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N H P C LIMITED (A Govt. of India Enterprise)



CIN: L40101HR1975GOI032564

TENDER DOCUMENT (Domestic Open Competitive Bidding)

FOR

"Replacement of Rubber Seals of radial gates 1,2 & 3 of Dam at Kharamukh, Chamera-III Power Station, Dharwala Distt. Chamba, H.P., (Package No. HM-04)"

Tender Specification No.: NH/CPS-3/Conts./ HM-04/2023-24/244 dated 30.11 .2023

E-tender No.: 2023_NHPC_ 783251 _1

Chamera III Power Station NHPC Ltd. Karian Chamba (HP) – 176310 (INDIA)

NHPC Office Complex Sector - 33, Faridabad, (Haryana) – 121003 (INDIA)

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SECTION-I

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDERS







चमेरा - ||| पावर स्टेशन Chamera-III Power Station करियाँ, पी ओ हरदासपरा,चंबा (हिप्र) 176310 मृत महोत्सव Karian, P.O. Hardaspura Chamba (HP) - 176310

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SECTION-0: NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER (NIT)

(Domestic Open Competitive Bidding)

Online electronic bids (e-tenders) under two cover system are invited on behalf of NHPC Limited (A Public Sector Enterprise of the Government of India) from domestic bidders registered in India for the work of:

"Replacement of Rubber Seals of radial gates 1,2 & 3 of Dam at Kharamukh, Chamera-III Power Station, Dharwala Distt. Chamba, H.P., (Package No. HM-04)"

Tender Specification No.: NH/CPS-3/Conts./ HM-04/2023-24/ 244 dated 30.11.2023

Tender document can be viewed and downloaded from NHPC Limited website www.nhpcindia.com and Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP) at https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app.

The bid is to be submitted online only on https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app up to last date and time of submission of bids. Sale of hard copy of tender document is not applicable.

1. Brief Details & Critical Dates of Tender:

1.1 The brief details of the tender are as under:

Sl. No.	Item	Description
i)	Name of work	"Replacement of Rubber Seals of radial gates 1,2 & 3 of Dam at Kharamukh, Chamera-III Power Station, Dharwala Distt. Chamba, H.P., (Package No. HM-04)"
ii)	Tender Specification No.	NH/CPS-3/Conts./ HM-04/2023-24/ 244 dated 30.11 .2023
iii)	Mode of tendering	e-procurement system (Open Tender)
iv)	Tender ID No.	2023_NHPC_ 783251 _1
v)	Cost of Bidding Document	Rs. 590 /- (Rs 500.00+18%GST) in the form of Crossed Demand Draft in favour of "NHPC Limited" payable at SBI Mehla Chamba.
vi)	Estimated Cost	Rs. 20,88,600/- (including GST)

vii)	EMD (Bid Security)	Rs. 42,000/- in the shape of demand draft in favour of "NHPC Limited" payable at SBI, Mehla, Chamba (H.P.) or Notarized copy of valid Certificate of Recognition issued by DIPP.
viii)	Completion Period / Schedule	75 Days.
ix)	Required validity of Bid	120 days from the last date of online submission of Bids.
x)	Independent External Monitor	Sh. Sutanu Behuria, IAS (Retd.) and Sh. Rakesh Kumar Aggarwal, CES (Retd.)
xi)	Tender Inviting Authority	Group Senior Manager (Electrical) Procurement & Contracts Division, NHPC Office Complex, Chamera- III Power Station, Karian, Chamba (HP) – 176310, Mob: 9997745995 E-mail: pnc-chamera3@nhpc.nic.in

1.2 The critical dates of tender are as under:

S. No.	Particulars	Date & Time
(i)	Publish date and time	30/11/2023, 16:00 Hrs.
(ii)	Sale/ Document Download Start Date & Time	30/11/2023, 16:00 Hrs.
(iii)	Online Bid Submission Start Date & Time	30/11/2023, 16:00 Hrs.
(iv)	Sale/ Document Download End Date & Time	21/12/2023, 16:00 Hrs.
(v)	Online Bid Submission End Date & Time	21/12/2023, 16:00 Hrs.
(vi)	Last date of submission of Cost of Bidding document, EMD/ Bid Security and other offline supporting documents (Address, Date & Time)	Address Group Senior Manager (Electrical)
		Procurement & Contracts Division, NHPC Office Complex,
		Chamera- III Power Station, Karian, Chamba
		(HP) – 176310, Mob: 9997745995
		E-mail: pnc-chamera3@nhpc.nic.in

