

**MINUTES OF THE PRE-BID MEETING HELD ON 17.4.2015 AT IWAI,
REGIONAL OFFICE, KOCHI IN RESPECT OF TENDER FOR CAPITAL
DREDGING, WIDENING, BANK PROTECTION ETC. IN EDAPPALLYKOTA -
KOLLAM STRETCH OF NW-3**

Clarifications on queries submitted by Bidders			
Sl. No.	Reference to Tender	Details of queries	Reply
A	M/s Reach Dredging, Kolkata		
1		J.V may be permitted to quote for the work.	JV is not allowed as per tender.
2	Clause (10) iii, page 6	Annual financial turnover during last 3 years need clarification.	Requirement of average annual financial turn over given in the bid document is clear and as per the extant guidelines. Hence, no change.
3	Clause(1), Form of Tender, page no.10.	Quantity is only indicative. Therefore time required for bidder to assess exact requirement. Extension of bid submission date by 30 days requested.	Quantity given in the tender are realistic to the extent practically feasible for the nature of work tendered. For any deviation from the indicated quantity, Clause 16 of the General Conditions of Contract shall apply. Reasonable extension of bid submission date will be considered and notified through Corrigendum.
4	Clause 4.1(i) page no.12	Integrity pact to be submitted at the time of bid submission. This may be needed at the time of work order / agreement only. Clarify.	Integrity pact needs to be submitted along with the bid.
5		Price bid- Clarify if Hard copy needs to be submitted	This is an e-procurement. Hard copy of price bid not required to be submitted.
6		Bid states that no interest will be paid on Security Deposit. IWAI will charge 12% interest on work advance that may be given to the successful bidder. Clarify.	No change to the tender clause can be considered.

7	Clause 13.1, 13.2 page no. 42	Works to be carried out as per drawings & specifications. Copies of drawings & specifications to be handed over to bidder prior to bid submission.	Adequate drawings and specifications for planning and participating in the bid is included in the tender document. Pre-dredging Hydrographic survey and chart in that regard are to be jointly prepared by the selected contractor under the supervision of IWAI.
8		Amend clause 30, page 55 Suspension of Works so that time & cost on account of suspension of work due to any policy of IWAI is not a burden for contractor.	No change to the tender clause.
B	M/s. ABC Dubash Group		
1	Clause 10 v	Prequalifying criteria - average annual financial turnover during immediate last 3 years to be 100% of the estimated cost and no loss should have been incurred for more than 2 years during last 5 years. Average turn-over may not be reckoned for construction works only since the tendered work is for dredging also.	The turnover has to be in respect of works of similar nature as tendered and not strictly for construction alone.
2		EMD prescribed as 100% by DD or 50% by DD + 50% as BG. Request to consider 100% EMD submission by BG.	No change to the tender clause.
3		Whether IWAI has identified / will identify dumping sites for the dredged material?	The contractor has to identify suitable dumping sites as stated in Clause 4.3 under technical specifications for dredging work. IWAI will extend all necessary co-operation and facilitate interaction with stakeholders for smooth execution of dredging work.
4		Has IWAI identified or suggest any specific method for removal of hard material from the canal bed ?	No. It is clarified that the selected contractor must deploy appropriate equipment of suitable power to break and remove the hard material, which are intermixed with soft material and randomly located.

5		Will there be break in dredging activity during monsoon period?	No.
6		Time for submission of bids may be extended by one week.	Reasonable extension of bid submission date will be considered and notified through Corrigendum.
7		Whether environmental clearance is required to be obtained for executing the tendered works?	Development of NW-3 has overall environmental clearance. No specific clearance necessary for the tendered works.
8		Will the dredged material belong to the contractor?	No.
9		Has local authorities like Panchayath notified about the proposed work and permission obtained?	No specific permission of local body is required for IWAI to implement developmental work of NW-3 channel.
C Kerala State Maritime Development Corporation Ltd. (KSMDCL)			
1		Being fully owned undertaking of Govt. of Kerala, may be exempted from furnishing Solvency Certificate as stipulated in the tender.	No change in tender clause.
2		The item No.1 in the BOQ specified 10% of the estimated quantity having N value>20. Since, this being the detrimental factor in fixing unit rate of dredging, the bore hole study made may be furnished to us with respect to the GPS so as to ascertain the actual quantity to be removed. The area identified as N>20 may be demarked on the survey chart.	The bidder may refer to the bore hole study report available at IWAI's regional office, Kochi and also inspect the project area / canal to gather information required to participate in the bid.
3		We may be permitted to quote separately for the hard laterite and Sand/Clay mixture.	Hard and soft material being intermixed and randomly located, it is not practically possible to remove or measure the two types of material from under water separately. Hence, no change to the price schedule item SI.No. 1.

