DIRECTOR GENERAL PROJECT VARSHA, NAVAL HEADQUARTERS GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EoI) FOR INTERFACE WORKS - DREDGING AND REVETMENT FOR PROJECT VARSHA

EoI NO. DGV/0113/IHMW/IWDR/01 of 2024 DATED 29 MAY 2024

EMPLOYER RESPONSE TO APPLICANTS' QUERIES FOR PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE

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IW01	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024			General	Kindly provide the split percentage of dredging and revetment work for the subject EOI	Details will be provided at the RFP stage to the Applicants shortlisted in the EoI process.
IW02	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024	Section 1/ Clause 1.6 Schedule of Eol Stage Process		Application Due Date : 05 July 2024 at 1500 hrs IST	Please provide an extension of 3 week for the submission	Date of submission is extended to 15 July 2024 . Please refer to Corrigendum-02 .
IW03	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024	Section 2/ Clause 2.2.1 a Eligibility of Applicants		The Applicant for Eol shall be a single entity. No Applicant can be a Specialised Subcontractor of another Applicant. However, the Applicant(s) can have common Specialised Subcontractor(s) in their Application.	Can contractor form an unincorporated joint venture also?	Provision(s) of the Eol Document shall prevail.
IW04	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024			General	As this is an EOI, but the document being asked is in line with qualification to bid. Our query is, please confirm that the next stage will not have any qualification document and next stage will only cover the commercial submission documentation.	Applicants, who are found to be eligible under this EoI process, will be issued the RFP document. The Applicants shortlisted for the RFP stage would be required to submit Technical and Financial proposals as per the requirement of the RFP.
IW05	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024	Section 3/ Criteria No 4.3		Key Activity No. 2: Completed Capital Dredging Works including Dredging in Rock of at least 1.0 million Cum in depth of 16m below CD.	Our understanding is that there is no minimum quantity of rock dredging needed, out of 1 million Cum of Capital dredging. However bidder should submit the proof of rock dredging any quantity out of minimum 1 Million m3 of dredging work. Pls confirm.	Confirmed.
IW06	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024	Section 6/ Criteria No 6.2		Capital Dredging – 1.1 to 1.5 million cum in depth up to 16m below CD including Dredging in Rock of about 0.13 million cum.	Please specify if drilling and blasting is allowed for rock dredging	Details will be provided at the RFP stage to the Applicants shortlisted in the EoI process.
IW07	05/06/2024	E-mail		Section 7/ Form - 14: P&E-2 Undertaking for Key Equipment	60 of 66	Undertaking for Key Equipment	At this stage of EOI, does employer require rent lease agreement proof for the possession of the key equipment as per table 2.	Provision(s) of the Eol Document shall prevail. It is further clarified that the Applicant at this stage shall only submit the undertaking for key equipment as per the Form-14.
IW08	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024			General	On 6th October 2022, the tender interface work dredging and revetment has been floated with indicative cost of 600 crores, now the same has been revised to 380 cores. Our query is: which component of work has been reduced? Is it dredging or revetment. Kindly clarify.	Details will be provided at the RFP stage to the Applicants shortlisted in the EoI process.
IW09	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024			General	Kindly confirm if any other dredging contractor will be working in the area for other work during the same time.	Details will be provided at the RFP stage to the Applicants shortlisted in the EoI process.
IW10	05/06/2024		05/06/2024			General	Kindly confirm if foreign flag vessel along with expat crew and shore staff is allowed to work in the site. If allowed, then how long will it take for the clearance of vessel and crew.	Details will be provided at the RFP stage to the Applicants shortlisted in the EoI process. However, it may be noted that MOHA clearance typically takes 3-4 months and contractor shall plan his work accordingly. With regards to expat crew, there is no restriction presently; however, Indian crew is preferred.
IW11	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024			General	Kindly confirm the likely date of award of the work.	Tentative date of award of the work is December 2024.