		Coordinator-Offline Bids. Contracts (E&M) Division, 2 nd Floor, Jyoti Sadan, Corporate Office, NHPC Limited, Sector-33, Faridabad, Haryana- 121003.
		Coordinator-Offline Bids
		Sr. Manager (C&P) Contract & Procurement Wing, Contract & Procurement Wing, O/o Executive Director, NHPC Limited, Paddar Banikhet, Distt. Chamba (HP)-176303.
		Coordinator-Offline Bids
		Sr. Manager (Mech.) NHPC Guest House, Near Ram Leela Ground Mission Road, Pathankot (Pb)- 145001
		22/12/2023, 16:00 Hrs.
(vii)	Bid Opening Date & Time	
	i. Technical bid along with offline documents	23/12/2023, 16:00 Hrs.
	ii. Price bid	To be intimated separately.

2. Eligible Bidders

- **2.1** This Invitation for Bid is open to:
 - a) The bidders who are incorporated legal entity and are legally and financially autonomous and operate under commercial law of their respective jurisdiction.
 - b) Any bidder from a country which shares a land border with India (except to which the Government of India has extended line of credit or in which the Government of India is engaged in development projects as mentioned in Order Public Procurement No. 2 dt. 23.07.2020 or its subsequent revisions/amendments) will be eligible to bid only if the bidder is registered with the Competent Authority, i.e. Registration Committee constituted by DPIIT.
 - c) All bidders meeting the Qualification criteria as defined in clause no. 3 of NIT.
- 2.2 Bidders shall not have been banned/ de-listed/ black listed/ debarred from business on the ground mentioned in para 6 of Guidelines on Banning of Business dealings (Annexure-A). Self-Declaration in this regard is to be submitted as per the enclosed proforma. (Forms-6-of Qualification forms)

- **2.3** The Bidders whose contract(s) have been terminated due to poor performance by employer, shall not be allowed to participate in the bidding process for next 5 years w.e.f. the date of notification of termination.
- 2.4 To improve transparency and fairness in the tendering process the Employer is implementing Integrity Pact.

The Integrity Pact, signed by all the prospective Bidders and the Employer, shall commit the persons/officials of both the parties, not to exercise any corrupt/fraudulent/collusive/coercive practices in the Tendering process and also during implementation of the Contract. Only those Bidders who have entered into Integrity Pact with the Employer shall be eligible to participate in the bidding process.

All Applicants shall enter into an Integrity Pact (to be executed on plain paper) with the Employer at the time of submission of their Bids. The Integrity Pact digitally signed on behalf of the Employer is provided as Form 7 Section-III. The Integrity Pact shall be downloaded, printed and signed by the Applicant and the hard copy shall be submitted. The scanned copy shall be submitted online and hard copy off line.

Successful bidder shall submit duly executed Integrity pact on Non-Judicial Stamp paper of appropriate value prior to signing of Contract Agreement.

To oversee the compliance of obligation under the Integrity Pact, Sh. Sutanu Behuria, IAS (Retd.) and Sh. Rakesh Kumar Aggarwal, CES (Retd.) have been appointed as Independent External Monitor (IEM) by the Employer. The Contact address of IEM is as under:

Sh Sutanu Behuria, IAS (Retd.),	Sh Rakesh Kumar Aggarwal, CES (Retd.)
602-A, Beverly Park-1,	A-15, Ground Floor,
MG Road, DLF Phase-2,	South Extension Part-II,
Gurugram, Haryana-122009	New Delhi-110049
E-mail: iem.nhpc@gmail.com	E-mail: iem.nhpc@gmail.com

3. Oualification of the Bidder

- 3.1 All bidders shall include the following information and documents with their bids in, Qualification Information unless otherwise stated in the ITB:
 - a) Copies of original documents defining the constitution or legal status, place of registration, and principal place of business; written power of attorney of the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder, Registration with the Registration Committee constituted by DPIIT(if Applicable). Additional information as sought in the Form-1 General Information, Section-III shall be provided.
 - b) Work experience to demonstrate meeting the criteria stipulated in clause 3.2 A (b) shall be provided in Form -3 work experiences record, Section-III. The work experience shown shall be supported with certificate(s) from the Engineer-in-charge/Project head of the concerned work.
 - c) Information on financial criteria stipulated in clause 3.2A (a) shall be furnished in Form -4, Annual construction turnover, Section-III. Copy of affidavit/Certificate of CA mentioning Financial Turnover of last 3 (three) years. Printed Annual reports or financial statements of the Bidder, such as balance sheet, profit and loss statements and auditor's reports as the case may be for the past three years shall be submitted to ascertain bidder's meeting the financial criteria.
 - d) the proposed methodology (Schedule G in separate sheets) and programme of construction (in Schedule E), backed with equipment planning and deployment (in Schedule F), duly supported with broad calculations, justifying their capability of execution and completion of the work as per technical specifications and within the

stipulated period of completion.

