

National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd.
(Ministry of Road Transport & Highways)
Government of India

NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

1. National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. has been assigned the work of **Feasibility Study, Preparation of Detailed Project Report and providing pre-construction services for Construction of 2-Lane Bridge for Connectivity of Port Blair-Chatham Island and Bambooflat with 200mtr to 400mtr Navigational span in the Union Territory region of Andaman Nicobar Islands.**
2. Proposals are hereby invited from eligible Consultants for preparation of **Feasibility Study, Preparation of Detailed Project Report and providing pre-construction services for Construction of 2-Lane Bridge for Connectivity of Port Blair-Chatham Island and Bambooflat with 200 mtr to 400mtr Navigational span in the Union Territory region of Andaman Nicobar Islands.** The Letter of Invitation (LOI) and Terms of Reference (ToR) including Request for Proposal (RFP) is available online on e-tender portal of NIC i.e. <http://infracon.nic.in> and <https://eprocure.gov.in>. The details can also be viewed on NHIDCL website www.nhidcl.com. Any corrigendum/Clarification will be available on the e-procurement website <http://eprocure.gov.in> and NHIDCL website www.nhidcl.com. There may not be separate advertisement. Cost of the Document in the form of a Non- refundable document fee of Rs. 5,000 (Rupees Five Thousand only) in the form of Demand Draft favouring National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. and payable at New Delhi must be furnished in a separate envelop while submitting the proposal.
3. **The RFP has also been uploaded on “INFRACON” (www.infracon.nic.in).** As such before submitting the proposal the Consultant shall mandatorily register and enlist themselves (the firm and all key personnel), on the MoRTH portal “INFRACON” and furnish registration details along with its RFP. A copy of Infracon Operation Procedure is also enclosed for bidder’s reference.
4. **All the bidders registered on Infracon shall form a Team on Infracon and which would be assigned unique Infracon Team ID. Bidders while submitting the proposal shall quote the Infracon Team ID.**
5. Bid must be submitted online at e-tender portal after creating Team ID at <http://infracon.nic.in> and <https://eprocure.gov.in> on or before 31.10.2018 (1530 hrs).
6. As part of the Standard Operating Procedure for adoption of Integrity Pact, Dr. Satyanarayana Dash, IAS (Retd.) has been appointed as Independent External Monitor (IEM) in NHIDCL, as per approval of the Central Vigilance Commission and Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Govt. of India. The contact details of Dr. Satyanarayana Dash, IEM, NHIDCL are as under:
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7. The following schedule is to be followed for this assignment:

1	Bid Document Publishing Date	10.10.2018 (1700 hrs)
2	Bid Document Download / Start Date	10.10.2018 (1100 hrs)
3	Clarification End Date	17.10.2018 (1700 hrs)
4	Pre bid meeting	18.10.2018 (1500 hrs)
5	Bid Submission Start Date	23.10.2018 (0900 hrs)
6	Bid submission End Date	31.10.2018 (1500 hrs)
7	Opening Date of Technical Bid	01.11.2018 (1530 hrs)
8	Opening Date of Financial Bid	To be intimated after final evaluation of Technical bids

Yours sincerely,

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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Instructions to the Bidders to submit the bids online through the Central Public Procurement Portal website for e-Procurement at **<https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app:->**

