumed that he scour will not take place at abutment locations. Hence it is presumed that both the abutments need not be designed for any scour condition also not require any protection. Please confirm	designed for scour condition.					
66				TCS for Extradose portion and Viaduct portion.		It is presumed that the figures shown are indicative only and the shape of structure type of foundations are not compulsory. We assume that the bidder is free to decide the type of foundation and shape, size of structures.						
67		General				Please confirm whether precast PSC I girder can be provided in approach viaduct for speedy construction	As per RFP					
68	Retention Money	Draft Contract Agreement/ 7.5, Pg. 38/133			From every payment for Works due to the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.5, the Authority shall deduct 6% (six per cent) thereof as guarantee money for performance of the obligations of the Contractor during the Construction Period (the "Retention Money") subject to the condition that the maximum amount of Retention Money shall not exceed 5% (five per cent) of the Contract Price. The deducted retention money may be replaced by Bank Guarantee (BG) after 50% of retention money has been deducted from the bills, and subsequently when 100% retention money has been deducted.	BG equivalent to 5% of contract value before the first RA bill itself in place of cash retension .	As per RFP					



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69	Mobilisation Advance & Equipment advance	Draft Contract Agreement/ 19.2 (i), (ii) Pg. 85&86/133			(i) The Authority shall make an interest-bearing advance payment (the "Advance Payment") @ Bank Rate + 3%, equal in amount to 10 (ten) percent of Contract Price.  (ii) In addition to above, the Authority shall make an additional interest-bearing Advance Payment against newly purchased key Construction equipment required for the works as per agreed Construction programme and brought to the site, if so requested by the Contractor subject to the same terms and conditions specified for Advance Payment for mobilisation expenses in this Agreement.  The maximum of such advance shall be 5% (five per cent) of the Contract Price against Bank Guarantee.  This advance shall be further subject to the condition that:  (a) such new equipment are considered by the Authority's Engineer to be necessary for the works and (b) these new equipment should be procured in the name of Contractor and is verified by Authority's Engineer to have been brought to site.	Bank Rate + 3% comes out to be approximate 11% which is on higher side. Hence we request Authority to provide interest free advance.  We request you to include advance payment for old/Second hand equipment as well at 80% depriciated value of the plant, equipment and machinery.							
70	Repayment of advance	Draft Contract Agreement/ 19.2 (vi) Pg. 86/133			<ul> <li>(a) deductions shall commence in the first stage payment statement.</li> <li>(b) deductions shall be made at the rate of 15% (fifteen percent) of each Stage Payment Statement until such time as the advance payment has been repaid; provided that the advance payment shall be completely repaid prior to the time when 80% (eighty percent) of the Schedule Construction Period is over;</li> </ul>	We request you to modify the clause as per the following:  (a) deductions shall commence in the next Stage Payment Statement following that in which the total of all certified stage payments (excluding the advance payment and deductions and repayments of retention) exceeds 20% (twenty percent) of the Contract Price;  (b) Recovery of advances shall commence in RA bill in which total of all certified RA bills (in addition to the Advance) exceeds 20% of Contract Value and shall be recovered on pro-rata basis, until the total of the Advance is recovered before payment of 80% of project cost.	As per RFP						
71	Contract Duration and Milestones	Notice Inviting Bid & Technical Schedule Schedule Schedule - J, Pg. 140/159			35% Project Milestone-III - date falling on the 776th day Stage Payment Statements for an amount not less than 70% Scheduled Completion Date - date falling on the 913th day	Milestones given are as follows: Project Milestone-I - date falling on the <b>365th day</b> Stage Payment Statements for an amount not less than 10% Project Milestone-II - date falling on the <b>650th day</b> Stage Payment Statements for an amount not less than 35%	Please refer Corrigendum III						

