NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

(e-Tender)

1.1 GENERAL

1.1.1 Name of Work:

National High Speed Rail Corporation Ltd. (NHSRCL) invites online open e-tenders from eligible applicants, who fulfil qualification criteria as stipulated in Clause 1.1.3 of NIT, for the work "CONDUCTING SURVEY / FIELD WORK & PREPARATION OF DETAILED SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (SIA)/ RESETTLEMENT ACTION PLAN (RAP) FOR VARANASI-HOWRAH HIGH SPEED RAIL CORRIDOR (ABOUT 760 KMS LONG)".

Tender documents may be downloaded from CPPP site <u>https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app</u> as per the schedule as given in 1.1.2 below.

The brief scope of the work is provided in Clause A1 of ITT (Volume-1) and Employer's Requirement-Terms of Reference (Volume-3).

1.1.2 Key details:

Published Date	20.01.2021 at 1700 Hrs.
	Amount of Tender Security: - INR 8,06,330/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Six Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty only)
Tender Security	Payment of Tender Security is to be done only by RTGS, NEFT & IMPS and no other mode of payment will be accepted.
	The bidders shall upload the scanned copies of transaction of payment of tender security/ EMD including e-receipt (clearly indicating UTR No. and tender reference i.e. NHSRCL/SIA/2021/04 must be entered in remarks at the time of online transaction of payment, failing which payment may not be considered) to be uploaded in online bid submission. The detail of bank account of NHSRCL is mentioned below this table.
	Note: Bidders to note that the payment of tender security shall be made from the account of bidder only. However, in case of JV/ Consortium, the tender security can either be paid from JV/Consortium account or one of the constituent member of JV/Consortium.
	If tender security has been made from other than the account mentioned above, same shall not be accepted and all such bids shall be considered ineligible and summarily rejected.
	For further details, clause C18 of ITT may be referred.
Completion period of the Work	6 months
Tender document Download	21.01.2021 (from 0900 hrs) on e-tendering website https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app.
	Tender document can only be obtained online on the website <u>https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app</u>

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To facilitate payment of Tender Fee and Tender Security through RTGS, NEFT & IMPS, the details of bank account of NHSRCL is mentioned below:

Name of Bank	Bank's Address	Account Name & No.	Account Type	IFSC Code
HDFC Bank Limited	209-214, Kailash Building, 26, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi-110001	57500000079852	Current	HDFC0000003



1.1.3 QUALIFICATION CRITERIA:

1.1.3.1 Eligible Applicants:

- i. The tenders for this contract will be considered only from those tenderers (proprietorship firms, partnerships firms, companies, corporations, consortia or joint ventures) who meet requisite eligibility criteria prescribed in the sub-clauses of Clause 1.1.3 of NIT. In the case of a JV or Consortium, all members of the Group shall be jointly and severally liable for the performance of whole contract.
- ii. (a) The eligible nationality of the tenderer(s) shall be (i) India in the case of the Tenderer and (ii) All countries and areas in the case of the sub-contractor(s). A non-Indian firm is permitted to tender only in a joint venture or consortium arrangement with any other Indian firm having minimum participation interest of 26% or their wholly owned Indian subsidiary registered in India under Companies Act-1956 with minimum 26% participation.
 - (b) A tenderer shall submit only one bid in the same tendering process, either individually as a tenderer or as a partner of a JV/Consortium. A tenderer who submits or participates in, more than one bid will cause all of the proposals in which the tenderer has participated to be disqualified. No tenderer can be a subcontractor while submitting a bid individually or as a partner of a JV/Consortium/Association in the same bidding process.
 - (c) The Tenderer (either Single entity or as a member of JV/Consortium) who has been awarded (as a single entity or any member of JV/Consortium), three or more number of similar nature of SIA works (ongoing) for other HSR corridors by NHSRCL, as on Bid Submission date, shall not be eligible/qualified to participate in this tender.
- iii. A tenderer, if acting in the capacity of subcontractor in any bid, may participate in more than one bid, but only in that capacity.
- iv. Tenderers shall not have a conflict of interest. All Tenderers found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. Tenderers shall be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process, if:
 - (a) a tenderer has been engaged by the Employer to provide consulting services for the preparation related to procurement for / on implementation of the project;
 - (b) a tenderer is any associates/affiliates (inclusive of parent firms) mentioned in subparagraph (a) above; or
 - (c) a tenderer lends, or temporarily seconds its personnel to firms or organisations which are engaged in consulting services for the preparation related to procurement for / on implementation of the project, if the personnel would be involved in any capacity on the same project.
- v. (a) NHSRCL/Ministry of Railways along with any of their attached and subordinate offices/ Any metro rail organizations in India (owned by Govt.)/ Order of Ministry of Commerce applicable for all Ministries must not have banned business with the tenderer (including any member in case of JV/consortium) as on the date of tender submission. The tenderer should submit undertaking to this effect in Appendix-19 of Form of Tender.
 - (b) Also no contract of the tenderer executed either individually or in a JV/Consortium, should have been rescinded / terminated by NHSRCL/Ministry of Railways along with any of their attached and subordinate offices/ Any metro rail organizations in India (owned by Govt.) after award during last 03 years (from the last day of the previous month of tender submission) due to non-performance of the tenderer or any of JV/Consortium members. The tenderer should submit undertaking to this effect in Appendix- 19 of Form of Tender. Non-performance, which is basically termination of the Contract as decided by the Employer, shall include all Contracts where non-performance was not challenged by the Contractor, including through referral to the dispute resolution mechanism under the respective Contract or by written



