

**EOI Document
For**

Selection of partner(s) for Participating for design, engineering, procurement & supply, construction & erection, testing and commissioning of grid connected 11775 KW solar power plant having ten years comprehensive O&M for **NTPC VIDYUT VYAPAR NIGAM LIMITED (NVVNL) for Zone 7 (Gujrat, Rajasthan and Maharashtra)**

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SECTION-1

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

EOIs are invited from all eligible bidders for selection of partner(s) for “Design, engineering, procurement & supply, construction & erection, testing and commissioning of grid connected 11775 KW solar power plant having ten years comprehensive O&M for **NTPC VIDYUT VYAPAR NIGAM LIMITED (NVVNL) for Zone 7**” against NVVNL NIT No : NVVN/C&M/RE-316/2024-25 on back to back basis .

Telecommunications Consultants India Ltd. (TCIL) is a Govt. of India Enterprise, under Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications. It was set up in 1978 to share Indian experience and expertise with developing countries and to assist bulk users of telecom services in setting up dedicated telecom networks.

TCIL has been undertaking various projects in all fields of telecommunications and information technology and also continuously deploying new technologies in the field of Telecom Software, Switching and Transmission Systems, Cellular Services, Rural Telecommunications, Optical Fiber based Backbone Transmission Systems etc. TCIL has diversified its operation and has been executing projects in the field of Civil Infrastructure, Architecture and Power, Rural Roads and Civil Construction. TCIL has been executing projects in the latest technologies like FTTH, VOIP, IPTV etc.

TCIL intends to participate in “Design, engineering, procurement & supply, construction & erection, testing and commissioning of grid connected 11775 KW solar power plant having ten years comprehensive O&M for **NTPC VIDYUT VYAPAR NIGAM LIMITED (NVVNL) for Zone 7 as executing agency**” .This EOI is floated for selection of partners(s) and ready to work in the above project for TCIL on exclusive back to back basis..

Submission of Online Bids is mandatory for this EOI. Prospective bidders need to submit their bids with the most competitive Techno-commercial offer for the aforesaid work. EOI document is available on TCIL website (<https://www.tcil-india.com/nit.php>) & GePNIC portal (<https://www.etenders.gov.in>). The important dates are as given below:

1.1 IMPORTANT DATES

Date of Posting of EOI:	30.08.24
Start Date of downloading/viewing EOI:	30.08.24
Last date & time for seeking clarification, if any:	02.09.24, 6:00 PM
Start date & time for Online submission of Bids:	02.09.24 , 10:00 AM
Last date & time for Online submission of Bids:	09.09.24 , 1:00 PM
Online Opening of Technical Bid (Part-I):	09.09.24 , 02:30 PM
Online Opening of Financial Bid (Part-II):	To be notified later

Bids shall be submitted on GePNIC Portal (<https://www.etenders.gov.in>). Bidders are advised to visit GePNIC portal (<https://www.etenders.gov.in>) and/or TCIL website regularly for updates/amendments, if any. Bidders can contact NIC for Telephonic Help Support on Toll Free Help Desk Number- 1800 3070 2232 for requisite queries regarding registration, training, demonstration, minimum system requirements etc. of Government e-Procurement System of NIC (GePNIC).

1.2 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- a) (i) In procurement of all goods, services or works in respect of which the nodal ministry/department has communicated that there is a sufficient local capacity and local competition, only Class-I local supplier as defined under the order shall be eligible to bid respective purchase value.

- (ii) Only Class-I and Class-II local supplier, as defined under the order shall be eligible to bid in procurement undertaken by procuring entity, except when global tender enquiry has been issued.

(Mandatory Undertaking for Purchase Preference to MAKE In INDIA to be submitted along with this EOI. The bidder needs to submit calculation of local content as per format attached in Section-11. The detailed clause is mentioned at Clause 2.3 in Section-2 of this EOI and the documents required for verification of local content needs to be submitted as per this Clause.)

- b) The bidder should be an Indian Registered Company under Companies Act 1956 or 2013/ Proprietorship / Partnership Firm / Government Societies. Copy of Certificate of Incorporation/ Registration/ Partnership Deed or any other relevant document, as applicable, should be submitted along with a copy of address proof.

- c) The bidder shall fulfill the following financial criteria:-

- i. Average Annual Financial Turnover during the last 3 financial years, ending 31st March of the previous financial year should be at least **18 Cr. (15 Cr. for Startups)** of the estimated cost of purchase (excluding GST).

- ii. Net worth should be positive as on 31st March of last Financial Year.

- iii. The bidder should have Profit Before Tax (PBT) in two out of the last three financial years.

- d) Experience of having successfully completed similar works/supplies during the last 7 years from the date of bid submission should be either of the following:

Three similar works each costing not less than **24Cr (21Cr. for Startups)** of the estimated cost (excluding taxes), in last 7 years.

Or

Two similar works each costing not less than **30Cr. (27Cr for Startups)** of the estimated cost (excluding taxes), in last 7 years.

Or

One similar work costing not less than **42Cr. (39Cr. for Startups)** of the estimated cost (excluding taxes), in last 7 years.

The definition of similar works shall be work related to design, supply, installation, testing & commissioning of Solar Photo Voltaic (SPV) grid connected power plant(s).

- e) The bidder should have a valid PAN and GST Registration. Copy of PAN card and GST Registration certificate should be submitted in the bid. In case GST registration is not available, the bidder shall give undertaking that it will get registered before start of work if work is awarded to them.

- f) Manufacturers Authorization Certificate (MAF) **(Not Applicable)**

The bidder should submit Manufacturers Authorization Certificate (MAF) from Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) specific to the bid for items mentioned in this EOI. In case of unavailability of MAF at the time of EOI response, bidder should submit an undertaking stating that the same shall be submitted before opening of financial bid.

- g) The bidder should not be insolvent, in receivership, bankrupt or being wound up, not have had their business activities suspended and not be the subject of legal proceedings for any of the foregoing. An undertaking by the bidder should be submitted.

- h) The Bidder should not be blacklisted/debarred/banned/restricted by any Union Govt./State Govt.

/PSU as on date of submission of the Bid. “No-Conviction Certificate” duly signed by authorized signatory signing the bid, should be submitted in the prescribed format.

- i) The bidder shall submit an undertaking on their letterhead stating that:

“In reference to the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Office Memorandum No. F.No. 6/18/2019-PPD, Dated 23-07-2020. I hereby submit that:

“We have read the Clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India; We certify that we (in case of Consortium all the Consortium Partners) are not from such a country *or their beneficial owner is not from such a country or we will not sub-contract any work to a contractor from such countries*, if from such a country, have been registered with the Competent Authority.

We hereby certify that we (in case of Consortium all the Consortium Partners) fulfill all requirements in this regard and are eligible to be considered. [Where applicable, evidence of valid registration by the Competent Authority shall be attached.]”.

- j) The bidder needs to submit un-priced BOQ along with their technical bid.

- k) The bidder needs to submit an Undertaking stating that: Vendors, whose Purchase Order(s) for any Project of TCIL was/were cancelled on risk & cost basis for non-performance or non-submission of performance guarantee in last 2 years, are not eligible to participate in this tender.

- l) Proof of PF registration to be submitted by the bidder.

- m) The bidder should have a local office where work is to be executed. Else, he should give an undertaking that he will open a local office after award of work.

- n) **LABOUR LAWS (wherever applicable):**

The Bidder should comply with all applicable Indian Labour laws, Payment of Minimum Wages Act, Workman’s Compensation Act, EPF/ESI provisions and any such statutory provisions. In case the bidder is found to be not complying to any of the relevant statutory requirement, action as deemed fit may be initiated by TCIL at its sole discretion.

- o) It is a mandatory requirement that the bidder shall provide formally certified skilled workforce or commitment to the effect that they would ensure that all their workers would be skilled through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) within two months from the date of commencement of work under the project, at the cost of the bidder. This is in compliance to Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) D.O dated 12.09.2022.

The bidder shall provide undertaking to this effect.

- p) Bid by Consortium is **not allowed**.

- 1.3** The bidder should give an undertaking on the company’s letter head that all the documents/certificates/information submitted by them against this EOI are genuine.

In case any of the documents/certificates/information submitted by the bidder is found to be false or forged, TCIL shall immediately reject the bid of such bidder(s) or cancel/terminate the contract and forfeit bid security / Performance Security submitted by the bidder and debar them from participation in future EOIs/tenders of TCIL for a period upto 2 years.

- 1.4** A statement showing Clause-by-Clause compliance to all Terms & Conditions of all the Sections of this EOI as well as client’s tender (which forms part of this EOI), duly Signed and stamped on the Letter Head of their Organization. The bidder shall submit No-Deviation Certificate along with above.

Bidder shall submit technical data sheet by highlighting each complied specification. Wherever technical specifications and operational/functional requirements are not mentioned in the datasheet, OEM compliance shall be submitted.

- 1.5** The Client's NVVNL NIT No : **NVVN/ C&M/RE-316/2024-25** for “Design, engineering, procurement & supply, construction & erection, testing and commissioning of grid connected 11775 KW solar power plant having ten years comprehensive O&M **for Zone 7 (Gujrat, Rajasthan and Maharashtra)**” and its amendments forms an integral part of this EOI. **The term and conditions not mentioned in this EOI will on back to back basis as per client tender.**

1.6 BID SECURITY (EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT)

The bidder has to submit EMD Rs.5000000 /-. **The EMD of Rs 5 Lakhs is to be paid by bidder along with the bid submission and balance EMD amount to be paid on becoming L1 after the tender evaluation but before submission of the bid by TCIL to client.**

EMD amount can be submitted in the form of **Demand Draft (DD)** drawn in favour of “Telecommunications Consultants India Limited” payable at New Delhi along with the bid, OR in the form of a **Bank Guarantee (BG)** / e-BG in the prescribed format (Section-8) from a SFMS enabled Scheduled Commercial Bank through SFMS Platform OR as an **Insurance Surety Bond** as per format given in Section-22 OR **Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR)** OR **Bankers Cheque**.

Details of beneficiary for issue of BG under SFMS Platform is as below:

Name of Beneficiary and its Details	Name	Telecommunications Consultants India Limited
	Address	TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-1, New Delhi- 110048
Name of Beneficiary Bank and its Details	Name	ICICI Bank Limited
	Account No	000705005880
	Address	9-A PHELPS Building, Connaught Place, New Delhi- 110001
	Unique Identifier Code	TC503394486 (UID to be mentioned in field 7037 of the BG advising message code)
	IFS Code	ICIC0000007

NEFT/ RTGS: In case of payment through NEFT/ RTGS the Bidder will have to make payment as per the Challans generated by system on e-Procurement portal before submission of bid. The EMD payment through NEFT/ RTGS mode should be made well ahead of time to ensure that the EMD amount is transferred to account before bid submission. **(UTR No. is to be provided by bidder in the technical online bid):**

- Debit card powered by RuPay
- Unified Payment Interface (UPI) (BHIM-UPI) – TCIL VPA ID – tcil80@ICICI
- Unified Payment Interface (UPI) Quick Response Code: As below.
- Bank details for NEFT: same as given above.



Note: Bids received without Bid Security (EMD) may be summarily rejected.

1.7 **TENDER FEES**

Bidder is required to pay Tender Fees Rs. 20,000/ (Twenty Thousands) + 18% GST. Tender Fee can be paid through the following prescribed electronic mode of payment (***UTR No. is to be provided by bidder in the technical online bid***):

- a. Debit card powered by RuPay
- b. Unified Payment Interface (UPI) (BHIM-UPI) – TCIL VPA ID – tcil80@ICICI
- c. Unified Payment Interface (UPI) Quick Response Code: As below.
- d. Bank details for NEFT: same as given above.



This tender comes under works category **no benefits has been given to Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs)**

Notes for EMD and Tender Fees Exemption:

- a) Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs) (For goods and services tenders) and Start-up Enterprises are exempted from the payment of EMD & Tender Fees.
- b) To avail benefits prescribed in the tender for **Start-up Enterprises**, the bidder shall submit their registration certificate issued by DIPP/DPIIT. Non-submission of requisite proof shall be treated as non-Start-up Enterprise bid.
- c) To avail benefits prescribed in the tender for Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs), the bidder shall submit Udyam Certificate for item/services (mentioned in this tender) along with a certificate from their Statutory Auditors certifying the amount of investment in plant and machinery by Micro and Small Enterprise in accordance with provisions of MSMED Act 2006 to be read with notifications No SO 2119(E) dated 26.06.2020. Non-submission of requisite proof and certificate from statutory auditors shall be treated as non-MSE bid.
- d) Traders/ resellers / distributors/authorized agents will not be considered for availing benefits under MSME Act 2006 and PPP Policy 2012 as per MSE guidelines issued by MoMSME.
- e) MSEs who are manufacturer of Goods /Items and provider of Services, need to ensure that ALL delivered Goods/items and Services of the tender are listed in their MSME/NSIC certificate. Partial listing of Goods/Services in their certificate shall render MSEs ineligible for benefits.
- f) The bids submitted without bid security/tender fees or inadequate bid security/tender fees will be rejected. No interest shall be payable on bid security amount.
- g) If bid security/tender fees is submitted as BG/DD, it should reach o/o Tender Accepting Authority, TCIL Bhawan, 4th Floor, Greater Kailash-I, New Delhi-110 048 within the last date & time stipulated for bid submission in the tender.
- h) The EMD/Bid Security of unsuccessful bidder shall be returned as promptly as possible but not later than 30 days after expiry of the bid validity period.
- i) The EMD/Bid Security may be forfeited if:
 - (i) If the Bidder withdraws his bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid form or
 - (ii) fails or refuses to execute the Contract, if required; or

- (iii) The successful bidder fails to submit performance security within the prescribed time. or
- (iv) The proceeds of EMD shall be payable to TCIL in case of breach of any of the terms and conditions of the contract/PO/tender by the vendor.

1.8 EVALUATION

- a) TCIL shall evaluate bids in respect to substantive responsiveness of the bid or otherwise. TCIL shall carry out detailed evaluation of the substantially responsive bids only.
- b) A bid determined as substantially non-responsive technically/financially shall be rejected, even after opening the price bid.
- c) TCIL may waive any minor infirmity or non-conformity or irregularity in the bid which does not constitute a material deviation.
- d) Among all technically qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1 (excluding taxes) derived from Price Bid Schedule. The Purchase Preference needs to be given as per Purchase Preference defined in this EOI.
- e) If there is a discrepancy between the unit price and total price that is obtained multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected.
- f) NPV BASED EVALUATION CRITERIA: (Not Applicable)
 - (i) Applicable for works/tenders where scope of work includes CAPEX and OPEX (O&M/AMC) or only OPEX, where OPEX activity is spread over a period of two or more years.
 - (ii) Bids shall be evaluated on the basis of the lowest NPV (Net Present Value) without taxes.
 - (iii) Total cost shall be CAPEX+NPV of O&M/ AMC.
 - (iv) The discounting rate of 10% per annum shall be used for calculating NPV.

