

राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग एवं अवसंरचना विकास निगम लिमिटेड
National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS,
GOVT. OF INDIA

Letter of Invitation

Date : 07/06/2023
LOI No. : NHIDCL/ASSAM/S-D/JICA5/AE/2021/199467/RFP/C3
Client : NATIONAL HIGHWAYS & INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED (NHIDCL)
Country : INDIA
JICA Loan No. : ID-P293
Project Name : NORTH EAST ROAD NETWORK CONNECTIVITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (PHASE V)
Assignment Name : ***AUTHORITY'S ENGINEER FOR SUPERVISION OF "Up-gradation /widening and construction of 4 – lane with paved shoulders from Srirampur to Dhubri (Length 54.154 km) of NH-127B in the State of Assam under JICA ODA Loan assistance (Phase-V) on EPC mode." [3rd Call]***

To

All Participating Bidders,

1. The Government of India (hereinafter called as the "**Borrower**") has received a loan from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) towards the cost of the Project under the Scheme – North East Road Network Connectivity Improvement Project (Phase V) (hereinafter called "the Project") and intends to apply part of the proceeds towards payments under the contract for ***AUTHORITY'S ENGINEER FOR SUPERVISION OF "Up-gradation /widening and construction of 4 – lane with paved shoulders from Srirampur to Dhubri (Length 54.154 km) of NH-127B in the State of Assam under JICA ODA Loan assistance (Phase-V) on EPC mode. [3rd Call]***
2. National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) now invites Proposals from the shortlisted Consultants to provide the consultancy services under the above consulting services assignment. More details on the services are provided in the **Terms of Reference**.
3. This Letter of Invitation and the Request for Proposals (RFP) attached hereto open to all interested and eligible consultants.

Eligibility Criteria:

The eligibility criteria in respect of experience of firms have been mentioned below:

A). Eligibility Criteria for sole applicant firm or lead partner in case of JV

S. No.	Experience of the firm in last 10 years		Annual Turnover*
	Preparation of DPR (NH/SH/Equivalent)	Project Supervision/IC (NH/SH/Equivalent)	
1 (a)	The firm should have minimum experience of preparation of Detailed Project Report/ Feasibility Study cum Preliminary Design Report of 4**-laning of aggregate length equal to 2 times of Project Length*** or more of similar category for which RFP is invited.	The firm should have minimum experience of Project Supervision/Independent Engineer /Authority's Engineer of 4**-laning of aggregate length equal to 3 times of Project Length*** or more of similar category for which RFP is invited.	Annual Turnover (updated average of last 3 years) of the firm from consultancy business should be equal to or more than 2% of Estimated Project Cost.
1 (b)	Firm should also have prepared DPR/Feasibility Study cum Preliminary Design Report for at least one project of similar category of 4**-laning of minimum 40% of Project Length***.	Firm should also have experience of Project Supervision as Independent Consultant/ Independent Engineer/ Authority Engineer/ Project Supervision Consultants of at least one project of similar category of 4**-laning of minimum 40% of Project Length***.	

* Annual Turnover should be duly certified by statutory body like Chartered Accountant or Independent Auditors who are competent to do so as recognised by the State concerned.

** Experience of 4/6 lane shall be considered for 4 laning projects. For 4 laning projects, experience of 2 lane will be considered with a multiplication factor of 0.4, but only for those 2 lane projects whose cost of consultancy services was more than Rs.3.0 crores.

*** Project Length for consultancy work shall be 54.154 km.

B). Eligibility Criteria for partner in case of JV (not more than one partner shall be allowed)

The lead partner must fulfill at least 50% of requirements at 1(a) of table in para (A) above and other JV partner should fulfill at least 30% of eligibility criteria as indicated at 1(a) of table in para (A) above. Also the lead partner and JV partner jointly should meet the eligibility criteria as mentioned at 1(a) of table in para (A) above. Lead partner should meet the criteria 1 (b) of table in para (A) above.

Note: The weightage given for experience of a firm would depend on the role of the firm in the respective assignments. The firm's experience would get full credit if it was the sole firm in the respective assignment. If the applicant firm has completed projects as JV with some other firms, weightage shall be given as per the JV share#. However if the applicant firm has executed the project as associate with some other firms, 25% weightage shall be given to the applicant firm for the projects completed under such association.

