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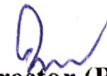
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 Response to Pre-bid queries of Consultancy Services for "Project Management services (PMC) for Preparation of DPR and Preconstruction activities of Tunnel from IGMC Junction to old Shimla area (chota Shimla, secretariate, Lift to mall road etc..) for Traffic decongestion"

S.No.	Clause No. And Page	Original Clause in the RFP	Change Requested/ Clarification required	HPRIDCL Response
1	Please refer to Clause 7.1	Data sheet -A Bidder is required to submit, along with its BID, a BID Security of Rs.2 Lacs (the "BID Security"), refundable not later than 180 days (one hundred and eighty) days from the BID Due Date.....	Please clarify Bid security Rs 2 Lacs to be submitted in which form and name of the beneficiary.	Form is attached in RFP on page no. 155
2	Please refer to clause 3.2	The Consultant has an obligation to disclose to the Client any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts its capacity to serve the best interest of its Client. Failure to disclose such situations may lead to the disqualification of the Consultant or the termination of its Contract	We understand that the DPR was prepared in 2008 by a Consultant and it was revised in 2023 by another Consultant. We presume that there will be no conflict of interest if these Consultants are bidding for the present assignment. Kindly clarify.	There will be no conflict of interest if the consultant involved in DPR preparation (2008) and review (2023) are bidding for present assignment of PMC for DPR preparation.
3	Please refer to Section 2: ITC, Data Sheet, Sub-Cl. IV, Note1,	Note1: During evaluation, CV of Team Leader Cum Senior Tunnel Expert, Tunnel Design Engineer and Senior Geotechnical Expert will be evaluated.	We understand that there are 4 CVs to be evaluated viz. Team Leader Cum Senior Tunnel Expert, Senior Geotechnical Expert, Tunnel Design Engineer and Geologist and CVs need to be submitted with Technical Proposal. However, 'Geologist' is missing in the relevant evaluation clause. Please modify.	Refer Corrigendum II
4	Section 2: ITC, Data Sheet, Sub-Cl. IV, Note2	Note: 2: If same CV is submitted by two or more firms for position of "Team Leader Cum Senior Tunnel Expert, ESHS Expert, Tunnel Design Engineer and Geologist", zero marks shall be	It may be kindly modified as per tender requirement. Currently there are 4 CVs such as Team Leader Cum Senior Tunnel Expert, Senior Geotechnical Expert, Tunnel Design Engineer and Geologist.	Refer Corrigendum II

		given for such CV for all the firms.	ESHS Expert needs to be removed. Please modify.	
5	Section 3, Technical Proposal – Standard Forms, Form Tech-2, B, Page 50/157	B- Consultant's Experience 1. List only previous similar assignments successfully completed in the last [7] years	The time frame sought is for the last 10 years refer Page 37. Please modify.	To be read as "List only previous similar assignments successfully completed in the last Ten years"
6	Section 4, Financial Proposal – Standard Forms, Form FIN-2, Page 64/157	Form FIN -2 Summary of Costs. 1- Total Fee for Consultancy Services during Preparation Stage (6 months) 2- Total Fee during Construction Stage (24 months) 3- Total Fee for the post construction services (12 months)	The Form FIN-2 may kindly be updated as per the current scope, timeline (10 Months) and respective man months (Annexure-1 Details of Man Months of Key Personnel i.e. 8 months for DPR + 2 months for Preconstruction, Total 10 Months; Page 97/157).	Refer Corrigendum II
7	Section 2 – ITC, Cl 7	A bidder is required to submit, has provided a performance security of 5% as per the provisions of the RFP and LOA. Within 30 (thirty) days of receipt for an amount equal to 3% (three percent) of its Bid Price..... members of the JV. The Performance SecurityDays after the Defects Liability Period or up till which the PMC services are used by the client.	Both the clauses have different percentages (5% and 3% respectively) of Performance Security. We request Client to provide clarification which percentage is to be considered by the Consultant. Please clarify. Holding performance security amount of the DPR Consultant until the DLP or PMC Services (supposedly performed by another Consultant) will have adverse impact on project fiancé for the Consultant. We request HPRIDCL to limit it until appointment of civil contractor. Kindly consider.	Refer clause no. 7.2.1 on page no. 31 of RFP. 3% Performance security is to be considered. The Performance Security shall be valid until 60(sixty) days after the issuing of completion certificate .
8	Section 2: ITC, Data Sheet, Cl. 21.1	In case the project is of more than 2 lanes, the length of the tunnel will be considered as a multiple of its length. For e.g. if the twin tube tunnel of 2000 m is having 4 lane cross-section, then	We understand the logic and technical importance of the example. However, we request Client to link it with the marks for such projects. Please consider.	Refer Corrigendum II