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72	Obligations prior to commencement of works	Draft Contract Agreement/ 10.1, Pg. 47/133		Engineer") before the Appointed Date to discharge the	Bidder understands that, Appointment of Authority's Engineer will be made before the Appointed Date and Contractor shall be entitled for additional time & cost for delay in Appointment of Authority's Engineer.	00.000 \$4.000 00.000 0
73	Article 1, Definitions and Interpretations	Draft Contract Agreement 1.2 (iii), Pg. 15/133			It is requested to kindly delete such arbitrary provision as they are against the basic principles of Law governing the Contract.	
74	Article 3 , Obligations of the Authority	Draft Contract Agreements 3.1 (v), Pg. 21/133		Agreement, the Parties expressly agree that the aggregate Damages payable under Clauses 3.1 (iv), 8.3 and 9.5 shall not exceed 1% (one per cent) of the Contract	The inclusion of such arbitrary provision may lead to increase in Contract Price to the Authority.	As per RFP
75	Article 4, Obligations of the Contractor	Draft Contract Agreement/ 4.8, Pg. 27/133		having foreseen all difficulties and costs of successfully completing the Works; (b) the Contract Price shall not be adjusted to take account of any unforeseen difficulties or costs; and (c) the Scheduled Completion Date shall not be adjusted	At the bidding stage, the bidder is not in a position to conduct its own investigation of site conditions, sub soil conditions/geotechnical investigations etc thereby making it very difficult for bidders to foresee all difficulties. Hence, in order to prevent speculative bidding and increase in Contract Price to the Authority, it is requested to modify the Contract provision for adjustment of Scheduled Completion Date and compensation of cost on this account.	As per RFP
76	Article 6, Disclaimer	Draft Contract Agreement/ 6.1 (i), Pg. 33/133		this Agreement, the Contractor has, after a complete and careful examination, made an independent evaluation of the Request for Proposal, Scope of the Project, Specifications and Standards of design, construction and maintenance, Site, local conditions, physical qualities of ground, subsoil and geology, traffic volumes, suitability		As per RFP
77	Article 8, Right of Way	Draft Contract Agreement/ 8.8, Pg. 44/133			The bidder understands that in case of geological or archaeological findings at Site affecting the construction activities, the selected bidder shall be entitled to Time Extension and also adjustment to the Contract Price at actuals. Please confirm.	As per RFP

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78	Article 9,Utilities and Trees	Draft Contract Agreement/ 9.4, Pg. 46/133		Applicable Permits for felling of trees in non-forest area to be identified by the Authority for this purpose if, and only if	The Authority being an government entity is in a bette position to obtain applicable permits for felling of trees in both forest and non-forest area. Hence, it is requested that the obligation of obtaining permissions for felling of trees shall rest with the Authority and not the contractor.	t
79	Shifting of obstructing utilities	Draft Contract Agreement/ 9.2, Pg. 45/133		entity owning the utility and approved by the Authority shall be reimbursed by the Authority to the Contractor. The scope of work of such shifting of Utilities shall be as indicated in Schedule-B-1. In the event of any delay of such shifting on the part of the contractor, no extension of time for completion of the project and no claims, in any	The cost of such shifting as per actual cost incurred by contractor shall be reimbursed by the Authority to the Contractor. The scope of work of such shifting of Utilities shall be as indicated in Schedule-B-1. In the event of any delay of such shifting on the part employer, the Contractor shall be entitled to Damages to a sum calculated on actual basis, and to Time Extension in accordance with Clause 10.5 for and in respect of the part(s) of the Works affected by such delay; provided that if the delays time overlaps, the overlaps shall not be additive.	
80	Article 13, Change of Scope	Draft Contract Agreement/ 13.4 (ii), Pg. 68/133		The total value of all Change of Scope Orders shall no exceed 10% (ten per cent) of the ContractPrice.	For the Project involving Bridge Works of huge quantum, the scope of Works are bound to be varied on account of various reasons such as unforeseeable geological conditions/geological surprises, change in alignment etc. Hence, the capping of 10% of the Contract Price for issuance of variation orders shall be increased to atleast 40% of the Contract Price. Such increase in limit of variation order would be better from administrative point of view also.	
81	Schedule-B	Technical Schedule, Schedule-B, Sr. No.13 (i), Pg. 33/159		above shall be treated as an approximate assessment. The actual lengths as required on the basis of detailed investigations shall be determined by the Contractor in accordance with the Specifications and Standards. Any variations in the lengths specified in this Schedule-B shall not constitute a Change of Scope, save and except any variations in the length arising out of a Change of Scope expressly undertaken in accordance with the provisions of	At the bidding stage, the bidder is not in a position to conduct detailed survey for verification of length of structures and bridges and hence has to rely upon the scope/data defined in Schedules of tender document. The Bidder understands that the scope defined in the schedules is accurate and forms the base for arriving at the bid price. The bidder may suffer losses on account of any variations in the length of structures/bridges. Hence, it is requested to kindly delete such arbitrary provision so that increase in Contract Price to the Authority can be avoided.	
	Adjudication by Regulatory Authority, Tribunal or Commission	Draft Contract Agreement/ 26.4 (ii), Pg. 124/133			Kindly provide below mentioned details about the regulatory Authority, tribunal or commission by means of which Adjudication would be carried out:  1. Name and Address of the Regulatory Authority, Tribunal or Commission  2. Procedure/Rules to be followed for Adjudication proceedings  3. List of members forming such Regulatory Authority, Tribunal or Commission.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
83	Land for Casting Yard/ Labour Camp	-		Not provided as per tender	Request you to provide atleast 60,000sqm of land free of cost for Casting Yard/Labour Camp.	To be arrange by EPC Contractor.

