

**PREBID QUERY REPLY FOR  
SELECTION OF CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION & QUALITY CONTROL (CSQC) CONSULTANT FOR  
INTERCEPTION & DIVERSION AND STP PROJECT AT GROUP-1 :BARH, MOKAMA, NAUGACHIYA AND  
GROUP-2: SULTANGANJ AND BHAGALPUR TOWNS, NIT No. BUIDCo/Yo-966/18-17 Dated  
28.02.2019**

Sl. No.	Ref. to RFP/Addendum	Our Query /Suggestions	BUIDCO's Reply
01.	Request for allowing Joint Venture (JV) for bidding	The project requires considerable number of domain Experts to be stationed at multiple locations. So, kindly allow Joint Venture for better participation in the project.	Maximum 3 partners can make JV. All partners jointly should meet the technical and financial requirement
02.	Eligibility of key personnel ( Barh, Mokamah and Sultanganj Towns)	<p>Kindly allow diploma holders with relevant experience in the team too. We suggest the Eligibility criteria as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Project Engineer- No change</li> <li>2. Site Engineer-1 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduate in Civil Engineering with 08 years experience or Diploma in Civil with more than 10 years of experience.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Site Engineer-1 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduate in Civil Engineering with 08 years experience or Diploma in Civil with more than 10 years of experience.</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Electromechanical Engineer- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduate in Mechanical or Electrical engineering With more than 08 years experience</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>( NO CHANGE FOR BHAGALPUR AND SULTANGANJ )</p>	Bid Condition shall prevail.
03.	Page no:31- Payment to Consultant:	<p>Seeing the team requirement at different sites, we strongly believe that Payment terms should be on monthly basis on actual number of man-months utilized in the project. This is the common practice.</p> <p>The consultant has to mobilize the team as per mobilization schedule provided in RFP (Page no.29-30 of the RFP) and has fixed monthly expenses. So, payment of consultant should not be linked to that of the</p>	Bid Condition shall prevail.

	Stage	Description	Percentage of Total Contractors' Payments	
	Stage I	Consultancy Fee	85% of total consultant Payment will be given basis of the total amount bill paid to agency (Cost the project)	Kindly look into the same and oblige.
	Stage II	On issuance of Completion Certificate and Submission of completion report	15% of total consultant	
		Total	100%	
04.	NIT (No: Yo-966/18-17) dated 28.2.19 Group:2- Construction Supervision and Quality Control work for Interception and Diversion and STP project for Sultanganj and Bhagalpur towns: Project Period : 21 months		Please refer Page no: 30: Deployment schedule From RFP document we understand that project period for Bhagalpur town is of 34 months. Kindly confirm.	Confirmed
05.	Page no: 31  8.6 Penalty shall be imposed to the consultant in case the consultant fails to depute any key personnel. Penalty amount shall be calculated as under : Penalty amount = 1.1 x monthly rate quote for such key personnel who has not been deputed by the consultant. Accordingly penalty shall be calculated due to delay on daily basis.		The penalty clause is very harsh under this RFP. We propose the clause to be modified as follows: At-least 1 replacement for each key personnel is to be allowed in case the expert does not join the project due to reasons beyond control. In case of replacement of any key expert, the consultant shall mandatorily replace the expert with equivalent/better qualification and experience in the project within 15 days. After that, penalty at 0.5% of the fee of key personnel per day shall be charged to the maximum of 10% of the fee.	Please refer addendum-1
06.	Office setup and other expenses		Will office space will be provided by BUIDCo at all the towns? Please confirm. Will client pay for rent (in case office space is not provided by BUIDCo) and other reimbursable like furnitures, reports and printings, local travel etc. Please confirm.	Office space at different work sites including all necessary set up to ensure quality work as per Design and specification of work contract shall be the scope of consultants.
7	Can a firm be awarded both the groups when declared L1 for both groups separately? Please let us know.			Yes
8	Kindly provide at least 2 weeks after issue/release of reply of additional queries so that quality bid can be submitted.			Online bid submission date has been extended till 27.06.2019, 4:00 PM
9	NIT – Clause No. 15 – Eligibility, Criteria, Sub- Clause II Minimum Average Annual Turnover of		Since it is a prestigious and high value project and strong financial capability of the consultant is very	Bid condition shall prevail.