1.9 VALIDITY PERIOD OF BID

Bid shall remain valid for **150 days from the date of opening of tender by client** , after the date of bid opening. The bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected as non-responsive. In exceptional circumstances, TCIL may request the bidder for an extension to the period of bid validity if same is extended by end client and accordingly, the bid security shall also be suitably extended by the bidder.

1.10 IP PROGRAMME

As a part of implementation of Integrity Pact Programme (IPP) in TCIL, all tenders with the estimate value equal to or exceeding the threshold value will be covered under the Integrity Pact Programme (IPP) and the vendors are required to sign the IP document and submit the same to TCIL before or along with the bids. Latest IP document is available at TCIL website (www.tcil.net.in) Link-https://www.tcil.net.in/integrity_pact.php. Even in case of tenders with the estimated value less than the threshold value, the vendors would be required to sign the IP document if the total value of the Purchase Orders (POs) exceeds the threshold value in respect of:

- Multiple/repeat POs on the single vendors against a tender.
- POs placed on multiple vendors against a tender.

Only those vendors who have signed the IP document can send their grievances, if any, to the Independent External Monitors (IEMs) through the nodal officer, i.e., Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO). TCIL in the prescribed proforma.

NAME OF IEMs WITH THEIR CONTACT DETAILS:

- 1) Shri Anil Kumar Shrivastava, Independent External Monitor Email ID: anilifs86@gmail.com
- 2) Shri Harishwar Dayal, Independent External Monitor E mail ID: dayalagra@gmail.com

NAME & CONTACT DETAILS OF NODAL OFFICER (IP) IN TCIL:

Shri Niraj Verma, Chief Vigilance Officer E-mail ID: cvotcil@tcil.net.in

If the Order, with total value equal to or more than the threshold value, is split to more than one vendor and even if the value of PO placed on any/each vendor(s) is less than the threshold value, IP document having been signed by the vendors at bid stage itself, the Pact shall continue to be applicable.

In respect of tenders for Pre-bid tie up/Expression of Interest (EOI) : In case of TCIL getting the Order from the client, before placement of Purchase Order/Work Order on technically & commercially qualified vendor, the selected vendor is required to sign the IP document.

IP document shall be in plain white sheet and to be signed by the vendor and TCIL with two witnesses from each party. The name, designation, company etc. of the persons signing the IP document and the project/tender name shall be clearly mentioned. All pages of the IP document shall be initialed by both parties along with company seal.

Tender received without signed & stamped copy of the Integrity Pact document will be liable to be rejected, and the bidder himself will be responsible for that.

1.11 INTEGRITY PACT

- a) This EOI is covered under the Integrity Pact Programme of TCIL and bidders are required to sign the Integrity Pact Document and submit same to TCIL before or along with the bids.
- b) The integrity Pact Agreement duly signed and stamped by Authorized Signatory & Witnesses has to be submitted in physical form at the time of bid submission. In case of consortium bid, the lead partner shall sign as authorized signatory and the consortium partner as witness.
- c) EOI received without a signed copy of the Integrity Pact document will be liable to be rejected.
- d) In case of Joint Venture, all partners of the joint venture should sign the Integrity Pact. In case of sub-contracting, the Principal Contractor shall take the responsibility of the adoption of IP by the sub-contractor. It is to be ensured that all sub-contractors also sign the IP.
- e) Mediation Clause

In the event of any dispute between management and the contractor relating to those contracts where integrity pact is applicable, in case, both the parties are agreeable, the dispute may be settled through mediation before the panel of IEMs in a time bound manner. If required, the organizations may adopt any mediation rules for this purpose.

In case the dispute remains unresolved even after mediation by panel of IEMs, the organization may take further action as per terms and conditions of the contract.

1.12 SIGNING OF NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

Bidders interested to participate in a EOI, where client requires signing of NDA, then bidder also have to sign a NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT with TCIL on a non-judicial stamp-paper of Rs. 100, and the required EOI document fee has to be deposited to TCIL. In case the bid is to be submitted by a consortium, NDA should be signed by each partner of the consortium. Participation without compliance to the above shall be invalid and such bids will not be considered by TCIL.

1.13 AUTHORIZATION LETTER/ BOARD RESOLUTION

The bidders need to submit board resolution along with authorization Letter in Online mode authorizing the signatory to act on behalf of the bidder. The Authorized person should be either authorized by Board or a employee authorized by one of the following person who has the Board Resolution to delegate authorization to other:

1. Managing director
2. The Chief Executive Officer
3. The Manager
4. The Company Secretary
5. The Whole-time director
6. The Chief Financial Officer

The bidder should ensure that the Digital Signature used for uploading the tender document in e-tender portal should be of the authorized signatory.

1.14 MOU / AGREEMENT

The selected bidder will have to sign a MoU with TCIL (as per format enclosed) before TCIL submits bid to the end client.

The template of Pre-bid MoU documents [(1) with consortium, and (2) without consortium] are enclosed. Necessary changes/modifications as applicable should be made prior to floating in EOI/signing the MoU. The relevant MoU format may be made a part of EOI document, so that it can be signed on selection of vendor at pre-bid stage.

1.15 SUBMISSION OF FORGED DOCUMENTS

Bidders should note that TCIL may verify authenticity of all the documents/certificate/information submitted by them against the EOI. In case at any stage of this process, if it is established that bidder has submitted forged documents/certificates/information towards fulfillment of any of the EOI/contract conditions, TCIL shall immediately reject the bid of such bidder(s) or cancel/terminate the contract and forfeit bid security / Performance Security submitted by the bidder and debar them from participation in future tenders of TCIL for a period upto 2 years.

1.16 CLARIFICATION FROM BIDDERS

The queries may be asked from bidders for submitting shortfall to be submitted within specified date and time. Also, every document submitted against following queries should be signed by the person authorized as per Authorization letter / Board Resolution submitted by bidder against tender, without which the documents will not be accepted as valid.

1.17 REGISTRATION OF MSE VENDORS

All MSE bidders may be registered on TReDS platform (<http://www.rxil.in>) and MSME-SAMADHAAN portal. Participating MSE bidders shall submit an undertaking regarding the same.

1.18 The bidder must ensure that their bid is complete in all respects and conforms to EOI terms and conditions, EOI specifications etc. including client specifications, failing which the bids are liable to be rejected without seeking any clarifications on any exception/deviation taken by the bidder in their bid.

1.19 TCIL reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the EOIs without assigning any reason.

1.20 On award of work of the Tender/Work/Project, the vendor shall provide its GeM Seller id to TCIL (not applicable for “works” contract or non-Indian vendor).

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SECTION-2**GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT****2.1 FINANCING OF TRADE RECEIVABLES OF MSE'S THROUGH TRADE RECEIVABLES DISCOUNTING SYSTEM (TReDS) PLATFORM**

- a) Based on the initiatives of government of India to help MSME vendors get immediate access to liquid fund based on TCIL's credit rating by discounting MSE's trade receivables through an auction mechanism where multiple financiers can participate and bid, TCIL registered itself on TReDS platform with M/s RXIL.
- b) Micro and Small Enterprise (MSE) bidders / vendors can avail this benefit by registering themselves with M/s RXIL providing e-discounting/electronic factoring services on its TReDS platform and following the procedures defined therein.
- c) All costs relating to availing the facility of discounting on TReDS platform including but not limited to Registration charges, Transaction charges for financing, Discounting Charges, Interest on financing, or any other charges known by any name shall be borne by MSE Bidders / Vendor.
- d) MSE Bidders / Vendor hereby agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and keep TCIL and its affiliates, Directors, officers, representatives, agents and employees indemnified, from any and all damages, losses, claims and liabilities (including legal costs) which may arise from Sellers submission, posting or display, participation, in any manner, on the RXIL's TReDS Platform or from the use of Services or from the TCIL's breach of any of the terms and conditions of the Usage Terms or of this Agreement and any Applicable Law on a full indemnity basis.
- e) TCIL shall not be liable for any special, indirect, punitive, incidental or consequential damages or any damages whatsoever (including but not limited to damages for loss of profits or savings, business interruption, loss of information), whether in contract, tort, equity or otherwise or any other damages resulting from using facilities on RXIL's TReDS platform.

2.2 PRICE PREFERENCE TO MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES

(Price Preference to MSEs shall be extended as per GOI guidelines applicable from time to time).

- a) If items mentioned in EOI are **non-splittable / non-dividable** and L1 is non-MSE bidder:
 - i) If a MSE vendor / bidder is within L1+15% price range, the complete purchase / work order shall be given to MSE bidder subject to their matching the L1 price.
 - ii) If MSE vendor / bidder is not within L1+15% price range then complete purchase / work order shall be given to L1 bidder.
- b) If items mentioned in EOI are **splittable / dividable** and MSE is neither L1 nor within L1+15% The purchase/work order shall be given to L1 bidder.

- c) If the items mentioned in EOI are **splittable / dividable** and MSE is not L1 but within L1+15% 25% of total procurement shall be made from MSE, subject to their matching of L1 price. In case of more than such eligible MSEs who are within L1+15% range, procurement will be shared equally among such MSEs with a minimum 4% procurement from SC/ST MSEs, subject to their matching of L1 price. In event of failure of SC/ST MSEs to participate in EOI process or meet EOI requirements and L1 price or none of these SC/ST MSEs are in L1+15%, then this 4% sub-target shall be met from other MSEs. Minimum 3% reservation within above mentioned 25% reservation shall be applicable for women owned MSEs.

2.3 PURCHASE PREFERENCE: MAKE IN INDIA (Purchase Preference to Make IN India shall be given as per GOI guidelines applicable from time to time.)

- a) Minimum local content: (**As per client tender**)
- b) Margin of purchase preference: 20%
- c) Subject to the provisions of this order and to any specific instructions issued by the Nodal Ministry or in pursuance of this Order. Purchase preference shall be given to Class –I local supplier in procurements undertaken by procuring entities in the manner specified here under
- d) In the procurements of goods or works, which are covered by para 1.2(a)(ii) and which are **divisible in nature** ‘Class –I local supplier’ shall get purchase preference over Class –II local supplier as well as ‘Non-local supplier’ as per following procedure :
- i. Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1, if L1 is Class –I local supplier the contract for full quantity will be awarded to L1.
 - ii. If L1 bid is not a Class-I local supplier, 50% of the order quantity shall be awarded to L1. Thereafter, the lowest bidder among the Class –I local supplier will be invited to match the L1 price for the remaining 50% quantity subject to the Class –I local supplier’s quoted price falling within the margin of Purchase preference and contract for that quantity shall be awarded to such Class –I local supplier subject to matching the L1 Price. In case such lowest eligible Class –I local supplier fails to match the L1 price or accepts less than the offered quantity the next higher ‘Class –I local supplier’ within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price for remaining quantity and so on and contract shall be awarded accordingly. In case some quantity is still left uncovered on Class-I local suppliers, then such balance quantity may also be ordered on the L1 bidder.
- e) In the procurements of goods or works, which are covered by para 1.2(a)(ii) above and which are **not divisible in nature** and in procurement of services where the bid is evaluated on price alone, the ‘Class-I local suppliers’ shall get purchase preference over ‘Class-II local supplier’ as well as ‘Non- local supplier’ as per following procedure.
- i) Among qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is Class-I local supplier, the contract will be awarded to L1.
 - ii) If L1 is not ‘Class-I local supplier’ the lowest bidder among the Class-I local supplier will be invited to match the L1 price subject to Class-I local supplier’s quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference and the contract shall be awarded to such ‘Class-I local supplier’ subject to matching the L1 price.
 - iii) In case such lowest eligible ‘Class-I local supplier’ fails to match the L1 price, the ‘Class-I local supplier’ with the next higher bid within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price and so on and contract shall be

awarded accordingly. In case none of the Class-I local supplier within the margin of purchase preference matches the L1 price, the contract may be awarded to the L1 bidder.

- f) 'Class-II local supplier' will not get purchase preference in any procurement, undertaken by procuring entities.
- g) Verification of local content:
 - i. In cases of procurement for a value less than Rs. 10 crores, the local supplier (Class-I and Class-II), at the time of bidding, shall submit a self-certification that the item offered meets the minimum local content and shall give details of the location(s) at which the local value addition is made.
 - ii. In cases of procurement for a value in excess of Rs. 10 crores, the local supplier (Class-I & Class-II) shall be required to provide a certificate from statutory auditor or cost auditor of company (in case of companies) or from practicing cost accountant or chartered accountant (in respect of suppliers other than companies) giving percentage of local content in addition to self-certification at point (i)

2.4 RESTRICTIONS ON PROCUREMENT FROM A BIDDER OF A COUNTRY WHICH SHARES A LAND BORDER WITH INDIA

Bidders shall submit the certificate for sourcing products and services in tender as per clause 1.2.i. [wherever applicable the bidder must submit evidence of valid registration by Competent Authority]

- 2.4.1 The bidder shall offer and supply only those product(s)/goods/equipment(s)/Software(s) under this contract which are in compliance with Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Office Memorandum No. F.No. 6/18/2019-PPD dated 23-07-2020, circular attached as Section-20 of this EOI.

GUIDELINES FOR ELIGIBILITY OF A 'BIDDER FROM A COUNTRY WHICH SHARES A LAND BORDER WITH INDIA':

As per Order dated 23.07.2020, issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Govt, of India in this regard, the following guidelines have been issued by DoE for tenders:-

1. Any bidder from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to bid in this tender only if the bidder is registered with the Competent Authority.
Competent Authority for the purpose of registration shall be the Registration Committee constituted by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), as mentioned under Annex I of the Order (Public Procurement No.1) dated 23.07.2020.
2. "Bidder" (including the term 'tenderer', 'consultant' or 'service provider' in certain contexts) means any person or firm or company, including any member of a consortium or joint venture (that is an association of several persons, or firms or companies), every artificial juridical person not falling in any of the descriptions of bidders stated hereinbefore, including any agency, branch or office controlled by such person, participating in a procurement process.
3. "Bidder from a country which-shares a land border with India" for the purpose of this Order means;-
 - i. An entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - ii. A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - iii. An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - iv. An entity whose beneficial owner is situated in such a country; or
 - v. An Indian (or other) agent of such an entity; or
 - vi. A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or
 - vii. A consortium or joint venture where any member of the consortium or joint venture falls

under any of the above.