representation/ appeal to the Employer or in any appropriate court.

- (c) If the Tenderer or any of the constituent 'substantial member(s)' of JV/Consortium does not meet the criteria stated in the **Appendix-19**, the tenderer including the constituent 'substantial member(s)' of JV/Consortium shall be considered ineligible for participation in tender process and they shall be considered ineligible applicants in terms of Clause 1.1.3.1 of NIT.
- (d) If there is any misrepresentation of facts with regards to undertaking submitted vide Appendix-19, the same will be considered as "fraudulent practice" under Clause 4.33.1 (a) (ii) of GCC and the tender submission of such tenderers will be rejected besides taking further action as per Clause 4.33.1 (b) & 13.2.1 of GCC.
- vi. Tenderer (any member in case of JV/consortium) must not have suffered bankruptcy/ insolvency during the last 5 years or it is in the process of winding-up or there is a case of insolvency pending before any Court on the deadline of submission of bids. The tenderer should submit undertaking to this effect in **Appendix-20** of Form of Tender.

vii. LEAD PARTNER/ NON SUBSTANTIAL PARTNERS/ CHANGE IN JV/ CONSORTIUM

- a. Lead partner must be a substantial partner in the JV/Consortium and **it should have a minimum of 40% participation in JV/Consortium.** A substantial partner shall be having minimum of 26% participation in JV/Consortium.
- b. Each non-substantial partner should have a minimum of 20% participation in the JV/Consortium. Partners having less than 26% participation will be termed as non-substantial partner and will not be considered for evaluation which means that their financial soundness and work experience shall not be considered for evaluation of JV/Consortium.
- c. In case of JV/Consortium, change in constitution or percentage participation shall not be permitted at any stage after their submission of bids. In case of changes during tendering stage, the bid shall be treated as non-responsive.
- d. The tenderer, in case of JV/Consortium, shall clearly and unambiguously define the role and responsibilities for each substantial/non-substantial partner in the JV agreement/ MOU submitted vide foot note (d) of Appendix 6 of Form of Tender, providing clearly that any abrogation/subsequent re-assignment of any responsibility by any substantive/non-substantive partner of JV/Consortium in favour of other JV/Consortium partner or any change in constitution of partners of JV/Consortium (without written approval of Employer) from the one given in JV agreement /MOU at tender stage, will be treated, as 'breach of contract condition' and/or 'concealment of facts' (as the case may be), vide GCC clause 4.33.1 [a (ii) and (iii)] and acted accordingly.
- e. The Employer in such cases, may in its sole discretion take action under clause 4.33.1 (b) of GCC against any member(s) for failure in tenderer's obligation and declare that member(s) of JV/Consortium ineligible for award of any tender in NHSRCL or take action to terminate the contract in part or whole under clause 13 of GCC as the situation may demand and recover the cost/damages as provided in contract.

viii. Participation by Subsidiary Company / Parent Company with credential of other Company

a. Applicant in the capacity of a Subsidiary Company as a single entity is not permitted to use the credential of its Parent Company and/or its Sister Subsidiary Company/ Companies unless the Applicant participates in tender as JV/Consortium with its Parent Company and/or its Sister Subsidiary Company/ Companies as a member(s) in JV with minimum 26% participation each (as substantial member) for such member(s).



