

**India Meteorological Department
Ministry of Earth Sciences
Government of India**

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11 Dec, 2025

Sub: Minutes of the Pre-bid meeting of the “for procurement of 600 Nos of Ozonesonde along with 04 Nos of compatible ground systems and associated accessories” held on 11/12/2025.

IMD published a tender under GeM Portal (GeM Reference Number - GEM/2025/B/6871845 dated 28.11.2025) for the Procurement of procurement of 600 Nos of Ozonesonde along with 04 Nos of compatible ground systems and associated accessories on 28 Nov 2025, with a scheduled pre-bid meeting on 11th Dec, 2025 (as per Corrigendum published on 02 Dec 2025). In this regard, the competent authority has constituted the Pre-Bid, Technical and Financial Evaluation (TFEC) Committee, comprising the following members, to address the queries related to the published Tender/RFP on GeM Portal during the Pre-Bid meeting and subsequently prepare the TFEC reports:

1.	Dr. M Venkat Ratnam	Scientist –G, NARL	Chairman
2.	Mr Subhash Chandra	Dir (Fin), IMD	Member
3.	Mr. M. I. Ansari	Scientist – F, IMD	Member
4.	Dr S. M. Sonbawne	Scientist – E, IITM Pune	Member
5.	Mr Pankaj Das	SO-1, IMD	Member
6.	Dr. Anikender Kumar	Scientist – S, IMD	Member Secretary

As per the scheduled date of the Corrigendum (published on 02 Dec 2025), a pre-bid meeting was organized hybrid mode at Conference Hall, 6th floor, Mausam Bhawan, IMD HQ, New Delhi, on 11 Dec 2025 at 1100 hours onwards. One representative from Pollution Equipment & Controls, New Delhi joined the pre-bid meeting online.

After detailed discussion and deliberation with the Bidder, the queries and clarifications agreed upon or recommended by the Committee are as follows:

No	Bidder Queries	IMD Response
1.	Absence of GeM Category: There is no designated category for Ozone Sondes in GeM; therefore, pushing the tender forcefully through GeM may not be appropriate. Additionally, the GeM portal does not support imported products, and the mandatory vendor assessment of the OEM is a time-consuming process.	As per tender/RFP document

2	<p>Past Procurement Experience: We have previously supplied Ozone Sondes to the India Meteorological Department (IMD) in 2014, and the procurement was carried out through the Global Tender route.</p>	No comment
3	<p>Single Source & OEM Involvement: It is pertinent to note that there is only one global source for Ozone Sondes. As the provider of Radiosondes with ground stations, we have already ensured interface compatibility with Ozone Sondes. For effective contract management and timely execution, direct involvement of the OEM is essential.</p>	As per tender/RFP document
4.	<p>Cost & Local Content Limitations: Domestic procurement would be significantly more expensive for IMD, and no meaningful local content can be added. Hence, routing this procurement through the Global Tender/e-procurement mode will ensure effective participation and better value for the organisation.</p>	As per tender/RFP document
5.	<p>Government Notification (5th June 2025): The recent Government directive clearly mandates organisations under MoES to adopt the global procurement route for high-end technical and scientific solutions that are not available domestically. Since this technology is not locally optimized, OEM participation becomes indispensable.</p>	As per tender/RFP document
6.	<p>Avoiding Procedural Delays: Initiating the process through GeM only to eventually shift to a Global Tender would result in unnecessary delays. It would be more prudent and time-efficient for both buyer and seller to adopt the prescribed Global Tender route at the outset, ensuring faster procurement and better utilisation of time and resources.</p>	As per tender/RFP document
7.	<p>Recent Precedent within MoES: We have also recently supplied Ozone Sondes to IITM Pune (under MoES) through the Global Procurement route.</p>	No comment

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Tender Document

Tender Enquiry Number : CPU/53/1023/15xx

**For Procurement of Upper Air Ozone Sounding System using
Global Navigation Satellite systems**

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Section I: Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)

1. Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)

The President of India, through the Head of Procurement (Director General of Meteorology) of the Procuring Entity (Central Purchase Unit), in the Procuring Organization (India Meteorological Department) (hereinafter referred to as 'the Authority', 'the Head of Procurement', 'the Procuring Entity' and 'the Procuring Organization' respectively), invites bids **through Open Tender Enquiry (Two Bid System) through GeM**, for entering into a contract for the supply of GOODS (hereinafter referred to as 'the Goods'). This Tender Document reference number, Tender Enquiry No. **CPU/53/1023/15xx** (hereinafter referred to as 'the Tender Document'), gives further details.

2. The Tender Document

2.1 Bidders must read the complete 'Tender Document'.

This NIT is an integral part of the Tender Document and serves a limited purpose of invitation, and does not purport to contain all relevant details for submission of bids. 'Tender Information Summary' (TIS) appended to this notice gives a salient summary of the tender information. Any generic reference to NIT shall also imply a reference to TIS as well. Bidders must go through the Tender Document for details before submission of their Bids. However, Bidders must go through the complete Tender Document for details before submission of their Bids.