- 3.2 A To qualify for award of the Contract, each bidder should have:
 - a) Average Annual financial turnover during last three years ending 31st March of the previous financial year, should not be less than 30% of the estimated cost of works for which bid has been invited

(Notarized Documentary evidence in support of average annual financial turnover is to be submitted as detailed below:-

In case the turnover is more than $Rs\ 1$ Crore, the prospective bidder is required to furnish the copy of balance sheets and $P\ \&\ L$ account duly audited by the Chartered Accountant

In case the turnover is less than or equal to Rs 1 Crore, the prospective bidder is required to submit the copy of annual turnover duly certified by Chartered Accountant in case audited Balance Sheet and P&L account are not being maintained by the prospective bidder.)

b) Satisfactorily completed, in last seven years, at least one similar work equal in value to 80% of the estimated cost of work or two works equal in value to 50% of estimated cost of work or three works equal in value to 40% of the estimated cost of works.

Similar work is defined as "Erection/Repair/maintenance of Spillway Radial Gates or Replacement of Rubber Seals of Spillway Gates of Dam/Barrage"

(In support of above, if LOA /work order is issued by any Govt. Agency/Central/State PSUs then the bidder shall submit notarized copy of Letter of award/ Work Order and successful completion certificate issued by purchaser/owner/client/employer and if the submitted LOA/work order is issued by any Private agency than in addition to above the bidder shall also submit copy of TDS Certificate duly certified by Chartered Accountant.)"

- c) The reference date for considering the period for eligibility / qualification requirements above shall be the last day of the month previous to the one in which tenders are invited.
- 3.2 B Each bidder must also produce with their Bid:
 - i) Notarized copy of PAN No., GST Registration No. and EPF Registration No.;
 - ii) A declaration that the information furnished with the bid documents is correct in all respects in Form- 5, Form of declaration, Section-III.
 - iii) Such other certificates if any as defined in the ITB.
- 3.2 C To qualify for Contract for which bids are invited in the Notice Inviting Tender, the bidder must demonstrate having work experience, financial capability and demonstrate having work experience, financial capability and resources sufficient to meet the aggregate of the qualifying criteria. Failure to produce the certificates and documents in clauses 3.1 and 3.2(A) & (B) shall make the bid non-responsive.
- 3.2 D JVs or any other arrangement other than sole bidder is not allowed. Experience and resources of proposed sub-contractor, if any shall not be taken into account in determining the bidder's compliance with the qualifying criteria. However, experience of bidder as sub- contractor approved by Project developer shall be considered.

Experience of bidders as member of Consortium/Joint Venture shall be considered as per distribution of work against the member of the Consortium/Joint Venture. In case where distribution of Consortium/JV members is not specified in Consortium/JV agreement then the experience credential shall be considered for all members of JV with minimum 35% participation share.

3.2 E All Startups (whether MSEs or otherwise), falling within the definition as per Gazette notification G.S.R.501 (E) dt. 23.05.2017 are exempted from meeting the qualification criteria in respect of Prior Experience Prior Turnover as per para 3.2 A subject to their meeting the quality and technical specification. However, the Employer reserves the right to deny such exemptions to Startups (whether MSEs or otherwise) in case of circumstances like procurement of items related to public safety, health, critical security operations and equipments, etc.

3.2 F Preference to Make in India:

A) Definitions

Local content: means the amount of value added in India which shall, unless otherwise prescribed by the Nodal Ministry, 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.

Class-I local supplier: means a supplier or service provider, whose Goods/ Services/ Works offered for procurement, meets the minimum local content as prescribed for Class-I local supplier under this order.

Class-II local supplier: means a supplier or service provider, whose Goods/ Services/ Works offered for procurement, meets the minimum local content as prescribed for Class-II local supplier but less than that prescribed for "Class-I local supplier" under this order.