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b. Applicant in the capacity of a Parent Company as a single entity is not permitted to use the credential of its Subsidiary Company/ Companies unless the Applicant participates in tender as JV/Consortium with its Subsidiary Company/ Companies as a member(s) in JV with minimum 26% participation each (as substantial member) for such member(s).

ix. Purchase Preference to Local Suppliers/Preference to Make In India:

a) Definitions:

- i. 'Local content' means the amount of value added in India which shall be the total value of the item procured (excluding net domestic indirect taxes) minus the value of imported content in the item (including all custom duties) as a proportion of the total value, in percent. Minimum local content shall be **50%** for the subject tender.
- ii. 'Local Supplier' means a supplier or service provider whose product or service offered for procurement meets the minimum local content as prescribed at sr. no. i. above.
- iii. 'L1' means the lowest tender or lowest bid received in a tender, bidding process or other procurement solicitation as adjudged in the evaluation process as per the tender or other procurement solicitation.
- iv. 'Margin of purchase preference' means the maximum extent to which the price quoted by a local supplier may be above the L1 for the purpose of purchase preference. Margin of purchase preference shall be **20%** for the subject tender.

b) Procedure for Purchase Preference in procurement of goods or works which are divisible in nature: NOT APPLICABLE FOR THE SUBJECT TENDER

- i. Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is from a local supplier, the contract for full quantity will be awarded to L1.
- ii. If L1 bid is not from a local supplier, 50% of the order quantity shall be awarded to L1. Thereafter, the lowest bidder among the local suppliers, will be invited to match the L1 price for the remaining 50% quantity subject to the local supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference, and contract for that quantity shall be awarded to such local supplier subject to matching the L1 price.
- iii. In case such lowest eligible local supplier fails to match the L1 price or accepts less than the offered quantity, the next higher local supplier within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price for remaining quantity and so on, and contract shall be awarded accordingly.
- iv. In case some quantity is still left uncovered on local suppliers, then such balance quantity may also be ordered on the L1 bidder.
- c) Procedure for Purchase Preference in procurement of goods or works which are not divisible in nature <u>and in procurement of services where the bid is evaluated</u> <u>on price alone</u>: APPLICABLE FOR THE SUBJECT TENDER.
 - i. Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is from a local supplier, the contract will be awarded to L1.
 - ii. If L1 is not from a local supplier, the lowest bidder among the local suppliers, will be invited to match the L1 price subject to local supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference, and the contract shall be awarded to such local supplier subject to matching the L1 price.
 - iii. In case such lowest eligible local supplier fails to match the L1 price, the local supplier with the next higher bid within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price and so on and contract shall be awarded accordingly.
 - iv. In case none of the local suppliers within the margin of purchase preference

matches the L1 price, then the contract may be awarded to the L1 bidder.

d) Minimum local content and verification of local content:

- i. The local supplier at the time of tender shall be required to provide self-certification that the item offered meets the minimum local content and shall give details of the location(s) at which the local value addition is made.
- ii. In case of procurement for a value in excess of Rs. 10 crores, the local supplier shall be required to provide a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company or from a practicing cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant giving the percentage of local content <u>after completion of works to the Engineer</u>.
- iii. If any false declaration regarding local content is found, the company shall be debarred for a period of three years from participating in tenders of NHSRCL.
- iv. Supplier/bidder shall give the details of the local content in a format attached as Appendix-22 and Appendix-23 of FOT duly filled to be uploaded along with the technical bid. In case, bidder do not upload Appendix-22 and Appendix-23 of FOT duly filled along with their technical bid, local content shall be considered as 'Nil' in tender evaluation.
- e) Complaints relating to implementation of Purchase Preference

Fees for such complaints shall be Rs. 2 Lakh or 1% of the value of the local item being procured (subject to maximum of Rs. 5 Lakh), whichever is higher. In case the complaint is found to be incorrect, the complaint fee shall be forfeited. In case, the complaint is upheld and found to be substantially correct, deposited fee of the complainant would be refunded without any interest.

x. Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs):

