

REPLY TO PRE BID QUERIES FOR THE SELECTION OF A TECHNICAL CONSULTANT FOR PROVIDING PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION OF CITY LEVEL ROADS (PHASE-II) OF LENGTH 60KM AT NAYA RAIPUR

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01	Minimum Eligibility Criteria	
a	The Maximum age for the personnel of the PMC shall be 60 years for Team Leader and 40 Years for other members of the PMC Team (RFP, Page No. 8 (b)). The Maximum age criterion of the Personnel for the positions of Team Leader as well as other Members of the PMC Team is very abnormal. Hence we request to increase the age 70 years for Team Leader and 50 Years for other members of the PMC Team.	The maximum age of Team leader and Contract Specialist is increased to 65 years and that of other members increased to 50 years, however each individual shall be medically fit to work at site.
b	Page No. 8 – Para 8 (b) – Age Limit – We request you to consider the age limit of Team Leader should be 65 and 50 years for other members, considering the years of experience specified.	
c	Section 1 clause 8(b): Maximum age for the Personnel in PMC shall be 60 years for Team Leader and 40 years for other members of the PMC team. Seeing the experience required for all the positions, it is difficult to find 15years experienced people in age limit of 40years. Hence, it is requested to please increase the age limit of all the key persons to 65 years.	
d	Age of key personnel, point b, page 08: We request client to increase the age limit of Team Leader from 60 to 70 year, while for others team members the age limit should be increased from 40 to 60 years.	
e	Page No. 8, Clause 8 (b) of Minimum Eligibility Criteria: Maximum age for the personnel in the PMC shall be 60 years for Team Leader and 40 years for other members of the PMC team.Considering the Maximum age for the personnel in the PMC shall be 65 years for Team Leader and Contract Specialist; and 60 years for other members of the PMC Team	
f	Clause 8 (b) Maximum age for the personnel in the PMC shall be 60 years for Team Leader and 40 years for other members of the PMC team. Minimum experience required for Sr. Highway Engineer, Bridge Engineer & Geo Technical Expert is 15 years & for Contract Specialist is 20 years. With the maximum age ceiling of 40 years for experts other than Team Leader it would be highly difficult to identify eligible experts in the industry. We request Authority to put maximum age ceiling for Team Leader at 65 years & for rest of the members of the PMC team at 60 years.	

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g	Page No. 6 – Minimum Eligibility Criteria – 4 (2) – Average Annual Turnover – We request you to consider average annual turnover of Rs. 10Cr. in the last three years from consultancy services and not only of Project Management Consultancy Services.	The criteria is redefined as : Out of required average annual turnover of Rs.10 Crore required for consulting services, at least 50% shall be from Project Management Consultancy Services involving day to day supervision , monitoring the progress, quality of construction and billing. The above shall be average turnover during last 3 financial years, i.e. 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13.
h	Page No. 6, Clause 4 (2) of Minimum Eligibility Criteria: Should have an average annual turnover of at least 10Crores in the last three financial years (2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2011-2012) from Project Management Consultancy Services. Considering the average annual turnover of at least 5Crores in the last three financial years or any one year for last three financial year (2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2011-2012) from Project Management Consultancy Services.	
i	Page No. 6, Clause 4 (1) of Minimum Eligibility Criteria: Minimum experience in last 7 years commencing from 01.01.2006 as Project Management Consultant for at least one satisfactorily completed road work of length 50km or two satisfactorily completed road works of length 30km each, of bituminous pavement of four lane or two lane with median (divided carriageway) configuration including cross drainage structures (culverts & bridges), Road Over Bridges or Road Under Bridges. Considering the minimum experience in last 10 years commencing from 01.01.2003, as Project Management Consultant for at least one satisfactorily completed road work of length 50km or two satisfactorily completed road works of length 30km each, of bituminous pavement of four lane or two lane with median (divided carriageway) configuration including cross drainage structures (culverts & bridges), Road Over Bridges or Road Under Bridges.	No Change, however the modified RFP is uploaded on the web site may be seen and used for submission.
j	Page No. 6, Clause 4.2 of Minimum Eligibility Criteria: Consortia shall not be eligible. Please clarify Consortia (JV/ Association) shall be allowed or not for bidding of this project.	
k	Section 1 Clause 4.3: "Experience of a bidder as a member of consortia, for any project / work shall not be considered"	
l	Section 1 clause 4.2: "Consortia shall not be eligible". It is requested ,please allow JV/Association	
m	Project Experience, Page No. 07, Point no. 4.3: We Request client to consider project experience of the bidder, which is executed in JV / Association, wherein the bidder is lead member.	
02	Requirement of Positions	