	the consultancy firm (S) should have 10 Crore in any financial year out of 7 years.	important. We feel that asking turnover of Rs 10 cr. is on a very lesser side and without financial strength it will not be easy for a consultant to operate a project of this stature for 30 months. Hence, we request you to kindly enhance the turnover criteria to 50 crs. In any financial year out of 7 years. Kindly consider.	
10	Method of Selection Least Cost	We understand that the selection of Consultants will be based on Least Cost. We request you to kindly consider the QCBS method 70-30 or 80- 20 for selection of the consultant for quality services.	Bid condition shall prevail
11	Pre-Qualification Criteria/Minimum Conditions of Eligibility. The Consultancy Firm should have experience of construction supervision and quality control of at least one project comprising of Sewerage network/drainage network, Pumping Stations, Sewage Treatment Plant on SBR/Activated Sludge Process in last 10 years	We suggest revising the criteria as following: The Consultancy Firm should have experience of construction supervision and quality control of at least one project comprising of Sewerage network/drainage network, Pumping Stations, Sewage Treatment Plant on SBR/MBBR / Activated Sludge Process in last 10 years	Please refer Addendum-1
12	Eligible Projects Project Management Consultancy/Independent Engineer/Construction Supervision Consultancy of Sewerage Network, Pumping Stations, STP projects a) Minimum Estimated Project Cost or Actual Project Cost should be Rs. 50 Cr. or more b) Projects should not be older than 10 years as on Proposal Due Date.	We suggest revising the criteria as following: Project Management Consultancy/Independent Engineer/Construction Supervision Consultancy of drainage Network / sewerage network / STP / Pumping station a) Minimum Estimated Project Cost or Actual Project Cost should be Rs.25 Cr. or more b) Projects should not be older than 10 years as on Proposal Due Date. Please confirm that the Work Order & Agreement will be considered for	Please refer Addendum-1
13	Substitution of Key Personnel The Authority will not normally consider any request of the Selected Bidder for substitution of Key Personnel as the ranking of the Bidder is based on the evaluation of Key Personnel and any change therein may up set the ranking. Substitution will, however, be permitted if the Key Personnel is not available for reasons of any in capacity or due to health, subject to equally or better qualified and experienced personnel being provided to the satisfaction of the Authority. The Authority expects all the Key Personnel to be available during implementation of the Agreement. The Authority will not	Looking at the fierce competition between companies these days, it's very difficult to retain the resources. Even the multilateral funding agencies like ADB, World Bank, JICA, IDA also allow the replacement of experts with equal and better qualification. Hence, we request you to remove the penalty clause. However, we will ensure that we replace the personnel with an equal and better CV.	Bid condition shall prevail

	consider substitution of Key Personnel except for reasons of any incapacity or due to health. Such substitution shall ordinarily be limited to one Key Personnel subject to equally or better qualified and experienced personnel being provided to the satisfaction of the Authority.			
14	General Budget the project for all the towns	We request you to kindly put some light on the budget of this project for consulting services.	All projects are sanctioned by National Mission for Clean Ganga, GOI	
15	Payment to the Consultant	As the consultant is hired by Client to maintain the quality of contractor works, adhere the safety at site, quality checks of material, use of best construction technologies at project site by contractor. If the consultant payment is linked with physical and financial progress of the said project, consultant might only look for the progress of the work so that his payments will get released at the earliest. This will affect the quality and safety aspect without adhering to the technical compliances required to construct. We suggest paying monthly payment on actual deployment to consultant.	Bid condition shall prevail	
	Description			Percentage Total Payments
	Consultancy Fee			85% of total consultancy fees. Payment will be given on the basis of the total amount of the bill paid to agency (Contractor of the project)
	On issuance of Completion Certificate and Submission of completion report	15% of total consultancy fees		
16	Payment to the Consultant The Construction Works of the Project is likely to be completed as per duration mentioned for each project but if the same continues beyond specified months the Project Management Consultant will have to provide the services and no extra amount will be paid for extended period.	We suggest deleting this clause. The consultant should be paid on monthly basis on actual deployment of team.	Bid Condition shall prevail	
17	Payment to the Consultant Penalty shall be imposed to the consultant in case the consultant fails to depute any key personnel. Penalty amount shall be calculated as under Penalty amount = 1.5 x monthly rate quote for such key personnel who has not been deputed by the consultant. Accordingly penalty shall be calculated due to delay on daily basis.	We suggest to revise the clause as per general bidding practice in India : The minimum time for deputation of Key Expert should be within 30 days after award of work, if the consultant has not been deputed the expert within 30 days, the penalty amount shall be calculated as under: Penalty amount = 1.1 x monthly rate quote for such key personnel who has not been deputed by the consultant.	Please refer Addendum-1	
18	TOR Project Area	Please provide the area of each town, percentage of area of town to be covered under the project & population of each town.	Components of the projects are mentioned in RFP for all projects	
19	General Due Date of Submission	We request you to kindly extend the bid submission date by atleast 2 weeks from the date of pre-bid	Online bid submission date has been extended till 27.06.2019, 4:00 PM	

		replies.	
	<p>2.2 Pre- Qualification Criteria/ Minimum Conditions of Eligibility Table - 1 Consultancy Firm (s) should have been in operation in India for at least 5 years.</p>	<p>If any firm is participating in Joint Venture (JV) then, this clause should be applicable for Lead JV Partner Only. Any International Consulting Firm can participate as JV Partner and if the International Firm is not Lead in JV then this 5 years of operation in India should not be applicable for him. Please clarify.</p>	<p>Bid condition shall prevail.</p>