4		Pre-dredging survey chart at 5 X 5 intervals to be furnished for the entire stretch of dredging.	Available survey chart of the stretch can be referred by a bidder at IWAI, Regional Office, Kochi. Survey chart of the scale required by the bidder is usually prepared as a pre-dredging chart by the selected bidder under the supervision of IWAI prior to commencement of dredging.
5		Requested to kindly extend the last date of submission of tender by 10 days.	Reasonable extension of bid submission date will be considered and notified through Corrigendum.
6		Whether explosive can be used to remove the hard strata?	No.
D M/s. Surya Associates, Kollam			
1		In the item No.1 of the BOQ the quantity of hard strata is shown as 10% of 1,60,000 Cu.m. Removal of hard strata is a key factor in the work and hence the bore hole study W/r/t GPS may be provided in the tender document. Moreover the strata area may be marked in the survey chart.	Clarification at Sl.No. C-2 may be referred to.
2		As the dredging of soil and removal of hard strata is entirely different work using separate machinery for each work, it may be permitted to quote separately.	No change to the item sl.no. 1 under price-bid schedule.
3		Pre-dredging chart at 5 X5 intervals for the entire dredging area may be included in the tender form.	Clarification at Sl.No. C-4 may be referred to.
4		It is requested to kindly extend the last date of submission by 10 days.	Reasonable extension of bid submission date will be considered and notified through Corrigendum.

5		One more clause may be included in the tender such as "After dredging the soil in the specified area of laterite, to ascertain the quantity of strata a joint inspection may be carried out by the contractor and the owner and a hydrographic survey may be conducted to know the exact quantity of strata." By this method the actual quantity of strata can be calculated and the cost can be amended accordingly.	Part - III, Technical specifications and Special conditions of contract defines method of measuring dredged quantity. No change or addition is considered necessary.
E	M/s. Salient Projects Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad		
1	Para No.8/Page No.13 & 14	There is a mention about Partnership firm, Limited company or Limited Corporation and Group of Firms. Further in P.No.29 it was also mentioned about Partnership or a Consortium. There is no mention about a Joint Venture (JV) firm. The Joint Venture Participation may be allowed, as permitted in the recent NW 1/ NW 4 / NW 5 Tenders.	JV not allowed as per tender.
2	Special Conditions for dredging / excavation	Mobilization Advance may be provided due to the prevailing local conditions and delay in the earlier projects, as observed	Mobilization Advance is not provided in the tender and the tender provision stays without change.
3	Special Conditions for dredging / excavation	Work Advance may be considered up to 10% to 12 % (as against 5%) against B.G. of equivalent sum and without any interest.	Work Advance as specified in Clause 5.1 of Special conditions of dredging/ excavation cannot be changed.
F	M/s. Yojaka (India) Pvt. Ltd., Mangalore		
1	Technical spec. for dredging at 4.1 Page No.71	If laterite of N-value upto 50 is more than 10% of the total dredging quantity, whether additional rate will be provided?	Please refer to clarifications at SI.No. C-2 & 3. Additional rate for laterite of N value up to 50 and above is not envisaged.

2	Technical spec. for dredging at 4.2 Page No.71	Disposal of dredged material upto a maximum length of 500 m stated in the tender. If more than 500mtr, additional charges are applicable?	As per the site conditions, such requirement more than 500 m is not expected. In the event of such a requirement arising, how to treat the same shall be discussed between IWAI and the contractor and solution found within the frame work of contract agreement.
3	Technical spec. for dredging at 4.4 Page No.72	Side slopes of the dredging channel are not possible to maintain. Only natural slopes can be formed (aprox1:4 or more). Please clarify whether payment can be considered for natural slope?	The provision given in the tender is standard clause applied to all capital dredging contracts in NW-3. Hence, no change.
4	Technical spec. for dredging at 4.5 Page No.72	Natural tolerance is cutter suction dredger of 150 to 250cumtr capacity is 0.3 to 0.5M. So it is requested to consider the tolerance of depth for atleast minimum of 0.3M. Please clarify?	No change in the tender clause.
5	Technical spec. for dredging at 4.8 Page No.72	If hard material quantity increases above 0.10 lakh, whether additional rates can be applied?	Please refer to clarifications at SI.No. C-2 & 3. Additional rate for laterite of N value up to 50 and above is not envisaged.
6	Special condition for dredging / excavation at 5.4 Page No.73	Idle charge due to unexpected issues beyond the control of contractor should be compensated.	The tender is an item rate tender. There is no item for idle charge.
7	Special condition for dredging / excavation at 5.11 Page No.74	Considering site condition of Kerala due to delay in local issues, It is requested to provide a monthly bill based on the progress.	In addition to clause 5.11, provision under clause 4.10 of Technical Specifications for dredging work may be referred for length of shoal and billing. The clauses remain without change.

8	Tech. spec. for tree cutting at 6.3 Pg.no. 76	Whether necessary permission from concerned dept. is available with IWAI for cutting of tree?	For the widening of National Waterway so far executed, permission for cutting trees has not been a problem. No difficulty is foreseen in the matter.
9	Clause 34.5 Pg.no. 38	There may be unexpected delays concerned with the local issue is beyond the control/responsibility of the contractor which may lead into delays, hence it is requested to consider target for 24 months only instead of segregation of milestones..	Milestones are necessary for proper monitoring of the progress of work.
G	Alphatech India, Kottayam		
1		Whether JV is allowed to participate in the bid	JV is not allowed as per tender.
2		Whether JV with a foreign company is allowed.	JV is not allowed as per tender.