2.2 Availability of the Tender Document

The Tender Document shall be published on the Portal. It shall be available for download after the date and time of the start of availability till the deadline for availability as mentioned in TIS. Unless otherwise stipulated in TIS, the downloaded Tender Document is free of cost. If the Procuring Entity happens to be closed on the deadline for submitting the bids as specified above, this deadline shall *not* be extended. Any query/ clarification regarding downloading Tender Documents and uploading Bids on the e-Procurement portal may be addressed to the Help Desk (contact details given in TIS).

2.3 Clarifications

A Bidder requiring any clarification regarding the Tender Document may ask questions in writing/ electronically from Office/ Contact Person as mentioned in TIS, provided the questions are raised before the clarification end date mentioned in TIS (or if not mentioned, before 7 days of the deadline for the bid submission). This deadline shall not be extended in case of any intervening holidays.

3. Eligibility Criteria for Participation in this Tender

Subject to provisions in the Tender Document, participation in this Tender Process is open to all bidders who fulfil the 'Eligibility' and 'Qualification criteria. Bidder should meet the following eligibility criteria as of the date of his bid submission and should continue to meet these till the award of the contract. Bidder shall be required to declare fulfilment of Eligibility Criteria in Form 1.2 (Eligibility Declarations). The Bidder, unless otherwise stipulated in TIS/ AITB:

- 1) must:

- (a) be a natural person, private entity, or public entity (State-owned enterprise or institution).
- (b) unless permitted explicitly in TIS/ AITB, not be (or proposes to be, a Joint Venture/ Consortium (an association of several persons, firms, or companies - hereinafter referred to as JV/C).
- (c) be a manufacturer of the product offered or be dealer authorised by the Principal/ OEM.

Traders are not eligible to participate in this tender.

2) must:

- (a) not be insolvent, in receivership, bankrupt or being wound up, not have its affairs administered by a court or a judicial officer, not have its business activities suspended and must not be the subject of legal proceedings for any of these reasons.
- (b) (including their affiliates or subsidiaries or Contractors/ subcontractors for any part of the contract)
 - (i) Not stand declared ineligible/ blacklisted/ banned/ debarred by the India Meteorological Department or its Ministry/ Department from participation in its Tender Processes; and/ or
 - (ii) Not be convicted (within three years preceding the last date of bid submission) or stand declared ineligible/ suspended/ blacklisted/ banned/ debarred by appropriate agencies of Government of India from participation in Tender Processes of all of its entities, for:
 - offences involving moral turpitude in business dealings under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 or any other law; and/or
 - offences under the Indian Penal Code or any other law for causing any loss of life/ limbs/ property or endangering Public Health during the execution of a public procurement contract and/ or
 - suspected to be or of doubtful loyalty to the Country or a National Security risk as determined by appropriate agencies of the Government of India.
 - (iii) Not have changed its name or created a new business entity as covered by the definition of "Allied Firm", consequent to having been declared ineligible/ suspended/ blacklisted/ banned/ debarred as above;
 - (iv) Not have an association (as a bidder/ partner/ director/ employee in any capacity)
 - of retired Manager (of Gazetted Rank) or a retired Gazetted Officer of the Central or State Government or its Public Sector Undertakings if such a retired person has not completed the cooling-off period of one year after his retirement. However, this shall not apply if such managers/ officers have obtained a waiver of the cooling-off period from their erstwhile Organization.
 - of the near relations of executives of Procuring Entity involved in this Tender Process
- (c) Not have a conflict of interest, which substantially affects fair competition. The prices quoted should be competitive and without adopting any unfair/ unethical/ anti-competitive means. No attempt should be made to induce any other bidder to submit or not to submit an offer for restricting competition

3) must fulfil any other additional eligibility condition, if any, as may be prescribed, in TIS or elsewhere in Tender Document.

4) must provide such evidence of their continued eligibility to the Procuring Entity if so requested.

5) of Class-I and Class-II Local Suppliers (as defined in Make-in-India policy) shall be eligible subject to certain conditions as detailed in the ITB-clause 4.1.

- 6) from specified countries having land borders with India (but not in development partnership with India) shall be eligible subject to certain conditions as detailed in the ITB-clause 3.3.
- 7) If TIS/ AITB declares this to be a procurement process for the second stage of two-stage/ Pre-Qualification Bidding (PQB) after shortlisting qualified bidders in the EoI/ PQB stage, then only the bidders shortlisted/ qualified in the first stage shall be eligible to participate.

4. Purchase Preference Policies of the Government

As detailed in the Tender Document, the Procuring Entity reserves its right to grant preferences to eligible Bidders under various Government Policies/ directives (policies relating to Make in India; MSME; Start-ups etc.).

5. Pre-bid Conference:

Bidders are requested to attend the Pre-bid conference for clarification on the Tenders' technical specifications and commercial conditions, on the time, date, and place mentioned therein. Participation in such a Pre-bid Conference is not mandatory. If a bidder does not participate or submit any query, then no subsequent representations from them regarding the Technical/ commercial specifications/ conditions shall be entertained.

