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| 1. | 3 | Bill of Quantity | 1.6 | Data Collection, Completion of Site Visits and Survey: 30% of total quoted price shall be released on Completion of Site Visits and Survey along with the copy of the Invoice. | Kindly clarify the numbers and profile of team members required to be deployed for the engagement. | As the proposed work is lump-sum in nature, specific profiles and manpower details are not outlined in the tender document. However, it is expected that the selected agency will require to deploy an adequate number of qualified personnel with adequate experience in the field to ensure timely completion of the work with the desired quality standard. |
| 2. | | | Kindly clarify the number of team members required to travel for site visit. | | | |
| 3. | | | Kindly clarify the duration of site visit and the geographical areas planned to be covered during the site visit. | | The geographical area for the construction of the Transmission Line has already been specified in the tender document, covering the stretch from Phyang to Diskit (Nubra Valley) and Drass to Padum (Zaskar Valley) in the Ladakh region. The selected agency is required to plan site visits to ensure timely completion of the work within the stipulated timelines. | |
| 4. | | | | | Kindly clarify if the expenses pertaining to travel, boarding and lodging are required to be included in the financial proposal or will be reimbursed on actuals by the client? | As the proposed work is of a lump-sum nature, bidders are advised to include all expenses related to required travel, boarding, lodging, and other associated costs in their financial proposal. |
| 5. | | | | | Considering that it will be October by the time the travel schedule approaches, will the site locations be accessible considering Ladakh's weather? | The selected agency needs to schedule the visit to ensure the timely completion of work within stipulated timelines. |
| 6. | | | | | Apart from the site visit, our understanding is that the consultants are expected to work remotely barring any meeting/ presentation at client's office in Delhi NCR. Please Confirm? | The selected agency is required to complete the assigned work within the stipulated timelines. To facilitate this, the agency may plan visits to the RECPDCL Corporate Office as well as conduct site visits as necessary. Final report, along with the presentations, need to be submitted/presented at the RECPDCL Corporate Office |
| 7. | | | | | Are the consultants required to carry out any technical analysis of the transmission line or its elements? | The selected agency is required to carry out the evaluation in accordance with the Terms of Reference (ToR) specified in the tender document. |
| 8. | | | | | Are the consultants required to carry out any quantitative cost benefit analysis for the transmission line? Since, the system is not yet charged, there can't be any quantitative cost benefit analysis of the benefits. | |
| 9. | 4 | Scope of Work | 1.8 | Deliverable: Final Report | Will the final report submitted by consultants form the basis of release of payments by MoP for the scheme being evaluated? | No correspondence/communication from MoP received in this regard. |
| 10. | | | | | Our understanding is that the Final Report will contain performance of the Scheme on the identified KPIs. The KPIs will not be containing any parameter related to technical aspects of the transmission line and will be focused on qualitative aspects like the likely impact of the transmission line on the life's of the local community and society. Pl confirm? | The selected agency is required to carry out the evaluation in accordance with the Terms of Reference (ToR) specified in the tender document. |
| 11. | 6 | | ToR | - | We request the Authority to kindly clarify whether the clauses under this section—such as Executive Summary & Overview of the Scheme - Background, Budget Allocation—are | The selected agency is required to carry out the evaluation in accordance with the Terms of Reference (ToR) specified in the tender document. |

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| | | | | | provided as reference points for bidders while preparing the evaluation reports. Additionally, we seek confirmation on whether all the listed clauses are mandatory to incorporate, or if only those selective ones which are relevant to the actual conditions are to be included. | If required, RECPDCL shall provide all suitable guidance/help to selected agency to finalize the report. |
