

National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited

Subject: Consultancy Services for Preparation of Detailed Project Report and providing Pre-Construction activities for Construction of Highway Tunnel including approaches across Khardungla Pass, Namika La & Fotu La Passes in the Union Territory of Ladakh.

Tender Id: 2021_NHIDC_647035_1

Date: 22.09.2021

Reply to Pre-Bid Queries

S.No.	Clause	Description	Suggestion/Query	Reply
1.	Clause 1.13, Section-13, Letter of Invitation Page 10 of 208	No Consultancy firm will be awarded more than 03 (three) projects of Consultancy services as DPR Consultant in NHIDCL. If any bidder or consultancy firm either as a sole bidder or as partner/Associate <u>has already been awarded</u> or ongoing 03 projects as DPR Consultant, then that will not be eligible for bidding this work. Consultancy firms who are H1 in any of the projects of Consultant under NHIDCL considered as awarded projects. Consultancy firms must submit undertaking w.r.t. the above details in the specified format as per Appendix-IX.	M/s Rites Ltd	As per the description mentioned in the clause, it is written that if a consultancy firm either as a sole partner/Associate has already been awarded the DPR then the firm will not be eligible for bidding for this work. Since tunnel a project are specialized in nature and requires expertise and technical know-how and RITES has been awarded the consultancy works for NHIDCL and it had already delivered projects to NHIDCL. This sentence of the clause (Highlighted above) does not favor the credible consultants who had already delivered the projects on time to participate in the tender and may please be removed. Since this

			<p>project is located at a height of around 5500 m and will require sound technical knowledge, experience of working in the similar conditions, we request to kindly remove this clause and allow the bidders to participate. Kindly consider.</p>	
2.	<p>Clause 12.1 A (Table) of Data sheet at Page 24 of 208</p>	<p>A Firm applying should have Experience of preparation of Detailed Project Report of Road/Rail/Metro tunnels aggregate length equal to the indicative length of the package</p>	<p>There are 3 packages with indicative tunnel lengths 5.5 km, 2.5 km & 1.7 km. The clause does not clarify whether the experience of aggregate length & minimum length (40%) of DPR to be shown by the consultant should be against the largest length of the package i.e., 5.5 km or combined length of the package i.e., 9.7 km</p>	<p>The indicative length has been kept 5 km as per RFP for evaluation purpose. Please refer Appendix-V, page 141 of RFP.</p>
3.	<p>Clause 12.2 Second Stage Technical Evaluation, A. Firm's relevant experience in last 10 years Point 4.1</p>	<p>DPR of number of special tunnels (if applicable)</p>	<p>Since tunnels itself is a specialized job and the DPR of any tunnel falls under this category. So, the consultant understands the DPR of any tunnel will come under this category. Please clarify.</p>	<p>It may be read as DPR of number of tunnels.</p>


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