#For weightage of experience in any past Consultancy assignment, experience certificate from the client shall be submitted. In absence of clear demarcation of JV share in client certificate, the weightage will be treated as 60 % for lead partner and 40% for minor partner.

Annual turnover duly certified by Chartered Accountant shall be accepted. In case of non-availability of such documents no weightage of turnover/experience will be considered.

4. A firm(s) will be selected under QCBS (Quality and Cost-Based Selection) and the procedure described in the RFP, in accordance with the applicable Guidelines for the Employment of Consultants under Japanese ODA Loans. The selected AE shall be intimated to the JICA and to the Contractor.
5. The Consultants are hereby requested to inform us whether or not you intend to submit a Proposal for the subject consultancy work in writing on or before **15.00 hrs on 16/06/2023** at the address below:

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6. The RFP Document has been uploaded on CPP Portal (<https://eprocure.gov.in>) and NHIDCL website (www.nhidcl.com). RFP document has also been uploaded on INFRACON AE Version 2.0 Portal (<http://infracon.nic.in>). Technical proposal is to be submitted through INFRACON AE Version 2.0 Portal. In addition to above, hard copy of the documents in original, as mentioned at Clause 10.1(d) of Data Sheet are to be submitted at the address mentioned at Para 5 above. The shortlisted Consultants (the firm and personnel included in the proposal) must get registered on the INFRACON Portal and upload their credentials/experience on INFRACON. For any information on INFRACON, the Consultancy Firms/ Key Personnel** may contact at email: support-infracon@gov.in. It may please be ensured that the Financial Proposal is to be uploaded on CPP Portal (<https://eprocure.gov.in>) only.

(**Key Personnel and Key Experts are used as synonyms in this document)

7. The interested consultancy firms may download the RFP document from CPP portal or the official website of the Employer (NHIDCL) or **w.e.f. 07/06/2023 upto 06/07/2023 before 15.00 hrs**. The participating bidders will be required to pay a non- refundable Cost of RFP document of **₹ 5,900/- inclusive of GST @ 18%** (RTGS/NEFT/Other online mode) on or before **06/07/2023 at 15.00 hrs** to the NHIDCL's Bank account details as follows:

S. No.	Particulars	Details
1.	Name of Beneficiary	National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
2.	Beneficiary Bank Account No.	90621010002610
3.	Beneficiary Bank Branch Name & Address	Canara Bank, Transport Bhawan, 1st Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001
4.	Beneficiary Bank Branch IFSC	CNRB0019062

Proof of payment receipt must be submitted online & hard copy along with bid document.

8. As part of the Standard Operating Procedure for adoption of Integrity Pact, Shri Subhash Chandra IAS (Retd.) has been appointed as Independent External Monitor (IEM) in NHIDCL, as per approval of the Central Vigilance Commission and Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Govt. of India. The contact detail of IEM can be seen on the website of NHIDCL.
9. Details on the Proposal's submission date, time and address are provided below:

Sr. No	Event Description	Date
1.	Invitation of RFP (NIT)	07/06/2023
2.	Last date for receiving queries	22/06/2023 (1100 Hrs)
3.	Pre-BID meeting	22/06/2023 (1400 Hrs)
4.	Authority response to queries latest by	27/06/2023
5.	Last date of Request for BID Document	06/07/2023 (1500 Hrs)
6	Bid submission End Date (online)	06/07/2023 (1500 Hrs)
7.	Physical submission of Bid Security / PoA etc., if any	07/07/2023 (1200 Hrs)
8.	Opening of Technical BIDs at venue	07/07/2023 (1600 Hrs)
9.	Date of uploading of list of Technically Qualified Applicants	To be intimated later
10.	Date of Opening of Financial Bids of Qualified Applicants	To be intimated with the result of technical evaluation
11.	Letter of Award (LOA)	To be intimated later
12.	Validity of BID	120 days from bid due date

10. Proposals will be opened in the presence of Consultant's representatives who choose to attend at the offices as specified in the Request for Proposals.

Yours sincerely,

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