6. Submission of Bids:

- 1) Bids must be uploaded till the deadline for submission mentioned in TIS. If the office happens to be closed on the deadline to submit the bids as specified above, this deadline shall *not* be extended.
- 2) The originals of EMD documents (As applicable) (whose scanned copies are uploaded on portal) must be physically submitted in sealed cover (and acknowledgement be obtained) before the bid submission deadline at mentioned venue. Failure to do so is likely to result in the bid being rejected. If the office is closed on the deadline for physical submission of originals, it shall stand extended to the next working day at the same time and venue.
- 3) No manual Bids shall be made available or accepted for submission (except for originals of scanned copies as per sub-clause 2 above). Bidder must comply with the conditions of the eProcurement portal, including registration, compatible Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) etc. In the case of downloaded documents, Bidder must not make any changes to the contents of the documents while uploading, except for filling in the required information.
- 4) As per current Government orders, in lieu of bid security, bidders must furnish Bid Securing Declaration (BSD) as 'Form 7: Documents Relating To Bid Security' in their bid as per format given therein. The BSD shall be drawn in favour of the authority stipulated in TIS. A self-attested scan of the original Form 7 should be uploaded along with bids. Bids not complying with these provisions shall be rejected.
- 5) **Integrity Pact:** All Bidders shall have to sign the Integrity Pact with the Procuring Entity as per 'Form 8: Integrity Pact'. Bids without a signed Integrity Pact shall be rejected.

7. Bid Opening

Bids received shall be opened online at the specified date and time given in TIS. If the office is closed on the specified date of opening of the bids, the opening shall be done on the next working day at the same time.

8. Disclaimers and Rights of Procuring Entity

The issue of the Tender Document does not imply that the Procuring Entity is bound to select bid(s), and it reserves the right without assigning any reason to

- (a) reject any or all of the Bids, or
- (b) cancel the tender process; or
- (c) abandon the procurement of the Goods; or
- (d) issue another tender for identical or similar Goods

Note: Please refer to appended TIS and the complete Tender Document for further details.

Digitally Signed by

Tender Inviting Authority

[Director General of Meteorology]

Appendix: Tender Information Summary (TIS)

Appendix to NIT: Tender Information Summary

Document No. Tender Enquiry No. **CPU/53/1023/15xx** ; Tender Title: GOODS

(Ref ITB-clause 1.4)

Tender Information Summary (TIS)			
1.0 Basic Tender Details			
Tender Title	GOODS		
Tender Reference Number	Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/0823/15xx	Tender ID	As per GeM (Custom Bid)
Tender Type	Domestic	Form of Contract	Supply
Tender Category	Goods	No. of Covers	[Two Covers]
Bidding System	[Two Stage]	e-Reverse Auction to be held after Financial bid opening (See AITB also in case of Yes)	[NO]
India Meteorological Department:	India Meteorological Department	the Procuring Entity:	Central Purchase Unit
Authority on whose behalf Tender is invited	President of India	Through	Director General of Meteorology
Tender Inviting Authority (TIA)	Director General of Meteorology	Address	Mausam Bhawan, Lodi Road, New Delhi
Appointing Authority for Arbitration	Secretary, MoES		
2.0 Requirement Details (ITB-clause 5.0)			
Evaluation Basis	[Schedule-wise/ Consignee wise]	Part quotation allowed or not	[The bidders may submit bids for all the schedules. However, he must quote for the complete schedule that he quotes for, without exception.]
Inspection Type	[Pre-dispatch inspection at Factory]	Inspection Agency	IMD

Schedule	Ozonesondes and ground systems to be delivered within Four months		
Item Details:	Ozonesondes	Qty. and Units	Ozone sonde-600 Nos with 4 Nos of complete Ground system
Consignee/ State:	IMD		
Terms of Delivery	Delivered at Place (DAP)	Completion date of Delivery:	<p>(a) 1st lot, consisting of Complete ground systems (04 Nos.) with 120 numbers of Ozonesondes, meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites to be delivered within four months from date of issue of supply order. Installation and commissioning of the equipment at all the sites shall be completed within three months (3) from the date of issue of supply order.</p> <p>b) 2nd lot, consisting of 120 numbers of Ozonesondes with meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites for II year during the first week of July.</p> <p>c) 3rd lot, consisting of 120 numbers of Ozonesondes with meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites for</p>

			<p>III year during the first week of July.</p> <p>(d) 4th lot, consisting of 120 numbers of Ozonesondes with meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites for IV year during the first week of July.</p> <p>(e) 5th lot, consisting of 120 numbers of Ozonesondes with meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites for V year during the first week of July.</p>
3.0 Critical Dates (ITB-clause 7.0; 8.0; 9.0, 10.0 and 11.0)			
Published Date	07.10.2025 05:00 PM	Bid Validity (Days from the date of Bid Opening) – ITB-clause 9.3	90 days from the date of opening of technical bids
Document Download Start Date & Time	07.10.2025 05:00 PM	Document Download End Date & Time	27.10.2025 05:00 PM
Clarification Start Date & Time	07.10.2025 05:00 PM	Clarification End Date & Time	22.10.2025 05:00 PM
bid Submission Start Date & Time	07.10.2025 05:00 PM	bid Submission Closing Date & Time	27.10.2025 05:00 PM
Bid Opening (Techno-commercial bid) Date & Time	28.10.2025 03:00 PM	Bid Opening (Financial) Date & Time	As per GeM Bid Document