		the eligible tunnel length for consideration will be 2x2000m = 4000 m of 4 lane tunnel.	<p>We also request Client to replace “No. of Projects” with “No. of Tunnels” in the table. So that there will be more focus on Tunnel having length of 2km instead of project.</p> <p>Weightage/Preference should be given to the Consultant having a project experience with 2 lane, twin tube with no. of tunnels having length more than 2kms. We request Client to add the above option.</p>	
9	Section 2: ITC, Data Sheet, Cl. 21.1, Sub-Cl. 2. iii) In case of JV/consortium. Page 36/157	In case of JV/consortium, Firm should meet overall technical and financial criteria as under.	Associate Partner is generally the local Consultant/Agencies to support with field and liaisoning works. An Associate partner should not be burdened with 25% qualification of criteria particularly such a large annual average turnover of minimum 50 Crore. Kindly exempt associate from qualification criteria.	Refer Corrigendum II
10	Annexure-1, Reimbursable Expenses; Page 99/157	Table on ‘Reimbursable Expenses’	<p>The surveys and investigations listed in the table doesn’t include – EIA, SIA, quantity of ERT and SRT. Kindly include above items as well.</p> <p>We understand that all these LS Items shall be accounted for under the FIN-4 S. No. 3. Kindly confirm.</p>	Refer Corrigendum II
11	Section 2: ITC, Cl. 6 Eligibility, Sub-Cl. 6.1 Page 12-13/157	The Employer / GoHP permit consultants (individuals and firms, including Joint Ventures and their individual members) from all countries to offer consulting services.	We understand that a foreign entity having their wholly owned subsidiary registered firm having an office in India is eligible to use parent company credentials for qualifications. Kindly	Foreign entity having their wholly owned subsidiary registered firm in INDIA having an office in INDIA is eligible to participate in the bid.

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12	Clause 7.1.2, Page 30	A scanned copy of the Bank Guarantee shall be uploaded on e-procurement portal while applying to the tender.		Bank Guarantee shall be submitted with the bid only.
	Sec-2, Cl. 21.1, Pg. 35/157	Average Annual Turn Over for bidder for last 5 years: Not less than 50.00Crores.	<p>The qualification criteria of minimum annual average turnover of 50.00 Crores seems to be allowing only large general consulting firms dealing with multisector activities. However, the present consulting services require a specialised and technically sound consulting firm in the tunnelling sector, even if it is a smaller firm in terms of turnover.</p> <p>Therefore, we request HPRIDCL to reduce the turnover requirement in the range of 5-10 Crores in line with other similar Govt. Undertakings like NHIDCL, NHAI, BRO etc. Above Govt. Undertakings keep the required qualifying turnover in the range of 2-5 Crores for DPR Tenders of large sizes.</p> <p>In case, HPRIDCL wants to keep the turnover figure higher, we would request to allow the technical and financial credentials of the parent (holding) company for its fully owned subsidiary in India in line with various Govt. Undertakings as mentioned above.</p>	Refer Corrigendum II


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