Non-local supplier: means a supplier or service provider, whose Goods/ Services/ Works offered for procurement has local content less than that prescribed for "Class-II local supplier" under this order.

Minimum local content: Nodal ministry/department may prescribe only a higher percentage of minimum local content requirement to categorize a supplier as Class-I local supplier/Class-II local supplier/Non local supplier. For the items, for which Nodal ministry/department has not prescribed higher minimum local content notification under the order, it shall be 50% and 20% for Class I local supplier/Class-II local supplier respectively.

Margin of purchase preference: means the maximum extent to which the price quoted by a "Class-I local supplier" may be above the L-1 for availing purchase preference. The margin of purchase preference shall be 20%.

Works: means all works as per Rule 130 of GFR-2017, and shall also include Turnkey works, Engineering, Procurement & Construction (EPC) Contracts and Services include System Integrator (SI) contracts.

B) Eligibility Criteria for Class I/II and Non Local Suppliers:

a) For procurement of Goods/Services/Works, irrespective of purchase value where

- there is sufficient local capacity and local competition, only Class-I local supplier shall be eligible to bid.
- b) For procurement of Goods/Services/Works, not covered under B(a) above and having estimated value less than INR 200.00 Crores, where Global tender enquiry shall not to be issued except with the approval of Competent Authority as designated by Department of Expenditure. Only Class-I and Class-II-local supplier shall be eligible to bid in procurements, except when Global tender enquiry has been issued. In Global tender enquiries, Non-local suppliers shall also be eligible to bid alongwith Class I and Class II local suppliers.

The above criteria shall be subject to compliance of following:

- i) The bidder shall have to be an entity registered in India in accordance with law. Indian subsidiaries of foreign bidders are eligible to participate in the bidding process provided they meet the qualifying criteria in terms of capability, competency, financial position, past performance etc. Further, Foreign bidders shall compulsorily set up their manufacturing units on a long term basis in India.
- ii) Foreign bidders can also participate in the bidding process provided they form Joint Venture with any bidder registered in India in accordance with law.
- iii) Country of origin of the equipment/material shall be provided in the bid.
- iv) The bids shall be in Indian National Rupees (INR) only in respect of local content
- v) The bidder shall follow Indian laws, regulations and standards.
- vi) For supply of equipment / material from the country of origin other than India, the bidder shall submit performance certificate in support of satisfactory operation in India or a country other than the country of origin having climatic and operational conditions including ambient temperature similar to that of India for minimum one year.
- vii) The manufacturer/ supplier shall list out the products and components producing Toxic Ewaste and other waste. It shall have an Extended Producers Responsibility (EPR) so that after the completion of the lifecycle, the materials are safely recycled / disposed of by the Manufacturer/ Supplier and for this, the Manufacturer/Supplier along with procurer has to establish recycling / disposal unit or as may be specified.
- viii) The bidder shall have to furnish a certificate regarding cyber security/safety of the equipment / process to be supplied/services to be rendered as safe to connect.
- ix) Wherever required, the Foreign supplier shall establish fully functional service centers in India and shall keep spares/material locally for future needs of Utilities.
- x) Arbitration proceedings shall be instituted in India only and all disputes shall be settled as per applicable Indian Laws.

C) Verification of local content

a) The 'Class-I local supplier'/ 'Class-II local supplier' at the time of tender, bidding or solicitation shall be required to indicate percentage of local content and provide self-certification that the item offered meets the local content requirement for 'Class-I local supplier'/ 'Class-II local supplier', as the case may be. They shall also give details of the location(s) at which the local value addition is made.

(In this regard bidder shall submit Self certification/declaration as per Form 11 of

Section III).

- b) In cases of procurement for a value in excess of INR 10.00 Crores, the 'Class-I local supplier' 'Class-II local supplier' shall be required to provide a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in the case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant (in respect of suppliers other than companies) giving the percentage of local content.
- c) False declarations will be in breach of the Code of Integrity under Rule 175(1)(i)(h) of the General Financial Rules for which a bidder or its successors can be debarred for up to two years as per Rule 151(iii) of the General Financial Rules along with such other actions as may be permissible under law. A supplier who has been debarred by any procuring entity for violation of this Order shall not be eligible for preference under this Order for procurement by any other procuring entity for the duration of the debarment. The debarment for such other procuring entities shall take effect prospectively from the date on which it comes to the notice of other procurement entities.
- 3.3 Even though the bidders meet the above qualifying criteria, they are subject to be disqualified if they have:
 - (i). made misleading or false representations in the forms, statements, declarations and attachments submitted in proof of the qualification requirements; and/or
 - (ii). participated in the previous bidding for the same work and had quoted abnormally high or low bid prices and could not furnish rational justification for it to the Employer.