4.0 Eligibility to Participate (NIT-clause 3 and ITB-clause 3.2)		
Is this item reserved for exclusive Procurement from MSEs	[No]	
Nature of Bidders eligible – OEMs/ Dealers authorised by OEMs	OEMs and bidders (as per the Bidders eligibility and preferential policies ITB 3)	
Entities from countries not eligible to participate on reciprocal basis ITB-clause 4.1.2 (Make in India Policy)	As Per ITB-Clause 4.1.2	
Minimum local content for eligibility to participate ITB-clause 4.1.4 (Make in India Policy) for local suppliers	Nil	
Classes of Local Suppliers eligible to participate ITB-clause 4.1.4 (Make in India Policy)	Only Class-I and Class-II local Suppliers eligible (Domestic Tenders)	
Mandatory Joint venture with Indian Company ITB-clause 4.1.7 (Make in India Policy)	Not Mandatory	
5.0 Thresholds for Eligibility to Participate and Preference under Make in India Policy (ITB-clause 4.1)		
Classification of Local Suppliers based on Minimum local content ITB-clause 4.1.1	Class-I Local Suppliers: 50% Class -II Local Supplier: more than 20% but less than 50%	
The margin of purchase preference (ITB-clause 4.1.4)	[20%]	
Is the requirement divisible for preference ITB-clause 4.1.5	[Yes]	
Would the contract be split among more than one bidder ITB-clause 4.1.5	No	
6.0 Obtaining the Tender Document and clarifications (ITB-clause 7.0)		
eProcurement Portal and helpdesk for Document availability and submission	https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app or Government e Marketplace (GeM)	1800-419-3436 / 1800-102-3436, helpdesk-gem@gov.in
	Room No. 517, Central Purchase Unit, Mausam Bhawan, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003 cpu.imd@imd.gov.in	
Cost of Tender Document (INR)	[Not applicable]	
Office/ Contact Person/ email for clarifications	Room No. 517, Central Purchase Unit, Mausam Bhawan, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003 cpu.imd@imd.gov.in Shri Anikender Kumar, Scientist-D, EMRC, IMD HQ. 011-24344202	

	Email ID: anikender.kumar@imd.gov.in
7.0 Pre-bid Conference (ITB-clause 8)	
Pre-bid Conference applicable or not	Yes
Place, Date and Time of the Pre-bid Conference	Mausam Bhawan, O/o DGM, IMD, Lodi Road, New Delhi. 18.09.2025 11:00 AM
Place, date and time before which Written queries for the Pre-bid conference must be received	Mausam Bhawan, O/o DGM, IMD, Lodi Road, New Delhi. 17.09.2025 11:00 AM
Place, date and time before which the registration of participants for Pre-bid conference must be received	Mausam Bhawan, O/o DGM, IMD, Lodi Road, New Delhi. 17.09.2025 04:00 PM
8.0 Preparation and Submission and Opening of Bids (ITB-clause 9.0 and 10.0)	
Bids to be Addressed to	President of India, Through Head of Procurement, Procuring Entity
Instructions for Online bid Submission	Government e Marketplace (GeM)
Bid Opening Place	[Room No. 517, Mausam Bhawan, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003]
Alternate Bids allowed or not ITB-clause 9.1.6	[Only one bid, meeting the conflict-of-interest criteria (as mentioned in this document), shall be considered as valid from a bidder.]
9.0 Physical submission of Originals/ Self-attested copies of Originals of Scanned Documents uploaded (ITB-clause 10.3)	
Physical documents required/ permitted to be submitted	Yes
If Yes, List of Documents to be submitted physically	[Form 7: Documents related to Bid Security]
Deadline for physical submission of originals/ self-attested copies of Originals of uploaded scanned documents	Before the date of bid submission
Address of Physical Submission of Originals	Room No. 517, Central Purchase Unit, Mausam Bhawan, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003
10.0 Documents relating to Bid Security (ITB-clause 9.4) and Performance Security (ITB-clause 13.2.4)	
Bid security (EMD) in the form of Account Payee Demand Draft, Fixed Deposit Receipt, Banker's Cheque, Bid Security Declaration, Bank Guarantee, Insurance Surety Bond from any of the Commercial Banks drawn in favour of DDO, O/o DGM, IMD, New Delhi	

