

**Sub:- Pre bid queries regarding procurement of 8000 Nos. of GPS radiosondes from Indian sources. (tender no. CPU/53/0620/1532)**

Due to the spread of Corona the Pre-bid meeting was not scheduled in person. The bidders were required to post the queries through E-mail, last date being 30-07-2020. Queries have been received from the following firms;

1. M/s SHARIKA Enterprises Limited, Noida
2. M/s Microcomm India Limited, New Delhi
3. M/s AMSH product Line Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi
4. M/s SGS Weather & Environmental Systems Pvt Ltd. Gurugram

The queries may be replied as follows:-

S. No.	Vendor's Query	IMD's Reply
<b>1</b>	<b>M/s. SHARIKA Enterprises Limited, Noida</b>	
(i)	Bidders who are registered with NSIC under "service category" are eligible for exemption of submission of EMD. Pls. clarify?	This is a tender for procurement of goods, so the bidders registered for supply of specific goods are exempted from EMD submission.
(ii)	Those bidder who are having UAM certificate are also eligible for exemption of paying EMD. Pls. Confirm.	NSIC/MSME only are exempt from EMD submission.
(iii)	100% payment shall be made within 45 days to the MSME supplier in Indian currency after receipt of entire goods/stores at sites and acceptance by consignee on submission of the said documents. (No payment shall be made for partial delivery. However if delivery is in lots, lot-wise payments may be processed.).Pls. confirm.	Payment shall be made as per RFP.
(iv)	There is no payment clause against installations SAT and commissioning provided in the tender. Pls. clarify.	As per RFP 100% payment will be released after installation, SAT, acceptance and commissioning.
(v)	It is presumed that only marine insurance is in the scope of bidder. Pls. confirm.	As per RFP
(vi)	However, BOQ heading the "total amount without Taxes" , pls clarify.	As per price schedule format given in Annexure VI
(vii)	Separate cell is provided in BOQ for GST for 10 nos, pls. clarify	As per RFP
(viii)	Pls. clarify the nature of Misc charges include	This includes any other charges to be levied by the bidder to the consignee. Details to be mentioned.
(ix)	No reference provided against Installation, SAT and commissioning in BOQ	As per RFP
(x)	We are Authorized representative of Foreign Manufacture. Our OEM/Manufacture has Designed, Manufactured, Tested and supplied the same equipment as required in tender. We are	Representatives of the foreign manufacturers are not eligible; <b>this tender is only for participation</b>

	suppose OEM documents regarding past experience shall fulfil QR requirement. Kindly clarify.	<b>by Indian manufacturers.</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>M/s Microcomm India Limited, New Delhi</b>	
(i)	Will the indigenous products MADE IN INDIA get Price preference as per Govt. Rules and regulations.	All the Govt. Of India guidelines issued from time to time are followed in all procurements.
(ii)	Page 6 : Eligible Bidders : Are Traders/Authorized Dealer/Supplier/Distributor of the foreign manufacturers (OEM) are eligible to bid in this tender?	Clause stand deleted. Traders/Authorized dealer/ Supplier/ Distributor of the foreign manufacturers (OEM) are NOT eligible to bid in this tender. <b>The tender is for procurement from Indian sources, and only Indian OEMs are eligible.</b>
(iii)	If Traders/Authorized Dealer/Supplier/Distributor of the foreign manufacturers (OEM) are eligible, then how is any preference given to Indian manufacturers (OEM's) for this tender under the MAKE IN INDIA scheme of Government of India?	N. A in view of (ii) above.
(iv)	As per recent Government guidelines, it is mandatory to declare the Country of Origin and local content for government purchases. The same may be included in RFP and should be declared by all Bidders.	<b>The tender is for procurement from Indian sources, and only Indian OEMs are eligible.</b>
(v)	In recent prevailing times, will Chinese products be eligible for such crucial, strategic and significant government purchases for stations panning at 10 sites across India?	As per RFP / Govt of India guidelines from time to time. <b>This tender is for procurement from Indian sources, and only Indian OEMs are eligible.</b>
(vi)	What is the budget for this tender?	Estimated cost of the tender is Rs 4 Crores approximate.
(vii)	Does the budget include the Government Taxes like GST?	Excluding taxes
(viii) – (a)	Page 20, Point 2.8 : For TEC Trials, do the bidders have to provide Hydrogen Gas? This may not be possible, and it is requested that IMD provides the Gas.	As per RFP.
(viii) – (b)	What size of Balloons are required to be used for Trials?	750 gms meteorological balloons
(ix)	Page 22, Point 9.1: Spectrum Display for nearby transmissions is not required and is not generic for all manufacturers. In fact this feature degrades the performance of the Receiver and is not as per WMO guidelines. This should be modified to	As per RFP

	show only the receiving frequency?	
(x)	Page 22, Point 9.8: Kindly define protocols for WMO SOCKET for data transfer?	Refer WMO publication number 386.
<b>3</b>	<b>M/s AMSH product Line Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi</b>	
(i)	Please clarify the notion of Indian sources; whether the radiosonde have to be manufactured in India? Or the vendor can quote the foreign product in Indian Rupees? .	<b>This tender is for procurement from Indian sources, and only Indian OEMs are eligible. Resellers/ traders of foreign products, quoted in Indian Rupees are not eligible.</b>
(ii)	In previous procurements of radiosondes and allied equipment a criteria was laid down by WMO inter-comparison and its ranking, which is not implemented in this tender, any reason for removing this threshold and important aspect of qualifying the technology proven product?	As per RFP clause 2.8 the testing will be done by IMD, for evaluating the performance of the offered product.
(iii)	With the above, it is made wide open to get unsolicited bids, how IMD is planning to validate the radiosondes when the Indian sources radiosondes have still to be quantify themselves with the endurance and performance at par with internationally renowned brands and products.	As per RFP test criteria Annexure-I
(iv)	How many systems are required to be installed at IMD premises for technical evaluation and which are the actual radiosondes that will be used for data comparison, can more information on the same can be provided?	As per RFP test criteria Annexure-I (One complete ground system is to be installed to take 5 ascents)
<b>4</b>	<b>M/s SGS Weather &amp; Environmental Systems Pvt Ltd. Gurugram</b>	
(i)	RFP for Procurement of 8000 units of GPS based Radiosondes along with compatible ground receiving and processing system from Indian Sources ” It is clearly mentioned that Radiosonde need to be offered from Indian Sources, however the para stating that goods manufactured in any other country. This is contradictory statement. Please clarify?	<b>This tender is for procurement from Indian sources, and only Indian OEMs are eligible.</b> Goods manufactured in any other country are not eligible, hence point 2.2 in the General requirement of RFP may be read as “ <b>The system being offered consisting of ground equipment and radiosondes should have been manufactured in India</b> ”