4. The beneficial owner for the purpose of (3) above will be as under:-

- i. In case of a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person (s), has a controlling ownership interest or who exercises control through other means.
Explanation-
 - a) "**Controlling ownership interest**" means ownership of or entitlement to, more than **twenty-five per cent**, of shares or capital or profits of the company;
 - b) "**Control**" shall include the right to appoint majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholders agreements or voting agreements;
- ii. In case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of entitlement to more than **fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership**;
- iii. In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals;
- iv. Where no natural person is identified under (i) or (ii) or (iii) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official;
- v. In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification of the author of the trust, the trustee, the beneficiaries with fifteen percent or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.
- vi. An Agent is a person employed to do any act for another, or to represent another in dealings with third person.

2.4.2 **PROCUREMENT OF PRODUCTS FROM TRUSTED SOURCES**

If the supplied product(s) under this contract is to be connected with Telecommunication Network then such product(s)/goods/equipment(s)/Software(s) shall be only from Trusted Sources duly certified by NSCT as notified by Govt. of India, Ministry of Communication vide OM No. 20-271/2010 AS-I (Vol-III) dated 10.03.2021. Copy of circular/guidelines is attached as Section-21 of this EOI.

- 2.4.3 Bidder who is found violating these directions /guidelines of Govt. of India or any other guidelines in this regard shall be liable to face action from TCIL which may include non-award of work, cancellation of contract, rejection of goods supplied, getting the work done at risk and cost of the bidder, forfeiting the PBG, banning for future work for period up to **five (5) years** or any other action as deemed fit.

2.5 **RISK PURCHASE**

- a) In case, the sub-contractor/ Supplier is not performing its obligations under the contract, the notice shall be sent as per law to the sub-contractor informing that in case of non-performance by a particular date/period, the contract shall be terminated and the work/project will be executed (through a third party) at the risk and cost of the said sub-contractor/ supplier as per the terms of the contract.
- b) On completion of the specified period/date, the notice of termination shall be issued clearly specifying that the remaining work shall be executed (through a third party) at the risk and cost of the sub-contractor/supplier. Along with this notice of termination, intimation shall be sent to the said sub-contractor/supplier for joint preparation of inventory of the works performed/ supplies

already undertaken by him. If the sub-contractor/supplier fails to turn up on an appointed date for joint preparation of inventory, in that situation he shall be proceeded ex parte and the inventory shall be prepared by TCIL/Employer and the same be sent to the sub-contractor/supplier.

- c) Further at the time of award of work to another sub-contractor/ Supplier, if the work is awarded at an additional cost than the original sub-contractor/ Supplier, another notice may be issued to the original sub-contractor/ Supplier specifying that the work has been awarded to another agency at the additional cost of such and such amount, and he is liable to pay that amount to TCIL.
- d) Demand notices may be sent to the original sub-contractor/ Supplier from time to time.

2.6 GENERAL LIEN / SET-OFF

- a) Whenever under this contract, any sum of money is recoverable from and payable by the supplier, the purchaser shall be entitled to recover such sum by appropriating in part or in whole the security deposit of the supplier, if a security is taken from the supplier. In the event of the security being insufficient or if no security has been taken from the supplier, the balance or the total sum recoverable, as the case may be, shall be deducted from any sum due to the supplier or which at any time thereafter may become due to the supplier under this or any other contract with the purchaser. Should this sum not be sufficient to cover the full amount recoverable, the supplier, shall pay to the purchaser on demand the remaining balance due.
- b) Any some of money (including refundable security deposit) due and payable to the supplier, under this contract or any other contract entered between the parties herein whether continuing or completed may be appropriated by TCIL and set off against any claim of TCIL of any nature whatsoever, arising under this contract or any other contract entered into between the parties, herein whether continuing or completed.

2.7 REPEAT / ADD-ON ORDER

- a) In exceptional situation where the requirement is of an emergent nature, the purchaser reserves the right to place repeat order up to 50% of the value of goods and services contained in the running tender/contract within a period of twelve months from the date of commissioning/ commercialization of the project (date of acceptance of APO of the items procured in case where no installation, commissioning is involved) at the same rate or a rate negotiated (downwardly) with the existing vendors considering the reasonability of rates based on prevailing market conditions and the impact of reduction in duties and taxes etc.
- b) Further if required, an additional order for 50% of the value of the goods & services limited to 100% of the value of goods and services contained in the running tender/contract may be placed within a period of twelve months from the date of commissioning/ commercialization of the project (date of acceptance of APO of the items procured in case where no installation, commissioning is involved) on the existing vendors at the same rate or a rate negotiated (downwardly) considering the reasonability of rates based on prevailing market conditions and the impact of reduction in duties and taxes etc.

2.8 PURCHASERS RIGHT TO VARY QUANTITIES

TCIL will have the right to increase or decrease up to 25% of the value of goods and services specified in the schedule of requirements without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions at the time of award of contract or **as per client terms and conditions on back to back basis.**

2.9 FORCE MAJEURE

The supplier shall be exempted from the responsibility for any non-performance arising from a case of force majeure or act of God, hereinafter called force majeure (a) war and (b) earthquake. If such circumstances should arise, the supplier shall inform the purchaser within 72 hours in writing of the existence of the fact before suspending work without penalty on either side from the period of such suspension not exceeding 3 months. Likewise, it must proceed to inform the end of such fact. As soon

as the facts constituting a force majeure cease in their effects, the supplier shall restart or continue the fulfillment of its obligations agreed upon. Should suspension of work as explained above exceed three months, the contract shall be violable at the option of either party without penalty on either side.

2.10 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 1) The parties to this agreement/contract agree that they shall resolve all disputes or differences whatsoever arising between them under and/or in connection with and/or in respect of this Tender/EOI/Agreement/Purchase Order/MoU through a “Conciliation and Settlement Mechanism (CSM)” and the detailed guidelines/procedure for such CSM is annexed hereto as **Annexure-A** in Section-19 of this EOI. That it is understood and agreed between the parties that the CSM annexed as **Annexure-A** with the present agreement forms and shall be treated as part and parcel of the present agreement.
- 2) If the parties fail to resolve such disputes through the conciliation proceedings, then and only then, a party shall refer the dispute to arbitration as mentioned in the following manner:
 - a. All disputes or differences whatsoever arising among the parties under and/or in connection with and/or in respect of this Tender/EOI/Agreement/Purchase Order/MoU shall be referred to and decided by a sole arbitrator, who shall be appointed by the CMD, TCIL only. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with Arbitration and Conciliation Act of 1996, as amended from time to time, and the venue of the arbitration shall be in New Delhi.
 - b. Notwithstanding the generality of the above, it is a term of this contract that no person other than a person appointed by CMD, TCIL as aforesaid, should act as arbitrator and if for any reason that is not possible or any party does not agree to such appointment of Arbitrator by CMD, TCIL for whatsoever reason, then the matter is not to be referred to arbitration at all and such disputes shall be resolved under the mechanism provided by the state in form of Courts of Law/Ordinary Civil Courts for resolution of such disputes under applicable Laws.
- 3) The courts at New Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction in respect to any dispute pertaining to this agreement.
- 4) The parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations as per the Agreement during the pendency of proceedings under this clause.

For Public Sector Undertaking / Government Departments:

In the event of any dispute or difference relating to the interpretation and application of the provisions of commercial contract(s) between Central Public Enterprise (CPSEs)/Port Trusts inter se and also between CPSEs and Govt. Depts/ organizations (excluding disputes relating to Railways, Income Tax, Customs & Excise Dept), such dispute or difference shall be taken up by either party for its resolution through AMRCD as mentioned in DPE OM No. 05/003/2019-FTS-10937 dated 14th December 2022 and the decision of AMRCD on the said dispute will be binding on both the parties

2.11 **FALL CLAUSE**

- a) The prices once fixed will remain valid during the scheduled delivery period. Further, if at any time during the contract
 - I. It comes to the notice of purchaser regarding reduction of price for the same or similar equipment/ service;
 - And/or
 - II. The prices received in a new tender for the same or similar equipment/service are less than the prices chargeable under the contract.

The purchaser, for the purpose of delivery period extension/during rate contract, if any, will determine and intimate the new price, taking into account various related aspects such as quantity, geographical location etc., and the date of its effect for the balance quantity/ service to the vendor. In case the vendor does not accept the new price to be made applicable during the extended delivery period and the date of its effect, the purchaser shall have the right to terminate the contract without accepting any further supplies. This termination of the contract shall be at the risk and responsibility of the supplier and the purchaser reserves the right to purchase the balance unsupplied quantity/ service at the risk and cost of the defaulting vendor besides considering the forfeiture of his performance security.

- b) The vendor while applying for extension of time for delivery of equipment/services, if any, shall have to provide an undertaking as “We have not reduced the sale price, and/ or offered to sell the same or similar equipment/ service to any person/organization including Department of central/state Government or any central/state PSU at a price lower than the price chargeable under the contract for scheduled delivery period.”

In case undertaking as in (b) above is not applicable, the vendor will give the details of prices, the name(s) of purchaser, quantity etc. to the purchaser, while applying extension of delivery period.

2.12 OFFLINE DOCUMENTS

The Bidder should submit all the bid documents (except Bank Guarantee/DD) online as indicated in the Tender /EOI schedule. The Tender Fees / EMD if paid through online mode), UTR No. is to be provided by bidder in their online bid. Only Bank Guarantee if required in tender/EOI schedule shall be taken in offline mode. (Address to be given where it is to be submitted)

Documents submitted in online mode should be uploaded using DSC of the person authorized as per Authorization letter /Board Resolution for signing bid documents.

2.13 BANNING OF NON-PERFORMING VENDOR

In case any of the vendor's work/PO/agreement is cancelled/terminated by TCIL after award, due to non-performance, the vendor may be banned/blacklisted up to 2 years or action as deemed fit may be taken by TCIL.

2.14 AMENDMENT TO BID DOCUMENTS

- a) At any time, prior to the date of submission of bids, TCIL may for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective bidder, modify the bid documents by amendments, which shall be available on TCIL Website and the e-tendering portal.
- b) In order to give the required time to the prospective bidders, in which to take the amendments into action in preparing their bid, TCIL may at its discretion extend the deadline for submission of bid suitably.

2.15 BID PRICE

- a) The prices quoted by the bidder shall remain firm during the entire period of the contract and shall not be subject to variation (unless asked by TCIL). Clauses such as “at actual”, “extra”, “to be given later” etc. shall also be treated as non-responsive & are liable for rejection.

2.16 MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

- a) Bid withdrawal/modification shall not be allowed after end date and time of bid submission.

- b) Withdrawal of a bid between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified in the tender or as extended, may result in the forfeiture of the bid security. Such defaulting vendor is liable to be debarred from participating in future bids for a period of up to 2 years.

2.17 CLARIFICATION OF BIDS

During evaluation of bids, TCIL may at its discretion ask the Bidder for clarifications / confirmations / deficient documents of its bid. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing and no change in the price of substance of the bid shall be sought or permitted.

2.18 PURCHASER'S RIGHT TO SEEK QUOTES DIRECTLY FROM OEM

During the EOI / NIT process, TCIL reserves its right to seek rates directly from OEM or its authorized representative / distributor for one or all items of BOQ under this EOI.

2.19 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

- a) TCIL may, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default, sent to the supplier, terminate this contract in whole or in part.
- if the supplier fails to deliver any or all the services/goods within the time period specified in the contract, or any extension thereof granted by TCIL.
 - if the supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract;
 - if the supplier, in either of the above circumstances, does not remedy his failure within a period of 15 days (or such longer period as TCIL may authorize in writing) after receipt of the default notice from TCIL.
 - Failure of the successful bidder to comply with the requirement of submission of performance security shall constitute sufficient ground for cancellation of the award of work and forfeiture of the bid security.
- b) In the event TCIL terminates the contract in whole or in part pursuant to above clause, TCIL may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods/services similar to those undelivered and the supplier shall be liable to TCIL for any excess cost for such similar goods/services. However, the supplier shall continue the performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.

2.20 TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY

TCIL may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier, without compensation to the supplier, if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent as declared by the competent court; provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to TCIL.

- 2.21 At any time, in case it comes to the knowledge of TCIL any of wrong information related with eligibility of the bidder or non-compliance to any terms and conditions of tender, then TCIL reserves the right to cancel or reject the bid of such bidder, cancel the tender or take any other action as deemed fit in accordance with tender terms and conditions.

2.22 ADDITIONAL CLAUSES FOR DEBARMENT:

- A. A bidder or any of its successor, shall be debarred from participating in any procurement process undertaken by TCIL for a period not exceeding **three (3) years** if he has been convicted of an offence as under:

- a) under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988; or
 - b) the Indian Penal Code or any other law for the time being in force, for causing any loss of life or property or causing a threat to public health as part of execution of a public procurement contract.
- B. A bidder or any of its successor, shall be debarred from participating in any procurement process undertaken by TCIL for a period not exceeding **two (2) years** if the following code of integrity as per rule 175 of GFRs 2017, is breached:
- 1. prohibition of
 - a) making offer, solicitation or acceptance of bribe, reward or gift or any material benefit, either directly or indirectly, in exchange for an unfair advantage in the procurement process or to otherwise influence the procurement process.
 - b) any omission, or misrepresentation that may mislead or attempt to mislead so that financial or other benefit may be obtained or an obligation avoided.
 - c) any collusion, bid rigging or anticompetitive behaviour that may impair the transparency, fairness and the progress of the procurement process.
 - d) improper use of information provided by the procuring entity to the bidder with an intent to gain unfair advantage in the procurement process or for personal gain.
 - e) any financial or business transactions between the bidder and any official of the procuring entity related to tender or execution process of contract; which can affect the decision of the procuring entity directly or indirectly.
 - f) any coercion or any threat to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or its property to influence the procurement process.
 - g) Obstruction of any investigation or auditing of a procurement process.
 - h) ***making false declaration or providing false information*** for participation in a tender process or to secure a contract;
 - 2. disclosure of conflict of interest.
 - 3. Disclosure by the bidder of any previous transgressions made in respect of the provisions of sub-clause (i) with any entity in any country during the last three years or of being debarred by any other procuring entity.
- C. A bidder or any of its successor, shall be debarred from participating in any procurement process undertaken by TCIL for a period not exceeding **two (2) years** if the following is breached:
- (i) If a Bidder withdraws the proposal or increases the quoted prices after opening of the Proposal and during the period of Bid validity period or its extended period, if any.
 - (ii) In case of a successful Bidder, if the Bidder fails to sign the Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions (including timelines for execution of the Agreement) of this tender or fails to furnish the Performance Bank Guarantee in accordance with the terms and conditions (including timelines for furnishing PBG) of this tender.
 - (iii) During the Bid process, if a Bidder indulges in any act as would jeopardize or unnecessarily delay the process of bid evaluation and finalization.
- D. The debarment in all cases shall be automatically extended to all its allied firms. In case of Joint ventures/Consortium is debarred all partners shall also stands debarred for a period specified in debarment order. The names of partners should be clearly specified in the debarment order.