EMD Details	EMD Amount (INR): 22.5 Lakhs	Payment mode of EMD	Offline [Upload self attested scanned copy and submit originals physically] in the form of BG/FDR in favour of DDO, O/o DGM, IMD, New Delhi
Categories of EMD exemption allowed	MSEs, Start-up	EMD Validity	45 days beyond Bid Validly
Performance Security	5 % of the order value	Form of Security and To whom to be addressed	BG/ FDR to DDO, DGM, IMD, New Delhi. Performance Security shall be in the form of Bank Guarantee in the form of Account Payee Demand Draft, Fixed Deposit Receipt, Banker's Cheque, Bank Guarantee, Insurance Surety Bond from issued by a Commercial Bank doing government business in the prescribed form in favour of the purchaser.
11.0 Additional Clauses			
Clause	Description		
Integrity Pact to be Signed and Submitted along with bid ITB-clause 9.2.1	[YES]	Independent External Monitor, Name and Contact Details	<p>1. Sh. Ajay Kumar Lal, IRAS (Retd.) DDA, HIG, Block 3A/101 A, Motia Khan (Near Jhandewalan Temple) D. B. Gupta Road, New Delhi - 110015 Email: ajay_k_lal@yahoo.com,</p> <p>2. Sh. Pavan Kumar Jain, IDSE (Retd.) A-402, Shree Ganesh Apartments, Plot No. 12B, Sector-7, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075 Email: mespkj@gmail.com,</p>
Price Variation Clause ITB-clause 6.2.2	[No]		
Quantity Splitting/ Parallel Orders ITB-clause	[No.]	If Yes, Ratio of Distribution among L-1 and others	Not applicable

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Section II: Instructions to Bidders (ITB)

1. The Tender Document

In the event of any mismatch, conflict, or contradiction between the provisions stated herein in the tender document and those appearing on the CPP/GeM, the conditions of the Tender/RFP shall prevail.

1.1 Basic Tender Details

The 'Tender Document' (hereinafter referred to as the 'the Tender Document') details the terms and conditions for entering into a contract for the supply of the Goods as detailed in Section VI: "Schedule of Requirements" (hereinafter referred to as 'the Goods'). Bidders must go through the Tender Document for further details. 'Tender Information Summary' (TIS) is appended to Section I: Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) for ready reference. The 'Goods' may include incidental Services/ Works if so indicated. In this Tender Document, any generic reference to 'Goods' shall be deemed to include such incidental Services and Works.

1.2 Interpretations, Definitions, Abbreviations and Document Conventions

Section IV: General Conditions of Contract (GCC), details Tenets of interpretation (GCC-clause 1.1), Definitions (GCC-clause 1.2), Document conventions (GCC-clause 1.3) and Abbreviations (GCC-clause 1.4), which shall also apply to the rest of the Tender Document.

1.3 Overview of Contents

- 1) Forms and Formats comprising this Tender Document are described in ITB-clauses 1.4, 1.5 and 1.6 below. A BOQ file separately available on the e-Procurement Portal is also part of this Tender Document. Any generic reference to Tender Document shall also imply a reference to any/ all the sections, Forms, Formats and the BOQ file or other files that comprise this Tender Document.
- 2) Bidder must submit the bid in the Forms/ Formats mentioned in ITB-clauses 1.5 and 1.6 below. The sections mentioned in ITB-clause 1.4 below need not be signed or returned by the bidders; however, Bidder must declare in his bid Form (Form 1) that he has read, understood, complied, and stands bound by all requirements of these sections:

1.4 Sections of the Tender Document (need not be signed or uploaded)

1.4.1 Sections of the Tender Document

Unless otherwise stipulated in TIS/ AITB, the Tender Document contains the following sections, which are described in subsequent sub-clauses:

- 1) Section I: Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) and its Appendix: Tender Information Summary (TIS)
- 2) Section II: Instructions to Bidders (ITB)
- 3) Section III: Appendix to Instructions to Bidders (AITB)
- 4) Section IV: General Conditions of Contract (GCC)
- 5) Section V: Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)
- 6) Section VI: Schedule of Requirements

- 7) Section VII: Technical Specifications (RFP) and Quality Assurance
- 8) Section VIII: Qualification Criteria

1.4.2 Section I: Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) and its Appendix: Tender Information Summary (TIS)

Section I – Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) and its Appendix – Tender Information Summary (TIS) provides a synopsis of information relevant for a Bidder to decide on participating in the Tender. Any generic reference to NIT shall also imply a reference to TIS as well. Bidders must fill up ‘Form 5: Terms and Conditions - Compliance’ regarding any deviations from this Schedule.

1.4.3 Section II: Instructions to Bidders (ITB) and Section III: Appendix to Instructions to Bidders (AITB)

Section II: “Instructions to Bidders” - ITB along with Section III: “Appendix to Instructions to Bidders – AITB” provides the relevant information as well as instructions to assist the prospective Bidders in preparation and submission of Bids. It also includes the mode and procedure adopted for receipt/ opening, scrutiny/ evaluation of Bids, and contract award. In case of a conflict, provisions of AITB shall prevail over those in the ITB. Any generic reference to ITB shall also imply a reference to AITB as well. Bidders must fill up ‘Form 5: Terms and Conditions - Compliance’ regarding any deviations from this Schedule.