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a	The requirement No. of positions for Lab Technician for PMC is ONE (RFP, Page No. 29) Though the total length of the project road is 60Kms (Approximately) to manage with one Lab technician is very difficult. Hence we request to increase the No. of positions to 3 (three) for better supervision and quality.	The position of Lab Technician is increased to two numbers. The same shall be counted for the financial evaluation. However as per clause 8(a), the same will be increased /decreased as per the site requirement to be decided by NRDA, during construction.
b	Deployment of team members, Page 44, We request client to freeze the number of lab technician and all such staff with * mark on numbers at bidding stage, so that we can account for them in the financial proposal.	
c	Support Staff: The minimum support staffs (like Office Manager cum Accountant, Computer Operators, Office Assistant and Night Watchman etc.) are essential to look after the functional of Office as well as administration.	The Consultant should engage adequate number of necessary office attendants, data entry operators and support staff for the smooth execution of the work. No separate Payment shall be made for this purpose. This has been clarified in the Para F (b) in Appendix C of RFP. The cost of the same shall be deemed to have been included in the quote.
d	Curriculum Vitae - Please confirm that we should submit CV's of only the Key Experts CV's (Team Leader, Sr. Highway Engineer, Bridge Engineer, Geo technical Expert and Contract Expert).	The consultants shall submit the CV's for the Team Leader, Sr. Highway Engineer, Bridge Engineer, Geo technical Expert and Contract specialist for technical evaluation.
e	CV of Team, Point c, Page 04: We request client to evaluate the CV of Team members 01-09 in the table on page 07. Also it is found that in subsequent pages i.e page no. 12 point no. (iv) only CV of Team leader and Senior Engineer has to be limited to four pages, does this mean that we have submit CV of Team Leader -1 no. and Senior engineer -4 no. please confirm.	
f	General: It is mentioned in the RFP document that bidder has to submit CVs of the team members. We seek clarity whether we have to only provide CVs of Team Leader, Sr. Highway Engineer, Bridge Engineer, Geotechnical Expert, and Contract Specialist. Or we also need to submit CVs of Site Engineer, Surveyor, Lab Technician & Auto Cad Draftsman. It would be beneficial if client may clarify for which all positions we have submit CVs.	
03	Section 1 Clause 4 : "Having undertaken and completed project management consultancy services" We request the client to consider project experiences of "construction Supervision" and "Independent Engineer" to qualify for this project.	No change. The services which include PMC are already defined in clause 4 itself.
04	Employment – Evaluation criteria (marks), Page No. 04 ,Request you to please relax the employment marking system as mentioned below: Regular Employment : 1 years or more – 8% Regular Employment : 2 years or more – 10%	Please refer modified RFP.

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05	Deployment of Team Members, page no. 32 point no. 24: We request client to give a notice of 20-30 days or deployment of tem members with intermittent inputs on site.	The deployment of team members has been clarified in Sub para 24 of para B in Appendix C, Terms of Reference and scope of consultancy services.
06	Office Setup, Page no. 38 : Please provide the area of the office along with location of office which would be provided by the client.	The required area of the office shall be provided by NRDA in Naya Raipur City limits near site of work. The area shall be sufficient to accommodate the PMC staff.
07	Availability of DPR document; We request client to kindly make available the soft copy of DPR document and list of structures in the project.	The final DPR is under preparation, however the broad scope is defined in Annexure C “ ToR & Scope of Consulting Services”
08	Scope of Design, page 30, point no. 3 & 4: In the ToR, it is mentioned that consultant has to do minor changes in design and drawings and issue good for construction drawings, please define the scope of work required to be done by the consultant, so that the financial impact would be considered in bidding stage.	This shall involve any changes required in the DPR to suit site conditions and detailed elsewhere in the RFP including sub para 3 & 4 of para B in Appendix C, Terms of Reference and scope of consultancy services.
09	Current status of project: We request client to kindly give the current status of the project, which includes status of land acquisition, approval from Environment department, forest department, utility shifting and removal of encroachments.	The tender documents for the appointment of contractor is almost finalised and shall be published shortly. Mostly the land is in the possession of NRDA. Environmental clearance has been obtained for the project.
10	Page No. 3, Clause 3, Sl. No. 2(a) of Data Sheet: Adequacy and quality of the proposed methodology, and work plan in responding to the Terms of Reference (TOR):a) Presentation: 10 points. Please clarify which time given the Presentation.	The modified RFP document should be referred for bidding. The time of presentation shall be intimated after technical evaluation.
11	Clause 3.3 The NRDA shall have the right to invoke and appropriate the proceeds of the Performance Security, in whole or in part, without notice to the Consultant in the event of breach of this Agreement or for recovery of liquidated damages specified herein above. We request client to modify the existing clause and delete the following words from the existing clause "without the notice to the Consultant".	No Change
12	Clause 3.4 In addition to the liquidated damages not amounting to penalty, warning may be issued to the Consultant for minor deficiencies on its part. In the case of significant deficiencies in Services causing adverse effect on the Project or on the reputation of the Authority, other penal action including debaring for a specified period or with holding. We request client to define "Other penal action" in the RFP document.	The clause 3.4 is redrafted as under: “In addition to the liquidated damages not amounting to penalty, warning may be issued to the Consultant for minor deficiencies on its part. In the case of significant deficiencies in Services causing adverse effect on the Project or on the reputation of the Authority, other penal action such as debaring for a specified period or with holding. We request client to define "Other penal action" in the RFP

