


Pre-bid Clarifications No. 1 Dated 23-11-2020 to Pre-bid queries on stipulations of Bid Document against NIB No. 372 Dated 30-09-2020


Name of work: "CIVIL WORKS PERTAINING TO RESTORATION OF KOPIL HYDRO ELECTRIC PLANT, UMIRONGSO, 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.)

Sl. No.	Clause No. as per tender	Pre-Bid queries/modifications requested by bidders	NEEPCO's clarifications
1	Clause 6.3 (ii) of Part-1 (Detail NIB)	<p>Ref: Email dated 18-11-2020 of prospective bidder:</p> <p>We intend to participate in the subject tender and we have visited the site also. While going through the Bid documents, we have observed the following points/issues:</p> <p>1. We are technically professionally qualified for the above work and are meeting the qualification criteria of the above bid. However, the para 6.3.ii of part-1, of the Bid Document regarding Liquid Asset stipulates "The bidder should have liquid assets or / and evidence to availability of unutilised credit facilities of not less than Rs. 14.23 Crore. The Certificate of Banker regarding the availability of unutilised credit facilities (Fund based and non-fund based) shall not be dated earlier than 30(thirty) days prior to the latest date for submission of bids."</p> <p>In this regard it is submitted that in the present scenario of slowdown in the Economy, the Banks are not willing to issue the above certificate to the agencies. As MAAT, Net Worth and Bid Capacity are the main indicators of the Financial Capacity of the contractors, you are requested to do away with the condition No. 6.3.ii regarding the Liquid Assets.</p>	<p>Bid stipulations shall prevail.</p> <p>In this context, it is to clarify that although it may be difficult on the part of the contractor to obtain certificate from banker but quantum of Liquid assets may be determined from the Annual Report of the firm.</p>
2	Clause 5 of Part-1 (Detail NIB)	<p>2. It is further submitted that Ministry of Finance issued the Office Memorandum No-F-9/4/2020-PPD Dt. 12th November 2020 regarding the Bid Security/ Earnest Money Deposit, wherein it is stipulated that no provisions regarding the Bid Security should be kept in the Bid Documents and only provision for Bid Security Declaration should be kept in the Bid documents. In view of above you are requested to accordingly revise the condition pertaining to Bid Security in the above bid.</p>	<p>In reference to Office Memorandum No. F.9/4/2020-PPD Dt. 12-11-2020 of Deptt. of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India, the bid provisions on Bid Security / Earnest Money Deposit has been modified through Corrigendum. Please refer Corrigendum No. 3 Dated 23-11-2020.</p>
3	Clause 3 of Part-4 (Conditions of Contract)	<p>3. Similarly, Ministry of Finance, G.O.I, through their circular No-F-9/4/2020-PPD Dt.12th November 2020 issued the Office Memorandum regarding the Performance Security, wherein, the same is reduced from the existing 5-10% to 3%. In view of above, you are requested to revise the Performance Security/Security Deposit as per para 3 of part-4, Conditions of Contract to 3% of the value of the contract.</p> <p>We are interested to participate in the above bid and implementation of the above submissions will enable us to submit a competitive bid. You are requested to consider our requests as above favourably.</p>	<p>In reference to Office Memorandum No. F.9/4/2020-PPD Dt. 12-11-2020 of Deptt. of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India, the bid provisions on Performance Security/ Security Deposit has been modified through Corrigendum. Please refer Corrigendum No. 3 Dated 23-11-2020.</p>


