

Pre Bid Queries Response

Open Tender Notification For Project Management Service for supervision and monitoring of different projects in TPCODL (TPCODL/P&S/2026-27/1000010630)

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1	Annexure-I Schedule of Items Page No-18	Note- The quantity mentioned above is for evaluation purpose and may vary during the execution. Release Orders against this Rate Contract shall be issued by TPCODL as per actual requirement.	The Price Schedule specifies 70 Electrical Site Engineers and 25 Safety Officers for bid evaluation; however, the note states that the actual manpower requirement may vary during execution. The quoted rates are based on several fixed cost components, including recruitment, salaries, statutory compliances, insurance, laptops, printers, training, conveyance, fuel, administrative overheads, and financing costs. These costs are incurred considering a defined manpower deployment. We therefore request TPCODL to kindly specify the minimum assured quantity/manpower deployment under the Rate Contract or indicate the expected deployment pattern during the contract period. This will enable all bidders to assess the commercial implications accurately and submit competitive and realistic bids on a uniform basis.	As per present scenario, TPCODL may require a tentative/ estimated qty of 60nos manpower with 10nos manpower additionally might be taken based on futuristic job volume. Regrading, Safety Officer a tentative/ estimated qty of 25 nos shall be deployed.
2	General Scope of Work Point No-(v) Page No-20	Site Engineer will ensure the materials used in project must be inspected before dispatch of the material to ensure the quality of the materials.	Kindly clarify whether Pre-Dispatch Inspection (PDI) of materials is within the scope of the Project Management Consultant (PMC). As PDI is generally carried out by the Employer, Manufacturer, or an authorized Third-Party Inspection Agency, we understand that the Consultant's responsibility is limited to inspection and quality verification at the project site. Kindly confirm our understanding.	Not applicable under PMC agency. However, before erection of material respective PMC site engineer need to check the quality of materials.
3	General Scope of Work Point No-(xvi) Page No-20	Site Engineer will prepare and implement a Project Execution Plan covering procurement, inspection, engineering, fabrication, construction, installation, testing, commissioning and startup of the each project Unit. The Project Execution Plan shall be subject to TPCODL approval.	Preparation and implementation of a comprehensive Project Execution Plan (PEP), along with overall coordination and administrative management of the PMC team, is a senior-level responsibility that extends beyond the normal scope of a Site Engineer. We request TPCODL to kindly consider deployment of a Team Leader/Project Manager who will be responsible for preparation and approval of the Project Execution Plan, overall management of the PMC team, coordination with TPCODL and contractors, and act as the single point of contact for all project-related matters	Individual TPCODL division Project In charge is available to plan and co-ordinate with all stakeholders along with respective PMC site engineer. PMC site engineer need to submit plan to respective TPCODL Project divisional In-charge and accordingly execution would be carried out.
4	General Scope of Work Page No-21	Civil/Structural Works	The scope of work includes supervision of Civil/Structural works; however, no provision for deployment of a Civil Engineer has been included in the Price Schedule. We request TPCODL to kindly include required quantity of Civil Engineers say one Civil Engineer in one Circle in the manpower requirement and corresponding Price Schedule to ensure effective supervision and quality control of civil and structural activities.	Dedicated Civil Engineer not required. TPCODL Civil Team remained at site and would guide PMC Site Engineer regarding supervision of civil works if any.