1.4.4 Section IV: General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and Section V: Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)

Section IV – General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and Section V – Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) describe the conditions that shall govern the resulting contract. In case of a conflict, provisions of SCC shall prevail over those in the GCC. Any generic reference to GCC shall also imply a reference to SCC as well. In case of any conflict, provisions of GCC/ SCC shall prevail over those in ITB/ AITB. Bidders must fill up ‘Form 5: Terms and Conditions - Compliance’ regarding any deviations from terms and conditions of this and other Schedules.

1.4.5 Section VI: Schedule of Requirements

Section VI – Schedule of Requirements describes the Goods required; HSN codes; Quantities and Units; Delivery Requirements, Destination and State; transportation; terms of delivery (DAP, etc.); scope of supply (concomitant accessories; spare parts and incidental Works/ Services). The requirements may consist of more than one schedule. Each schedule may contain more than one item of Goods. Bidders must fill up ‘Form 2: ‘Schedule of Requirements - Compliance’ regarding this Schedule.

1.4.6 Section VII – Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance (RFP)

Section VII – Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance lays down the technical and quality assurance (including any energy-saving requirements, e.g., BEE star classification and Warranty Obligations) of the Goods required. It would also stipulate, if required, any compliance required by Central and State Pollution Control Boards, including transportation and handling of hazardous materials/ packaging. Bidders must fill up ‘Form 3: ‘Confirmation/ Deviation from Technical Specifications And Quality Assurance’ regarding this Schedule. Bidder should provide the required details, information, confirmations, etc., accordingly, failing which its bid shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive.

1.4.7 Section VIII: Qualification Criteria:

Section VIII: Qualification Criteria lay down the Qualifying Criteria for a bid/ Bidder to be considered a responsive bid/ bidder for further evaluation. Bids/ bidders not meeting these Qualification criteria shall be rejected as nonresponsive. It may indicate the extent of dispensation allowed for Start-ups under ITB 3.8.2-2) and MII-JVs under ITB 3.6.8-2. Bidders must fill up 'Form 4: Confirmation/ Deviation from Qualification Criteria' and 'Form 4.1: Performance Statement' regarding this Schedule. Bidders shall attach statements and documents to confirm conformity to Qualification Criteria in this appendix.

1.5 Forms (To be filled, digitally signed, and uploaded by Bidders)

Please refer to clause 1.4 above to relate the following forms to the corresponding Sections.

- 1) Form 1: bid Form (To serve as a covering letter to both the Techno-commercial and Financial Bids)
 - (a) Form 1.1: Bidder Information
 - (b) Form 1.2: Eligibility Declarations
 - (c) Form 1.3: OEM's Authorization
 - (d) Form 1.4: Declaration by Agents/ Associates of Foreign Principals/ OEMs
- 2) Form 2: Schedule of Requirements - Compliance
- 3) Form 3: Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance - Compliance
- 4) Form 4: Qualification Criteria - Compliance
 - (a) Form 4.1: Performance Statement
- 5) Form 5: Terms and Conditions - Compliance
- 6) Form 6: Checklist for the Bidders
- 7) Form 7: Documents Relating to Bid Security
- 8) Form 8: Integrity Pact
- 9) Financial bid – BOQ Excel Sheet (To be Downloaded from the Portal).

1.6 Other Formats

- 1) Format 1: Contract Form (Not to be filled by Bidders)
 - (a) Format 1.1: Bank Guarantee Format for Performance Security
 - (b) Format 1.2: NEFT Mandate Form
 - (c) Format 1.3: No Claim Certificate
 - (d) Format 1.4: Certification by Prospective Arbitrators
- 2) Format 2: Authorization for Attending Pre-bid Conference. (To be filled up, if required, by Bidder)

2. Procuring Entity - Rights and Disclaimers

2.1 The Procuring Entity

Bids are to be addressed to the President of India through the Head of Procurement, Procuring Entity in the India Meteorological Department (headed by Head of the India Meteorological Department). The Tender Inviting Authority is the designated officer for uploading and clarifying this Tender Document. The contract

may designate, as required, Inspection Agency/ Officer and interim/ ultimate Consignee(s) and Paying authority who shall discharge designated function during contract execution.

2.2 Right to Intellectual Property and confidentiality:

- 1) The Tender Document and associated correspondence are subject to copyright laws and shall always remain the property of the Procuring Entity and must not be shared with third parties or reproduced, whether in whole or part, without the Procuring Entity's prior written consent.
- 2) However, Bidders may share these to prepare and submit its bid with its employees, subcontractor(s), or holding Company. Bidders shall obtain from them an undertaking of confidentiality similar to that imposed on Bidder under this clause.
- 3) This condition shall also apply to bidders who do not submit a bid after downloading it or who are not awarded a contract in the process.
- 4) The obligation of the Bidders under sub-clauses above, however, shall not apply to information that:
 - (a) now or hereafter is or enters the public domain through no fault of Bidder;
 - (b) is legally possessed by Bidder at the relevant time and was not previously obtained, directly or indirectly, from the Procuring Entity; or
 - (c) otherwise lawfully becomes available to Bidder from a third party that has no obligation of confidentiality.
- 5) The provisions of this clause shall survive completion or termination for whatever reason of the Tender Process or the contract.