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4	Clause 6.2 & 14 of Part-1 (Detail NIB)	<p>Ref: Email dated 16-11-2020 of prospective bidder:</p> <p>We wish to submit that we have successfully executed numerous complex civil works in the major Hydro Power Projects of NHPC viz 180 MW Baira Stul Power Station, 280 MW Dhauliganga Power Station, 510 MW Teesta V Power Station etc. & various other projects of UJVNL Ltd. (formerly known as Uttarakhnad Jai Vidhyut Nigam Ltd.) including Maneri Bhail II Power Station, Vyas HER etc. We have a qualified team of skilled & experienced Engineers, Machinery and Financial resources to execute the tendered work within the time specified in the tender.</p> <p>However we have noted that your criteria with regard to the similar value of work is unduly stringent as you have specified the required value of the work on a much higher side.</p> <p>As per the BOQ annexed with the tender, the total concrete work to be executed is 36,275 Cum. We wish to submit that we have executed more than 30,000 cum of concrete under a single contract for a hydro power project which is more than the required 80% of the tendered quantity.</p> <p>Similarly for the other components of the work, we have the required expertise to execute the same in a timely manner with the entire satisfaction of our client.</p> <p>You will agree that Civil Works pertaining to Hydro Power projects including penstock anchor blocks and other supporting works are more of an expertise intensive work than the volume.</p> <p>Also we have successfully executed the work accumulated to more than Rs. 40 crores in NHPC Ltd. & more than accumulated work Value of Rs. 100 Crore for UJVNL, however a single contract of more than Rs.48 Crore has been executed having a very high complexity level.</p> <p>From the above our competency in the execution of the similar nature of works can be seen. Therefore, we request you to please consider the value of our work done for qualifying us towards fulfillment of your tender requirements accordingly.</p> <p>Accordingly, it is also requested to extend the BID due date by minimum 21 days to allow us to competitively evaluate the work & BID for the tendered work.</p>	<p>(i) 'Technical Qualifying Requirement' stipulated at Clause 6.2 of Detail NIB has been modified through Corrigendum. Please refer Corrigendum No. 3 Dated 23-11-2020.</p> <p>(ii) Last date for submission of online bids and date for opening of Techno-Commercial bids are extended till 30-11-2020 & 01-12-2020 respectively. Please refer Corrigendum No. 2 Dated 17-11-2020.</p>
5	Clause 14 of Part-1 (Detail NIB)	<p>Ref: Email dated 10-11-2020 of prospective bidder:</p> <p>With reference to above cited tender, We, would like to inform you that we are keen to associate with you on this prestigious work and would like to grow our business relationship with you.</p> <p>We have more than 75 years of experience of Dam Rehabilitation in India and have rehabilitated more than 75 dams in India since our inception in 1931. It will be worthwhile to mention here that we have worked earlier with your organization in the period of 1987-88 for Remedial Measures to Umrong Tunnel in Kopili Hydro Electric Project. Following was our scope of work</p> <p>Our vast experience makes us Technically competent for such similar work tenders and therefore would like to associate with an esteemed client like you and make this project a success.</p> <p>We are planning for a site visit this week for the subject tender. Site visit will help us assess pertinent site information and collect information regarding materials, local availability of suppliers, subcontractors etc., which generally takes 3-4 days' time. Based on these inputs, we prepare our methodology, schedule and most competitive offer, which are again time consuming activities in</p>	<p>Last date for submission of online bids and date for opening of Techno-Commercial bids are extended till 30-11-2020 & 01-12-2020 respectively. Please refer Corrigendum No. 2 Dated 17-11-2020.</p>


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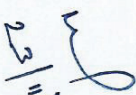

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		addition to preparing the tender documentation. All these above activities combined would require some time and hence an extension of atleast 3 weeks from the current submission date of 16th Nov 2020 will be required; therefore, we request that submission date to be extended upto 9 th Dec 2020.	
6	Clause 14 of Part-1 (Detail NIB)	Ref: Email dated 07-11-2020 of prospective bidder: Due to COVID 19 pandemic outside environment and Diwali festival, we have very less me for participating in this tender as Due Date is 16th Nov 2020, so we request you to kindly extend the due date of submission of the Tender which is presently scheduled on 16th Nov 2020, by at least 15 days i.e. on 1st Dec 2020.	Last date for submission of online bids and date for opening of Techno-Commercial bids are extended till 30-11-2020 & 01-12-2020 respectively. Please refer Corrigendum No. 2 Dated 17-11-2020.
7	Clause 6.2 & 6.3 (i) of Part-1 (Detail NIB)	Ref: Email dated 07-11-2020 of prospective bidder: We have come across an notice inviting bids for the above subjected works. We have visited the project site and are confident that with our experience in the specialized construction, we can be one of the potential bidders for this work. However, there are certain conditions given pre qualification which we request you to kindly relax so that we are able to bid for the above job. The relaxation/ modifications in the pre qualification sought are as under. 1. Similar work are defined as "Civil works involving pump concreting works, reinforcement, drilling, grouting, etc. in Hydro Power Projects or Water Retaining Structures". 2. Minimum Average Annual Turnover of the bidder shall be 85 Cr in the best three financial years out of last 5 financial years. OR Minimum Annual Turnover of the bidder shall be 100 Cr in any one year out of last five years. Further we request you to kindly extend the date of submission by at least one week, as quoting for such complicated jobs will take some time and there are many upcoming holidays due to Diwali in the next week. We request you to kindly accept our request so that we are able to bid for this work and give us a chance to work with your prestigious organization.	1. 'Technical Qualifying Requirement' stipulated at Clause 6.2 of Detail NIB has been modified through Corrigendum. Please refer Corrigendum No. 3 Dated 23-11-2020. 2. 'Minimum Average Annual Turnover (MAAT)' stipulated at Clause 6.3 (i) of Detail NIB has been modified through Corrigendum. Please refer Corrigendum No. 3 Dated 23-11-2020.


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