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13	Clause 3.5 In the event of total default / failure by the Consultant in providing the Services, NRDA reserves the right to get the Services executed by any other consultant at the cost and risk of the Consultant. We request client to modify the existing clause. Work performed by other consultant shall not be at the cost and risk of the Consultant.	No Change
14	Clause 3.7 (2) For any reason whatsoever, if any team member remains absent from duty for a cumulative period of more than 15 working days in a years or more than 5 working days at one time, the consultant shall deploy a personnel of equal or higher qualification and experience under the intimation to the CEO, NRDA. In the event of the failure of the consultant to do so, a prorated deduction in the fees per working day for the member remaining absent and a penalty of 1% (one percent) of monthly fee, shall be made from the payment due. We request client to not to consider deduction of 1 % of monthly fees on and above prorated deduction in the fees per working day for the member.	No Change
15	Clause 3.7 (3) If there is any delay in Bill submission, NRDA will impose a penalty by deducting upto 0.5% of the monthly bill for the PMC unit per day of delay. We request client to remove the penalty on delay in Bill Submission.	No Change
16	Clause 3.7 (6) The NRDA may conduct independent quality monitoring and checking of works carried out by contractor and certified or /and recommended for payment by the Consultant. If such checks disclose that works certified or /and recommended for payment by the Consultant do not meet the specified requirement, NRDA will not pay the Consultant fees for the affected portion which shall be calculated @ 2.5% of the value of such work. In addition, NRDA will impose a penalty upto 100% of such fee and without entitlement to payment of further fees in this scope of work. We request client to review the penalty clause and reduce the penalty provision from 100% to a reasonable percentage.	No Change
17	Clause 3.7 (7) If the service of a team member provided by the Consultant is not acceptable to the NRDA, the Consultant shall replace the team member within 30days of given such notice. If the Consultant fails to quickly deploy/replace a team member as instructed by the Employer, the Employer may make temporary arrangement; The temporary deployment/replacement shall be paid by the NRDA with commensurate reduction in the person month scope of the PMC Contract. In addition to the cost of the temporary replacement, NRDA shad impose a penalty upto 50% of the cost of the temporary deployment/ replacement until such time that the Consultant provides an acceptable	No Change

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	<p>replacement/ team member. We request client to remove the penalty provision of upto 50% of the cost of the temporary deployment/ replacement until such time that the Consultant provides an acceptable replacement/ team member.</p>	
18	<p>Clause 5.1(f) NRDA can terminate the contract for any reason whatsoever by giving 45 days notice. We request client to modify the clause and provide a provision to resolve issues on mutually agreed terms and conditions.</p>	No Change
19	<p>Clause 25 : Variations:- NRDA may, by written notice to the Consultant, direct the Consultant to vary the scope, sequence or timing of the Services and the Consultant shall be bound to comply with that direction. All such variation shall be in writing. As per the provision client can vary the scope of the work, sequence or timing of the Services and the Consultant shall be bound to comply with that direction. We request client to revise the clause and provide for the provision to vary change the scope on mutually agreed terms and conditions.</p>	<p>Any change under this clause, if beyond the scope of agreement shall be at the mutually agreed terms and conditions.</p>
20	<p>Form Tech 2 , Note (a) Experience of Project Management Consultancy (from Project commencement to Completion) should be supported by a certificate from the client from an officer of not below the rank of Executive Engineer in a Government department, or Project Director in NHAI or General Manager in a Government department. The certificate from the client should clearly set out the name of the project, activities undertaken, project cost as given in below format. As it is mentioned in the clause that past project experience should be supported by certificate from the client signed by an officer of not below the rank of Executive Engineer in government department or Project Director in NHAI or General Manager in government department. In case of experience of PMC for private entity, post of Executive Engineer might not be available. Hence, we request Authority to accept certificate issued by the concerned authorized signatory for the PMC project for the private entity.</p>	<p>In eligibility criteria 4 (1), the work executed shall be in central / state govt. or public sector undertaking or a local body. The work executed for private entity shall not be considered. In case of PSU / local body certificate of General manager will be applicable. Please refer modified RFP.</p>
21	<p>Form Tech 2 , Note (a) " The certificate from the client should clearly set out the name of the project, activities undertaken, project cost as given in below format". Since, number of PMC projects has been completed by us in the past and client has also issued completion certificate to us. Having new completion certificate from the client in the</p>	<p>The work completion certificate from the employer shall be submitted in the specified format as detailed in Form Tech 2. In case it is not possible to get the exact format, the certificate must contain ,</p>

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	<p>required format as per RFP document would not be easily available. Hence, we request Authority to accept client certificates as issued by the client in the past. Further, we will provide all required relevant information as per the Form Tech — 2.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Name of the Bidder ii. Name of the work iii. Agreement no. iv. Cost of Consultancy services v. Date of completion of services vi. The nature of road work executed namely 4 / 6 lanes etc. including the length of road and the number and type of CD works. vii. The details of the consultancy services provided i.e supervision, Quality control, billing etc.

NOTE: To incorporate above changes, the RFP document is modified and uploaded on the website. The modified RFP document shall only be submitted along with the proposal to the NRDA.