2.3 Right to Reject any or all Bids

The Procuring Entity reserves its right to accept or reject any or all Bids, abandon/ cancel the Tender process, and issue another tender for the same or similar Goods at any time before the award of the contract. It would have no liability to the affected Bidder or Bidders or any obligation to inform the affected Bidder or Bidders of the grounds for such action(s).

2.4 Disclaimers

2.4.1 Regarding Purpose of the Tender Document

The Tender Document is neither an agreement nor an offer to prospective Bidder(s) or any other party hereunder. The purpose of the Tender Document is to provide the Bidder(s) with information to assist them in participation in this Tender Process.

2.4.2 Regarding Documents/ guidelines

The Tender Document, ensuing communications, and Contracts shall determine the legal and commercial relationship between the bidders/ contractors and the Procuring Entity. No other Government or Procuring Entity's document/ guidelines/ Manuals including its Procurement Manual (for internal and official use of its officers), notwithstanding any mention thereof in the Tender Document, shall have any locus-standii in such a relationship. Therefore, such documents/ guidelines/ Manuals shall not be admissible in any legal or dispute resolution or grievance redressal proceedings.

2.4.3 Regarding Information Provided

Information contained in the Tender Document or subsequently provided to the Bidder(s) is on the terms and conditions set out in the Tender Document or subject to which that was provided. Similar terms apply to information provided verbally or in documentary or any other form, directly or indirectly, by the Procuring Entity or any of its employees or associated agencies.

2.4.4 Regarding Tender Document:

- 1) The Tender Document does not purport to contain all the information Bidder(s) may require. It may not address the needs of all Bidders. They should conduct due diligence, investigation, and analysis, check the information's accuracy, reliability, and completeness, and obtain independent advice from appropriate sources. Information provided in the Tender Document to the Bidder(s) is on a wide range of matters, some of which may depend upon interpreting the law. The information given is not intended to be an exhaustive account of statutory requirements and should not be regarded as a complete or authoritative statement of law. The Procuring Entity, its employees and other associated agencies accept no responsibility for the accuracy or otherwise for any interpretation or opinion on law expressed herein.
- 2) The Procuring Entity, its employees and other associated agencies make no representation or warranty for the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, completeness or reliability, assessment, assumption, statement, or information in the Tender Document. They have no legal liability, whether resulting from negligence or otherwise, for any loss, damages, cost, or expense that may arise from/ incurred/ suffered howsoever caused to any person, including any Bidder, on such account.

3. Bidders - Eligibility and Preferential Policies

3.1 Bidders

Subject to provisions in the following clauses in this section and provisions in Tender Document, this invitation for Bids is open to all bidders who fulfil the 'Eligibility Criteria' and 'Qualification Criteria' stipulated in the Tender Document. In the case of the Second Stage (of two Stage Bidding or PQB) or Special Limited Tenders, this invitation is open only to such bidders who have been previously shortlisted or specifically invited.

3.2 Eligibility Criteria for Participation in this Tender

Subject to provisions in this Tender Document, participation in this Tender Process is open to all bidders who fulfil the 'Eligibility' and 'Qualification criteria. Bidder should meet (as on the date of his bid submission and should continue to meet till the award of the contract) the 'Eligibility Criteria' detailed in NIT-clause 3, which shall be considered to be part of this clause of ITB (even though it is not being reproduced here for the sake of brevity). Bidder shall submit a declaration about the 'Eligibility Criteria' compliance in Form 1.2 – Eligibility Declarations.

3.3 Eligibility of bidders from specified countries

Orders issued by the Government of India restricting procurement from bidders from certain countries that share a land border with India shall apply to this procurement.

- 1) Any bidder (as defined in GCC-clause 1.2) from a country that shares a land border with India¹, excluding countries as listed on the website of the Ministry of External Affairs², to which the Government of India has extended lines of credit or in which the Government of India is engaged in development projects (hereinafter called 'Restricted Countries') shall be eligible to bid in this tender only if Bidder is registered³ with the Registration Committee constituted by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT). Bidders shall enclose the certificate in this regard in Form 1 - bid Form.
- 2) If Bidder has proposed to sub-contract Services or incidental Goods directly/ indirectly from the vendors from such countries, such vendor shall be required to be registered with the Competent Authority. However, if Bidder procures raw material, components, and sub-assemblies from such countries' vendors, such vendors shall not require registration.
- 3) "Bidder from such Restricted Countries" means: -
 - a) An entity incorporated, established, or registered in such a country; or
 - b) A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established, or registered in such a country; or
 - c) An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated, established, or registered in such a country; or
 - d) An entity whose beneficial owner is situated in such a country; or
 - e) An Indian (or other) agent of such an entity; or
 - f) A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or
 - g) A consortium/ joint venture where any member falls under any of the above
- 4) The beneficial owner shall mean:
 - (a) In a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s). Whether acting alone or together or through one or more juridical persons, controlling ownership interest or exercises control through other means.

