

Consultancy for Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Setting up Experimental CSP (Solar Thermal) plant at the Indian Institute of Technology, Jodhpur, Rajasthan

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Questions from Bidders

Questions from prospective bidders in BLACK and responses in COLOUR

A.

1. Calendar of Events of the Bid Process: Submission deadline for the Bid Submission – Thirty Days from the Zero Date. Zero Date of the Project shall be the date of advertisement in the Newspaper (**September 20, 2012**). **Yes**
2. Bidders have to submit acknowledgment letter within 7 days. Kindly confirm, whether standard Bid Acknowledgment Letter is available for this tender or bidders are encouraged to use their own format. **Bidder may use their format or even email should be sufficient**
3. The Proposed Capacity of the Experimental CSP / Space availability to setup the proposed Project. **This is what is required to be firmed up thru DPR.**

B.

1. Section-2 of the Tender document (Financial Information) is requesting the bidder to enclose following certificates:

- PAN & TAN (These applies to Indian Bidder, but the equivalents are Income Tax Registration Number in Spain, and Registration number of the company).

- PF, ESI & Service Tax Registration. This refers to Provident fund (fund given by company +employee contribution= beneficial during retirement), Employee Service Insurance(Health service by a third party, in India it is a Govt Organization), Service tax (equivalent to GST/VAT) it is something like if a Barber cuts hair at a salon then it is a service and tax has to be paid.

We hope that you have the equivalents in Spain.

C.

1. What is the Purpose for the pilot plant - is it to be used as a test bed wherein different materials are tested and the operating parameters are varied for efficiency monitoring.

Yes, more details are with a block diagram , test objectives in the last pages of the tender document. Please read through.

2. Will the turbine be operated for electricity generation and connected to the grid or used for internal consumption/ testing purposes.

Yes , the output Energy is to be monitored , with the process inputs considered. KWh is the Output.It can be connected to Grid , depending on the capacity of the alternator, determined. The turbine can be used for any study purpose including connecting to IITJ's mini-grid depending upon the size of the power plant.

3. There is a mention of technical specification preparation for the pilot plant - is it for the purpose of inviting bids on a single EPC basis or is the technical specification to be prepared as a part of the DPR.

Please focus on preparation of DPR with all the pros & cons. The DPR should include initial technical specification so that the system engineering is explained to a reasonable level of understanding.

4. The financials are to be prepared at what stage - immediately after the plot plan and equipment sizing based on in-house data bank or after preparation of the technical specification based on actual quotes.

It is not clear: What is meant by in-house data bank ? The financials are to be prepared based on best judgment of the consultant preferably having maximum backup data to support the figures arrived at.

5. Duration for completion of the assignment is very short: preparation of the draft DPR will be 6 to 8 weeks and preparation of the technical specification will be 2-3 months thereafter.

You are advised to quote whatever is best possible by Fichtner , in its offer.

6. Whether price bid is to be submitted along with the techno-commercial offer.

Please read the instruction to the bidder. Please read clause 11.18 for more clarity. Also, point No. 7 of the Checklist.

7. Further, as the due-date of 20.Oct.2012 is very short for bid submission, we request you to kindly grant us an extension by one month.

We will consider your request and the extension, if any, will be posted on the website.

D.

1. Page 35, Section-2 of the RFP document asks for PAN, TAN, ESI, PF & Service Tax Registration etc...These certificates/Numbers in general are available for an Indian registered company....

In case of a Foreign company, what documents need to be submitted?(Company Registration Number at Spain, Income Tax Registration number , VAT/GST Registration number, Company 's audited balance sheet for last three years ,duly certified by a chartered accountant).

2. Can a foreign company form a Consortium/JV with its wholly-owned subsidiary/Group company in India and participate in this project? Yes. (Proof that it is the subsidiary group is required, Memorandum of association, Balance Sheet of Last Three years, Income Tax Returns proof at India and Spain, details as to how both the companies are making the JV and both documentary

evidence from Spain and India will be required. The Indian venture has to give credentials as per Indian Laws.)

Our Question: Has the JV already formed or yet to happen ?

E.

1. We understand that some corrigendum is yet to be uploaded and also please be informed that the date for submission of the above tender given need to be extended due to the reason that after issue of the corrigendum it will take us some more time to compile all doc. for our proposal and prepare a competitive bid. In view of above, we request you to extend the bid submission date by at least 2-weeks from the scheduled date i.e. upto 3rd November, 2012.

Thank you for your interest in the experimental CSP bid. The reference point for submission of bids is the date of issue of advertisement in the newspaper and NOT the publication of corrigendum.