

Pre-bid Clarifications No. 4 Dated 17-06-2020 to Pre-bid queries on stipulations of Bid Document against NIB No. 353 Dated 23-04-2020
Name of work: Design, Fabrication, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of Penstock and Steel In-Liners in Umrong System of Kopili Hydro
Electric Project (275 MW), Assam.

(This Pre-bid Clarifications shall form part of the Bid Document and shall supersede the corresponding stipulations of the Bid Document, wherever these are at variance.)

SI. No.	Reference to NIB Clause	Pre-bid queries	NEEPCO's Clarifications
1	Clause 6.2 (Technical Qualifying Requirement) of detail Notice Inviting Bid	With reference to similar work definition mentioned in clause 6.2 in this regard we hereby request you to kindly also consider underground penstock work and amend similar work definition as per below mentioned details: "similar work' refers to supply, fabrication and erection of Penstock/steel liner in hydroelectric project. However, the work should include component of surface / Underground Penstock work with at least maximum internal pressure of 2.50 MPa and minimum length of 500.0 meter."	Bid stipulations shall prevail.
2	Part 7, Data Sheet 8: Confirmation of Site Visit and Bidder's Appreciation of the Project	Please note that Site Visit which is utmost important for the said prestigious project, can't be conducted due to travelling restrictions as the entire globe is going through a tough time due to Covid-19. In absence of Site Visit, In lieu of the same we request you to waive of submission of report i.e. "Confirmation of Site Visit and Bidder's Appreciation of the Project" (as per Tender Document Part 7 i.e. Data Sheet 8).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Regarding submission of bidder's inability to conduct site visit citing reasons of travelling restrictions due to Covid-19, it is informed that air, rail and road transport to reach the project site has been restored. Bidders may participate in the tender process without visiting the site at their own risk, if the bidders so choose. But participation in the tender process without visiting the project site shall not relieve the bidders from their responsibility for site acquaintance indicated at Clause No. 6(i) & 6(ii) of Part-3 of Bid document. Data Sheet-8, Part-7 of Bid document shall not apply to the bidders who choose to participate in the tender without a site visit.
3	Part 3, ITB, Clause no 23.2.2	We would request you to permit bidder to submit deviations if any and accordingly suitable changes should be made to ITB Clause 23.2.2.	This query was earlier addressed in Pre-bid Clarifications No. 2 Dated 01-06-2020 and No. 3 Dated 11-06-2020.
4	Part 3, ITB, Clause no 15	In case the bid is rejected for any reason, the EMD of the bidder shall not be forfeited, please confirm.	Clause No. 3(viii), 15(iv) & 15(vi) of Part-3 of Bid document may be referred.
5		In view of the current standstill condition, we humbly request you to kindly extend the bid submission date by 4 weeks from the current date of 10th August'2020.	Considering the present lockdown situation due to COVID-19 pandemic, last date for submission of online bids and date for opening of Techno-Commercial bids have been extended till 09-07-2020 & 10-07-2020 respectively vide Corrigendum No. 4 Dated 11-06-2020.