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84	Price adjustment for the works	Draft Contract Agreement/ 19.10 (iv) (e), Pg. 92/133			Following percentages are given for the price adjustmen of the contract price. For major Bridges and Structures, Labour: 15% Cement: 15% Steel: 20% Bitumen: NIL Fuel and Lubricants: 10% Other Materials: 25% Plant, Machinery and spares: 15% Total: 100%	Request you to change the components for major bridge and structures as follows: Labour: 25% Cement: 15% Steel: 20% Bitumen: NIL Fuel and Lubricants: 10% Other Materials: 25% Plant, Machinery and spares: 5% Total: 100%	s As per RFP						
85	Force Majeure	Draft Contract Agreement/ 21.6, Pg. 105/133			Appointed Date, the costs incurred and attributable to such event and directly relating to this Agreement (the "Force Majeure costs") shall be allocated and paid as follows:  (a) upon occurrence of a Non-Political Event, the Parties shall bear their respective Force Majeure costs and neither Party shall be required to pay to the other Party any costs thereof;  (b) upon occurrence of an Indirect Political Event, all Force Majeure costs attributable to such Indirect Political Event,								
					and not exceeding the Insurance Cover for such Indirect Political Event, shall be borne by the Contractor, and to the extent Force Majeure costs exceed such Insurance Cover, one half of such excess amount shall be reimbursed by the Authority to the Contractor for the Force Majeure events; and								
	Obligations of the contractor	Draft Contract Agreement/ 4.1 (ix), Pg. 24/133			a detailed report on utilization of funds transferred to this	This is against the contents and spirit of Contract administration. It will be impossible for Contractor to manage cash flow and perform, in case all Government departments confirm to similar stand.  We request you to remove this clause, payment shall be credited to Contractor's corporate account.	As per RFP						
	Insurance against injury to persons and damage to third party property	Technical Schedule, Schedule-P, Sr. No. 3 (i), Pg. 155/159				Request you to provide the insurance cover to be considered.	AS per RFP						