| 12. | | | 3.1 | Sample size and sample collection process- The approach should be to derive a sample size based on some key output/outcome parameter of the scheme. The States/ Districts/Villages & UCBs could be graded in terms of performance of the states in these indicators and accordingly representation from each such Strata be finalized systematically. While doing so, regional representation in terms of Zones as per NSSO (consisting of States/UTs) and aspirational districts/ blocks may also be kept in mind | We request the Authority to kindly specify the sample size, or clarify whether it is to be determined and analysed by the evaluation team. | The selected agency is required to carry out the evaluation in accordance with the Terms of Reference (ToR) specified in the tender document. However, it is expected that the selected agency shall determine and analysed the same, based on their past experience and requirement of scope of work. |
| 13. | | | | | Will the outcome parameters for evaluation of the scheme which will form part of the report be provided by the client? | The selected agency is required to carry out the evaluation in accordance with the Terms of Reference (ToR) specified in the tender document and as per standard industry practice. |
| 13. | | | | Baseline data on Key Performance Index (KPIs): Baseline data on select KPIs (15 to 25 central to measure the effectiveness of the scheme in terms of its meeting the scheme objective to be collected: - | Will the list of KPIs be provided by the client? Will the client assist in baselining of KPIs provided by them? | |
| 14. | | | | | We request the Authority to kindly clarify whether this survey is to be conducted as a baseline survey or a midline survey. | As the construction work of transmission projects is under progress, the bidder may ascertain requirements for KPI's as per standard industry practice. |
| 15. | 7 | | 3.2 | Evaluation Tools used: Various evaluation tools can be used in the primary survey such as Household questionnaires, Key Informant Interviews, Focused Group Discussions, etc. This would depend on the focus and orientation of the scheme. | Kindly clarify if there is a mandatory requirement of interaction with the local community as part of methodology to prepare this report? Will the interaction with households be facilitated by the client? Or the consultant is expected to visit the households for interaction? | The selected agency is required to carry out the evaluation in accordance with the Terms of Reference (ToR) specified in the tender document. As per ToR, the selected agency is expected to visit households for interaction as per standard practice. RECPDCL may provide necessary support in this regard. |
| 16. | | | Objectives of the Study | - | We request the Authority to kindly confirm our understanding that the scope of this engagement does not extend to technical inspection of the infrastructure component of the executed works, and is limited solely to the evaluation study on defined key parameters. | The selected agency is required to carry out the evaluation in accordance with the Terms of Reference (ToR) specified in the tender document. |
| 17. | - | - | Gem Bid Document | EMD amount is mentioned as Rs. 25,000 | As per General Terms and Conditions on GeM 4.0 (Version 1.23) dt 5th March 2025, Page no.18 & 19 of 54, Clause (v) states that "Sellers / Service Provider having annual turnover of ₹ 500 Crore or more, at least in one of the past three completed financial year(s) shall be exempted from furnishing bid security. We wish to state that Grant Thornton Bharat meets this criteria and therefore will be eligible for EMD exemption subject to submission of the relevant documents. Kindly confirm? | If the bidder meets the criteria specified under the General Terms and Conditions of GeM 4.0 (Version 1.25) dated 14th July 2025, the requirement to furnish Bid Security/EMD shall be exempted. However, supporting documents must be submitted to validate the exemption |

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| 18. | | | | Bid submission deadline is 06/09/2025 | We request for 14 days extension for submission of this bid from the date of response to pre bid queries. | Considering the urgency and limited time available, requests for extension of the bid submission deadline cannot be considered. |
| 19. | 24 | - | (6.2.23) ATC | The offer must contain the name, designation, residence and place of business of the person or persons making the offer and must be duly signed and stamped on each page by the Consultant with his usual signature. | Digital signatures are allowed in most GEM bids by the CPSEs. Kindly confirm that digital signatures are allowed or the authorized signatory has to mandatorily do wet ink signatures? | Yes, Digital signatures are allowed. |
| 20. | - | - | - | - | We request the Authority to kindly clarify whether the estimated bid value of ₹18.29 lakhs, as mentioned in the GeM Bidding Document, is inclusive or exclusive of GST. | Estimated bid price is inclusive of all taxes and other charges, (if applicable). |
| 21. | - | - | - | - | Requesting the Authority to kindly confirm the date of submission of the hard copy of this bid. | Last date for Hard Copy Submission: - 06.09.2025 (till 06:00 PM) Place: - Transmission Division, 3rd Floor, D-Block, RECPDCL Corporate Office, plot No. I-4, Sec-29, Gurugram. Haryana. |