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5	General Scope of Work Point No-(xvii) Page No-21	Review fabrication, welding and manufacturing procedures. Review welder's qualifications and material approvals	The activities related to review of fabrication procedures, welding procedures, welder qualifications, and manufacturing approvals require specialized mechanical/metallurgical expertise and generally fall within the scope of a Mechanical Engineer or Welding Inspector. Since the proposed Site Engineers are Electrical Engineers, they may not possess the necessary competency to perform these activities effectively. We request TPCODL to either exclude these activities from the scope of the Electrical Site Engineer or assign them to a qualified Mechanical Engineer/Welding Specialist.	Dedicated TPCODL Project Engineer would remained at site to guide PMC site engineer regarding monitoring of fabrication activities if any.
6	Detail Qualification Page No-24	Candidate must have work as supervisor under TKC (Electrical Turnkey contractor) having sound knowledge of supervise the electrical work at site, planning, coordination with multiple agency. Candidate have executed the work of construction of 33KV/11KV/LT line work, AIS & GIS 33/11KV substation work along with installation, testing & commissioning of PTR, VCB,CT,PT, Isolator, Battery bank, capacitor bank, CRP panels, Switchgear panel and other substation associated works etc.	The requirement of prior experience exclusively under an Electrical Turnkey Contractor (TKC) may significantly restrict the availability of qualified candidates. We request that experience gained under Project Management Consultancy (PMC), Supervision & Quality Control (SQC), or Third-Party Inspection (TPI) agencies engaged in supervision, monitoring, installation, testing, and commissioning of 33kv/11kv/LT lines, AIS/GIS substations, and associated electrical infrastructure also be considered as eligible experience, provided the candidate possesses the required technical competency.	Candidates having experience in monitoring and supervision of electrical distribution project activities may be allowed in hiring process. However, final selection of candidate would be carried out based on interview, taken by TPCODL authorities.
7	Detail Qualification Page No-25	Degree or Diploma in Electrical Engineering along with Advanced Diploma/Post Diploma in Industrial Safety (ADIS/PDIS) from a Government-recognized institute. The Industrial Safety qualification shall be approved by the State Technical Education Board or AICTE.	Since the primary qualification for the Safety Officer is the recognized Industrial Safety certification (ADIS/PDIS), we request that candidates possessing a Degree or Diploma in any engineering discipline along with ADIS/PDIS from a Government-recognized institute approved by the State Technical Education Board/AICTE may also be considered eligible. This will broaden the pool of competent safety professionals without compromising safety standards.	Engineering Discipline in Electrical is mandatory, However, the following branches may cosiderd - Electrical Engineering Electrical & Electronics Engineering Electrical & Instrumentation Engineering
8	Age Page No-24 & 25	Upper Age limit – 40 Years	We request that the upper age limit be revised from 40 years to 45 years. This relaxation will enable participation of experienced professionals having extensive field expertise while maintaining the required competency level for the assignment	Candidates having age limites upto 45 years may be allowed however medical fitness certificate certified by Doctor (MD/MBBS) and test reports to be submitted accordingly. However, final selection of candidate would be carried out based on interview & medical fitness.
9	Job Description for Safety Officer Point No- 5 Responsibilities (n) Page No-27	n) To design Safety posters & conduct awareness programs either independently or in collaboration with external agency for the prevention of public /animal accidents	The above clause requires the Safety Officer to design safety posters and conduct awareness programmes. Kindly clarify whether the scope of the PMC is limited to preparation/design of the safety posters and conducting awareness programmes, or whether the printing, supply, and display/installation of the safety posters are also included in the PMC's scope of work. If printing and display are included, kindly specify the expected quantities, sizes, and technical specifications so that the associated costs can be appropriately considered while preparing the commercial bid.	Only to assist and cooperate with the concerned TPCODL department for the design of safety posters. It does not include any printing or supply.

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10	Job Description for Safety Officer Point No-7 Other Skills (b) Page No-27	Good fluency in speaking of Odia language	Since safety communication at project sites often involves personnel from different states, we request that proficiency in either Odia or Hindi be accepted as the language requirement. This will facilitate wider participation of competent safety professionals while ensuring effective communication at site.	Proficiency in Odia is mandatory. However, up to 10% (2 to 3 candidates) relaxation may be considered for the requirement, wherein candidates with proficiency in either Odia or Hindi will be eligible.
11	Event Information Clause No-1.3 Callender of events	(e) Last date and time of Receipt of bids	It is requested to kindly extend the last date of receipt of Bid for one week.	Tender clause stands
12	Qualification Criteria Clause No- 1.7	The bidder should have average annual turnover of Rs. 7 Crs over the last three years (FY 2022- 23, FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25). Qualification Requirement of Financial Turnover for MSME registered in the State of Odisha shall be reduced to 20% of the existing criteria. CA Audited Turn Over certificate can be submitted in this regard	Participate in the tender clubbing the turnover of our sister concern company	Clubbing of the turnover of a sister concern/company is not acceptable as both are two different legal entity and JV is not allowed in the tender provision.
13	7.1.7. Statutory compliances : Page no 15.	Any liability arising out of statutory compliances, including gratuity, PF, ESIC, etc., shall be solely borne by the BA. An amount equivalent to the gratuity component (excluding GST) of the deployed BA workforce shall be deducted from each invoice and retained by TP Odisha Discoms, which shall be reimbursed upon submission of a valid claim by the BA employee, subject to applicable statutory provisions.	We would like to request a clarification regarding the deduction of gratuity from our invoices. The manpower deployed under this contract will be our permanent employees and will remain on the payroll of N Arc. Accordingly, the liability for gratuity shall rest with N Arc and not with TPCODL. In view of the above, we kindly request not to deduct the gratuity amount from our invoices. We assure you that, if any employee becomes eligible for gratuity as per the applicable statutory provisions, N Arc will extend all such benefits in full compliance with the relevant laws. We request your kind consideration and approval of the above.	The tender condition shall remain unchanged.