Reply to Pre-Bid Queries

Project Name: Additional Work for Construction of Landslide Protection Gallery, Slope Protection works including Cattle Fence, Restoration of Irrigation Channel, drinking water supply line and River Protection Work at Bareti, Uttarkashi from Km 100.300 to km 101.060 of NH-34 on EPC basis in the State of Uttarakhand.

Contract Package no: NHIDCL/ AddI work/ Bareti/Uttarkashi/NH-34/2020

Sr. No.	Reference section/clause no./	Query	Reply
	Annexure/items		
1	Clause 2.2.2.5 (iii) of RFP	As per Schedule H of Tender Document shows that "Provision of Protection work should have weightage of 48.09% to the contract price. But as per clause 2.2.2.5(iii) and its Explanation "of RFP, relevant experience and nature of work in Highway are mentioned and there is no mention about the consideration of slope protection work.	Slope protection work on National Highway will be considered on eligible project for the bid.
2	As per page no 18 & 19 of Clause 2.2.2.2 Of RFP	The Page No 18 &19 point no 2.2.2.2 of RFP explains the technical capacity for bidder and covers the bridges, ROB, flyovers and tunnels. Though the work is mainly for slope failure and it's protection by various means and there is no mention about slope protection work in bid, the technical qualification should as well include the slope protection works in Normal Highways or National Highways or Railway or Tunnel. In past NHIDCL has mentioned the slope stabilization work as qualifying work in their tenders as this is quite a highly specialized work.	Slope protection work on National Highway will be considered on eligible project for the bid.
	General	The bid documents does not have any data regarding geotechnical investigation (either Global Analysis or Superficial Analysis), based on which construction scheme and schedules must have been proposed. Kindly forward the same along with BID.	As per RFP.
		The cost of Project does not mention Including Taxes or Excluding Taxes, Kindly Clarify.	Cost put to tender includes all Taxes, excluding GST.
		The completion period stated is 12 months, we requested to extend this period to 18 months looking to the current circumstances and one Monsoon for four and half months ,which will be encountered during the construction period of one year.	As per RFP.
		As you are aware about the unprecedented situation regarding COVID-19 all the border of UP and Ultranchal are sealed & we are unable to send out team of designers and surveyors to the site when we speak with local authority of Ultaranchal they informed that there is no certain date about opening the lockdown and movement of people from outside state of their state. They indicated that it may last minimum 30th June 2020 or may be extended in July as well. Looking to the situation we request you to extend the submission date by 45-60 days.	As per RFP.
3	General	Please specify cost of the project whether specified cost are inclusive of taxes or exclusive of taxes into the estimated project cost.	Cost put to tender includes all Taxes excluding GST.
		Whether estimated project cost specified is included in cost for maintenance for 5 years or not included.	Not included, Please refer Article- 14
		The due date of bid may be extended in the force majeure situation due to outbreak of global pandemic of COVID-19.	As per RFP.
4	General	It is submitted that BOQ uploaded on tender web-site for quoting of tender amount is on lump sum basis. Also kindly upload Item Rate Basis BOQ with excess/below percentage option along with detailed drawings to have more clarity and competitive rates while quoting our tender amount.	As per RFP.
5	General	Currently it is only provided 12 months for completion of the project.In the current scenario of ongoing situation in country, it shall not be possible for firms to mobilize manpower and machinery for smoothly work. We request you to kindly relax the criteria or extend the time deadline as per ongoing situation and lockdown conditions.	As per RFP.
	Clause 2.2.2.2 Of RFP	For normal highways projects (including Major bridges/ROB/Flyovers/Tunnel). As its not typical job for tunneling, we kindly request you to remove the point of tunnel experience.	As per RFP.
	General	Deadline of Submission of Bids (online) is 03.07.2020. We request you to kindly extend the bid due date by a minimum of 15 days due to the current pandemic situation due to COVID-19, travelling is still not very smooth in our country. And as we have to travel from Delhi-NEC we will not get easy permission.	As per RFP.

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