END OF SECTION-2

SECTION – 3**SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT**

(In case clauses/ sub-clauses have any difference mentioned in this EOI at different places, the conditions mentioned in Section-3 shall prevail. The terms and conditions of Section-3 shall be on back to-back basis based on client's tender)

3.1 PAYMENT TERMS

As per client tender on back to back basis.

- i) The bidder shall be bound by the payment terms as per client's tender as specifically mentioned in this tender. No relaxation or benefit shall be extended to MSEs in payment as per GOI guidelines if not being in-house procurement of TCIL. Payment will be made after receiving from client on back to back basis.

3.2 PERFORMANCE SECURITY

Performance Security can be submitted in the following modes:

- 1) Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) / e-PBG (as per format given in Section-17)
 - 2) Fixed Deposit Receipts (FDR)
 - 3) Insurance Surety Bond (as per format given in Section-23)
 - 4) Bankers Cheque
- a) The bidder will submit an undertaking to submit back-to-back Performance Security as submitted by TCIL to the end Client if the contract is awarded to TCIL by end Client.
 - b) The bidder will submit an undertaking to submit back-to-back PBG (Performance Security) as submitted by TCIL to end Client if the contract is awarded to TCIL by end Client. In this Tender TCIL have to submit **10% performance bank security**.
 - c) PBG to be submitted in the prescribed format from a SFMS enabled Scheduled Commercial Bank through SFMS Platform as per details below:

Name of Beneficiary and its Details	Name	Telecommunications Consultants India Limited
	Address	TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-1, New Delhi-110048
Name of Beneficiary Bank and its Details	Name	ICICI Bank Limited
	Account No	000705005880
	Address	9-A PHELPS Building, Connaught Place, New Delhi- 110001
	Unique Identifier Code	TC503394486 (UID to be mentioned in field 7037 of the BG advising message code)
	IFS Code	ICIC0000007

- d) The proceeds of performance security shall be payable to TCIL in case of breach of any of the terms and conditions of the contract/PO/tender by the vendor. Recovery/adjustment due to LD or any other loss to TCIL shall be in addition to point (f).
- e) The performance security will be discharged by TCIL after completion of supplier's obligations, including any warranty obligations, under the contract.
- f) PBG should be valid till the period specified in client tender. The PBG shall be refunded once the PBG of TCIL is returned by the client.
- g) Failure of the successful bidder to submit the Performance Security or bidders' failure to complete its obligations under the contract shall constitute sufficient ground for the annulment of

the award / cancellation of the award of work and forfeiture of the bid security/performance security.

- h) Additionally, TCIL reserves the right to debar such defaulting bidder from participating in future bids for a period up to 2 years.

3.3 PRICE BASIS

As per clause 3.1 and after receiving payment from client on back to back basis.

3.4 PAYING AUTHORITY

ED (IT&T-III)

3.5 INSURANCE

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.6 DELIVERY / IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.7 WARRANTY

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.8 PERIOD OF CONTRACT

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.9 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.10 PENALTY

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.11 SLA

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.12 UPTIME

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.13 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

As per client tender on back to back basis

3.14 DELIVERY PERIOD EXTENSION

As per client tender on back to back basis.

3.15 Deleted.

- 3.16** Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement or any other agreement between the parties, the Purchaser may, without prejudice to its right to effect recovery by any other method, deduct the amount of Liquidated Damages from any money belonging to the supplier in its hand in relation to this or any other contract between the parties (which includes purchaser's right to claim such amount against invoices raised by the supplier or Bank Guarantees submitted by the supplier under this Contract or any other contract) or which may become due to the supplier. Any such recovery of Liquidated Damages shall not in any way relieve the supplier from any of its obligations to complete the Works or from any other obligation and liabilities under the Contract.
- 3.17** To facilitate recovery of Liquidated Damages from the invoices raised by the supplier, the Credit Note shall be issued by the supplier, failing which the purchaser shall adjust the amount to be recovered from the pending payments by issuing an invoice/debit note for the corresponding amount, at the risk and cost to the supplier including applicable GST, interest and penalty, if any.

3.18 Taxes (GST)

GST invoice / Debit Note / Credit Note:

- a. It shall be the responsibility of Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor to raise Tax Invoice (e-invoice wherever applicable) as per the provisions of GST Laws and send to TCIL promptly.
- b. The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor shall ensure that Tax Invoice contains all the requirements as per GST Law from time to time, for eg. E-Way bill along with transportation details etc, wherever applicable. TCIL GST Number to be mentioned on the Invoices as advised by TCIL, etc.
- c. The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor shall ensure to issue Debit / Credit Note (wherever applicable) as prescribed under GST Act and send to TCIL within the prescribed time limit. All documents should be received well in advance so as to enable TCIL to claim eligible credit.

GST Compliances:

- d. The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor shall ensure
 - To issue Tax Invoice / Debit Notes / Credit Notes to enable TCIL to claim tax benefit on or before the stipulated time period provided by the GST law.
 - To file its GST Returns (GSTR – 1 and GSTR – 3B) within the time limits prescribed in GST Laws with all Debit and Credit Note details, so as to ensure availing ITC Credit of GST by TCIL.
 - To declare correct information on invoice and GSTN viz. the amount, the place of supply, rate of tax etc.
 - To issue all Tax Invoices / Debit Notes / Credit Notes to the registered premise of TCIL for availing of credit and ensure that the place of supply as per GST law is same as registered premise of TCIL.
- e. The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor shall ensure to keep its GST Numbers active at all times and in case the same is blacklisted, cancelled or blocked etc by GST Authorities, the same needs to be promptly intimated to TCIL.

Tax Indemnity:

- f. There should not be any loss of ITC of GST to TCIL due to default of bidder. In case of any financial loss including interest, same will be recovered from the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor for delay / non-compliance on the part of the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor.

- g. In case, the eligibility of ITC of GST is questioned or denied to TCIL on account of default by the Bidder, the same would be recovered by TCIL from the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor.
- h. No payment shall be made by TCIL against Performa Invoice issued by Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor. Payment will be made only against Valid Tax Invoice as per GST Laws.
- i. In case of delay in deposit of Tax & filling GSTR-1 by the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor, the input tax credit will not be available to TCIL and as a result TCIL to pay the total output tax without availing input tax credit and in such case the financial loss including interest shall be recovered from the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor.

Documents:

- j. Self-declaration along with evidence that the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor is not blacklisted.
- k. An undertaking from the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor that information provided by him is correct and in case of any loss, the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor / Vendor is fully responsible.

3.19 Release of GST Payment along with payment of RA Bill

- a) In all projects, where running bill continue to be raised periodically, GST shall be paid along with running bill but amount equivalent to GST of previous RA bill as well as current RA shall be withheld if GST of previous bill is not paid/reflecting at time of payment of next (current) RA bill.
- b) At the time of final bill of the project, GST shall be paid only if payment of all GST dues of the project by vendor is visible in GST portal.
- c) The above shall be applicable for all projects involving payment in multiple trenches (Running bill).

Note: As payment of GST dues in statutory requirement hence no undertaking is required separately for this from vendor.

END OF SECTION-3

SECTION-4

SCOPE OF WORK & TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

As per Client tender terms and conditions

END OF SECTION-4

SECTION-5**PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

S. No	Item	Details
General Information		
1	Customer Name/Government Department	
2	Name of the Contact Person and Contact details for the Project	
Brief Description of scope of Project		
Size of the Project		
3	Contract Value of the Project (in crore) excluding taxes	
4	Contract Value of the Project (in crore) including taxes	
Project Details		
5	Name of the Project	
6	Start Date & End Date	
7	Current Status (work in progress in %, completed)	
8	Contract Tenure	
9	Type of Project	

END OF SECTION-5

SECTION – 6**PRICE BID SCHEDULE**

To: [Head of Department]

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the [Insert title of assignment] against your EOI No. [Insert EOI No.] dated [Insert Date]. Our attached Financial Proposal is for the sum of [Insert amount(s) in words and figures1].

Yours sincerely,

Authorized Signature [*In full and initials*]: _____

Name and Title of Signatory: _____

Name of Firm: _____

Address: _____

Refer Price bid Schedule

Note 1:- The bidder to provide un-priced Price-Bid along with Technical bid.

Notes2:-

- a) Lowest Bid will be on the basis of Grand Total.
- b) Bidder shall mandatory mention the 8 digit / 6 digit applicable HSN / SAC code of all the Quoted items.
- c) In case of change in rate due to change in Taxes/Duties the rate shall be applicable on prorated basis based on actual nos. of applicable days.
- d) Before Submitting their Duly Filled “Price Bid Schedule & BOQ” the bidders should ensure that they do not enter any Comments in the above Table like “ As per Actuals, Will be Intimated Later on etc” . If Bidder uses these type of Comments while filling up the above Table for Price Bid Schedule & BOQ Or if the charges for any item is left blank the Charges for the Items wherever such comments are used or if left blank shall be Considered as “Zero” and the same shall be a binding on the bidder.
- e) If there is a discrepancy between the unit price and total price that is obtained multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected.
- f) The Bidder must specify the make of each product / Line items of the BOQ in the price bid.
- g) The requirement / Quantity mentioned above are indicative & may vary as per the actual requirements.

END OF SECTION-6

SECTION-7 (Not Applicable)**MANUFACTURER'S AUTHORISATION FORM**

[Head of Department]
Telecommunications Consultants India Limited.
TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-I
New Delhi-110 048 (INDIA)

Dear Sir,

Ref: Your [document No] _____ dated _____

We, _____ who are proven and reputable manufacturers of (name and description of the factories at goods offered in the bid) having, hereby authorize M/s (name and address of the agent) to submit a bid, process the same further and enter into a contract with you against your requirement as contained in the above referred documents for the above goods manufactured by us.

We also state that we are not participating directly in this bid for the following reason(s):

_____ (Please provide reason here).

We also hereby extend our full warranty, CAMC as applicable as per Client's [tender No.] and [tender name], read with modification, if any, for the goods and services offered for supply by the above firm against this EOI document.

We also hereby confirm that we would be responsible for the satisfactory execution of contract placed on the authorized agent and the spares for the equipment shall be available for at least 10 years from the date of supply of equipment.

We also confirm that the price quoted by our agent shall not exceed the price which we would have quoted directly"

Yours faithfully,

[Signature with date, name and designation]

for and on behalf of M/s _____

[Name & address of the manufacturers]

Note: I. This letter of authorization should be on the letter head of the manufacturing firm and should be signed by a person competent and having the Authorization letter / Board Resolution to legally bind the manufacturer.

2. Original letter may be sent.

END OF SECTION-7

SECTION - 8

BID SECURITY BANK GUARANTEE (EMD) FORMAT

Whereas (hereinafter called “the Bidder”) has submitted its bid dated For the supply of Vide Tender No. dated KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that WE OF Having our registered office at (hereinafter called “the Bank”) are bound unto Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (hereinafter called “the Purchaser”) in the sum of Rs. for which payment will and truly to be made of the said Purchaser, the Bank binds itself, its successors and assigns by these present.

THE CONDITIONS of the obligation are:

1. If the Bidder withdraws his bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid form or
2. If the Bidder, having been notified of the acceptance of his bid by the Purchaser during the period of bid validity
 - (i) fails or refuses to execute the Contract, if required; or
 - (ii) The successful bidder fails to submit performance security within the prescribed time. or
 - (iii) The proceed of EMD shall be payable to TCIL in case of breach of any of the terms and conditions of the contract/PO/tender by the vendor.

We undertake to pay to the Purchaser up to the above amount upon receipt of its first written demand, without the purchaser having to substantiate its demand, provided that in its demand, the purchaser will note that the amount claimed by it is due to it owing to the occurrence of one or both of the two conditions, specifying the occurred condition or conditions.

This guarantee will remain in force upto and including THIRTY (30) days after the Period of bid validity and any demand in respect thereof should reach the Bank not later than the specified date/dates.

Signature of the Bank Authority.

Name

Signed in Capacity of

Name & Signature of witness

Full address of Branch

Address of witness

Tel No. of Branch

Fax No. of Branch

END OF SECTION-8

SECTION-9

INTEGRITY PACT

[As per format given in TCIL Website – Link https://www.tcil.net.in/public/pdf/integrity_pact.pdf

END OF SECTION-9

SECTION-10**AUTHORIZATION LETTER****Format for Authorization letter to be submitted by Bidder**

Know all men by these presents that we (name of Company) _____, incorporated in India under the Companies Act, 1956 and having its Registered Office at _____. (India) ("Hereinafter called the Company") DOTH hereby nominate, constitute and appoint (Name, Designation) _____, S/o _____ to be true and lawful authorized signatory in fact and at law of the Company for and in the name and on behalf of the Company, to do, execute and perform all or any of the following acts, deeds, matters and things namely:-

1. To represent the Company to all intents and purposes in connection with the matters pertaining to signing & submission of (EOI No, EOI Date, EOI Description)_____, _____, _____and all affairs ancillary or incidental thereto.
2. AND the Company hereby agrees that all acts, deeds and things lawfully done by the said authorized signatory shall be construed as acts, deeds and things done by the Company itself and the Company hereby undertakes to ratify and confirm all and whatever its authorized signatory shall lawfully do or cause to be done for and on behalf of the Company by virtue of the powers hereby given.

In witness whereof (Name , Designation) _____, _____of the Company acting for and on behalf of the Company under the authority conferred by the Board of Directors of the Company in its _____ meeting held on (Date) _____ has signed this Authorization Letter at (place)_____on this (Date) _____.

The signatures of (Name , Designation) _____ given below are hereby certified.