- a) Procurement Preference to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) as admissible under Government's existing policy on the date of opening of bid shall be applicable to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) registered with any statutory bodies specified by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises having Udyog Aadhaar Memoranda shall also be given all benefits under Public Procurement Policy Order 2012.
- b) The bidders shall submit photocopy of current and valid MSEs registration certificate inclusive of all the pages showing the category of entrepreneur whether the registered firm is owned by General or SC/ST entrepreneurs, monetary limit of their registration for the items tendered to avail the benefits under the policy. The MSEs shall also submit a copy of "Entrepreneur's Memorandum (Part II)" of the concerned District Centre where the unit is established. The MSEs must also indicate the terminal validity date of their registration.
- c) Such MSE registered firms shall be exempted from payment of Tender document cost and payment of Tender Security.
- d) Definition of MSEs owned by SC/ST is as given below:
 - i. In case of proprietary MSE, proprietor(s) shall be SC/ST.
 - ii. In case of partnership MSE, the SC/ST partners shall be holding at least 51% shares in the unit.
 - iii. In case of Private Limited Companies, at least 51% share shall be held by SC/ST promoters.
- e) All bidders registered under Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) shall have to satisfy the eligibility criteria at par with other bidders. There shall not be any relaxation in eligibility criteria/bidding process or other bid requirement and L1 price.
- f) If lowest valid bidder is non-MSE firm, then in such a case purchase preference facility

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shall not be applicable in the bid as quantity cannot be split. The total quantity shall be offered to the lowest valid bidder irrespective of their registration status and the benefit to MSEs shall be limited to exemption from cost of tender document and tender security only.

- g) The above facilities shall not be applicable for the items for which they are not registered.
- h) The above facility shall be applicable only in case of single entity or all member in JV/Consortium are registered and eligible MSEs.

xi. Startup India:

- a) All Startups (whether Micro & Small Enterprises or otherwise) are exempted from cost of Tender document and Tender security.
- b) Definition of Startup:

Startup means an entity recognised as Startup by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotions (DIPP), Ministry of Commerce and Industries, Govt. of India.

c) The above facility shall be applicable only in case of single entity or all member in JV/Consortium are registered and eligible Startups.

1.1.3.2 Minimum Eligibility Criteria:

- A. Work Experience: The tenderers will be qualified only if they have substantially completed* following work(s) as prime / main contractor (work performed as sub-contractor will not be considered), completion date(s) of which falling during last seven years ending last day of the month previous to the month of tender submission as given below**:
 - (i) One "similar work" of minimum length of 300km each.

OR

(ii) Two "similar works" of minimum length of 200km each.

OR

(iii) Three "similar works" of minimum length of 100km each.

Similar Work means: "projects funded by multilateral and bilateral funding agencies (such as World Bank, JICA, ADB etc.) involving Social Impact Assessment Study/ Rehabilitation Action Plan Preparation for Linear Projects (like Railways, Roads, Waterways & Metro Rail) and where the report has been successfully accepted by the concern funding agency."

* Substantially completed means where physical completion of activity of Social Impact Assessment Study/ Rehabilitation Action Plan Preparation has been fully completed, however the other overall work of the contract (part of which Social Impact Assessment Study/ Rehabilitation Action Plan Preparation have been completed) may/ may not be fully completed.

** For past experience of activities mentioned above, credit shall be given for the execution of the quantity/length of that specific activity executed by the tenderer, duly certified by the client. In case of JV/Consortium, for quantity/length, credit shall be given according to the Tenderer's participation and/or responsibility matrix in JV/Consortium.

Notes:

- a) Work experience of only substantial partner (partner with share of 26% or more in the JV / Consortium) shall be considered for evaluating of JV/Consortium.
- b) The tenderer shall submit details of works executed by them in the Proforma of Appendix-17 & 17A of FOT for the works to be considered for qualification of work experience criteria. Documentary proof of completion certificates from client clearly indicating the nature/scope of work, actual completion cost, length/quantities completed

and actual date of completion for such work should be submitted. The offers submitted without this documentary proof shall not be evaluated.