- a) Possession of valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) and enrollment/registration of the contractors/bidders on the eprocurement/etender portal is a prerequisite for e-tendering.
- b) Bidder should do the enrollment in the eProcurement site using the “Click here to Enroll” option available on the home page. Portal enrollment is generally free of charge. During enrollment/registration, the bidders should provide the correct/true information including valid email ID. All the correspondence shall be made directly with the contractors/bidders through email id provided.
- c) Bidder need to login to the site through their user ID/ password chosen during enrollment/ registration.
- d) The Digital Signature Certificate (Class II or Class III Certificates with signing key usage) issued by SIFY/TCS/nCode/eMudra or any Certifying Authority recognized by CCA India on eToken/SmartCard, should be registered.
- e) The DSC that is registered only should be used by the bidder and should ensure safety of the same.
- f) Contractor/Bidder may go through the tenders published on the site and download the required tender documents/schedules for the tenders he/she is interested.
- g) After downloading / getting the tender document/schedules, the Bidder should go through them carefully and then submit the documents as asked, otherwise bid will be rejected.
- h) If there are any clarifications, this may be obtained online thro’ the tender site, or thro’ the contact details. Bidder should take into account the corrigendum published before submitting the bids online.
- i) From my tender folder, he selects the tender to view all the details indicated.
- j) Bidder then log in to the site through the secured login by giving the user id/ password chosen during enrolment/registration and then by giving the password of the eToken/SmartCard to access DSC.
- k) Bidder selects the tender which he/she is interested in by using the search option & then moves it to the ‘my tenders’ folder.
- l) It is construed that the bidder has read all the terms and conditions before submitting their offer. Bidder should go through the tender schedules carefully and upload the documents as asked; otherwise, the bid will be rejected.
- m) Bidder, in advance, should get ready the bid documents to be submitted as indicated in the tender document/schedule and generally, they can be in PDF/xLs/rar/zip/dwf formats. If there is more than one document, they can be clubbed together and can be provided in the requested format. Each document to be uploaded through online for the tenders should be less than 2 MB. If any document is more than 2MB, it can be reduced through zip/rar and the same can be uploaded, if permitted. Bidders Bid

documents may be scanned with 100 dpi with black and white option. However of the file size is less than 1 MB the transaction uploading time will be very fast.

- n) If there are any clarifications, this may be obtained through the site, or during the pre-bid meeting if any. Bidder should take into account the corrigendum published from time to time before submitting the online bids.
- o) The Bidders can update well in advance, the documents such as certificates, annual report details etc., under My Space option and these can be selected as per tender requirements and then send along with bid documents during bid submission. This will facilitate the bid submission process faster by reducing upload time of bids.
- p) Bidder should submit the Tender Fee/ EMD as specified in the tender. The original should be posted/couriered/given in person to the Tender Inviting Authority, at least one working date prior bid submission due date & time for the tender. Scanned copy of the instrument should be uploaded as part of the offer.
- q) While submitting the bids online, the bidder reads the terms & conditions and accepts the same to proceed further to submit the bid packets.
- r) The bidder has to select the payment option as offline to pay the Tender FEE/ EMD as applicable and enter details of the instruments.
- s) The details of the DD/ any other accepted instrument, physically sent, should tally with the details available in the scanned copy and the data entered during bid submission time. Otherwise submitted bid will not be acceptable.
- t) The bidder has to digitally sign and upload the required bid documents one by one as indicated. Bidders to note that the very act of using DSC for downloading the bids and uploading their offers shall be deemed to be a confirmation that they have read all sections and pages of the bid document including General conditions of contract without any exception and have understood the entire document and are clear about the requirements of the tender requirements.
- u) The bidder has to upload the relevant files required as indicated in the cover content. In case of any irrelevant files, the bid will be rejected.
- v) If the Financial Bid format is provided in a spread sheet file like BoQ_xxxx, xls, the rates offered should be entered in the allotted space only and uploaded after filling the relevant columns. The Financial Bid/BOQ template must not be modified / replaced by the bidder; else the bid submitted is liable to be rejected for this tender.
- w) The bidders are requested to submit the bids through online e-tendering system to the Tender Inviting Authority (TIA) well before the bid submission end date & time (as per Server System Clock). The TIA will not be held responsible for any sort of delay or the difficulties faced during the submission of bids online by the bidders at the eleventh hour.
- x) After the bid submission (ie after Clicking “Freeze Bid Submission” in the portal), the acknowledgement number, given by the system should be printed by the bidder and