Signature : _____

SIGNATURES OF (Name , Designation) _____

CERTIFIED

Signature : _____

WITNESS:-

Signature:_____

(Name , Designation):_____

END OF SECTION-10

SECTION-11

CALCULATION OF LOCAL CONTENT:

				Basic Rate W/o Tax (INR)		Total Cost W/o Tax (INR)		
Sl. No.	Description of the Item	Qty	Unit	Domestic (Excluding net Domestic indirect Taxes)	Imported (Including All Custom Duties)	Domestic (Excluding net Domestic indirect Taxes)	Imported (Including All Custom Duties)	Domestic +Imported
			a	b	c	d=a*b	e=a*c	f=d+e
1	Item Description	1	Nos					
2	Item Description	1						
3	Total				-		-	

% of Local Content = (Total Cost Domestic 3(d) / Total Cost (domestic + Imported) (3 (f))) * 100
(To be used by bidder for their internal calculation and to submit if demanded by TCIL at any stage)

END OF SECTION-11

SECTION-12**NO-CONVICTION CERTIFICATE****[To be submitted on the Letterhead of the Bidder]**

Offer No.: _____

Date: _____

To
[Head of Department]
Telecommunications Consultants India Limited,
TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-I,
New Delhi-110 048 (INDIA)

Sub: Self Declaration of not been blacklisted for [EOI No.] dated [EOI date]

Dear Sir,

This is to notify you that our Firm /Company/ Organization <provide Name of the Firm/ Company/ **Organization**> intends to submit a proposal in response to [EOI No.] dated [EOI date] for [EOI Name].

In accordance with the above, we declare that:

- a. We are not involved in any major litigation that may have an impact of affecting or compromising the delivery of goods / services as required under this [EOI No] dated [EOI date].
- b. We are neither banned/ debarred/ blacklisted/ put on holiday list nor action for banning / debarment / blacklisting / holiday listing has been initiated by any Central/ State Government/ agency of Central/ State Government of India or any other country in the world/ Public Sector Undertaking/ any Regulatory Authorities in India or any other country in the world for any kind of fraudulent activities on any ground including but not limited to indulgence in corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice as on date of submission of the Bid.

Yours sincerely,

(Signature of the Authorized signatory of the Bidding Organisation)

Name:

Designation:

Contact details (including E-mail):

Business Address:

Date:

Seal:

END OF SECTION-12

SECTION-13**BID SUBMISSION FORM**

Offer No.:

Date:

To: [Head of Department], TCIL

Dear Sir,

In response to your Tender No. _____, we hereby submit our offer herewith.

1. Bidder Name : _____
2. Website Address : _____
3. Email Address : _____
4. Address for Communication : _____

5. Telephone Number : _____
6. Fax/Telefax Number : _____
7. Authorised Person -
Name : _____
Designation : _____
Mobile No. : _____
Email ID : _____
8. Alternate Person
Name: : _____
Designation : _____
Mobile No. : _____
Email ID : _____
9. PAN Number : _____
10. GST Regn. No. with Address : _____

11. Beneficiary's complete Bank Details.
Bank Account No. : _____
IFSC / NEFT Code : _____
Name of the Bank : _____
Address of the Branch : _____
12. Particulars of EMD
Amount : Rs. _____
Mode of Payment (DD/BG) : _____
DD/BG No. : _____
Date : _____
Name of the Bank : _____
Address of the Bank : _____
Validity of BG : _____

13. Particulars of Tender Fee

Amount : Rs. _____
 DD No. : _____
 Date : _____
 Name of the Bank : _____
 Address of the Bank : _____

14. Turnover of the Bidder in last 3 years:-

Year	Year Annual Report attached at Page No.	Turnover in Rs. (Lakh)
Average Turnover		

15. Are you a MSME Unit. If yes, please furnish Registration Details, Name of the DIC/State.

16. If you are MSME, is it owned by SC/ST Entrepreneurs or Women Entrepreneurs? If Yes, please specify the Name of the Owner who is SC or ST or Women Entrepreneur (as applicable).

17. Following Documents are submitted to substantiate other eligibility criteria.

- i) _____
 ii) _____
 iii) _____

DECLARATION

- We have read and understood the terms & conditions of the above-mentioned tender and comply to all Terms & Conditions of the Tender.
(In case of any deviation, the Bidder must attach a separate sheet clearly mentioning the Clause No. of the Tender and Deviation thereto)
- We certify that the information mentioned above are true and correct to best of our knowledge.

Place:
Date:

Signature of Authorised Signatory with Seal
Name:
Designation:

END OF SECTION -13

SECTION-14**MAKE IN INDIA UNDERTAKING****A. Bidder shall furnish following self-certificate on its letter head along with their techno-commercial bid.**

"We M/s_____ (Name of bidder) hereby certify that we meet the mandatory minimum Local Content requirements of the Tender of equal to or more than 50% (for Class-I) / greater than 20% and less than 50% (for Class-II) (in value terms) quoted vide our offer No. _____ dated _____ against TCIL Tender No. ----- dated
 . Given below are the list of items (goods and services) which meets the Local Content Criteria. along with details of the location(s) at which the local value addition is made in respective items (goods and services)"

S#	Description of Items / Products / services	Make	Model	location(s) at which the local value addition is made

B. If value of procurement is more than INR 10 Crore, above undertaking shall be supported by the following certificate from Statutory Auditor or cost auditor of the company (in 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, on the letter head of such Statutory Auditor.

"We_____ the statutory auditor of M/s._____ (name of the bidder) hereby certify that M/s._____ (name of bidder) meet the mandatory Local Content requirements of the Project Work under this Tender i.e. equal to or more than 50% (for Class-I) / greater than 20% and less than 50% (for Class-II) (in value terms) quoted vide offer No. _____ dated _____ against TCIL Tender No. ----- dated ---- by M/s._____ (Name of the bidder).

(Note: In case of bidder(s) for whom Statutory Auditor is not required as per law, required certificates shall be provided by a practicing Chartered Accountant.)

For Details, Govt. of India Order NO. P-45021/2/2017-PP (BE-II) dated 04.06.2020 may be referred.

END OF SECTION-14

SECTION-15**EOI CHECKLIST**

S.No	Document	Submitted (Yes or No)
1	Tender Fee	
2	EMD (BG/DD/NEFT etc.)	
3	For MSME Exemption, Udyam Registration Certificate and Statutory Auditor Certificate for Investment in Plant and Machinery.	
4	For StartUp DPIIT certificate	
5	Authorization Letter/Board Resolution	
6	MAKE IN INDIA Undertaking	
7	Certificate of Incorporation/ Registration/ Partnership Deed or any other	
8	Financial criteria	
9	Similar Experience Criteria	
10	Pan & GST	
11	MAF	
12	Insolvent Undertaking	
13	No-Conviction Certificate	
14	Land Border Sharing Declaration	
15	Unpriced BOQ	
16	Undertaking from Vendors for non-cancellation of Purchase Order(s) on risk and cost on risk & cost basis or non-performance.	
17	PF Registration	
18	Local Office Undertaking	
17	Labor Laws Compliance Undertaking	
18	Consortium Agreement	
19	Genuine Documents Undertaking	
20	No-Deviation Certificate/ Clause-by Clause Compliance	
21	Technical Brochure and Data Sheet	
22	Integrity Pact document as applicable	
23	Bid Submission Form	
24	NDA as applicable	
25	Any Other Undertaking/ document as per EOI.	

END OF SECTION-15

SECTION-16**RATE CONTRACT**

**[The following terms and conditions need to be included in Rate Contracts only.
Other terms and conditions shall be as per EOI format.]**

1. The quantity to be supplied during the currency of the rate Contract is not fixed and will be decided based on their actual requirement as per approved Budget/ Indent on “as and when” required basis.
2. The Company can place the orders during the validity of the rate contract period at the same rate, terms and conditions.
3. Normally, no variation is allowed except statutory variations in Sales Tax and Excise Duties. Sometimes, there are significant variations in the raw-material prices during the rate contract period. If there are downward variations and the client insists for revised quotations, the earlier rate contract is cancelled and new tenders are invited.
4. **FALL CLAUSE (applicable for Rate Contract)**
 - a) The prices once fixed will remain valid during currency of rate contract. Further, if at any time during the contract
 - i. It comes to the notice of purchaser regarding reduction of price by the supplier/vendor for the same or similar equipment/ service;
And/or
 - ii. The prices received in a new tender for the same or similar equipment/service are less than the prices chargeable under the contract.

The purchaser, for the purpose of rate contract, if any, will determine and intimate the new price, taking into account various related aspects such as quantity, geographical location etc., and the date of its effect for the balance quantity/ service to the vendor. In case the vendor does not accept the new price to be made applicable during the extended delivery period and the date of its effect, the purchaser shall have the right to terminate the contract without accepting any further supplies. This termination of the contract shall be at the risk and responsibility of the supplier/vendor/contractor and the purchaser reserves the right to purchase the balance unsupplied quantity/ service at the risk and cost of the defaulting vendor besides considering the forfeiture of his performance security.

- b) The vendor during any time of the currency of the rate contract, shall have to provide an undertaking as “We have not reduced the sale price, and/ or offered to sell the same or similar equipment/ service to any person/organization including Department of central/state Government or any central/state PSU at a price lower than the price chargeable under the contract for scheduled delivery period.”

In case clarification is required by TCIL, the vendor supplier shall produce related documents such as PO/Agreement etc.

END OF SECTION-16

SECTION -17**PERFORMANCE BANK GUARANTEE (PBG Format)****(TO BE ISSUED BY A DELHI BRANCH)**

**M/s Telecommunications Consultants India Ltd.,
TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-I
New Delhi – 110 048 (INDIA)**

(With due stamp duty if applicable)

OUR LETTER OF GUARANTEE No. : _____

In consideration of TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANTS INDIA LIMITED, having its office at TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-I, New Delhi – 110 048 (INDIA) (hereinafter referred to as “TCIL” which expression shall unless repugnant to the content or meaning thereof include all its successors, administrators and executors) and having entered into an agreement dated _____/issued Purchase Order No. _____ dated _____ with/on _____ M/s _____ (hereinafter referred to as “The Supplier” which expression unless repugnant to the content or meaning thereof, shall include all the successors, administrators, and executors).

WHEREAS the Supplier having unequivocally accepted to supply the materials/Services as per terms and conditions given in the Agreement dated _____ /Purchase Order No. _____ dated _____ and TCIL having agreed that the Supplier shall furnish to TCIL a Performance Guarantee for the faithful performance of the entire contract, to the extent of 10% (ten percent) of the value of the Purchase Order i.e. for _____.

We, _____ (“The Bank”) which shall include OUR successors, administrators and executors herewith establish an irrevocable Letter of Guarantee No. _____ in your favour for account of _____ (The Supplier) in cover of performance guarantee in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement/Purchase Order.

Hereby, we undertake to pay upto but not exceeding _____ (say _____ only) upon receipt by us of your first written demand accompanied by your declaration stating that the amount claimed is due by reason of the Supplier having failed to perform the Agreement and despite any contestation on the part of above named supplier.

The proceed of performance security shall be payable to TCIL in case of breach of any of the terms and conditions of the contract/PO/tender by the vendor.

This Letter of Guarantee will expire on _____ including 30 days of claim period and any claims made hereunder must be received by us on or before expiry date after which date this Letter of Guarantee will become of no effect whatsoever whether returned to us or not.

Authorized Signature
Manager
Seal of Bank
Contact details

END OF SECTION-17

SECTION-18**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

(*Format when backend partner is in consortium)

(To be signed by all Consortium Partners)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on ____th day of _____ at New Delhi by and between:

M/s Telecommunications Consultants India Limited, a Company registered under the Indian Companies Act 1956, with its registered and corporate office at TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-1, New Delhi – 110048, hereinafter referred to as “**TCIL**”, which expression shall include its successors and its permitted assigns, of one part.

AND

_____ **CONSORTIUM** consisting of M/s _____ (**Vendor Name**), registered under the _____ Act, with its registered office at _____ (**Lead Member**), M/s _____ (**Vendor Name**), registered under the _____ Act, with its registered office at _____ (**Consortium Partner**) and M/s _____ (**Vendor Name**), registered under the _____ Act, with its registered office at _____ (**Consortium Partner**) hereinafter the said consortium shall be referred to as “_____”, which expression shall include its successors and permitted assigns, of the other part.

“TCIL” and “_____” are individually referred to as “Party” and collectively as “Parties”.

WHEREAS TCIL, a Government of India Enterprise under the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, is a leading company in Telecommunications and Information Technology and has to its credit successful execution of many consultancy and turnkey projects in the fields of Telecom, IT and Civil both in India and abroad and it also acts as procurement consultant/agent/executing agency/implementing agency for number of Government of India enterprises/undertaking.

WHEREAS _____ (Name of Lead Member) is in the business of _____.

WHEREAS _____ (Name of Consortium Partner) is in the business of _____.

WHEREAS _____ (Name of Consortium Partner) is in the business of _____.

WHEREAS _____ (Client Name) (herein after called “_____”) issued TENDER No. _____ dated _____ for ‘_____, hereinafter referred to as “_____ (Client Name) tender” /”Work”/”Project”.

WHEREAS TCIL published EOI No. _____ dated _____ (hereinafter referred as TCIL EOI) for selection of back-end partner for _____ (Client Name) tender.

AND WHEREAS M/s _____ & M/s _____ has entered into a Consortium Agreement / Memorandum of Agreement dated _____ (**Annexure A**) and a Role & Responsibility Matrix dated _____ (**Annexure B**) for the purpose of forming a consortium to participate in TCIL EOI wherein it is mentioned that _____ shall act as the Lead Member & _____ shall act as consortium partner and the Lead Member is authorized to sign the MOU with TCIL and accordingly they have submitted their offer for _____ in response to TCIL EOI & pursuant to the same were selected by TCIL as back-end partner for _____ (Client name) Tender.

Now, therefore, it is agreed between the Parties as under:

1. The Parties wish to work together with the understanding that TCIL shall act as the bidder (lead bidder) and _____ (consortium name) (partner for _____) for participating in the _____ (client name) Tender.