- c) Value/length of substantially completed portion of any ongoing work up to last day of the month previous to the month of tender submission will also be considered for qualification of work experience criteria.
- d) Deleted
- e) In case of Joint venture / consortium, full value/length of the work, if done by the same joint venture shall be considered. If the qualifying work(s) were done by them in JV/consortium having different constituents, then the value/length of work as per their percentage participation and/or responsibility matrix in such JV/Consortium shall be considered.
- f) If the above work(s) comprise(s) other works also, then details clearly indicating the amount of work done in respect of the "work experience criteria" shall be furnished by the tenderer in support of work experience along-with their tender submissions.
- g) Only work experience certificate having stamp of Name and Designation of officer along with the Name of client shall be considered for evaluation. However, if any work experience certificate has been issued prior to 01.07.2019, same shall be considered for evaluation even if it is not stamped.
- h) In case of any concealment or misrepresentation of facts, appropriate action(s) in accordance with Tender Conditions and "Suspension/ Banning Policy, June 2020" of NHSRCL shall be taken. The copy of "Suspension/Banning Policy, June 2020" of NHSRCL can be downloaded from tender section of NHSRCL website i.e. www.nhsrcl.in
- i) Wherever required copies of completion certificates issued in any other language other than English need to be translated and apostilled as per norms laid out for the same.
- j) If the tenderer is a JV/Consortium having foreign partner(s) and above work(s) have been executed by the foreign partner of JV and the work(s) were done in the country of the foreign partner, then in addition to this the foreign partner must have executed works (which need not be similar in nature) of total put together of minimum length of 100km each or more outside the country of the foreign partner.

Tenderer to submit relevant document to establish the criteria or submit undertaking as per **Appendix-25 of FOT**.

- **B. Financial Standing:** The tenderers will be qualified only if they have minimum financial capabilities as below:
 - (i) T1 Liquidity: Deleted
 - (ii) **T2 Profitability:** Profit before Tax should be Positive in at least 03 years, out of the last five audited financial years.

In Case of JV/Consortium: The profitability of only lead member shall be evaluated.

(iii) **T3 – Net Worth:** Net Worth of tenderer during last audited financial year should be <u>Positive</u>

In Case of JV/Consortium – Net worth of each member shall be positive.

(iv) **T4 – Annual Turnover:** The average annual turnover of Tenderer of last five financial years should be > **INR 2.11 Crores**

The average annual turnover of JV/ Consortium will be based on percentage participation of each substantial member.

<u>Example</u>: Let Member-1 has percentage participation = M and Member-2 has =N. Let the average annual turnover of Member-1 is 'A' and that of Member-2 is 'B', then the average annual turnover of JV will be= (AM+BN)/100

Notes:

a) Financial data for latest last five audited financial years has to be submitted by the tenderer in Appendix-18 of FOT duly certified by Chartered Accountant/ Company Auditor/Statutory Auditor with his stamp and signature in original with membership number and firm registration number. All the documents or certifications which are



provided by CA, must contain UDIN thereon and the particulars of certifications must be same as mentioned on document/certification and submitted to ICAI on its website which can be verified online on <u>https://udin.icai.org/search-udin</u>. In case the financial data of the last financial year is not made available by the bidder, he has to submit an affidavit certifying that 'the balance sheet has actually not been audited so far'. In such a case the financial data of previous '4' audited financial years will be taken into consideration for evaluation. If certified financial data of any year other than the last year is not submitted, the tender may be considered as non-responsive.

- b) Where a work is undertaken by a JV/Consortium, only that portion of the contract which is undertaken by the concerned applicant/member should be indicated and the remaining done by the other members of the group be excluded. This is to be substantiated with documentary evidence.
- c) For turnover or financial data required for each year Exchange rate for foreign currency shall be as prevailing on the last day of the respective year.
- C. Manpower Strength: The Tenderer must own/lease (quantity as indicated against each item) the instrument/ machine/software as indicated in Annexure 5 of ITT and proposing manpower as indicated in Annexure 3 & Annexure 4 of ITT, as minimum, to be eligible to bid.

Notes:

- a) In case of JV/Consortium, all partner combined credentials must meet the requirement.
- b) All manpower as proposed by the Tenderer as per Annexure 3 & 4. Detailed CV (in format mentioned in Attachment 1 of Appendix-7 of FOT) along with Candidate commitment shall be duly signed by concerned personnel along with sign & stamp of Tenderer.
- c) Project-Personnel (i.e. Team Leader & Deputy Team Leader) who are already engaged in other ongoing contract(s) with NHSRCL for SIA Study related works shall not be proposed by the tenderer for this tender and shall not be considered.
- d) In case, the tenderer proposes any personnel in this tender, who is already proposed in a tender for SIA study related works under evaluation in NHSRCL (as on seven days prior to last date of bid submission) an undertaking shall be submitted by the Tenderer as per Annexure-3 and Annexure-4 of ITT & Appendix-7 of FOT.

