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| **Clarification to the queries sought by different bidders in respect of the work "RFP for preparation of DPR for the work "Improvement of W/S to Balasore" and "Improvement of Water Supply to Karanjia" vide letter No.SOT-129/2013-(PB) 111 dated 01.02.2014** | | | | |
| ***Sl.No*** | ***Ref. to DTCN Clause*** | ***Details description made in the Tender Document*** | ***Queries / Observations of Bidders*** | ***Clarification details*** |
| 1 | 22.6 | **Service Tax registration Certificate**: Bidders are required to submit attested copies of valid and up-to-date Service Tax registration Certificate along with their bid, failing which their bids will not be considered. | As per Government of India norms for servics under servic tax preview - the service is exempted to pay service tax under the name "Profressional service for preparation of project plan in relation to water supply, public health, sanitation conservancy, solid waste management or slum improvement and upgradation". Hence this condition should be removed. | In case the service tax is exempted for preparation of DPR for water supply projects, this clause may be ignored. However, the bidders shall provide documentary evidence for such exemption. |
| 2 | 22.1 | **Earnest money deposit / VAT:** The agency shall furnish Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) valuing 1% of the quoted price along with ***Financial Bid Documents***. This EMD must be in the form of Postal Savings Pass Book / NSC / Post Office Time Deposit / Kissan Vikash Patra / Deposit Receipt in a scheduled bank duly pledged in favour of the **Executive Engineer, P.H. Division, Baripada** | The tender is meant only for those consultants who are empannelled by Govenrment of India for the PHE works. Hence the EMD shall not be charged to the bidding empannelled agencies. | As per RFP |
| 3 | 2.6.6 | **Security Deposit:** |  |  |
|  | (i) | The Agency whose RFP is selected for acceptance shall make an Initial Security Deposit (ISD) of 2% (two percent) of the accepted bidder amount less the earnest money earlier deposited along with bid (i.e., 2 % of Accepted bid value – (minus) EMD deposited) and sign the agreement in the prescribed from within 15 (fifteen) days from the issue of letter of Acceptance (LoA) | The security amount shall be reduced to 0.5% at the time of agreement and rest can be deducted in subsequent payments. Relaxation should be given in condition | As per RFP |
|  | (ii) | Failure to enter in to the required agreement and to make the initial security deposit as above within the specified time shall entail forfeiture of the Earnest money and rejection of the bid |
|  |  | Security Deposit shall also be forfeited for non-compliance of relevant clauses mentioned else where in this RFP |
| 4 | 2.8.1 | **By the employer:** e) If the employer, in its sole discretion and for any reason whatsoever, decided to terminate this contract | The above condition shall be modified with "the full payment of consultancy fee shall be paid to consultant in case of above condition". | As per RFP |