**Please note that the term "Lead bidder" shall be mentioned only when TCIL shall bid in consortium with backend partner.*
2. _____ (consortium name) shall not participate directly or indirectly whether in consortium or separately in _____ (client name) Tender and shall not quote rates to any other party participating/pre-qualified for _____ (client name) Tender directly or indirectly through its subsidiary, partnership, ownership, individual firm etc.
3. On award of the work of the _____ (client name) Tender to TCIL, TCIL will enter into a detailed agreement with _____ (consortium name) based on the terms & conditions of this MoU, TCIL EOI and _____ (client name) Tender.
4. The term of this MoU shall be for _____ months ("Term") from the date of signing of this MoU ("Effective Date") or till the completion of the project & release of all payments thereof whichever is later. All obligations hereunder shall only apply during the Term of this MoU and to such obligations and commitments in relation to the Tender/Work/Project under the scope of TCIL EOI & _____ (Client name) tender, as may have been undertaken by the Parties during the Term with validity exceeding the Term. The Term of this MoU can be extended by mutual agreement between the Parties, depending upon the requirement.
5. After mutual consultation, a joint team consisting of representatives of the parties will be formed for various activities like, technical discussions, deciding the preparation of final Bid/offer, terms & conditions and demonstration of functionality required in the _____ (Client name) Tender/Work/Project.
6. TCIL and _____ (consortium name) hereby mutually agree that both of them shall remain as irrevocable members of this tie-up for the complete execution and completion of _____ (client name) Tender/Work/Project (as per scope of TCIL EOI & _____ (Client name) tender).
7. Expenses towards bid preparation would be borne by the individual Parties viz. TCIL and _____ (consortium name) for their respective work. TCIL will not reimburse any such expenses to _____ (consortium name) towards preparation and submission of the bid.
8. All technical, financial and commercial terms and conditions of the Tender, except pricing, risk purchase, limitation of liability, advance payment & termination, will apply on back-to-back basis between TCIL and _____ (consortium name), for their respective part/scope of work. However, if _____ (consortium name) or any of its member fails to fulfill its part of the work to the satisfaction of TCIL, then TCIL shall have the right to terminate the contract with _____ (consortium name) and get the same executed departmentally or by other agencies at the risk and cost of _____ (consortium name).
9. Both M/s _____ (Lead Member name) and M/s _____ (Consortium Partner name) shall be jointly and severally responsible for compliance of all the terms and conditions of the tender document, this MOU and TCIL's contract with main client relating to performance of this MOU. Any non-compliance by either party of the Consortium shall be treated as a breach of this MOU.
10. Both M/s _____ (Lead Member name) and M/s _____ (Consortium Partner name) shall be jointly and severally liable to TCIL to compensate any losses or damages if so suffered by TCIL for any breach of this agreement and/or action initiated by the main client for non-performance of the contract.
11. In case of failure of either of M/s _____ (Lead Member name) or M/s _____ (Consortium Partner name), the total responsibility shall shift upon remaining party.

12. Notwithstanding anything contained in any other agreement, document, correspondence, arrangement between the parties in respect of _____(Client name) Tender/ Works / Projects, the _____ (consortium name) understands, agrees and undertakes that:
- _____ (consortium name) participated in TCIL EOI and that all terms & conditions of the TCIL EOI shall apply to _____ (consortium name).
 - Prices quoted by _____ (consortium name) shall remain firm and fixed till the execution of the Tender.
 - the payments terms between TCIL & _____ (consortium name) are on back to back basis and the payment shall be released by TCIL only if and when received by TCIL from _____ (Client name) and subject to terms & conditions of agreement (as stipulated in 3 above) and submission of complete required documents.
 - _____ (consortium name) will not demand or make any claim under any law with respect to the pending payment till the time corresponding payment is received by TCIL from _____ (Client name). TCIL shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for any delay in releasing the payments or withholding of payments by _____ (Client name).
 - the (day) date of delivery of goods and/or rendering of services by the _____ (consortium name) shall be the date of realization of payment from the client once the goods and/or services are accepted by the client.
 - if in the instant contract, _____ (consortium name) is acting only as trader / reseller / distributor/authorized agents and/or is engaged in a WORKS contract, no benefits under MSME Act 2006 and PPP Policy 2012 as per MSE Guidelines issued by Ministry of MSME would be applicable to it on account of acceptance of back to back payment terms as above. By agreeing to the terms of _____ (client name) Tender, the _____ (consortium name) agrees to forgo its rights under this Act and Policy.
 - _____ (consortium name) hereby agrees to ensure timely GST compliances as per the statutory requirements. All the costs pertaining to any GST non-compliance including but not limited to any loss of eligible input tax credit due to non-payment/non-filing of GST return and applicable interest/penalties shall be borne/indemnified by _____ (consortium name). Further _____ (consortium name) hereby agrees that TCIL reserves the right for reimbursement of any such cost incurred out of the aforesaid non-compliance(s). _____ (consortium name) will provide payment of GST proof i.e. GSTR-1, GSTR-3B, cash ledger and challan for taking GST payment from TCIL against invoices.
 - Any deductions by the _____ (Client name) towards LD/penalties/contingencies shall be borne by _____ (consortium name) in terms of TCIL EOI.
 - At any given point of time, _____ (consortium name) may not assign or delegate its rights, duties or obligations under this MOU without prior written consent of TCIL.
 - On award of work of the Tender/Work/Project, _____ (consortium name) shall provide its GeM Seller id to TCIL (not applicable for “works” contract or non-Indian vendor).
 - In the event of breach of any of the terms & conditions of this MOU or in case of any default of any terms & conditions of this MOU, on the part of _____ consortium and/or M/s _____ (Lead Member name) and/or M/s _____ (Consortium partner Name), TCIL reserves the right to take necessary steps / action as per available documents, including but not limited to, termination of contract, forfeiture of BG / EMD, blacklisting / banning etc. and execute the work at their risk & cost.
13. TCIL and _____ (consortium name) agree to keep confidential all information shared with each other and disclose to third party only after taking prior written consent of each other. This clause excludes information available in public domain. The confidentiality provisions of this MoU shall remain in full force and effect during the term of this MoU and 12 months thereafter.
14. Any sum of money (including refundable security deposit) due and payable to the _____ (consortium name) and/or _____ (Lead bidder name) and/or _____ (Consortium partner name), under this contract or any other contract entered between the parties herein whether continuing or completed may be appropriated by TCIL and set off against any claim of TCIL of any nature whatsoever, arising under this contract or any other contract entered into between the parties, herein whether continuing or completed.

15. Nothing in this MoU shall constitute, create or give effect or recognize a JV, partnership or business entity of any kind.
16. This MoU shall be construed and governed by the laws of India and the parties hereby submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delhi Courts of Law.
17. Any matter which is not stipulated in the MoU, shall be settled in good faith by discussion among the parties in the spirit of understanding and cooperation.
18. **Dispute Resolution:**

1. The parties to this agreement/contract agree that they shall resolve all disputes or differences whatsoever arising between them under and/or in connection with and/or in respect of this Tender/EOI/Agreement/Purchase Order/MoU through a “Conciliation and Settlement Mechanism (CSM)” and the detailed guidelines/procedure for such CSM is annexed hereto as Annexure-A (*Section-19 to made part of MOU*). That it is understood and agreed between the parties that the CSM annexed as Annexure-A with the present agreement forms and shall be treated as part and parcel of the present agreement.
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 - b. Notwithstanding the generality of the above, it is a term of this contract that no person other than a person appointed by CMD, TCIL as aforesaid, should act as arbitrator and if for any reason that is not possible or any party does not agree to such appointment of Arbitrator by CMD, TCIL for whatsoever reason, then the matter is not to be referred to arbitration at all and such disputes shall be resolved under the mechanism provided by the state in form of Courts of Law/Ordinary Civil Courts for resolution of such disputes under applicable Laws.
3. The courts at New Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction in respect to any dispute pertaining to this agreement.
4. The parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations as per the Agreement during the pendency of proceedings under this clause.

**Please Note that in case of agreement/MoU with Government Organization, the following clause shall be applicable:*

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Signature:

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Name:

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Designation:

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Memorandum of Understanding**(*Format when backend partner is a single bidder)**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on ____th day of _____ at New Delhi by and between:

M/s Telecommunications Consultants India Limited, a Company registered under the Indian Companies Act 1956, with its registered and corporate office at TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-1, New Delhi – 110048, hereinafter referred to as “**TCIL**”, which expression shall include its successors and its permitted assigns, of one part.

AND

M/s _____ (vendor name), registered under the Indian Companies Act 1956/2013 (whichever is applicable), with its registered office at _____, hereinafter referred to as “_____”, which expression shall include its successors and permitted assigns, of the other part.

“TCIL” and “_____” are individually referred to as “Party” and collectively as “Parties”.

WHEREAS TCIL, a Government of India Enterprise under the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, is a leading company in Telecommunications and Information Technology and has to its credit successful execution of many consultancy and turnkey projects in the fields of Telecom, IT and Civil both in India and abroad and it also acts as procurement consultant/agent/executing agency/implementing agency for number of Government of India enterprises/undertaking.

WHEREAS _____ (vendor name) is in the business of _____.

WHEREAS _____ (Client Name) (herein after called “_____”) issued TENDER No. _____ dated _____ for ‘_____, hereinafter referred to as “_____ (Client Name) tender” /”Work”/”Project”.

WHEREAS TCIL published EOI No. _____ dated _____ (hereinafter referred as TCIL EOI) for selection of back-end partner for _____ (Client Name) tender.

AND WHEREAS _____ (Vendor Name) submitted their offer and pursuant to the same was selected by TCIL as back-end partner for _____ (Client Name) Tender.

Now, therefore, it is agreed between the Parties as under:

1. The Parties wish to work together with the understanding that TCIL shall act as the bidder (lead bidder) and _____ (vendor name) (partner for _____) for participating in the _____ (client name) Tender.
**Please note that the term “Lead bidder” shall be mentioned only when TCIL shall bid in consortium with backend partner.*
2. _____ (vendor name) shall not participate directly in _____ (client name) Tender and shall not quote rates to any other party participating/pre-qualified for _____ (client name) Tender directly or indirectly through its subsidiary, partnership, ownership, individual firm etc.
3. On award of the work of the _____ (client name) Tender to TCIL, TCIL will enter into a detailed agreement with _____ (vendor name) based on the terms & conditions of this MoU, TCIL EOI and _____ (client name) Tender.
4. The term of this MoU shall be for _____ months (“Term”) from the date of signing of this MoU (“Effective Date”) or till the completion of the project & release of all payments thereof whichever is

later. All obligations hereunder shall only apply during the Term of this MoU and to such obligations and commitments in relation to the Tender/Work/Project under the scope of TCIL EOI & _____ (Client name) tender, as may have been undertaken by the Parties during the Term with validity exceeding the Term. The Term of this MoU can be extended by mutual agreement between the Parties, depending upon the requirement.

5. After mutual consultation, a joint team consisting of representatives of the parties will be formed for various activities like, technical discussions, deciding the preparation of final Bid/offer, terms & conditions and demonstration of functionality required in the _____ (Client name) Tender/Work/Project.
6. TCIL and _____ (vendor name) hereby mutually agree that both of them shall remain as irrevocable members of this tie-up for the complete execution and completion of _____ (client name) Tender/Work/Project (as per scope of TCIL EOI & _____ (Client name) tender).
7. Expenses towards bid preparation would be borne by the individual Parties viz. TCIL and _____ (vendor name) for their respective work. TCIL will not reimburse any such expenses to _____ (vendor name) towards preparation and submission of the bid.
8. All technical, financial and commercial terms and conditions of the Tender, except pricing, risk purchase, limitation of liability, advance payment & termination, will apply on back-to-back basis between TCIL and _____ (vendor name), for their respective part/scope of work. However, if _____ (vendor name) fails to fulfill its part of the work to the satisfaction of TCIL, then TCIL shall have the right to terminate the contract with _____ (vendor name) and get the same executed departmentally or by other agencies at the risk and cost of _____ (vendor name).
9. Notwithstanding anything contained in any other agreement, document, correspondence, arrangement between the parties in respect of _____ (Client name) Tender/ Works / Projects, the _____ (vendor name) understands, agrees and undertakes that:
 - l) _____ (vendor name) participated in TCIL EOI and that all terms & conditions of the TCIL EOI shall apply to _____ (vendor name).
 - m) Prices quoted by _____ (vendor name) shall remain firm and fixed till the execution of the Tender.
 - n) the payments terms between TCIL & _____ (vendor name) are on back to back basis and the payment shall be released to _____ (vendor name) by TCIL only if and when received by TCIL from _____ (Client name) and subject to submission of complete documents and invoices etc. by it.
 - o) _____ (vendor name) will not demand or make any claim under any law with respect to the pending payment till the time corresponding payment is received by TCIL from _____ (Client name). TCIL shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for any delay in releasing the payments or withholding of payments by _____ (Client name).
 - p) the (day) date of delivery of goods and/or rendering of services by the _____ (vendor name) shall be the date of realization of payment from the client once the goods and/or services are accepted by the client.
 - q) if in the instant contract, _____ (vendor name) is acting only as trader / reseller / distributor/authorized agents and/or is engaged in a WORKS contract, no benefits under MSME Act 2006 and PPP Policy 2012 as per MSE Guidelines issued by Ministry of MSME would be applicable to it on account of acceptance of back to back payment terms as above. By agreeing to the terms of _____ (client name) Tender, the _____ (vendor name) agrees to forgo its rights under this Act and Policy.
 - r) _____ (vendor name) hereby agrees to ensure timely GST compliances as per the statutory requirements. All the costs pertaining to any GST non-compliance including but not limited to any loss of eligible input tax credit due to non-payment/non-filing of GST return and applicable interest/penalties shall be borne/indemnified by _____ (vendor name). Further _____ (vendor name) hereby agrees that TCIL reserves the right for reimbursement of any

- such cost incurred out of the aforesaid non-compliance(s). ____ (vendor name) will provide payment of GST proof i.e. GSTR-1, GSTR-3B, cash ledger and challan for taking GST payment from TCIL against invoices.
- s) Any deductions by the ____ (Client name) towards LD/penalties/contingencies shall be borne by ____ (vendor name) in terms of TCIL EOI.
 - t) At any given point of time, ____ (vendor name) may not assign or delegate its rights, duties or obligations under this MOU without prior written consent of TCIL.
 - u) On award of work of the Tender/Work/Project, ____ (vendor name) shall provide its GeM Seller id to TCIL (not applicable for “works” contract or non-Indian vendor).
 - v) In the event of breach of any of the terms & conditions of this MOU or in case of any default of any terms & conditions of this MOU, on the part of the ____ (vendor name), TCIL reserves the right to take necessary steps / action as per available documents, including but not limited to, termination of contract, forfeiture of BG / EMD, blacklisting / banning etc. and execute the work at their risk & cost.
10. TCIL and ____ (vendor name) agree to keep confidential all information shared with each other and disclose to third party only after taking prior written consent of each other. This clause excludes information available in public domain. The confidentiality provisions of this MoU shall remain in full force and effect during the term of this MoU and 12 months thereafter.
11. Any sum of money (including refundable security deposit) due and payable to the ____ (vendor name), under this contract or any other contract entered between the parties herein whether continuing or completed may be appropriated by TCIL and set off against any claim of TCIL of any nature whatsoever, arising under this contract or any other contract entered into between the parties, herein whether continuing or completed.
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NOTE (For User Division):

The template of Pre-bid MoU documents [(1) with consortium, and (2) without consortium] are enclosed. Necessary changes/modifications as applicable should be made prior to floating in EOI/signing the MoU. The relevant MoU format may be made a part of EOI document, so that it can be signed on selection of vendor at pre-bid stage.