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88	Guide bund	Technical Schedule, Schedule-B, Sr. No. 7 (iii).12, Pg. 26/159  Technical Schedule, Payment schedule- H, Major Bridge, A2, Pg. No. 130/159			Both banks of river shall be protected by Guide bund / protection work along the abutment as per codal and /or design requirement and specification.  (7) Guide Bunds, River Training works etc. Percentage Weightage 0.000%	We understand that, guide bund and protection works are not in the scope of this contract, therefore there is no payment percentages mentioned in the paymen schedule. Please confirm.	Both banks of river shall be protected by Guide bund-out of scope.  If any protection work is required along the abutments shall be protect as per codal and /or design requirement and specification.				
89	Ground levels	Volume-IX, Drawings, Drawing No - NHIDCL/JOGIGHOPA/EXTR ADOSED BRIDGE/02/R0 & 03/R0			Ground level from P6 to P15	LWL is shown below ground/bed level from Pies P6 to P15 (extra-dosed portion) Request to check and confirm the Ground levels shown in the GAD.	out the bridge length. Ground level shown in GAD				
90	General				Typical cross section of proposed bridge	Please confirm whether bidder is allowed to propose pile foundation in place of well foundation.	The existing bridge on upstream side of the proposed bridge is with well foundation. Hence, well foundation shall be most preferable.				
91	General				Typical cross section of proposed major bridge	Please confirm whether bidder is allowed to propose superstructure on Elastomeric bearings.	This shall be provided as per IRC Codal provison				
92	General	•			P	Please provide Monthwise Water Level data for last 10 Years	Being an EPC contract, the contractor is responsible to collect the water level data at the stage of detailed design.				
93	Utility services	Technical Schedule, Schedule-B, Sr. No. 7 (i).e, Pg. 24/159			Sl. No. Bridge at Km Utility service to be carried  Km 0+050 to Km 02+395 of NH-17 Electric Cable, OFC Cable and Water supple pipe line etc.  Note: The provision of utility services specified in above table are minimum requirements, the Contractor must finalise the actual requirement of any particular utility service provision based on site conditions and in consultation with Authority Engineer.	Kindly provide load per meter to be considered for utility services (such as water supply line, Electrical cable, OFC cables etc.) in structrural design of bridges.	Being an EPC contract, the contractor is responsible to take the exact load during detailed design.				
94	Schedule B - Design	Technical Schedule, Schedule B - 7 (iii) b, Pg. 25/159, Addiotnal new bridges			-	Please confirm if congestion factor has to be considered for design of structure.  Please confirm if special vehicle has to be considered for design of structure.	Yes, the congestion factor and SV load shall be considered in the design as per IRC codal provision & MoRTH Cir.				
95	Design of Structure, Bridges, Additional New Bridges	Technical Schedule, Schedule-B, Sr. No. 7 (iii).b, Note:4, Pg. 24/159			Note 4 The safe bearing capacity for well foundation found out at RL (-) 43.73 is 135t/sqm. This SBC shall be reduced by 1 t/sqm when the founding level is up and increase by 1 t/sqm when the founding level will be decrease from the RL (-43.73) m.	Please let us know whether the reduction or increase in	1.it is the maximum allowable bearing capacity     2. As a EPC contract, contractor shall be repsonsible to conduct the geotechnical investigation and get the capacity but max. shall be 135t/sqm.  3. As per described in the note.				
96	Design of Structure, Bridges, Additional New Bridges	Technical Schedule, Schedule-B, Sr. No. 7 (iii).b, Note:4, Pg. 26/159			Note 11: For extradosed/cable supported bridge portion, minimum concrete grade for Pylon, substructure etc. will be M- 60.	Lower grade of concrete may please be allowed for sub- structure and pylon of extra-dosed bridge.	As per RFP				

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97	Due date of submission	NIT & Corrigendum-II			Date of release of NIT - 19.02.2021  Due date of submission is 18.03.2021 up to 15.00 hrs	Time available is very short for design & estimation of such an important bridge. Also on account of the ongoing amic Pandemic CORONA virus scenario across worldwide offices are not working to full capacity. Same is the case with Design consultant, & other suppliers spread across the world.  In view of above, we request you to extend the bid submission date at least by 1 month i.e. 19th April 2021						
98	RFP	Section 2 Instruction to Bidders, Cl. 2.1.15	17	Eligible to bid for this Project	its related parties, who are either having 2 (two) on-going EPC Project(s) in NHIDCL or on-going Project(s) worth of	Request you to kindly delete the clause for competative	A					
99	Shedules	Schedule HTable 1.3.3	134	New Major Bridges	Major Bridge. Payment against foundation shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of foundation of the major Bridge.	Pile Foundation: The payment for each pile foundation shall be on prorata basis based on per No. of Pile casting with respect to the total Nos. of Pile in the foundation as per the GFC						
100	Shedules	Schedule H Table 1.3.3	134	New Major Bridges	shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of substructure of major bridge.							

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101	DCA	Article 7 Performance Security 7.1	37	Performance security	(B) The Performance Security shall be valid until 60 (sixty) days after the Defects Liability Period.	In lines with the circular issued on 3rd June, 2020 by MoRT&H bearing the subject – Atmanirbhar Bharat: Relie for Contractors/ Developers of Road Sector, we request to modify the clause as:  The Authority shall release the Performance Security or pro-rata basis of the work already executed in accordance with the Contract specification. Accordingly the Performance Security during the maintenance period to be restricted only to the proportion of the value of works to be carried out during the maintenance period as given in							
102	Shedules	Schedule-G, Annex-I S.No 10 Postal Clause	124-125	Performance Security	Any notice by way of request, demand or otherwise hereunder may be sent by post addressed to the Bank at its above referred branch, which shall be deemed to have been duly authorised to receive such notice and to effect payment thereof forthwith, and if sent by post it shall be deemed to have been given at the time when it ought to have been delivered in due course of post and in proving such notice, when given by post, it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope containing the notice was posted and a certificate signed by an officer of the Authority that the envelope was so posted shall be conclusive.	Article 14.1 (d)	May be deleted						
103	Shedules	Schedule-G, Annex-II S.No 9 Postal Clause	127-128			None of the Banks are accepting to issue the Bank Guarantee with this clause. Hence, we request you to remove this clause.	May be deleted						
104	Shedules	Schedule-G, Annex-I		Performance Security		-	As per RFP						
105	Shedules	Schedule-G, Annex-II	-	Gurantee for Advance Payment-		Bidder requests to add the following at the end of the Bank Guarantee. This is asked by all the Banks.  Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained hereini. Our liability under this Guarantee shall not exceed Rs/- [Rupeesonly]; iii. This Bank Guarantee shall remain valid up to(expiry date of Bank Guarantee); and iii. We are liable to pay up to the guarantee amount only and only if we receive from you a written claim or demand not later than(Claim period). All your rights as well as our liability under this Bank Guarantee shall stand extinguished unless a written claim or demand is made under this guarantee on (Name of Bank) not later than(Claim period)							

