

**Regarding conflict of interest of bidders-**

*“A bidder shall not have conflict of interest with other bidders. Such conflict of interest can lead to anti-competitive practices to the detriment of Procuring Entity's interests. **The bidder found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified.** A bidder may be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process, if:*

- a) they have controlling partner (s) in common; **or***
- b) they receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy/ financial stake from any of them; **or***
- c) they have the same legal representative/agent for purposes of this bid; **or***
- d) they have relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about or influence on the bid of another Bidder; **or***
- e) Bidder participates in more than one bid in this bidding process. Participation by a Bidder in more than one Bid will result in the disqualification of all bids in which the parties are involved. However, this does not limit the inclusion of the components/ sub-assembly/ Assemblies from one bidding manufacturer in more than one bid; **or***

f) *In cases of agents quoting in offshore procurements, on behalf of their principal manufacturers, one agent cannot represent two manufacturers or quote on their behalf in a particular tender enquiry. One manufacturer can also authorise only one agent/dealer. There can be only one bid from the following:*

- 1. The principal manufacturer directly or through one Indian agent on his behalf; and*
- 2. Indian/foreign agent on behalf of only one principal;*

***or***

g) *A Bidder or any of its affiliates participated as a consultant in the preparation of the design or technical specifications of the contract that is the subject of the Bid; **or***

h) *In case of a holding company having more than one independently manufacturing units, or more than one unit having common business ownership/management, only one unit should quote. Similar restrictions would apply to closely related sister companies. Bidders must proactively declare such sister/ common business/ management units in same/ similar line of business."*