1.1.3.3 Bid Capacity Criteria: NOT APPLICABLE FOR THE SUBJECT TENDER

Bid Capacity: The tenderers will be qualified only if their available bid capacity is more than the approximate cost of work as per NIT. Available bid capacity will be calculated based on the following formula:

Available Bid Capacity = $2^*A^*N - B$

Where,

- A = Maximum of the value of works executed in any one year during the last five financial years (updated to last day of the month previous to the month of tender submission price level assuming 3% inflation for Indian Rupees every year).
- N = No. of years prescribed for completion of the work
- B = Value of existing commitments (as on last day of the month previous to the month of tender submission) for on-going works during period of 6 months w.e.f. from the first day of the month of tender submission.

Notes:

 a) Financial data for latest last five financial years has to be submitted by the tenderer in Appendix-15 of FOT duly certified by Chartered Accountant/Company Auditor// Statutory Auditor with his stamp and signature in original with membership number and

firm registration number. All the documents or certifications which are provided by CA, must contain UDIN thereon and the particulars of certifications must be same as mentioned on document/ certification and submitted to ICAI on its website which can be verified online on https://udin.icai.org/search-udin.

- b) Value of existing commitments for on-going works during period of 6 months w.e.f. from the first day of the month of tender submission has to be submitted by the tenderer in **Appendix-16** of FOT. These data shall be certified by the Chartered Accountant/ Company Auditor/Statutory Auditor with his stamp and signature in original with membership number and firm registration number. All the documents or certifications which are provided by CA, must contain UDIN thereon and the particulars of certifications must be same as mentioned on document/ certification and submitted to ICAI on its website which can be verified online on <u>https://udin.icai.org/search-udin</u>.
- c) In the case of a JV/Consortium, the above formula will be applied to each substantial member to the extent of his proposed participation in the execution of the work. If the proposed % participation is not mentioned then equal participation will be assumed.

Example for calculation of bid capacity in case of JV / Consortium / Group Suppose there are 'P' and 'Q' members of the JV/ Consortium/ Group with their participation in the JV / Consortium / Group as 70% and 30% respectively and available bid capacity of these members as per above formula individually works out 'X' and 'Y' respectively, then Bid Capacity of JV / Consortium / Group shall be as under:

Bid Capacity of the JV / Consortium / Group = 0.7X + 0.3Y

1.1.3.4 The tender submission of tenderers, who do not qualify the minimum eligibility criteria & bid capacity criteria stipulated in the clauses 1.1.3.2 to 1.1.3.3 above, shall not be considered for further evaluation and therefore rejected. The mere fact that the tenderer is qualified as mentioned in sub clause 1.1.3.2 to 1.1.3.3 shall not imply that his bid shall automatically be accepted. The same should contain all technical data as required for consideration of tender prescribed in the ITT.

1.1.4 Contents of Tender documents

Volume 1

- Notice Inviting Tender
- Instructions to Tenderers (including Annexures)
- Form of Tender (including Appendices)

Volume 2

- General Conditions of Contracts
- Particular Conditions of Contract (including Schedules)

Volume 3

• Employer's Requirement – Terms of Reference (TOR)

Volume 4

- Bill of Quantities
- 1.1.5 The contract shall be governed by the documents listed in Para 1.1.4 above.
- 1.1.6 The tenderers may obtain further information / clarification, if any, in respect of these tender documents from the office of General Manager/ Contract-1, National High Speed Rail Corporation Ltd., 2nd Floor, Asia Bhawan, Road No. 205, Sector-9, Dwarka, New Delhi-110077 via online mode through e-tendering portal <u>https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app</u>.
- 1.1.7 All tenderers are hereby cautioned that tenders containing any material deviation or reservations as described in Clause E 4.0 of "Instructions to Tenderers" shall be considered as non-responsive and is liable to be rejected.
- 1.1.8 The intending tenderers must be registered on e-tendering portal <u>https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app</u>. Those who are not registered on the e-tendering portal/ shall be required to get registered beforehand. After registration, the tenderer will get user id

and password. On login, tenderer can participate in tendering process and can witness various activities of the process.

