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Replies to Pre-bid Meeting for dredging in Tribeni Farakka stretch of NW - 1 RFP No: IN-IWAI-240376-CW-RFB ; CPPP Tender ID: 2021_JMVP_644177_1					Virtual Pre-Bid held on 31.08.2021
1	Clause No3 & Point no 2	3	<i>Similar Work, Experience of having successfully completed similar works i.e. dredging on rivers or ports or contract management of vessels, manning of vessels or vessel related marine works or similar nature of works during last 7 years ending last day of month previous to the one in which this tender is invited should be either of following:</i> 1. Three similar works each costing not less than INR 17.19 crores OR 2. Two similar works each costing not less than INR 21.49 crores OR	Is it as a prime contractor or with JV accepted?	Details are provided at Section-III 2.4.2 (a) under Specific Dredging Experience.
2	Clause No3 & Point no 2	3	<i>Similar Work, Experience of having successfully completed similar works i.e. dredging on rivers or ports or contract management of vessels, manning of vessels or vessel related marine works or similar nature of works</i>	In the Invitations for Bids, please clarify if similar works includes dredging works in Lakes and wetlands.	Details are provided at Section-III 2.4.1 under General Construction Experience.
3	Clarification of Credential			we have the credential for the tender for INR 43 Crs ; But from Private firm not from Government, we are keen to participate , therefore request to kindly confirm can we participate in the tender.	Bidder should meet creteria as specified in Section-III of the Tender Documents
4	Cl. 5, ITB (Introduction)	4	<i>complete set of Bidding Documents is freely available on the NIC Portal in English may be downloaded by the interested bidders from NIC- e-procurement portal, free cost. However, to participate in the tender, bidder has to pay a non-refundable fee of Rs. 6000/-. The method of payment will be Demand Draft, to be submitted along with the bid.</i>	The firms registered with Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) are exempted from submission of Earnest money Deposit (EMD) / Bid Security and Tender Document Fee. MSME's Office Memorandum bearing ref. no. F. No. F 22(1)/2012-MA dated 24 October 2016 (please refer to Q. No. 20) is enclosed herewith for corroborating the above claim. In view of the same, Bidder requests Employer for exemption of submission of Tender Fee in addition to the exemption of submission of Bid Security provided in the Tender document. Employer to kindly confirm	It is Clarified that these guidelines are not applicable to World Bank Funded Projects. However, 1. Bid Security - is NIL & Bid Securing Declaration form is to be furnished with the BID provided in the documents at pg 106. 2. Tender Fee of Rs 6000/- is to be furnished with the Bid at the time of Submission
5	Clause 11.2 (d)	17	Alternative Bid	Kindly advise the meaning of "Alternate Bids"	Please refer ITB 13.1 - Alternate bids Shall not be permitted
6	Clause 11.2 (i)	17	Contractor Registration certificate (as per IFB)	Please advise what is the contractor registration certificate	Bidders Registration at CPPP Portal for ensuring they are able to upload their E-bids
7	Section I, ITB, J. Award of Contract, Cl. 45 - Performance Security	32	<i>Within twenty-one (21) days of the receipt of notification of award from the Employer, the successful Bidder shall furnish the performance security and if required in the BDS, the Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) Performance Security in accordance with the conditions of contract, The performance security and if required in the BDS, the Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) Performance Security of a Joint Venture shall be in the name of the Joint Venture specifying the names of all members.</i>	Ministry of Finance (MoF), Department of Expenditure (Procurement Policy Division) has received various representations stating the acute financial crunch being faced due to COVID-19 Pandemic. In order to facilitate the same, MoF has reduced the percentage of Performance Security from existing 5%-10% to 3% of the value of the contract. Such provision is applicable to existing contracts as well as to the tenders/contracts issued/concluded till 31.12.2021. In view of the same, Bidder requests Employer to suitably amend the provisions of the clause to limit the Performance Security to 3% of the contract value. The corresponding Office Memorandum is enclosed herewith to substantiate the above. Employer to kindly confirm	It is Clarified that these guidelines are not applicable to World Bank Funded Projects. However, 1. CPG - Contract Performance Grauntee has been restricted to 5% of Contract Value as per Clause GCC 50.1.1 (Pg-225). 2. ESHS - Performance Grauntee has been restricted to 1.5% of Contract Value as per Clause GCC 50.1.1 .(Pg-225)
8	Clause ITB 21.1	41	Class of DSC required is CLASS-II	CLASS-III to be considered	CLASS-II is the requirement of CPPP PORTAL

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9	Clause ITB 46.1	43	The Adjudicator proposed by the Employer	Please advise what is the number of days to be considered for the Adjudicator	Depends upon nature of requirement.