END OF SECTION-18

SECTION-19

Annexure-A to Dispute Resolution Clause

Establishment of a Conciliation & Settlement Mechanism (CSM) for Contractual Disputes under the contract agreements with the Contractors / Concessionaires / Consultants in TCIL.

1. Objective:

The TCIL has been entering into various contract agreements with the Contractors/ Concessionaires/ Consultants for implementing projects and obtaining services in various modes. Several disputes have been arising under these contract agreements. The associated legal costs and diversion of manpower of both parties are enormous. The early resolution/ settlement of claim, preferably through an out-of-court settlement process, is in the interest of all the stakeholders.

2. The Standing Operating Procedure (SoP)

The procedure given hereunder will be implemented for resolving disputes through conciliation mechanism:

- 1) If any commercial/contractual dispute arises between TCIL and Bidder/MoU partner/Vendor/Contractor, then any of the party shall send a reference about the dispute containing a written brief identifying the subject of the dispute to the CMD, TCIL along with a copy of such reference to other party for resolution of dispute through conciliation.
- 2) CMD, TCIL or his authorized representative shall, within seven days of receipt of such a reference, nominate an officer of TCIL to act as the conciliator and shall arrange to issue necessary intimation to both the parties.
- 3) Within three days of appointment of conciliator by CMD, TCIL both the parties shall intimate to the conciliator, the name of their respective officer(s) who shall be representing such a party in the conciliation proceedings. The maximum number of such officer(s) shall not be more than three and no legal practitioner/advocate shall be part of such a team.
- 4) Thereafter, both the teams of the parties shall meet on the dates as fixed by the conciliator, discuss the agenda and explore the possibilities of conciliation/settlement. First such meeting shall be held within Seven (7) days of the nomination of the conciliation team by both the parties. The venue for

conducting conciliation proceedings will be TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-I, New Delhi 110048.

- 5) The conciliator shall assist the parties in an independent and impartial manner in their attempt to reach an amicable settlement of their dispute.
- 6) The conciliator shall be guided by principles of objectivity, fairness and justice, giving consideration to, among other things, the rights and obligations of the parties, the usages of the trade concerned and the circumstances surrounding the dispute, including any previous business practices between the parties.
- 7) The conciliator may conduct the conciliation proceedings in such a manner as he considers appropriate, taking into account the circumstances of the case, the wishes the parties may express, including any request by a party that the conciliator hear oral statements, and the need for a speedy settlement of the dispute.
- 8) The conciliator may, at any stage of the conciliation proceedings, make proposals for a settlement of the dispute. Such proposals need not be in writing and need not be accompanied by a statement of the reasons therefor.
- 9) The teams thereafter can meet any number of times under the guidance and supervision of Conciliator and will try to find a solution that is acceptable to both the parties. The conciliation may be successful or partially successful. On the points of dispute or part of a dispute wherein parties have agreed for a common ground, the officers representing each party shall seek approval of their respective company/entity. After that a settlement deed shall be drafted and signed by the authorized representatives of the parties. When the parties sign the settlement agreement, it shall be final and binding on the parties and persons claiming under them respectively and this shall not be challenged by any of the party in any court or under any law. The parties shall unequivocally affirm, declare and confirm in the settlement agreement that they have signed the agreement without any coercion, duress, inducement and were fully competent to sign the said agreement.
- 10) The conciliator shall endorse and authenticate the settlement agreement and furnish a copy thereof to each of the parties.
- 11) The conciliation process shall be concluded within 60 days of nomination of its representatives by the second party. However, the parties, with mutual consent can extend this period and then the conciliation proceedings shall be concluded in this extended period.
- 12) If no settlement is arrived between the parties in the time mentioned in clause 5) above, then the conciliation proceedings shall be deemed to have been failed.

- 13) The conciliator shall intimate the appointing authority the final outcome of the conciliation proceedings.

3. Resort to arbitral or judicial proceedings:

The parties shall not initiate, during the conciliation proceedings, any arbitral or judicial proceedings in respect of a dispute that is the subject-matter of the conciliation proceedings except that a party may initiate arbitral or judicial proceedings where, in his opinion, such proceedings are necessary for preserving his rights.

4. Admissibility of evidence in other proceedings.

- 1) The parties shall not rely on or introduce as evidence in arbitral or judicial proceedings, whether or not such proceedings relate to the dispute that is the subject of the conciliation proceedings,—
 - (a) views expressed or suggestions made by the other party in respect of a possible settlement of the dispute;
 - (b) admissions made by the other party in the course of the conciliation proceedings;
 - (c) Proposals made by the parties or conciliator;
 - (d) The fact that the other party had indicated his willingness to accept a proposal for settlement made by the other party.

5. Confidentiality.

Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, the parties shall keep confidential all matters relating to the conciliation proceedings. Confidentiality shall extend also to the settlement agreement, except where its disclosure is necessary for purposes of implementation and enforcement.

6. Termination of conciliation proceedings.

The conciliation proceedings shall be terminated on happening of any of the conditions below:-

- 1) by the signing of the settlement agreement by the parties, on the date of the agreement; or
- 2) by a written declaration of the conciliator, after consultation with the parties, to the effect that further efforts at conciliation are no longer justified, on the date of the declaration; or
- 3) by a written declaration of the parties addressed to the conciliator to the effect that the conciliation proceedings are terminated, on the date of the declaration; or
- 4) by a written declaration of a party to the other party and the conciliator, if appointed, to the effect that the conciliation proceedings are terminated, on the date of the declaration; or

- 5) by the lapse of time or extended time as provided in clause 2(12) above

END OF SECTION – 19

SECTION - 20

F.No.6/18/2019-PPD
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Public Procurement Division


161, North Block,
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23rd July, 2020

Office Memorandum

Subject: Insertion of Rule 144 (xi) in the General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017

Rule 144 of the General Financial Rules 2017 entitled 'Fundamental principles of public buying', has been amended by inserting sub-rule (xi) as under:

Notwithstanding anything contained in these Rules, Department of Expenditure may, by order in writing, impose restrictions, including prior registration and/or screening, on procurement from bidders from a country or countries, or a class of countries, on grounds of defence of India, or matters directly or indirectly related thereto including national security; no procurement shall be made in violation of such restrictions.


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Order (Public Procurement No. 1)

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Attention is invited to this office OM no. 6/18/2019-PPD dated 23rd July 2020 inserting Rule 144 (xi) in GFRs 2017. In this regard, the following is hereby ordered under Rule 144 (xi) on the grounds stated therein:

Requirement of registration

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2. This Order shall not apply to (i) cases where orders have been placed or contract has been concluded or letter/notice of award/ acceptance (LoA) has been issued on or before the date of this order; and (ii) cases falling under **Annex II**.

Transitional cases

3. Tenders where no contract has been concluded or no LoA has been issued so far shall be handled in the following manner; -
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entire process shall be scrapped and initiated *de novo*. The *de novo* process shall adhere to the conditions prescribed in this Order.

- c) As far as practicable, and in cases of doubt about whether a bidder falls under paragraph 1, a certificate shall be obtained from the bidder whose bid is proposed to be considered or accepted, in terms of paras 8, 9 and 10 read with para 1 of this Order.

Incorporation in tender conditions

4. In tenders to be issued after the date of this order, the provisions of paragraph 1 and of other relevant provisions of this Order shall be incorporated in the tender conditions.

Applicability

5. Apart from Ministries / Departments, attached and subordinate bodies, notwithstanding anything contained in Rule 1 of the GFRs 2017, this Order shall also be applicable
- to all Autonomous Bodies;
 - to public sector banks and public sector financial institutions; and
 - subject to any orders of the Department of Public Enterprises, to all Central Public Sector Enterprises; and
 - to procurement in Public Private Partnership projects receiving financial support from the Government or public sector enterprises/ undertakings.
 - Union Territories, National Capital Territory of Delhi and all agencies/ undertakings thereof

Definitions

6. "Bidder" for the purpose of this Order (including the term 'tenderer', 'consultant' 'vendor' or 'service provider' in certain contexts) means any person or firm or company, including any member of a consortium or joint venture (that is an association of several persons, or firms or companies), every artificial juridical person not falling in any of the descriptions of bidders stated hereinbefore, including any agency, branch or office controlled by such person, participating in a procurement process.
7. "Tender" for the purpose of this Order will include other forms of procurement, except where the context requires otherwise.
8. "Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India" for the purpose of this Order means

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- a) An entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
- b) A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
- c) An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
- d) An entity whose *beneficial owner* is situated in such a country; or
- e) An Indian (or other) agent of such an entity; or
- f) A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or
- g) A consortium or joint venture where any member of the consortium or joint venture falls under any of the above

9. "Beneficial owner" for the purpose of paragraph 8 above will be as under:

- (i) In case of a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person(s), has a controlling ownership interest or who exercises control through other means.

Explanation—

- a. "Controlling ownership interest" means ownership of, or entitlement to, more than twenty-five per cent of shares or capital or profits of the company;
- b. "Control" shall include the right to appoint the majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions, including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholders agreements or voting agreements;
- (ii) In case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s) who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership;
- (iii) In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals;
- (iv) Where no natural person is identified under (i) or (ii) or (iii) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official;

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(v) In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification of the author of the trust, the trustee, the beneficiaries with fifteen percent or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.

10. "Agent" for the purpose of this Order is a person employed to do any act for another, or to represent another in dealings with third persons.

Sub-contracting in works contracts

11. In works contracts, including turnkey contracts, contractors shall not be allowed to sub-contract works to any contractor from a country which shares a land border with India unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority. The definition of "contractor from a country which shares a land border with India" shall be as in paragraph 8 above. This shall not apply to sub-contracts already awarded on or before the date of this Order.

Certificate regarding compliance

12. A certificate shall be taken from bidders in the tender documents regarding their compliance with this Order. If such certificate given by a bidder whose bid is accepted is found to be false, this would be a ground for immediate termination and further legal action in accordance with law.

Validity of registration

13. In respect of tenders, registration should be valid at the time of submission of bids and at the time of acceptance of bids. In respect of supply otherwise than by tender, registration should be valid at the time of placement of order. If the bidder was validly registered at the time of acceptance / placement of order, registration shall not be a relevant consideration during contract execution.

Government E-Marketplace

14. The Government E-Marketplace shall, as soon as possible, require all vendors/ bidders registered with GeM to give a certificate regarding compliance with this Order, and after the date fixed by it, shall remove non-compliant entities from GeM unless/ until they are registered in accordance with this Order.

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Model Clauses/ Certificates

15. Model Clauses and Model Certificates which may be inserted in tenders / obtained from Bidders are enclosed as **Annex III**. While adhering to the substance of the Order, procuring entities are free to appropriately modify the wording of these clauses based on their past experience, local needs etc. without making any reference to this Department.

(Sanjay Prasad)
Joint Secretary (PPD)
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To

- (1) Secretaries of All Ministries/ Departments of Government of India for information and necessary action. They are also requested to inform these provisions to all procuring entities.
- (2) Secretary, Department of Public Enterprises with a request to immediately reiterate these orders in respect of Public Enterprises.
- (3) Secretary DPIIT with a request to initiate action as provided under Annex I
- (4) Chief Secretaries/ Administrators of Union Territories/ National Capital Territory of Delhi

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Annex I: Competent Authority and Procedure for Registration

- A. The Competent Authority for the purpose of registration under this Order shall be the Registration Committee constituted by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)*.
- B. The Registration Committee shall have the following members*:
- i. An officer, not below the rank of Joint Secretary, designated for this purpose by DPIIT, who shall be the Chairman;
 - ii. Officers (ordinarily not below the rank of Joint Secretary) representing the Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of External Affairs, and of those Departments whose sectors are covered by applications under consideration;
 - iii. Any other officer whose presence is deemed necessary by the Chairman of the Committee.
- C. DPIIT shall lay down the method of application, format etc. for such bidders as stated in para 1 of this Order.
- D. On receipt of an application seeking registration from a bidder from a country covered by para 1 of this Order, the Competent Authority shall first seek political and security clearances from the Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Home Affairs, as per guidelines issued from time to time. Registration shall not be given unless political and security clearance have both been received.
- E. The Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Home Affairs may issue guidelines for internal use regarding the procedure for scrutiny of such applications by them.
- F. The decision of the Competent Authority, to register such bidder may be for all kinds of tenders or for a specified type(s) of goods or services, and may be for a specified or unspecified duration of time, as deemed fit. The decision of the Competent Authority shall be final.
- G. Registration shall not be granted unless the representatives of the Ministries of Home Affairs and External Affairs on the Committee concur*.
- H. Registration granted by the Competent Authority of the Government of India shall be valid not only for procurement by Central Government and its agencies/ public enterprises etc. but **also for procurement by State Governments and their agencies/ public enterprises etc. No fresh registration at the State level shall be required.**

- I. The Competent Authority is empowered to cancel the registration already granted if it determines that there is sufficient cause. Such cancellation by itself, however, will not affect the execution of contracts already awarded. Pending cancellation, it may also suspend the registration of a bidder, and the bidder shall not be eligible to bid in any further tenders during the period of suspension.
- J. For national security reasons, the Competent Authority shall not be required to give reasons for rejection / cancellation of registration of a bidder.
- K. In transitional cases falling under para 3 of this Order, where it is felt that it will not be practicable to exclude bidders from a country which shares a land border with India, a reference seeking permission to consider such bidders shall be made by the procuring entity to the Competent Authority, giving full information and detailed reasons. The Competent Authority shall decide whether such bidders may be considered, and if so shall follow the procedure laid down in the above paras.
- L. Periodic reports on the acceptance/ refusal of registration during the preceding period may be required to be sent to the Cabinet Secretariat. Details will be issued separately in due course by DPIIT.

[*Note:

- i. In respect of application of this Order to procurement by/ under State Governments, all functions assigned to DPIIT shall be carried out by the State Government concerned through a specific department or authority designated by it. The composition of the Registration Committee shall be as decided by the State Government and paragraph G above shall not apply. However, the requirement of **political and security clearance as per para D shall remain and no registration shall be granted without such clearance.**
- ii. Registration granted by State Governments shall be valid only for procurement by the State Government and its agencies/ public enterprises etc. and shall not be valid for procurement in other states or by the Government of India and their agencies/ public enterprises etc.]

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Annex II: Special Cases

- A. Till 31st December 2020, procurement of medical supplies directly related to containment of the Covid-19 pandemic shall be exempt from the provisions of this Order.
- B. *Bona fide* procurements made through GeM without knowing the country of the bidder till the date fixed by GeM for this purpose, shall not be invalidated by this Order.
- C. *Bona fide* small procurements, made without knowing the country of the bidder, shall not be invalidated by this Order.
- D. In projects which receive international funding with the approval of the Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), Ministry of Finance, the procurement guidelines applicable to the project shall normally be followed, notwithstanding anything contained in this Order and without reference to the Competent Authority. Exceptions to this shall be decided in consultation with DEA.
- E. This Order shall not apply to procurement by Indian missions and by offices of government agencies/ undertakings located outside India.