Bids shall be submitted online only at CPPP website: <u>https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app</u>.

Tenderer/Contractor are advised to follow "Instructions for Online Bid Submission" provided below.

Bid documents may be scanned with 100 dpi with black and white option which helps in reducing size of the scanned document.

- 1.1.9 The authorized signatory of intending tenderer, as per Power of Attorney (POA), must have valid **Class-III digital signature**. The tender document can only be downloaded or uploaded using Class-III digital signature. However, the tenderer shall upload their tender on **https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app** using Class-III digital signature of the authorized signatory only.
- 1.1.10 Tender submissions shall be done online on https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app after uploading the mandatory scanned documents towards cost of tender documents such as scanned copies of transaction of payment i.e. RTGS, NEFT & IMPS and towards Tender Security such as Bank Guarantee or Demand Draft or Pay Order or Banker's Cheque from a Scheduled commercial bank based in India or scanned copies of transaction of payment i.e. RTGS, NEFT & IMPS and towards Tender i.e. RTGS, NEFT & IMPS (and other documents as stated in the tender document). Instructions for on-line bid submission are furnished hereinafter.
- 1.1.11 Submission of Tenders shall be closed on e-tendering website https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/appat the date & time of submission prescribed in NIT after which no tender shall be accepted.

It shall be the responsibility of the bidder / tenderer to ensure that his tender is submitted online on e-tendering website **https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app** before the deadline of submission. NHSRCL will not be responsible for non-receipt of tender documents due to any delay and/or loss etc.

- 1.1.12 Tenders shall be valid for a period of 90 days (both days inclusive i.e. the date of submission of tenders and the last date of period of validity of the tender) from the date of submission of Tenders and shall be accompanied with a tender security of the requisite amount as per clause C18 of ITT.
- 1.1.13 NHSRCL reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals without assigning any reasons. No tenderer shall have any cause of action or claim against the NHSRCL for rejection of his proposal.
- 1.1.14 Intending Bidders are advised to visit this website https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app regularly till closing date of submission to keep themselves updated as any change/ modification in the tender will be intimated through this website only by corrigendum / addendum/ amendment.
- 1.1.15 <Deleted>
- 1.1.16 Courts in New Delhi alone shall have the jurisdiction to entertain any application or other proceedings in accordance with Laws of India in respect of anything arising under this Bid.

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Instructions for Online Bid Submission

The bidders are required to submit soft copies of their bids electronically on the CPP Portal, using valid Digital Signature Certificates. The instructions given below are meant to assist the bidders in registering on the CPP Portal, prepare their bids in accordance with the requirements and submitting their bids online on the CPP Portal.

More information useful for submitting online bids on the CPP Portal may be obtained at: <u>https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app</u>.

REGISTRATION

- Bidders are required to enroll on the e-Procurement module of the Central Public Procurement Portal (URL: https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app) by clicking on the link "Online bidder Enrolment" on the CPP Portal which is free of charge.
- 2) As part of the enrolment process, the bidders will be required to choose a unique username and assign a password for their accounts.
- 3) Bidders are advised to register their valid email address and mobile numbers as part of the registration process. These would be used for any communication from the CPP Portal.
- 4) Upon enrolment, the bidders will be required to register their valid Digital Signature Certificate (Class II or Class III Certificates with signing key usage) issued by any Certifying Authority recognized by CCA India (e.g. Sify / nCode / eMudhra etc.), with their profile.
- 5) Only one valid DSC should be registered by a bidder. Please note that the bidders are responsible to ensure that they do not lend their DSC's to others which may lead to misuse.
- 6) Bidder then logs in to the site through the secured log-in by entering their user ID / password and the password of the DSC / e-Token.

SEARCHING FOR TENDER DOCUMENTS

- There are various search options built in the CPP Portal, to facilitate bidders to search active tenders by several parameters. These parameters could include Tender ID, Organization Name, Location, Date, Value, etc. There is also an option of advanced search for tenders, wherein the bidders may combine a number of search parameters such as Organization Name, Form of Contract, Location, Date, Other keywords etc. to search for a tender published on the CPP Portal.
- 2) Once the bidders have selected the tenders they are interested in, they may download the required documents / tender schedules. These tenders can be moved to the respective 'My Tenders' folder. This would enable the CPP Portal to intimate the bidders through SMS / e-mail in case there is any corrigendum issued to the tender document.
- 3) The bidder should make a note of the unique Tender ID assigned to each tender, in case they want to obtain any clarification / help from the Helpdesk.