10	(2.2 Historical Contract Non-Performance)	52 / 53	1. History of Non-Performing Contracts: Non-performance of a contract2 did not occur as a result of contractor default since 1stJanuary (Must Meet Requirement) 2. Suspension due to withdrawal of the Bid within Bid validity: Not under suspension due to withdrawal of the Bid pursuant ITB 19.6. (Must meet requirement)	Kindly advise if the affidavit mentioned in Clause No 5C (page no.1) in NIT is same as Annexure-1 (page no. 11) in NIT	Kindly Refer Appendix to Technical Part - details to be furnished at Form CON-2 (Pg-79)
11	Balance Sheet -	54/55	Negative Balance Sheet of JV-PARTNER Contractor is meeting the prescribed Pre-Qualification criteria set out in the tender document.	Considering the magnitude of work we are proposing to submit our bid by forming JV (joint Venture) kindly clarify the following: our partner is meeting the Technical qualifications laid down in the tender conditions but the firm balance sheet showing losses. Since the prime contractor is meeting all the financial qualification laid down in the tender conditions the JV bid in lieu of losses in the balance sheet of our partner firm, will the bid be qualified or will there be any issue for qualifications.	Bidder should meet creteria as specified in Section-III of the Tender Documents
12	Point No. 2.4.3	59	Quality Requirements	Please advise if OHSAS 18001- Occupational Health and Safety Assessment series is same as OHSAS ISO 45001:2018	Yes
13	Quality Requirements - 2.4.3.	59	1. ISO 9001-2008/2015 quality Management system requirement (Must Meet Requirement) 2. OHSAS 18001 - Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series (Must Meet Requirement) 3. ISO 14001: 2004/ 2015 Environmental Management systems ((Must Meet Requirement)	Requirements of submission of the proof can be submitted at later date within Six Months of Award?	Certificates Towards 1. ISO-9001-2008/2015 for Quality Management. 2. OSHAs 18001 for Occupational Health & Safety 3. ISO-14001:2004/2015 for Environment Mngt Sys ARE MUST MEET REQUIREMENTS NEED to be submitted along with the BID.
14	Quality Requirements - 2.4.3.(b)	60	Experience in at least one contract during the last 5 years where survey to quantify dredging or other needs assessment has been done.	Is it mandatory to give Information on at least one contract using IHO standard survey?	Desirable .. As per Tender Conditions - No Change
15	Quality Requirements - 2.4.3.(e)	60	Membership of IADC / WODA / EADA / CEDA	Is it mandatory to have the Membership Certificate? If yes then can we submit withing Six months after getting LOI	Desirable .. As per Tender Conditions - No Change
16	Quality Requirements - 2.4.3.(g)	60	Document of Compliance of the contractor's safety management system according to the International Management Code for the safe Operation of ships and for pollution prevention	We are not mobilizing any ships hence not applicable. Still, we can give the certificate of Dredger certified by Chattered Engineer	Desirable .. As per Tender Conditions - No Change
17	Cl. 6.1 (Dredgers) of 2.6 (Contractor's Equipment) of Criteria	61	Dredger each having minimum 500 cum solids per hour capacity	4 number of dredgers with a capacity of 500 cum/hour is very high. We request you to kindly reduce the minimum required dredgers	No Change Tender Conditions Prevails.
18	Cl. 6.5 (Accomodation Boat) of 2.6 (Contractor's Equipment) of Criteria	62	Accommodation Boats	Our Tug boats have Accommodation boats, do we need to submit any further details of accommodation boats	Successful Bidder / Contractor shall ensure that their Staff is " OFF-Shore" and are suitably accomdated on their vessels. The Bidder / Contractor shall demonstrate how they are providing accomodation " OFF SHORE" to their crew& other staff along with their BID.