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IW12	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024	Section 3 & Section 7	17, 32, 35, 37, 46, 49, 53, 55	Eligibility & Qualification Criteria and Forms	We request to allow the bidders to submit the certificate either from Chartered accountants or from Statutory Auditors as followed generally in other Government Tenders.	Provision(s) of the EoI Document shall prevail. Please read through the EoI conditions again carefully. The Forms 03(A), 03(B), 03(C), (04), (07), (08), (09) and (10) provided under Section 7 may be certified either by the Statutory Auditor or a Chartered Accountant.
IW13	05/06/2024	E-mail		Section 2/ Clause 2.9.2 & Section 7 - Form 19	10 of 66	The Applicant shall prepare 1 (one) original set of the Application (together with the documents required to be submitted pursuant to this EoI) and clearly marked as "ORIGINAL". In addition, the Applicant shall submit 02 (two) copies of such Application and documents, which shall be marked as "COPY 1" and "COPY 2". The Applicant shall also provide scanned soft copy in PDF format thereof on Compact Disc (2 Nos.), in envelope marked "ORIGINAL". In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copy, the original shall prevail	As per Clause 2.9 number of copies to be submitted are Two whereas FORM 19 of Section 7, Stipulates number of copies as Three. Please clarify.	The Applicant is required to submit 01 (original) and 02 (two) copies of the Application.
IW14	05/06/2024	E-mail	05/06/2024	Section 1/ Clause 1.2.1	05 of 66	Indicative cost of works (In INR Crore) - 450	We presume that the indicative value of works is exclusive of the Labour cess, Tax & Duties. Please confirm.	Details will be provided at the RFP stage to the Applicants shortlisted in the EoI process.
IW15	05/06/2024	E-mail		Section 3/ Criteria No 4.2	20, 21 of 66	A minimum number of similar works specified below that have been successfully completed as a prime contractor or joint venture member, or subcontractor between 01 May 2014 to 30 April 2024. "Similar Work(s)" means a project which contains the element listed below. Rock Revetment Works, River Training, Breakwater Works Or Capital Dredging Works including Dredging in Rock Or Marine Works like Dry Dock, Jetties etc	Request you to consider the following modification: A minimum number of similar works specified below that have been successfully completed as a prime contractor or joint venture member, or sub-contractor between 01 May 2012 to 30 April 2024. "Similar Work(s)" means a project which contains the element listed below. Rock Revetment Works, River Training, Breakwater Works Or Capital Dredging Works including Dredging in Rock Or Marine Works like Dry Dock, Jetties, Bridges on water bodies etc	Provision(s) of the EoI Document shall prevail.
IW16	05/06/2024	E-mail		Section 3/ Criteria No 4.2	20 of 66	Foot Note No 14: Only such works shall be considered which are completed as evidenced by the client certificate. The cost of land shall not be considered to determine the cost of the works	We understand the project elements in the qualifying project should have been completed wherein the project is under implementation. Please confirm our understanding.	Provision(s) of the EoI Document shall prevail.
IW17	05/06/2024	E-mail		Section 7/ Form - 14: P&E-2 Undertaking for Key Equipment	60 of 66	Undertaking for Key Equipment	We understand that the capacity & number of equipment specified therein in the Form is tentative and subjected to revision based on the tender requirement. Accordingly, the minimum capacity, type & numbers of the equipment can be decided at further stages of the tendering process based on the requirements and methodology of execution. Please confirm.	Confirmed.
IW18	05/06/2024	E-mail		Section 1/ Clause 1.6 Schedule of Eol Stage Process	06 of 66	05 July 2024 at 1500 hrs IST	We would like to submit that there are many forms that are to be certified by statutory Auditors, which consumes time. Hence, we request you to provide at least 2 weeks of extension from the current submission date [5th Jul'24]	See response to IW02.
IW19	06/06/2024 & 12/06/2024	E-mail	06/06/2024 & 12/06/2024	Section 1/ Clause 1.2.1	05 of 66	Indicative cost of works (In INR Crore) - 450	As the indicated amount for the works seems to be multiple times lower than what it should be. Request to review and revise the Tender budget.	Provision(s) of the Eol Document shall prevail.

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IW20	06/06/2024 & 12/06/2024	E-mail	06/06/2024 & 12/06/2024	Section 3/ Criteria No 4.3		Key Activity No. 2: Completed Capital Dredging Works of at least 1.0 million Cum including Dredging in Rock. The depth of capital dredging shall be at 16m below CD	It is the applicant understanding that the applicant should have executed the Capital dredging of at least 1.0 mio cum which should also include dredging of some quantity of Rock in a depth of 16 m below CD and not that all 1.5 mio cum quantity shall be rock.	See response to IW05.
IW21	06/06/2024 & 12/06/2024	E-mail	06/06/2024 & 12/06/2024	Section 3/ Criteria No 4.3		Key Activity No. 1: Completed Revetment / Shore Protection / River Training Works of at least 1,10,000 Cum Rock - The requirement under key activity No. 01 or 02 (but not both) can also be met through a Specialised Subcontractor. However, in case of Specialised Subcontractor the total liability of Subcontracted work lies with the Applicant (Main Contractor)	It is clarified that the Applicant would be meeting the requirement with its parent company credential which is allowed as per clause 2.2.1 (m)&n. While the Applicant would be submitting the documents to meet the Key Activity No.2 as per the EOI requirement without utilizing the credentials of any specialized subcontractor, we assume that the Applicant can utilize the specialist subcontractor at the time of Tendering by furnishing the experience of the specialized Subcontractor for revetment works. Kindly confirm so in view of the very short time allowed to decide upon the specialized subcontractor at application stage.	
IW22	12/06/2024	E-mail	12/06/2024	Section 1/ Clause No 1.5	06 of 66	Address for Submission/Opening of Applications	through online mode (or) offline mode (i.e CPP Portal). Please clarify.	Refer to Clauses 2.8, 2.9, 2.10 & 2.11 of Eol regarding preparation and submission of Applications. It is further clarified that the Eol Application has to be submitted through offline mode as per the instructions stated in the Eol.
IW23	12/06/2024	E-mail	12/06/2024	Section 1/ Clause 1.6 Schedule of Eol Stage Process		Application Due Date : 05 July 2024 at 1500 hrs IST	It is requested that employer may provide minimum two weeks time for submission of EoI from the date of issue of Pre-bid clarifications	Provision(s) of the Eol Document shall prevail.
IW24	12/06/2024	E-mail	12/06/2024	Section 1/ Clause 1.7 Pre-application Conference	06 of 66	Pre-application Conference	Due to paucity of time, it is requested to arrange the Preconference online (or) in hybrid mode (both offline & online) and share the meeting link before the conference date.	Provision(s) of the Eol Document shall prevail.
IW25	12/06/2024	E-mail	12/06/2024	Section 3/ Criteria No 1.1		Conflict between Single entity applicant and Specialised Subcontractor: No Applicant should be a Specialised Subcontractor of another Applicant vice versa in accordance with clause 2.2.1(a)	Employer is requested to confirm can bidder is sublet the entire project. Please confirm.	No, this is not allowed.

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CORRIGENDUM-02 DATED 21 JUNE 2024

Clause 1.6 Schedule of Eol Stage Process is changed as follows:

S. No.	Event Description	For	Read		
(d)	Application Due Date	05 July 2024 at 1500 hrs IST	15 July 2024 at 1500 hrs IST		
(e)	Opening of Applications	05 July 2024 at 1530 hrs IST	15 July 2024 at 1530 hrs IST		

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