

Reply to Pre-Bid Queries

Tender No: GEM/2021/B/1136599

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1	Clause No. 5.11.1, Sr. No. 1. A Page No.29	Technical Evaluation Criteria	No. of projects the applicant has supplied RFID tags for tracking purpose (Delivery of less than 40,000 tags for any project will not be considered. Delivery to a single client through multiple POs for a particular project will be considered as single project)	We are requesting to you kindly reduce the number of projects. Also, 40k minimum qty for project consideration is arbitrary it should be around 10k	Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.
2	Clause No. 5.11.1, Sr. No. 1.B Page No.29	Technical Evaluation Criteria	The cumulative number of RFID tags supplied by the supplier for various projects globally.	Supply of 5000 thousand tags are very high, This is request to you kindly reduce the supply of tags	Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.
3	Clause No. 5.11.1, Sr. No. 3.A Page No.30)	Technical Evaluation Criteria	Maximum number of RFID tags manufactured by the manufacturer for a single project/assignment.	This is request to you kindly reduce the tag quantity. RFID tags should be renamed to RFID tags and cards, since cards are also a form of RFID Tags	The Document which shall be submitted by the bidder to meet the criteria shall be clearly mentioning "RFID" in the Name/description of the product. In case the bidder has the experience of supplying RFID Tags however the supporting document is not clearly mentioning the RFID in product Name/Description, the bidder has to submit additional document like undertaking from the customer that product supplied is RFID Tag and detailed technical specification of the supplied product which shall be part of the technical proposal. If required, the evaluation committee might ask additional document during the evaluation. Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.

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4	Clause No. 5.11.1, Sr. No. 3.B Page No.30	Technical Evaluation Criteria	Establishment of manufacturing unit of the OEM	What Proof is required?	Any valid Supporting document which validates the date of establishment of Manufacturing setup.
5	Clause No. 5.11.1, Sr. No. 3.C Page No.30	Technical Evaluation Criteria	Engineering lab test capability of the manufacturer	Please provide more time for the test report and specify the test report name.	Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.
6	Clause 5.2.2 Page No.15	Bid Security	The scanned copy of the bid security shall be submitted online at the time of submission of bid proposals. The hard copy of the bid security in the form of Bank Guarantee/ Demand Draft (DD) shall be submitted at the Client's office before last date of submission of proposals.	EMD EXEMPTION: The bidder seeking EMD exemption, must submit the valid supporting document for the relevant category as per GeM GTC with the bid. Under MSE category, only manufacturers for goods and Service Providers for Services are eligible for exemption from EMD. Traders are excluded from the purview of this Policy. Please clarify MSME bidder can get EMD Exemption, If Not please provide exemption to MSME and NSIC bidder	Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.
7	Clause 6.1.3Page No. 38	Scope of Work	Delivery of the materials shall be completed on the date specified by NLDSL post release of the confirmation over email / purchase order. The maximum lead time for 1st phase delivery of RFID tags is 30 calendar days from the date of execution of contract as per the Table B. However, the 1st lot can be delivered on weekly basis on equally distributed manner and should be completely deliver before the delivery date of 2nd lot. 2nd lot should be delivered within or on 60 calendar days from the date of execution of contract.	We would like to bring your kind attention that globally lead time of raw materials i.e. ABS, Silicon, IC's and inlays has increased drastically. Request you to give some buffer time period of 8-10 weeks for first lot of delivery.We understand the criticality of the project, but you should also consider the fact that to maintain the quality & performance of tag, selection of raw material plays a major vital role	Please refer Corrigendum.

