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Date:20.062023

REPLY TO PRE-BID QUERY

To,

All the prospective Bidders

Name of Work: Invitation of tender for Consultancy services for Authority's Engineer for the following projects:

- i) Widening/Improvement to 4 (Four) Lane with Paved Shoulder from km 626+030 (Nalani hulla Gaon) to km 650+450 (Chotahapjan) on existing Tinsukia -Makum Bypass of NH-15 (Old NH 37) and Improvement of existing NH-315 (Old NH-38) from Km 0+000 (Chotahapjan) to Km 16+900 (Bogapani section) (2-Lane +PS) in the State of Assam on EPC mode.(Package-3).
- ii) Strengthening/Improvement to 2-Lane Lane with Paved Shoulder from km 16+900 (Bogapani) to km 27+150 (Golai Goan) on existing Dibrugarh to Ledo section with proposed Digboi Bypass (Green Field and Brownfield)(2-Lane+PS) of NH-315 (Old NH-38)in Tinsukia District in the State of Assam on EPC mode(Package-4)
- iii) Strengthening/Improvement to 2-Lane with Paved Shoulder from km 27+150 (Golai Gaon) to km 47+682 (Ledo) on existing Dibrugarh to Ledo section with proposed Digboi Bypass (Green Field and Brownfield) (2-Lane+PS) of NH-315 (Old NH-38)in Tinsukia District in the State of Assam on EPC mode. (Package-5) - Reply of the Pre-Bid query - Reg.

Tender ID: 2023_NHIDC_756522_1

S. No	Pre-Bid Query of the Bidder	NHIDCL Reply
1	Request to withdraw clause no 23 of SECTION 1: INFORMATION TO CONSULTANTS of RFP for capping of maximum number of Authority's Engineer/ Construction Supervision Projects award to one consultant (i.e. "the bidder including individual or any of its JV members or its related parties, who are already having three or more on-going Authority Engineer Consultancy contract(s) in NHIDCL, as on date of financial bid opening, shall not be eligible to bid for this project")	Deleted RFP clause no 23 of Section 1: Information to Consultant

S. No	Pre-Bid Query of the Bidder	NHIDCL Reply
	<p>The capping condition has resulted in a situation where only two or three eligible/interested consultants are left with partial bid capacity. This restriction has adversely affected the competitiveness and quality of the bids.</p> <p>It is important to highlight that the NHIDCL is responsible for the development, maintenance, and management of National Highways in hilly terrains and border areas of India. The successful execution of projects by the Authority's Engineer is crucial for ensuring timely and effective completion. Therefore, it is imperative that NHIDCL attracts the best and most qualified consultants for these projects.</p> <p>I would like to bring to your attention that in the past assignments, there has limited participation i.e., 1 to 3 consultants participate in the bidding process. Furthermore, in generally only one consultant has been able to qualify for the financial bid opening. However, as per the MORTH guideline minimum of two or more participants is required for the financial opening in the first call of Tender Invitation. Consequently, the project bids have remained unawarded, leading to the cancellation of project. This clause 23 of SECTION 1: INFORMATION TO CONSULTANTS of RFP not only wastes valuable time for the authority but also causes significant delays in the project progress due to the inability to finalize supervision consultants.</p>	

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