PREPARATION OF BIDS

- 1) Bidder should take into account any corrigendum published on the tender document before submitting their bids.
- 2) Please go through the tender advertisement and the tender document carefully to understand the documents required to be submitted as part of the bid. Please note the number of covers in which the bid documents have to be submitted, the number of documents including the names and content of each of the document that need to be submitted. Any deviations from these may lead to rejection of the bid.
- 3) Bidder, in advance, should get ready the bid documents to be submitted as indicated in the tender document / schedule and generally, they can be in PDF / XLS / RAR / DWF/JPG formats. Bid documents may be scanned with 100 dpi with black and white option which helps in reducing size of the scanned document.
- 4) To avoid the time and effort required in uploading the same set of standard documents which are required to be submitted as a part of every bid, a provision of uploading such standard documents (e.g. PAN card copy, GST certificate copy, annual reports, auditor certificates etc.) has been provided to the bidders. Bidders can use "My Space" or "Other Important Documents" area available



to them to upload such documents. These documents may be directly submitted from the "My Space" area while submitting a bid, and need not be uploaded again and again. This will lead to a reduction in the time required for bid submission process.

SUBMISSION OF BIDS

- 1) Bidder should log into the site well in advance for bid submission so that they can upload the bid in time i.e. on or before the bid submission time. Bidder will be responsible for any delay due to other issues.
- 2) The bidder has to digitally sign and upload the required bid documents one by one as indicated in the tender document.
- 3) Bidder has to select the payment option as "offline" to pay the tender fee / EMD as applicable and enter details of the instrument.
- 4) Bidder should prepare the EMD as per the instructions specified in the tender document. The original should be posted/couriered/given in person to the concerned official, latest by the last date of bid submission or as specified in the tender documents. The details of the DD/any other accepted instrument, physically sent, should tally with the details available in the scanned copy and the data entered during bid submission time. Otherwise the uploaded bid will be rejected.
- 5) Bidders are requested to note that they should necessarily submit their financial bids in the format provided and no other format is acceptable. If the price bid has been given as a standard BOQ format with the tender document, then the same is to be downloaded and to be filled by all the bidders. Bidders are required to download the BOQ file, open it and complete the coloured (unprotected) cells with their respective financial quotes and other details (such as name of the bidder). No other cells should be changed. Once the details have been completed, the bidder should save it and submit it online, without changing the filename. If the BOQ file is found to be modified by the bidder, the bid shall be rejected.
- 6) The server time (which is displayed on the bidders' dashboard) will be considered as the standard time for referencing the deadlines for submission of the bids by the bidders, opening of bids etc. The bidders should follow this time during bid submission.
- 7) All the documents being submitted by the bidders would be encrypted using PKI encryption techniques to ensure the secrecy of the data. The data entered cannot be viewed by unauthorized persons until the time of bid opening. The confidentiality of the bids is maintained using the secured Socket Layer 128 bit encryption technology. Data storage encryption of sensitive fields is done. Any bid document that is uploaded to the server is subjected to symmetric encryption using a system generated symmetric key. Further this key is subjected to asymmetric encryption using buyers/bid openers public keys. Overall, the uploaded tender documents become readable only after the tender opening by the authorized bid openers.
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- 9) Upon the successful and timely submission of bids (i.e. after Clicking "Freeze Bid Submission" in the portal), the portal will give a successful bid submission message & a bid summary will be displayed with the bid no. and the date & time of submission of the bid with all other relevant details.
- 10) The bid summary has to be printed and kept as an acknowledgement of the submission of the bid. This acknowledgement may be used as an entry pass for any bid opening meetings.

ASSISTANCE TO BIDDERS

- 1) Any gueries relating to the tender document and the terms and conditions contained therein should be addressed to the Tender Inviting Authority for a tender or the relevant contact person indicated in the tender.
- 2) Any queries relating to the process of online bid submission or queries relating to CPP Portal in general may be directed to the 24x7 CPP Portal Helpdesk.
- 3) For any Technical queries related to Operation of the Central Public Procurement Portal Contact at: Tel: The 24 x 7 Help Desk Number 0120-4200 462, 0120-4001 002/5, 0120-6277 787. E-Mail: support-eproc@nic.in



