

Reply to Pre Bid Queries

Name of work: RFP for “Consultancy Services for preparation of DPR for development of Economic Corridors, Inter Corridors and Feeder Routes to improve the efficiency of freight movement in India under Bharatmala Pariyojana (Lot-1)”-**Package I,II,III,IV & V.**

Sl. No.	Reference	Query	Reply to Query
1.	Bid Security: LOI, Point- 1.10.1; Page 8 of 302 of RFP	We understand that, as in other bids we submitted earlier, for this bid also Bid Security is exempted for SME's as per PPP of GOI as applicable for MSME. Please confirm.	As the assignment involves the highly specialized 4 laning work, the exemption is not allowed to ensure responsible bidding.
2.	Document Fee: LOI, Point- 3.1.1(iv); Page 10 of 302 of RFP	We understand that, as in other bids we submitted earlier, for this bid also Document Fee is exempted for SME's as per PPP of GOI as applicable for MSME. Please confirm.	As the assignment involves the highly specialized 4 laning work, the exemption is not allowed to ensure responsible bidding.
3.	Age Limit of Key Personnel: LOI, Point- 3.2.4(vii); CVs of Key Persons; Page 13 of 302 of RFP.	MORTH tenders for DPR in general follow the Age Limit of Key Personnel as 70 yrs. (Except for Survey Expert for which Age Limit is 65 yrs.). In view of the above we would request to consider Age Limit for key Personnel as 70 yrs. ilo of 65 yrs.	As per RFP
4.	Marking for Annual Average Turnover: Sheet, Point12.1; Table-1; Minimum Eligibility for Annual Average Turn Over & Point 12.2 (A) - Firm's Rel. Exp.; S No-3: Page 31/302 & 33/302.	Eligibility Requirements for Annual Average Turn Over for last 5 Years- 5 Crore or More but as per marking Eligible Bidder with less than 10 crore will get Zero marks. To facilitate Eligible Bidder to get marks may please revise the marking requirements as below: 5 to 10 crore: 1 point / 10 to 30 crore: 3 points / 30 to 50 crore: 4 points / more than 50 crore: 5 points.	As per RFP
5.	Weightage for 2 laning work:Data Sheet, Point12.1; Table-1; S No-1, Note-1: Page 31/302.	Since the Eligibility Criteria asks for experience in preparation of DPR/FR for 2/4/6 lane projects, 100% weightage may be given for 2 laning work of feasibility/ DPR preparation experience.	As per RFP
6.	Topographic Survey: TOR; Point 4 of 4.11.2: Page 53/302.	We would request to also add UAV/Drone survey as an alternate option to LiDAR survey.	UAV/Droned filled with LiDAR equipment may also be used.



7.	Investigation for Bridges and Structures; TOR; Point 4.11.4: Page 61/302.	May please clarify whether Major Bridge over River Brahmaputra is included in package for Fakirganj-Dhubri Section in Assam.	Yes (In context with Package-I only)
8.	Form T-10; TOR; CVs of key personnel Infracon; Page 151/302.	It is instructed to upload CVs on Infracon. As per prevailing BID submission for MORTH, Team ID is created for the Team of Key Personnel by selecting the key personnel from Infracon and separate format for hard copy submission. May please clarify about the format for hard copy submission of key personnel.	The CVs shall be built up from the already uploaded details on INFRACON. No hardcopy submission is required.
9.	(b)Payment Schedule; GCC of Draft Contract; Page 205/302.	<p>Given Payment Schedule is not workable, consultant gets only 35% payment upto approval of DPR and Bid document, while he completes almost 80% of work. Balance payments are related to Land Acquisition and Award of contract most of which is not in Consultant's control. We would request to modify the payment schedule as suggested below (which is followed for similar NH works):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submission of Final Inception Report- 15% 2. Submission of Final Alignment report- 10% 3. Submission of Final Feasibility Report- 5% 4. Submission of final land acquisition report- 10% 5. Submission of clearance proposal-5% 6. Submission of Draft DPR-10% 7. Approval of Final DPR-10% 8. Approval of Technical Schedule-5% 9. Publication of 3D notification-10% 10. Clearance-Stage I approval-5% 11. Clearance-Stage II/Final-5% 12. Release of Retention amount after 3 years / completion of civil contract works whichever earlier-10% Total: ----- 100% 13. Submission of draft 3A within 3 months of alignment finalisation- 2.5% bonus 14. Submission of draft clearance proposals within 1 month of alignment finalization-- 2.5% bonus 	As per RFP
10.	7.2 Retention Money and Release of Performance Security ; GCC of Draft Contract; Page 208/302	We understand that the 15% retention money is actually the Performance Security (10%) + 5% last payment (s/no. 15 of payment schedule 6.3b). Please confirm that there is no separate retention money in addition to the Performance Security and last 5% payment.	As per RFP



11.	7.3 Penalty; GCC of Draft Contract; Page 208/302	Total penalty of 15% is too large. We request to limit it to 10%.	As per RFP
12	Bid Security: LOI, Point- 1.10.1; Page 8 of 302 of RFP	We would like to bring in your kind notice regarding exemption from payment of EMD and cost of tender document. Many of govt. departments like MoRTH, NHAI, RVNL, IRCON and RITEs are giving rebate for organizations registered with MSME and NSIC.	As the assignment involves the highly specialized 4 laning work, the exemption is not allowed to ensure responsible bidding
13	Clause 2.3 of Lol of RFP document	We would request to accept only softcopy submission through online except for some necessary documents like Bid document fee/ Bid Security fee/ Power of Attorney/MSME Regn. Certificate for exemption etc. so that bidder needs not to submit the hardbound copy.	As per RFP
14	Data sheet Table-1	We would request to consider project length of about 60 km in totality for eligibility and technical marking.	As per RFP
15	-	In case of national Reserve forest or reserved area, we would request to give clearances by NHIDCL by taking the necessary approval from the respective Authorities.	As per RFP


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