4.0 Time for Completion

The successful bidder shall complete the entire work within the time specified at Sr. no. - 1.1(viii), to be reckoned from the date of issue of Letter of Award.

- **5.0** Tenders must be accompanied by the earnest money of the amount specified for the work in the table.
- 6.0 As per Govt. Guidelines, for Bidder(s) registered as Micro and Small Enterprises, the cost of tender document & Earnest Money will not be applicable. However, the proof for the same shall be submitted for eligibility. Also, Startups as recognized by Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP) are exempted from EMD. They should furnish with the Bid a Notarized copy of valid Certificate of Recognition issued by DIPP.

7.0 Pre-Bid Meeting

- a) A Pre Bid meeting open to all the prospective Bidder(s) will be held at venue, date and time as per SI. No.-1 wherein they shall be given an opportunity to obtain clarifications, if any, regarding the work and Bid conditions.
- b) Prospective Bidder(s) may submit their queries, if any, by email / courier / fax at address stated at Para -8 at least 03 days before the pre-Bid meeting so that the same can be replied during the meeting.

8.0 Bid submission

i) Online Bid Submission – Technical Bid (Cover-I) (Refer Section- II i.e. ITB) and Price Bid (Cover-II) electronic format) complete in all respect must be uploaded at the aforesaid

- portal date & time as per SI. No. 1.2
- ii) Offline Bid Submission (Refer Section- II i.e. ITB) complete in all respect must be delivered in sealed envelopes to the address, date & time as per SI. No. 1.2

In the event of the specified date or amendment if any for the submission of bids being declared a holiday for the Employer, the hard copy of the documents will be received up to the specified time on the next working day. Similarly, in the event of the specified date or amendment if any for the opening of bids being declared a holiday for the Employer, the opening shall be carried out at the specified time on the next working day. However, the date and time for online submission of the Bids shall continue to be the date and time specified or amendment if any.

- **9.0** The currency for the Bid shall be Indian Rupee only.
- 10.0 Bids shall be valid for a period as mentioned in Sl. no. 1.1. If any Bidder withdraws his Bid before the said period or makes any modification in his Bid, the Earnest Money deposit of the Bidder shall be forfeited.
- 11.0 The Techno-commercial Bid shall be opened online at venue date & time as per SI. No.-1. the time and date of opening of Financial Bid of bidders qualified the technical bid shall be communicated to them at later date after evaluations of technical bids. The Employer/Tender inviting Authority at his discretion may open Technical and Financial Bid simultaneously and evaluate the Bid completely.

12.0 E-tendering: Instruction for online bid submission

The Techno-commercial Bid and Price Bid to be submitted on-line at Central Public Procurement e-Portal https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app. The bidders are required to submit soft copies of their bids electronically on the Central Public Procurement (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.

12.1 Registration:

- i) Bidders are required to enroll on the e-Procurement module of the Central Public Procurement Portal by using the "Online Bidder Enrollment" option available on the home page. Enrolment on the CPP Portal is free of charge.
- ii) As part of the enrolment process, the bidders will be required to choose a unique username and assign a password for their accounts.
- iii) During enrolment/ registration, the bidders should provide the correct/true information including valid email-id & mobile no. All the correspondence shall be made directly with the Consultants/ bidders through email-id provided.
- iv) For e-tendering possession of valid Digital Signature Certificate (Class II or Class III Certificates with signing key usage) is mandatory which can be obtained from SIFY/TCS/nCode/eMudra or any Certifying Authority recognized by CCA India on e-Token/Smart Card.
- v) Upon enrolment on CPP Portal for e-tendering, the bidders shall register their valid Digital Signature Certificate with their profile.
- vi) Only one valid DSC should be registered by a bidder. Bidders are responsible to ensure that they do not lend their DSCs to others which may lead to misuse and should ensure safety of the same.
- vii)Bidders can then log into the site through the secured login by entering their user ID/ password and the password of the DSC/eToken.

12.2 Searching for Tender documents:

- a) 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.
- b) 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.
- c) 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.