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19	Cl. 6.2 (Survey Vessel) of 2.6 (Contractor's Equipment) of Criteria	62	Maxmium age of equipment	As a regular practice, good working conditions Survey Equipment are mobilised to the site post checking, servicing and calibration done by the Equipment manufacturer(s) for carrying out desirable Surveys. Thus, Bidder requests Employer to change the requirement of Age of Equipment to be maximum of 10 to 15 years for all equipment. Employer to kindly confirm	
20	Cl. 6.2 (Survey Vessel) of 2.6 (Contractor's Equipment) of Criteria	62	Maxmium age of equipment	Bidder request employer to consider the below mentioned maximum age of respective vessels - Cutter Suction Dredger (CSD) : 15 years - Tug and Other Crafts : 10 years - Survey Vessels : 7 years Employer to kindly accept Bidders request.	The Maximum age of Equipment shall be as under -Cutter Suction Dredger (CSD) : 12 years ... NO Change .. Tender Condition Prevails
21	Cl. 6.2 (Survey Vessel) of 2.6 (Contractor's Equipment) of Criteria	62	Maxmium age of equipment	Bidder request employer to consider the below mentioned maximum age of respective vessels - Cutter Suction Dredger (CSD) : 15 years - Tug and Other Crafts : 10 years - Survey Vessels : 7 years Employer to kindly accept Bidders request. It is submitted that as per tender conditions the age limit of the CSD dredgers to be 12 years, requirement is 4 dredgers for three years assignment. In this regard we wish to draw your kind attention that the normal life of CSDs is more than 25 years. These CSDs are refurbished once in every 5 years to revalidate the life duly taking up mandatory surveys by the statutory agencies, up keep the equipment and machinery in order to utilise the services in	- Tug and Other Crafts : 10 years ... NO Change Tender Condition Prevails - Survey Vessels : 7 years ... (changed from 5 years to 7 years)
				Contractor proposed to deploy 4 dredgers from their own source for the work and in view of the age factor it will be difficult for the contractor to qualify in the tender though having own fleet in full condition. In order to meet the tender requirement, contractors invariably engage two or three dredgers by chartering whose performance is to be tested only after the deployment. In the light of the above it is requested to revisit the condition and enhance the age limit of CSDs to 15 years instead of 12 years to facilitate the contractor to submit the tender with their own equipment to meet the timelines of the project. In case it is not feasible to modify the age limit for all the 4 CSDs, it is requested to limit two Nos CSDs to 12 years and 2 Nos CSDs to 15 years. Request to issue suitable amendments to facilitate the contractors for active participation with their own tested equipment	
22	Cl.3 (f) of Section -VII of Part-2 (Timelines)	121	If the dredged channel for the LAD of 3.0m gets silted in due course of time within the working season requiring re-dredging for navigational requirement, the same shall be carried out by the Contractor by mobilizing the dredger within stipulated period as instructed by TSSC / EIC.	Employer to clarify that the re-dredging of the already dredged channel is to be executed by mobilising additional dredger. If additional dredger is to be mobilised, Mobilisation and De-mobilisation charges are to be paid by the Employer. Bidder understands that the re-dredged quantities shall be payable as per the terms of the Contract. If re-dredging is to be done with the deployment of existing dredger, the time impact, if any, on the main scope shall be accommodated by the Employer and necessary time extension shall be provided to the Contractor. Bidder understands that the re-dredged quantities shall be payable as per the terms of the Contract. Employer to kindly confirm	the Contractor has to organise the equipment to ensure the maintenance of the Channel as specified in the Tender Documents. The Re-dredging Quantity would be eligible for the Payment as per terms of the Contract. Refer Clause 3. Timelines (g) Pg-121
23	Cl. A, 1, 1.3 of Section - VII , Part-II -Technical Specificaitons	133	A total of approximately total quantity of 20.70 lakh m3.....Disposal of dredged materials would be effected into the free-stream of the river, at a distance of 300-1000 m from the channel. The disposal locations should be positioned to avoid material working its way back into the dredged channel by taking such precautions as, disposing into faster flowing water, downstream and to the side of the working dredger. Disposal of material into secondary and redundant channels could also be considered as this provides a location where material is less likely to be remobilized Materials dredged may also be disposed on to the banks of the waterway or onto the low-lying area ashore in case of narrow stretch of the river / channel. In wider stretches, it shall be disposed off at least 300 to 1000 meters away from the navigational channel and in case the dredged material.....However, IWAI would facilitate for getting land and related approvals, if required.	Bidder requests Employer to provide the coordinates of centerline of proposed navigational channel to estimate the disposal distance wherever the disposal away from the river bank is required. Bidder also requests Employer to provide the Survey Charts and AUTOCAD drawings of the proposed dredging areas of the River. Employer to kindly provide	Disposal as per Tender Conditions. Electronic Charts are available with Hydragraphy Wing of IWAI - against Payments. Survey Charts are available with respective Regional Office (RO - Kolkatta)

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24	Cl. 16.Association of Part I and Part II of ToR	134	Additional works detailed in Part II of ToR shall also fall in the scope of work of the contractor.	Bidder requires and requests Employer for clarity on the scope under "Additional Works". Employer to kindly provide	Section-VII Work Requirements has been detailed in two parts ; the work is to be completed & executed as detailed there in Part-I - Scope of Work Part-II - Technical Specification.