- kept as record of evidence for online submission of bid for the particular tender and will also act as an entry pass to participate in the bid opening date.
- y) The time settings fixed in the server side & displayed at the top of the tender site, will be valid for all actions of requesting, bid submission, bid opening etc., in the e-tender system. The bidders should follow this time during bid submission.
 - z) All the data being entered by the bidders would be encrypted using PKI encryption techniques to ensure the secrecy of the data. The data entered will not be viewable by unauthorized persons during bid submission & not be viewable by any one until the time of bid opening.
 - aa) Any bid document that is uploaded to the server is subjected to symmetric encryption using a system generated symmetric key. Further this key is subjected to asymmetric encryption using buyers/bid openers public keys. Overall, the uploaded tender documents become readable only after the tender opening by the authorized bid openers.
 - bb) The confidentiality of the bids is maintained since the secured Socket Layer 128 bit encryption technology is used. Data storage encryption of sensitive fields is done.
 - cc) The bidder should logout of the tendering system using the normal logout option available at the top right hand corner and not by selecting the (X) exit option in the browser.
 - dd) For any queries regarding e-tendering process, the bidders are requested to contact as provided in the tender document. Parallely for any further queries, the bidders are asked to contact over phone@ 1-800-233-7315 or send a mail over to cppo-nic@nic.in.

DISCLAIMER

The information contained in this Request for Proposal document (the “RFP”) or subsequently provided to Bidder(s), whether verbally or in documentary or any other form by or on behalf of the Authority or any of its employees or advisors, is provided to Bidder(s) on the terms and conditions set out in this RFP and such other terms and conditions subject to which such information is provided.

This RFP is not an Agreement and is neither an offer nor invitation by the Authority to the prospective Bidders or any other person. The purpose of this RFP is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in making their financial offers (BIDs) pursuant to this RFP. This RFP includes statements, which reflect various assumptions and assessments arrived at by the Authority in relation to the Project. Such assumptions, assessments and statements do not purport to contain all the information that each Bidder may require. This RFP may not be appropriate for all persons, and it is not possible for the Authority, its employees or advisors to consider the investment objectives, financial situation and particular needs of each party who reads or uses this RFP. The assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in the Bidding Documents, especially the Feasibility Report, may not be complete, accurate, adequate or correct. Each Bidder should, therefore, conduct its own investigations and analysis and should check the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and completeness of the assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this RFP and obtain independent advice from appropriate sources.

Information provided in this RFP to the Bidder(s) is on a wide range of matters, some of which may depend upon interpretation of law. The information given is not intended to be an exhaustive account of statutory requirements and should not be regarded as a complete or authoritative statement of law. The Authority accepts no responsibility for the accuracy or otherwise for any interpretation or opinion on law expressed herein.

The Authority, its employees and advisors make no representation or warranty and shall have no liability to any person, including any Applicant or Bidder under any law, statute, rules or regulations or tort, principles of restitution or unjust enrichment or otherwise for any loss, damages, cost or expense which may arise from or be incurred or suffered on account of anything contained in this RFP or otherwise, including the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, completeness or reliability of the RFP and any assessment, assumption, statement or information contained therein or deemed to form part of this RFP or arising in any way for participation in this BID Stage.

The Authority also accepts no liability of any nature whether resulting from negligence or otherwise howsoever caused arising from reliance of any Bidder upon the statements contained in this RFP. The Authority may in its absolute discretion, but without being under any obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information, assessment or assumptions contained in this RFP.

The issue of this RFP does not imply that the Authority is bound to select a Bidder or to appoint the Selected Bidder JV or Contractor, as the case may be, for the Project and the Authority reserves the right to reject all or any of the Bidders or BIDs without assigning any reason whatsoever.

The Bidder shall bear all its costs associated with or relating to the preparation and submission of its BID including but not limited to preparation, copying, postage, delivery fees, expenses associated with any demonstrations or presentations which may be required by the Authority or any other costs incurred in connection with or relating to its BID. All such costs and expenses will remain with the Bidder and the Authority shall not be liable in any manner

whatsoever for the same or for any other costs or other expenses incurred by a Bidder in preparation or submission of the BID, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Bidding Process.