Reply to Pre-Bid Queries

Project Name: Up-gradation to Two lane with Paved shoulder from Km 20+300 to Km29+030 of 8.730 Km length on Goha-Khellani section on NH-244 in Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir on EPC mode.

Contract Package No.: NHIDCL/J&K/NH-244/ Goha-Khellani/Pkg-II/2020-21 Tender Id: 2020_NHIDC_557355_1

Sr. No.	Reference section/clause no./ Annexure/items	Query	Reply
		We have gone through the tender documents and the latest corrigendum/ amendments No.3 dt. 19/06/2020. In this respect we wish to submit that lot of changes in the eligibility criteria have been made. We have not been able to go through all the new changes and the revised DCA in full. Moreover due to Covid restrictions especially in the district: Doda of the Jammu & kashmir UT, it has not been possible to access the site in full, evaluate the availability of raw materials etc. It is therefore, requested that the date of pre bid meeting as well as the date of bid submission be suitably extended to enable fair assessment of all the requirements of this work. This will enable competitive and fair bidding.	
1	General	We found many houses in close proximity to the alignment of the new road. We understand that permission for blasting shall be provided wherever required for excavation of hard rock.	As per Schedule -F of DCA.
2		Has the Land acquisition process been completed, compensation awarded to people. Is this land/Site available for work immediately?	Land Acquisition is in an advanced stage of completion & land will be handed over to the contractor as per the prevailing practice on Appointed date.
3		Has the permission for tree cutting been obtained from the concerned? During our visit to Km 20+300 to Km.29+030 site, which was very short because of COVID-19 restrictions, we found that tree cutting has not been done yet.	Forest clearance is under process & will be done on or before the Appointed Date.
4		Will NHIDCL, provide access/ approach road to the work site? If not, will it provide land for construction of approach roads?	Approach / access is available from Khellani town.



5	Schedule	The dumping areas provided in the bid documents are far off from the work site and presently unapproachable. Kindly provide approachable dumping yards in the alignment of the new road.	As per Schedule of DCA.
6	RFP	It is requested that retention money deducted from the contractor's bill be allowed to be released on submission of equivalent amount of Bank Guarantee.	As per RFP
7	RFP	For the Financial year 2019-2020, we presently we can submit the unaudited figures only. Audited figures can be later submitted, once the balance sheet for 2019-20 is ready, by about end of July 2020 This should be permitted please.	As per Cl. 2.2.2.8 (ii) of RFP.
8	RFP	Financial turn over and individual project turnover have to be considered with GST or without GST.	Financial turn over and individual project turnover will be considered without GST.
9	Clause 2.2.2.2.1 B of RFP	Regarding Updation to the price level, Kindly clarify whether updation of the remaining works in hand has to be done from the years of allotment of such works using factors of updation to price level as per note 3 or otherwise.	As per RFP.
10	General	Since all control points along the alignment have been fixed and ROW is being /will be acquired as per the DPR alignment, therefore, the contractors will have to follow the DPR alignment only and the deficiencies in the road parameters will have to be followed. In view of the foregoing the DPR may be evaluated at your end and contractors should be assured of following the alignment and design parameters as per the DPR and the ROW acquired.	The Contractors are requested to assess the actual site condition and bid accordingly. DPR has been uploaded only for reference purpose.