

## Pre-bid Query Reply

Name of Work : Pre-bid Query for "Selection of Consultant for Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) including Work of Surveying, Designing and Providing Drawing for Construction of Ghats/STP on the banks of River in different locations of Bihar."				
NIT.No : BUIDCo/Yo-3088/25-02 , Date - 15.01.2025				
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<b>M/s Green Design &amp; Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd.</b>				
1		Consultant(S) should have experience in preparation of at least one DPR for Ghat construction / ghat renovation and beautification work with project cost more than 50 cr. in last seven years.	We would like to request you that please modify this clause: Consultant(S) should have experience in preparation of at least one DPR for Ghat construction / Ghat renovation / <b>River Front Development / lake Front Development</b> and beautification work with project cost more than 50 cr. in last seven years. Because we believe that <b>River front and Lake front development</b> , which involves similar scopes of work such as beautification, public space development, and sustainable infrastructure planning. This aligns closely with the objectives of Ghat development projects.	Refer Addendum-1
2		It is given that a firm will be selected under Least Cost Based Selection (LCS) Method	We believe a Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method would be more appropriate for ensuring the quality of such specialized works. This approach balances cost efficiency with the technical competence of consultants. So, we would like to make request that they should consider QCBS (80, 20) selection method instead of Least Cost Based Method.	Bid Condition shall prevail
3		It is given that Criteria for Joint Venture participation in this bid not allowed.	Given the extensive scope of work, allowing JVs would enable consultants to pool resources, expertise, and specialized skills, ensuring more robust execution. We kindly request an amendment to permit the participation of Joint Ventures under this RFP.	Refer Addendum-1
4		The deadline for this tender is set to <b>10th February 2025 at 4:00 PM</b>	Considering the significant modifications proposed above and the time required for firms to incorporate them effectively, we request a minimum <b>extension of 15 days</b> to the submission deadline. This would ensure high-quality and well-prepared responses from the bidders.	Bid Condition shall prevail

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<b>M/s VRS Engineering and Consultant Services</b>				
5			<b>1. Bid Security - Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only) (Pg. No. 3)</b> We kindly request you to consider MSME Certificate and provide the necessary relaxation in EMD to encourage our participation and align with the policies supporting MSMEs. Because a registered Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprise (MSME), we are eligible for certain benefits under government policies, including exemptions or concessions on EMD.	Bid Condition shall prevail
6			<b>A firm will be selected under Least Cost Based Selection (LCS) Method and procedures described in this RFP. (Pg. No. 6)</b> We request your kind consideration to adopt the Quality-cum-Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method for the evaluation. Given the complexity and significance of this project, prioritizing quality is crucial for achieving the desired outcomes. The QCBS method, which balances technical expertise and cost efficiency, ensures that the project is awarded to the most capable and experienced consultants while maintaining cost considerations.	Bid Condition shall prevail
7			<b>3. Consultant(s) should have experience in preparation of at least one DPR for Ghat construction / Ghat renovation and beautification work with project cost more than 50 cr. in last seven years. (Pg. No. 12)</b> We would like to respectfully request the department to consider allowing experience in <b>riverfront development or lakefront development</b> projects as qualifying criteria. These types of projects involve similar scopes of work, including: Waterfront beautification, public space creation and renovation, Infrastructure design and construction, Environmental conservation and sustainable development. We believe that this experience equips us with the expertise and capability to deliver on the objectives of the Ghat Development Project.	Refer Addendum-1

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8			<p><b>Criteria for Joint Venture participation in this bid not allowed. (Pg. No. 12)</b></p> <p>The nature and scale of this project demand diverse expertise, which can be efficiently brought together through JVs. Permitting JVs will foster greater competition, bring in experienced collaborations, and ensure the project benefits from the best available resources and capabilities.</p>	Refer Addendum-1
9			<p><b>Total No of Key Experts is 13. (Pg. No. 23)</b></p> <p>We request your kind consideration to reduce the number of key experts required in the tender for the Ghat Development Project. While we understand the importance of a well- qualified team, the current requirement for a high number of key experts may limit participation and increase project costs. A more balanced and practical requirement would ensure adequate expertise while promoting broader participation and cost efficiency.</p>	Bid Condition shall prevail
10			<p><b>The Deadline for submission of this proposal is set to 10th February 2025</b></p> <p>We kindly request an extension of 20 days to the submission deadline which was set for 10th February 2025 up to 04:00 PM. This will enable bidders to ensure complete and high- quality submissions, ultimately benefiting the evaluation process and project outcomes.</p> <p>We sincerely hope the esteemed committee will consider these requests to promote inclusivity and encourage wider participation in this important initiative. We remain committed to delivering exceptional quality if awarded the project.</p>	Bid Condition shall prevail