25	Cl. 1.4 of Section -VII , Part-II -Technical Specificaitons	134	The dredge level in the navigation channel shall not exceed an upper tolerance of (+) 0 mm to (+) 100 mm, where (+) indicates a height above the design dredge level. No ridges or pinnacles above the design dredge level shall be accepted. Horizontal tolerances for dredging in the navigation channel shall be (-) 0 mm and (+) 1000 mm on either side, where - indicates a deviation of the toe of the dredged slope (towards the channel) from the location specified in the contract drawings and (+) indicates a deviation of the toe of the dredged slope (away from the channel) from the location specified in the contract drawings.	The tolerance of (+) 100mm is not sufficient to achieve the design depth accurately by any Cutter Suction Dredger due to its vertical movement and accessibility. Bidder requests Employer to increase the vertical tolerance from (+) 100mm to (+) 300mm and such tolerance of +300m shall be payable. Employer to kindly confirm	No Change Tender Conditions Prevails.
26	Cl. A, 1, 1.2 of Section -VII , Part-II -Technical Specificaitons	137	All the materials to be dredged in the channel comprise of sand, silt, clay, soft deposited material (pebbles/ boulders) and mixer of above materials. During the course of dredging, if the Contractor encounters any hard strata, he shall try to continue the dredging for further advancement i.e., up to 100 m.....The Contractor shall assess the limit of such hard strata location in the presence of Engineer's representative and continue the dredging workSimultaneously the contractor shall arrange collection of hard strata sample and its testing to substantiate his claim.....The method of dredging to be adopted for such locations shall be decided by the Engineer-in charge and the suitability of equipment to be deployed and rates applicable for such dredging would also be mutually decided upon, by the Contractor and IWAI as per decision of competent authority of IWAI.	As provided in the Tender Document, Bidder has considered that there is no hard rock within the depth of 3m with respect to MSL for the entire stretch from Farakka to Tribeni. If hard rock outcrops in the dredging area within the design depths, same shall be left as it is since the Cutter Suction Dredgers are not intended for rock dredging and may damage the equipment. As a proactive measure to estimate the presence of rock in the dredge course, Bidder requests Employer to provide the borehole data of the shoals where the dredging is required. Employer to kindly provide	No Change Tender Conditions Prevails. Contractor has to organise the equipment to ensure the Dredging / Maintenance of the Channel as specified in the Tender Documents.
27	Cl. 5.1 of Section -VII , Part-II -Technical Specificaitons	137	Topographic survey to transfer the Bench Mark (B.M.) value from nearest known location within the few important stations along the river (based on his judgement) and B.M will act as control points for dredging depths.	Bidder requires details of permanent Bench Mark Stations along the River from Farakka to Tribeni since the erection of Bench Mark Posts is also a critical activity on distance wise for cost estimations. Bidder requests Employer to provide the same. Employer to kindly provide	Data of Permanent, Bench Mark between Farakka - Tribeni is available with IWAI - Regional Office at Kolkatta, and will be shared with the successful bidder.
28	Cl.8.5 of Section -VII , Part-II -Technical Specificaitons	146	Variations Exceeding 20 per cent	Please advise if the payments as per the award of contract shall be done for the variations upto +/- 20%	No Change Tender Conditions Prevails.