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106	ÐCA	Article 7 Performance Security 7.5	38-39	Retention Money	accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.5, the Authority shall deduct 6% (six per cent) thereof as guarantee money for performance of the obligations of the Contractor during the Construction Period (the "Retention")	"The Authority shall release the Retention Money on pro rata basis of the work already executed in accordance with the Contract specification"	
107	DCA	Article 19 Payments 19.2	85	Advance Payment	The Authority shall make an interest-bearing advance payment (the "Advance Payment") @ "Bank Rate + 3%", equal to 10 % (ten percent) of the Contract Price, exclusively for mobilisation expenses. The Advance Payment for mobilisation expenses shall be made in two instalments each equal to 5% (five percent) of the Contract Price. The second 5% (five percent) mobilization advance would be released after submission of utilization certificate by the Contractor for the first 5% (five percent) advance already released earlier.		As per RFP
108	DCA	Article 14 14.1 (i)		Maintenance obligations of the Contractor		Our Indian insurers don't have a capacity to insure a project of such magnitude in marine conditions with risks such as high seismicity, high occurrence of floods and meandering river. They have the capacity to insure the project upto a maximum project duration of 7 years including Defects Notification Period. Hence, keeping in view the same, we request to keep the Defects NotificationPeriod to Three (3) years.	
109	General				5-7	This is a mega EPC project which requires proper due dilligence and design consideration which takes significant time. Hence we request to extend the bid submission by at least 1 Month i.e upto 19-Apr-21.	
110	TCS					In proposed cross section for viaduct & MJB, RCC crash barrier is provided at ends for footpath. From functionality, it is recommeded to have RCC crash barrier adjacent to carriageway and RCC or steel railing adjacent to footpath. Please review and confirm	As per TCS of Schedule B
111	TCS	4				Several dimensions are given in TCS as a part of Schedule B. Please confirm that these are tentative and bidder to free to change as per in house design.	
112	GAD					Please provide maximum loading due to utility services to be considered in design of bridges.	Being an EPC contract, EPC contractor is responsible to take the exact load for the design as per Codal provision.

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127	Annex II Schedule D					Can cast in situ construction be adopted for extradosed spans using formtravellers instead of precast segmental?	As per Schedule D
128	GAD Notes					Department drawings suggest painting of exposed concrete surfaces. In our opinion, this is not required for river bridges. Please confirm if this is required	
129	Schedule B & GAD					It is understood that only the extradosed spans are classified as navigational spans and same will be designed or protected from barge impact. The viaduct spans are considered non navigational and will not be designed for any barge impact. However, if small barges are expected to ply in these spans, please specify the class of barge to be considered.	
130	Design					Please confirm that approach viaducts to major bridge will not be exposed to river flow and hence will be deisgned similar to land bridges	
131	GAD					The tender GAD shows constant depth superstructure for extradosed portion. Can variable depth section be used ensuring the obligatory clearances?	
132						Being a relatively short spanned extradosed bridge, wind tunnel study is not required as per our understanding. Please confirm if wind tunnel testing is mandatory and to be considered in the scope of bidder.	carry all necessary study as per codal provision.
133	Design					As per tender drawings, moderate exposure condition is specified. Please confirm	As per codal provision.
134	Schedule B					Please confirm if the bridge needs to be designed for increased carriageway by removing the footpath	As per Codal provision.
135	Schedule B					Please confirm that guide bunds are in the scope of bidder. If yes, please specify the details of guide bunds (length, levels etc.) to keep all bidders on same page.	## 1900 PO 1900 - 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10
136						Considering the complexity of the project, it is requested to provide minimum 6 week extension for bid submission. Please consider	