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Annex III**Model Clause /Certificate to be inserted in tenders etc.**

(While adhering to the substance of the Order, procuring entities and GeM are free to appropriately modify the wording of the clause/ certificate based on their past experience, local needs etc.)

Model Clauses for Tenders

- I. Any bidder from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to bid in this tender only if the bidder is registered with the Competent Authority.
- II. "Bidder" (including the term 'tenderer', 'consultant' or 'service provider' in certain contexts) means any person or firm or company, including any member of a consortium or joint venture (that is an association of several persons, or firms or companies), every artificial juridical person not falling in any of the descriptions of bidders stated hereinbefore, including any agency branch or office controlled by such person, participating in a procurement process.
- III. "Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India" for the purpose of this Order means: -
 - a. An entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - b. A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - c. An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - d. An entity whose *beneficial owner* is situated in such a country; or
 - e. An Indian (or other) agent of such an entity; or
 - f. A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or
 - g. A consortium or joint venture where any member of the consortium or joint venture falls under any of the above
- IV. The *beneficial owner* for the purpose of (iii) above will be as under:
 1. In case of a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has a controlling ownership interest or who exercises control through other means.

Explanation—

 - a. "Controlling ownership interest" means ownership of or entitlement to more than twenty-five per cent. of shares or capital or profits of the company;

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- b. "Control" shall include the right to appoint majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholders agreements or voting agreements;
2. In case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s) who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership;
 3. In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals;
 4. Where no natural person is identified under (1) or (2) or (3) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official;
 5. In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification of the author of the trust, the trustee, the beneficiaries with fifteen percent or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.
- V. An Agent is a person employed to do any act for another, or to represent another in dealings with third person.
- VI. *[To be inserted in tenders for Works contracts, including Turnkey contracts]* The successful bidder shall not be allowed to sub-contract works to any contractor from a country which shares a land border with India unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority.

Model Certificate for Tenders (for transitional cases as stated in para 3 of this Order)

"I have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India; I hereby certify that this bidder is not from such a country and is eligible to be considered."

Model Certificate for Tenders

"I have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India; I certify that this bidder is not from such a country or, if from such a country, has been registered with the

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Competent Authority. I hereby certify that this bidder fulfills all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered. [Where applicable, evidence of valid registration by the Competent Authority shall be attached.]

Model Certificate for Tenders for Works involving possibility of sub-contracting

"I have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India and on sub-contracting to contractors from such countries; I certify that this bidder is not from such a country or, if from such a country, has been registered with the Competent Authority and will not sub-contract any work to a contractor from such countries unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority. I hereby certify that this bidder fulfills all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered. [Where applicable, evidence of valid registration by the Competent Authority shall be attached.]"

Model Certificate for GeM:

"I have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India; I certify that this vendor/ bidder is not from such a country or, if from such a country, has been registered with the Competent Authority. I hereby certify that this vendor/ bidder fulfills all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered for procurement on GeM. [Where applicable, evidence of valid registration by the Competent Authority shall be attached.]"

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END OF SECTION – 20

SECTION-21

File No. 20-271/2010 AS-I (Vol-III)
Government of India
Ministry of Communications
Department of Telecommunications
(Access Services Wing)
20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi – 110001

Dated 10th March, 2021

To,

All Unified Licensees

Subject: Amendment to the Unified License for procurement of Telecommunication equipment-reg.

In pursuance to Condition 5.1, the Licensor hereby amends the Unified License Agreement and appends the following sub-clause number 39.7.1 in Security Conditions, Chapter-VI of Part-I as under:

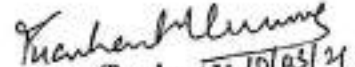
"39.7.1. The Government through the Designated Authority will have the right to impose conditions for procurement of Telecommunication Equipment on grounds of Defence of India, or matters directly or indirectly related thereto, for national security. Designated Authority for this purpose shall be National Cyber Security Coordinator. In this regard, the licensee shall provide any information as and when sought by the Designated Authority.

Designated Authority shall notify the categories of equipment for which the security requirement related to Trusted Sources are applicable. For the said categories of equipment, Designated Authority shall notify the Trusted Sources along with the associated Telecommunication Equipment (Trusted Products). The Designated Authority may also notify a list of Designated Sources from whom no procurement can be done. Procedure for inclusion of Telecommunication Equipment in the list of Trusted Sources will be issued by the Designated Authority.

With effect from 15th June 2021, the licensee, shall only connect Trusted Products in its network and also seek permission from Designated Authority for upgradation of existing Network utilizing the Telecommunication Equipment not designated as Trusted Products. However, these directions will not affect ongoing Annual Maintenance Contracts (AMC) or updates to existing equipment already inducted in the network as on date of effect.

The licensees shall comply with the Guidance for Enhanced Supervision and Effective Control of Telecommunication Networks, as per guidelines to be issued by the licensor. "

2. This amendment shall be part and parcel of the Unified License Agreement and all others Terms & Conditions shall remain unchanged.


(Prashant Verma) 10/08/24

Assistant Director General (AS-I)
For and on behalf of the President of India
Ph. No. 23036580

Copy to:

1. Chairman, TRAI.
2. DG (T) HQ, DoT HQ.
3. CMD (BSNL)/ CMD (MTNL).
4. Advisor (Economics)/ Sr. DDG (TEC)/ Wireless Advisor/ DDG (LFP)/ DDG (LFA)/ DDG (WPF)/ DDG (SA)/ DDG (SPPI)/ CVO, DoT.
5. DDG (CS)/ DDG (DS)/ DDG (Satellite)/ DDG (A/C) DoT HQ.
6. Director (IT) may kindly arrange to upload this letter on the website of DoT.
7. All Directors of AS Division.

SECTION – 22 (Not Applicable)**FORMAT FOR INSURANCE SURETY BOND FOR EMD / BID SECURITY**

(To be stamped in accordance with Stamp Act of India)

(TO BE ISSUED FROM A DELHI BRANCH)

This BOND is made as a deed AMONG the following parties

The “Bidder” as contractor..... (name and address)

The “Surety Insurer” as guarantor (name and address) and “Purchaser” as Telecommunications Consultants India Limited, (TCIL), TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash -I, New Delhi 110048

Whereas (hereinafter called “the Bidder”) has submitted its bid dated for the vide Tender No. dated

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that We Of Having our registered office at (hereinafter called “the Surety Insurer”) irrevocably, unconditionally and without reservation guarantee the due and faithful fulfilment and compliance of the terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents and the RFP Document by the Bidder and are irrevocably and unconditionally bound unto Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (hereinafter called “the Purchaser”) to the sum of Rs. for which payment will and truly to be made of the said Purchaser, the Surety Insurer binds itself, its successors and assigns by these present.

THE CONDITIONS of the obligation are:

1. If the Bidder withdraws his bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid form or
2. If the Bidder, having been notified of the acceptance of his bid by the Purchaser during the period of bid validity
 - i. Fails or refuses to execute the Contract, if required; or
 - ii. The successful bidder fails to submit performance guarantee / security within the prescribed time.or
 - iii. The proceeds of Surety Bond (EMD) shall be payable to TCIL in case of breach of any of the terms and conditions of the tender by the bidder.

We, the Surety Insurer, undertake to immediately and forthwith pay to the Purchaser up to the above amount upon receipt of its first written demand, without the purchaser having to substantiate its demand, provided that in its demand, the purchaser will note that the amount claimed by it is due to it owing to the occurrence of one or both of the two conditions, specifying the occurred condition or conditions.

The Surety Bond shall not be affected by any change in the constitution or winding up of the Bidder or the Surety Insurer or any absorption, merger or amalgamation of the Bidder or the Surety Insurer with any other person.

This Surety Bond will remain in force up to and including THIRTY (30) days after the period of bid validity and any demand in respect thereof should reach the Surety Insurer not later than the specified date/dates. TCIL shall have the fullest liberty without affecting in any way the liability of the Surety Insurer under this Surety Bond from time to time to vary any of the terms and conditions in the said Bidding Documents or to

extend time for submission of the Bids or the bid validity period or the period for fulfillment and compliance with all or any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Bidding Documents by the said Bidder and the Surety Insurer shall not be released from its liability under these presents by any exercise by the TCIL of the liberty as aforesaid or any other matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would but for this provision have the effect of releasing the Surety Insurer from its such liability.

The parties acknowledge and agree that neither this Surety Bond nor any obligations hereunder are transferable or assignable.

The Surety Insurer declares that this Insurance Surety Bond is issued as per applicable rules and regulations of Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India (IRDAI).

Name & Signature of witness

Address of witness

Signature of the authorized Surety Insurer

Name

Signed in Capacity of

Full address of Branch

Tel No. of Branch

Fax No. / email of Branch

Notes:

- 1) The Insurance Surety Bond shall be from an Insurer as per guidelines issued by Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI).
- 2) The Insurance Surety Bond should be on non-judicial stamp paper/e-stamp paper of appropriate value as per Stamp Act prevailing in the state(s).
- 3) The executing officer of the Surety Bond will indicate his name, designation, and Power of Attorney No. on last page of the Surety Bond.

END OF SECTION - 22

SECTION – 23**FORMAT OF INSURANCE SURETY BOND FOR PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE /
PERFORMANCE SECURITY**

(To be stamped in accordance with Stamp Act of India)

(TO BE ISSUED BY A DELHI BRANCH)

M/s Telecommunications Consultants India Ltd.,
TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-I
New Delhi – 110 048 (INDIA)

Surety Bond No: _____

This BOND is made as a deed AMONG the following parties

The “Supplier” as contractor..... (name and address)

The “Surety Insurer” as guarantor (name and address) and “Purchaser” as Telecommunications Consultants India Limited, (TCIL), TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash -I, New Delhi 110048

WHEREAS TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANTS INDIA LIMITED, having its office at TCIL Bhawan, Greater Kailash-I, New Delhi – 110 048 (INDIA) (hereinafter referred to as “TCIL” which expression shall unless repugnant to the content or meaning thereof include all its successors, administrators and executors) has accepted the bid of the Supplier in relation to the Tender/RFP/EOI Number datedand having entered into an agreement dated _____ / issued Purchase Order No. _____ dated _____ with/on _____ M/s _____ (hereinafter referred to as “The Supplier”

which expression unless repugnant to the content or meaning thereof, shall include all the successors, administrators, and executors).

WHEREAS the Supplier having unequivocally accepted to supply the materials and/or Services as per terms and conditions given in the Agreement dated _____ / Purchase Order No. _____ dated _____ and TCIL having agreed that the Supplier shall furnish to TCIL a Surety Bond for the faithful performance of the entire contract, to the extent of xx% (xx percent) of the value of the Purchase Order / Agreement i.e. for Rs _____.

1. We, _____ (“The Surety Insurer”) which shall include OUR successors, administrators and executors irrevocably, unconditionally and without reservation guarantee the due and faithful fulfillment and compliance of the terms and conditions of the said Agreement/PO by the said Supplier and unconditionally and irrevocably undertake to pay forthwith to the TCIL an amount of Rs.*** ** (Rupees *** ** only (hereinafter referred to as the “Surety Bond”) as our primary obligation without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest or protest and without reference to the Supplier, if the Supplier shall fail to fulfill or comply with all or any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Agreement/PO.
2. Hereby, we undertake to pay up to but not exceeding _____ (say _____ only) upon receipt by us of TCIL’s first written demand accompanied by TCIL’s declaration stating that the amount claimed is due by reason of the Supplier having failed to perform as per the Purchase Order / Agreement and despite any contestation on the part of above named supplier. Any such written demand made by the TCIL stating that the supplier is in default of the due and faithful fulfillment and compliance with the terms and conditions contained in the Agreement/PO shall be final, conclusive and binding on the surety Insurer, notwithstanding any differences between the TCIL and the Bidder or any dispute pending before any Court, Tribunal, Arbitrator or any other TCIL.
3. TCIL shall have the fullest liberty without affecting in any way the liability of the Surety Insurer under this Surety Bond from time to time to vary any of the terms and conditions in the said

Agreement/PO or to extend time for fulfillment and compliance with all or any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Agreement/PO by the said supplier or to postpone for any time and from time to time any of powers exercisable by it against the said supplier and either to enforce or forbear from enforcing any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Agreement/PO, and the Surety Insurer shall not be released from its liability under these presents by any exercise by the TCIL of the liberty with reference to the matters aforesaid or by any change in the constitution of the TCIL or the Supplier or its absorption, merger or amalgamation with any other person or any other matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would but for this provision have the effect or releasing the Surety Insurer from its such liability. In the event of extension of time for performance of the contract, the Surety Insurer shall be liable to extend the validity of the present Insurance Surety Bond without any demur, condition or protest.

4. WE hereby acknowledge and understand that it shall not be necessary for TCIL to proceed against the said supplier before proceeding against the Surety Insurer and the Surety Bond herein contained shall be enforceable against the Surety Insurer, notwithstanding any other security which the TCIL may have obtained from the said supplier or any other person and which shall, at the time when proceedings are taken against the Surety Insurer hereunder, be outstanding or unrealized.
5. We, the Surety Insurer, further undertake not to revoke this Surety Bond during its currency except with the previous express consent of TCIL in writing.
6. The Surety Insurer declares that it has power to issue this Surety Bond and discharge the obligations contemplated herein, the undersigned is duly authorized and has full power to execute this Surety Bond for and on behalf of the Surety Insurer.
7. The Surety Bond shall not be affected by any change in the constitution or winding up of the Bidder or the Surety Insurer or any absorption, merger or amalgamation of the Bidder or the Surety Insurer with any other person.
8. This Surety Bond will expire on _____ including 30 days of claim period and any claims made hereunder must be received by us on or before expiry date after which date this Surety Bond will become of no effect whatsoever whether returned to us or not.
9. The parties acknowledge and agree that neither this Surety Bond nor any obligations hereunder are transferable or assignable.
10. The Surety Insurer declares that this Insurance Surety Bond is issued as per applicable rules and regulations of Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India (IRDAI).

Authorized Signature

Manager

Seal of Insurer Surety

Contact details

Name & Signature of witness

Address of witness

Signature of the authorized Surety Insurer

Name

Signed in Capacity of

Full address of Branch

Tel No. of Branch

Fax No. / Email of Branch

Notes:

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END OF SECTION – 23