29	Sub.Cl. 27.1(Extension of the Intended Completion Date) of PCC of Section -XI	190	The Project Manager shall extend the Intended Completion Date including milestones if a Compensation Event occurs or a Variation is issued which makes it impossible for Completion to be achieved by the Intended Completion Date as per agreed milestones without the Contractor taking steps to accelerate the remaining work, which would cause the Contractor to incur additional cost.	Bidder understands that the milestones being referred would be finalised during award of the contract as there is no mention of any Milestones in the Tender Document. Bidder requests Employer to confirm its understanding. Employer to kindly confirm	After Pre-dredging Survey is carried out, Quantity & Time required assessed. The EIC will allocate the Shoal to be dredged along with the Pre-dredging Survey chart and the estimated Quantity to be dredged along with the Estimated time of Completion of that Shoal in writing. please refer GCC 47.1 (a to i) Pg-223 and Clause no-4 of Section-VII part-I page 121.

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30	Cl. 54 of GCC, Taking Over	202	The Employer shall take over the Site and the Works within seven days of the Project Manager's issuing a certificate of Completion.	Bidder understands that the handing over of works executed shall be simultaneous when works are completed and maintained for stipulated time as per Tender Document. Such handing over shall be documented and form basis for the final Taking Over of the Site. Contractor proposes that each shoal to be executed in sections of 200-250 meters and then handing over each section to Project Manager /Engineer-in-Charge, post maintenance. Bidder requests Employer's confirmation on the above. Employer to kindly confirm	This is a Standard GCC Clause of World Bank., NO- Change. However, the Completion of the allocated Shoal shall be as per GCC - 47.1.1
31	GCC Cl. 1. (dd), GCC Cl. 10 & GCC 67 of PCC	211 and others	Start date shall be 28 days after the date of issue of notice to proceed with the works to the contractor.	With the given provisions of the referred clauses, Bidder understands that 28 days from the date of issue of notice to proceed with the works / letter of award, contractor shall commence the project activities starting from mobilisation of the resources at the site i.e. mobilisation to be completed within 28+45 = 73 days. Bidder requests Employer to confirm if Bidder's understanding is correct. Employer to kindly confirm	Time period for Mobilisation and Commencement of Work shall be as stated at GCC Cl. 1. (dd), Pg211 and GCC Cl. 10 (pg-213).
32	Cl. 47.1 of GCC	225	Liquidated Damages- For the first one month after the end date of the shoal LD @ 1.5% per month (pro-rata on day basis) will be levied. This will be computed on the value of the dredging to be carried out on that location (Shoal). Thereafter i.e. delay more than one month will attract LD @ 1.5 % per month of delay on contract value and to be computed on per day basis.	As a standard industry practice, Liquidated Damages (LD) are levied if the overall project works are delayed beyond the contractual completion duration due to reasons attributable to contractor. Thus, Bidder requests Employer to suitably amend the current provisions of levying of LD. Employer to kindly confirm	No Change Tender Conditions Prevails.
33	Cl. 65.2 of GCC (Conditions of Dredging Operations)	231	Normal barge and vessels / crafts movement in the channel shall not be interrupted by the dredging operation.	Bidder requests to provide the frequency of other barges / vessels / crafts movements during dredging operations in the navigational channel. Employer to kindly provide	Contractor to ensure smooth Vessel Movements in the areas where ever dredging is being carried out.
34	Other Points			Please advise the project value since the rate of Rs. 203/cum assuming the project value of 42 crores for a period of 3 years and 351 KM seems very low as huge cost shall be involved in transporting the dredgers from one shoal to another	No Comments , these are bidders assumptions as a policy matter IWAI does not declare the Project value at the time of Tendering Stage.
35	Other Points			The tender is Quantity Based LAD however in Page-224 Clause GCC47.1.1 it is mentioned that each shoal needs to be maintained for a period of 2 months. Please advise regarding the same. Does the contractor get the payment for the redredging quantity for maintaining the shoal.	The Re-dredging Quantity would be eligible for the Payment as per terms of the Contract. Refer Clause 3. Timelines (g) Pg-121
Pre-Bid Committee Members:					