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8	Clause 5.8.4 and 5.10.1 Page No.24 & 27	Bid Submission	<p>Submission address for the submission of original documents of Processing fees, Bid security, Product specification sheet and Sample of Proposed tag (1 No.). Note: Proposed Sample tag with technical specification document must be in separate sealed envelope at the time of submission of Bid Security Fees.</p> <p>Post validating the submitted documents by the applicants as responsive, NLDSL shall invite the applicants for the Field trial of their proposed RFID tags (20 Nos) along with applicator. Applicants acknowledge that their proposal will be automatically disqualified if they fail to be present in person for the field trial of proposed RFID tag.</p>	<p>We understand that with the bid submission we need to submit 1 Sample and 20 Sample at the time of testing. Please confirm</p>	<p>Please refer Clause No. 5.8.4 and 5.10.1 of the RFQ cum RFP.</p> <p>Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.</p>
9	Clause 6.1.3 Page No. 38	Scope of Work	<p>Delivery of the materials shall be completed on the date specified by NLDSL post release of the confirmation over email / purchase order. The maximum lead time for 1st phase delivery of RFID tags is 30 calendar days from the date of execution of contract as per the Table B. However, the 1st lot can be delivered on weekly basis on equally distributed manner and should be completely deliver before the delivery date of 2nd lot. 2nd lot should be delivered within or on 60 calendar days from the date of execution of contract.</p>	<p>The supply of 570000 Tags in the first phase need to be done in 30 days from the award of contract. We request you to kindly extended this time to upto 3 Months (90 Days) due to worldwide scarcity of chip supply and time taken in procurement of magnet.</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum.</p>
10	Clause 5.10.1 Sr.No.G Page No. 27	Minimum qualification requirement	<p>The Original Equipment Manufacturer of the Tag (OEM) proposed by the supplier should be ISO 9001:2000 Process Certified for manufacturing.</p>	<p>Request you to kindly allow for Original Equipment Manufacturer of the Tag (OEM) proposed by the supplier should be ISO 9001:2015 Process Certified for manufacturing.</p>	<p>Bidder may submit latest ISO 9001 Version.</p> <p>Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.</p>

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11	Clause No. 5.11.7 Page No. 32		The Financial Proposal will be opened in the presence of qualified Applicants' representative who choose to attend.	Due to the increase COVID- 19 cases across the country, it is risky to travel to attend these meetings. All meeting except the field trial should be held virtually (online) without physical presence at NLDS office.	NLDS will communicate in advance based on the situation of COVID and GOI directives. Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.
12	Clause 5.4.2 Page No. 18	Make in India Policy	Preference shall be given to local manufacturers as per the make in India directives issued by "Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Govt. Of India (Public Procurement section) vide its order No. P-45021/2/2017-PP (BE-II) dated 28th May, 2018 issued revised Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India), Order 2017 and the same is applicable in this tender.	Restriction on procurement from bidders from countries sharing land border with India. The GOI has Issued directives to all public enterprises to restrict procurement from bidders from countries sharing land border with India. A recent tender floated by Delhi Metro is attached for your reference.	Please refer Corrigendum.
13	Clause 5.1 Page No. 15	Bid Submission		Please clarify if there is any restriction on the number and size of the files that can be uploaded on GEM portal.	Please upload document as per the GeM portal allowance only.
14				Please clarify if the technical bid submitted by a bidder will be visible to all other bidders.	Based on the Feedback of GeM team documents will not be visible to other bidders.

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15	Clause 5.11 Page No. 29-30	Technical Evaluation Criteria		<p>Exact Wording in customer purchase order, Even Though the product supplied is a RFID Product, some Government organization do not mention the word RFID in purchase order. The item description is usually as per the customer's internal description. The Word Contactless should be treated as RFID as many government organizations like Delhi Metro, Bangalore Metro, other Metros use the word contactless instead of RFID.</p>	<p>The Document which shall be submitted by the bidder to meet the criteria shall be clearly mentioning "RFID" in the Name/description of the product. In case the bidder has the experience of supplying RFID Tags however the supporting document is not clearly mentioning the RFID in product Name/Description, the bidder has to submit additional document like undertaking from the customer that product supplied is RFID Tag and detailed technical specification of the supplied product which shall be part of the technical proposal. If required, the evaluation committee might ask additional document during the evaluation.</p> <p>Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.</p>
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17	Clause 6.4.2 Page No. 43	Liquidated Damages	<p>If the supplier fails to deliver the material, within the timelines or any extension thereof, due to reasons attributable to the supplier, the NLDSL shall recover the amount of damages as Liquidated Damages. Recovery for the liquidated damage due to delay in delivery of the material will be done by making deductions from the supplier's performance Bank Guarantee (PBG).</p> <p>The recovery will be done at the rate of 0.5% of the Contract Price per Week of delay or part thereof subject to a maximum of 10% of the total contract value.</p>	<p>Please note that 0.5% of the Contract Price per week is too high. It should be 0.5% per week on delayed quantity only not on Contract Price. Please change this accordingly.</p>	<p>Condition given in RfQ cum RfP shall remain unchanged.</p>
18	Clause 5.4.2 Page No. 18	Make in India Policy	<p>Preference shall be given to local manufacturers as per the make in India directives issued by "Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Govt. Of India (Public Procurement section) vide its order No. P-45021/2/2017-PP (BE-II) dated 28th May, 2018 issued revised Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India), Order 2017 and the same is applicable in this tender.</p>	<p>GeM GTC Clause 26 regarding restriction on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India.</p> <p>This Clause is applicable on all the Government Tenders, therefore the same should be applicable on this tender also. Please incorporate this clause in tender.</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum.</p>