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<b>M/s CADD Consulting Engineers (P) Ltd.</b>				
11		It is given that the consultant will furnish within 10 days of the issue of Letter of Acceptance (LOA), an Account Payee Demand Draft/Unconditional Bank Guarantee (in prescribed format) in favour of 'BUIDCo' payable/en-cashable at Patna, from any nationalized or scheduled commercial Bank in India having its office at Patna for an amount equivalent to 5% (five percent) of the total contract value towards Performance Security valid for a period of six (6) months beyond the stipulated date of completion of services.	We would like to kindly request that this requirement for the performance security amount be reduced from 5% to 2% of the total contract value. This reduction would significantly ease the financial burden on consultants and foster a more collaborative and efficient working relationship.	Bid Condition shall prevail
12		Consultant(s) should have experience in preparation of at least one DPR for Ghat construction/Ghat renovation and beautification work with project cost more than 50 cr. in last seven years	We kindly request that experience in DPR preparation for riverfront development or lakefront development projects of similar scale and complexity also be considered as relevant. Because we believed that riverfront and lakefront development, which involves similar scopes of work such as beautification, public space development, and sustainable infrastructure planning. This aligns closely with the	Refer Addendum-1
13		It is given that a firm will be selected under Least Cost Based Selection (LCS) Method	Considering the complexity and critical nature of this project, we propose adopting the Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method to ensure a balanced evaluation emphasizing both the technical expertise and cost-efficiency of bidders, QCBS is widely regarded as more suitable for consulting services requiring a high degree of technical proficiency and innovation, which are essential for this project.	Bid Condition shall prevail
14		It is given that Criteria for Joint Venture participation in this bid not allowed	Given the extensive scope of work and the diverse expertise required, permitting JVs would encourage collaboration between allowing them to complementary skills firms, bring and resources. This approach could further enhance the quality and efficiency of the deliverables.	Refer Addendum-1

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15		The deadline for this Tender is set to 10th February 2025 at 4:00 PM	Considering the significant modifications proposed above and the time required for firms to incorporate them effectively, we request a minimum extension of 15 days to the submission deadline. This would ensure high-quality and well-prepared responses from the bidder.	Bid Condition shall prevail
<b>M/s Sen &amp; Lall Consultants Pvt. Ltd.</b>				
16			As regards of Turn over, we have to submit sir as an Architect cum Engineering consultant, criteria of turn over is quite high. As reference we submit here the extract of formula of turn over mentioned in Standard Bidding Document (sBD) of Building construction Dept., Govt. of Bihar. As per this it is stated that it is 50% of total contract value. As the work here is Architectural & Engineering consultancy the work value may not be more than 2 o/o of value of Project. Thus if we assume 10 cr. to 12 cr. of each Ghats & its consultancy fee should not be more than Rs. 2.40 cr. @ 2.0% (max) for consultancy, then as per standard Bidding Document (sBD), of the Bihar, the Turn over should not be more than 1.2 Cr.	Refer Addendum-1
17			As we would like to depute our Engineer to visit the ail sites at 12 praces , to finalise the cost , it is requested to give the Time extension upto 25.02.2025 tor upload of bids.	Bid Condition shall prevail
<b>M/s Arshiya Consulting Engineers Pvt. Ltd. (ACEPL)</b>				
18			We are writing to kindly request a reconsideration of the turnover requirement for empaneled consultants applying for "Selection of Consultant for Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) including Work of Surveying, Designing and Providing Drawing for Construction of Ghats, Crematorium, STP on the banks of River in different locations of Bihar". Currently, the required annual turnover criterion of INR 10 Cr. presents challenges for organizations like ours that have successfully executed individual projects in this domain.	
19			Reduce the turnover requirement from INR 10 Crores to INR 5 Crores.	Refer Addendum-1
20			Alternatively, provide an exemption from the turnover requirement for empaneled consultants with BUIDCO.	query not related to this tender.
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