12.3 Preparation of Bids:

- a) For preparation of bid, Bidders shall search the tender from published tender list available on site and download the complete tender document and should take into account corrigendum, if any, published before submitting their bids. After selecting the tender document same shall be moved to the 'My favourite' folder of bidders account from where bidder can view all the details of the tender document.
- b) Bidder shall go through the tender document carefully to understand the documents required to be submitted as part of the bid. Bidder shall 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.
- c) Any clarifications if required then same may be obtained online through the tender site, or through the contact details given in the tender document.
- d) Bidders should get ready in advance the bid documents to be submitted as indicated in the tender document/ schedule in PDF/ xls/ rar/ zip/ dwf formats. If there is more than one document, they can be clubbed together using zip format.
- e) 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, 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" or "Other Important Documents" area as per tender requirements while submitting the bid, and need not be uploaded again and again. This will lead to reduction in the time required for bid submission process.

12.4 Submission of Bids:

- i) Bidder should log into the site well in advance for bid submission so that he/ she upload the bid in time i.e. on or before the bid submission time.
- ii) Bidder should prepare the Tender Fee and EMD as per the instructions specified in the NIT/ tender document. The originals should be submitted to the Tender Inviting Authority, on or before the last date & time of offline bid submission. The details of the DD/BG, 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.

- iii) While submitting the bids online, the bidder shall read the terms & conditions (of CPP portal) and accepts the same in order to proceed further to submit their bid.
- iv) Bidder shall select the payment option as 'offline' to pay the Tender Fee/ EMD as applicable and enter details of the instrument.
- v) Bidder shall digitally sign and upload the required bid documents one by one as indicated in the tender document.
- vi) Bidders shall note that the very act of using DSC for downloading the tender document and uploading their offers is deemed to be a confirmation that they have read all sections and pages of the tender document without any exception and have understood the complete tender document and are clear about the requirements of the tender document.
- vii) Bidder shall note that each document to be uploaded for the tender should be less than 2 MB. If any document is more than 2MB, it can be reduced through zip/rar and the same can be uploaded. For the file size of less than 1 MB, the transaction uploading time will be very fast.
- viii) Utmost care shall be taken for uploading Schedule of Quantity & Price and any change/ modification of the price schedule shall render it unfit for bidding. Bidders shall download the Schedule of Quantities & Prices in XLS format and save it without changing the name of the file. Bidder shall quote their rates in figures in white background cells, thereafter save and upload the file in financial bid cover (Price bid) only. If the Schedule of Quantity & Price file is found to be modified by the bidder, the bid will be rejected. The bidders are cautioned that uploading of financial bid elsewhere i.e. other than in cover 2 will result in rejection of the tender.
- ix) Bidders shall submit their bids through online e-tendering system to the Tender Inviting Authority (TIA) well before the bid submission end date & time (as per Server System Clock). The TIA will not be held responsible for any sort of delay or the difficulties faced during the submission of bids online by the bidders at the eleventh hour.
- x) After the bid submission (i.e. after Clicking "Freeze Bid Submission" in the portal), the bidders shall take print out of system generated acknowledgement number, and keep it as a record of evidence for online submission of bid, which will also act as an entry pass to participate in the bid opening.
- xi) Bidder should follow the server time being displayed on bidder's dashboard at the top of the tender site, which shall be considered valid for all actions of requesting, bid submission, bid opening etc., in the e-tender system.
- xii) All the documents being submitted by the bidders would be encrypted using PKI (Public Key Infrastructure) 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.

Any queries relating to the process of online bid submission or queries relating to CPP Portal in general may be directed to 24x7 CPP Portal Helpdesk. Toll Free **Number 1800-3070-2232. Mobile Nos. 91-7878007972 and 91-7878007973**

- 13.0 Any Corrigendum, subsequent amendments and / or extension of date, if any, for submission of Bids shall be posted on the portal https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app. Bidder(s) are advised to visit the portal regularly before the deadline for submission of Bids.
- **14.0** The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid and to cancel the Bidding process Page 14

and reject all Bids, at any time prior to the award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or Bidder(s). However, the Bidder(s) who wish to seek reasons for such decision of cancellation/rejection shall be informed of the same by Employer unless its disclosure reasonably could be expected to affect the sovereignty and integrity of India, the security, strategic, scientific or economic interest of the state or lead to incitement of an offence.

15.0 In case of any difference between wordings of English and Hindi version of 'Notice Inviting Tender', English version shall prevail.

(For & on behalf of NHPC Ltd.)

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