Explanation-

- (i) "Controlling ownership interest" means ownership of or entitlement to more than twenty-five percent of the company's shares or capital, or profits.
- (ii) "Control" shall include the right to appoint a majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholder agreements or voting agreements;

¹ <https://mea.gov.in/india-and-neighbours.htm>

² <http://meadashboard.gov.in/indicators/92>

³ <https://dipp.gov.in/sites/default/files/Revised-Application-Format-for-Registration-of-Bidders-15Oct2020.pdf>

- (b) In the case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s) who, whether acting alone or together or through one or more juridical persons, has ownership of entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits.
- (c) In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals;
- (d) Where no natural person is identified under (1) or (2) or (3) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official.
- (e) In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification of the author of the trust, the trustee, the beneficiaries with fifteen percent or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.

3.4 Conflict of Interest.

Any bidder having a conflict of interest, which substantially affects fair competition, shall not be eligible to bid in this tender. Bids found to have a conflict of interest shall be rejected as nonresponsive. Bidder shall be required to declare the absence of such conflict of interest in Form 1.2 - Eligibility Declarations. A bidder in this Tender Process shall be considered to have a conflict of interest if the bidder:

- 1) directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with another Bidder; or
- 2) receives or have received any direct or indirect subsidy/ financial stake from another bidder; or
- 3) has the same legal representative/ agent as another bidder for purposes of this bid. A Principal can authorize only one agent, and an agent also should not represent or quote on behalf of more than one Principal. However, this shall not debar more than one Authorised distributor from quoting equipment manufactured by an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM), in procurements under Proprietary Article Certificate; or
- 4) has a relationship with another bidder, directly or through common third parties, that puts it in a position to have access to information about or influence the bid of another Bidder or influence the decisions of the Procuring Entity regarding this Tender process; or
- 5) participates in more than one bid in this tender process. Participation in any capacity by a Bidder (including the participation of a Bidder as sub-contractor in another bid or vice-versa) in more than one bid shall result in the disqualification of all bids in which he is a party. However, this does not limit the participation of a non-bidder firm as a sub-contractor in more than one bid; or
- 6) would be providing goods, works, or non-consulting services resulting from or directly related to consulting services that it provided (or were provided by any affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that firm), for the procurement planning (inter-alia preparation of feasibility/ cost estimates/ Detailed Project Report (DPR), design/ technical specifications, terms of reference (ToR)/ Activity Schedule/ schedule of requirements or the Tender Document etc.) of this Tender process; or
- 7) has a close business or family relationship with a staff of the India Meteorological Department who:
 - (i) are directly or indirectly involved in the preparation of the Tender document or specifications of the Tender Process, and/or the evaluation of bids; or
 - (ii) would be involved in the implementation

or supervision of resulting Contract unless the conflict stemming from such relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Procuring Entity throughout the Tender process and execution of the Contract.

- 8) The bidder (Manufacturer/ authorized representative of a manufacturer) must have executed successfully supply order of Ozonesonde or similar instruments in the last five years. In support of experience, past performance and capacity/ capability should be authenticated by the person authorized to sign the tender on behalf of the bidder. Original documents must be submitted for inspection, if so demanded.
- 9) The Average annual-financial turnover of 'The Bidder' during the last three years, ending on 31st March 2025', the turnover in the last 3 years should be more than or equal to 40 % of the estimated bid value each year. In this regard audited annual balance sheet and profit or loss statement/ report, duly authenticated (by a Chartered Accountant/ Cost Accountant in India) of last three consecutive years shall be submitted along with technical bid. The profit/ loss statement should categorically indicate profit or loss for each year.
- 10) The bidder should not have suffered any financial loss for more than one year during the last three years ending 31st March 2025 or December 2025 if the bidder firm follows calendar year as financial year.
- 11) The net worth of the bidder (Manufacturer or principal of authorized representative) should not be negative on 'The 31st March 2025 or latest last financial year' and also should have not eroded by more than 30% (thirty percent) in the last three years, ending on the 31st March 2025 or or December 2025 if the bidder firm follows calendar year as financial year.
- 12) Relaxation on past experience, performances and turnover are applicable as per government norms under make in India program

Note: In case of Indian Bidders/companies (manufacturer or principal of authorized representative) who have been restructured by Banks in India, under the statutory guidelines, they would be deemed to have qualified the Financial standing criteria considering the institutional financial backing available to them.

3.5 Regulation of Indian Agents/ Associates of Foreign Principals

Wherever the foreign principal desires to involve in this tender process, an Indian Agent/ associate, their dealings shall be regulated. Foreign Principals and their Agents/ Associates must provide required declarations in Form 1.4 – Declarations by Agents/ Associates of Foreign Principals:

- 1) The name and address of the foreign principals, if any, indicating their nationality as well as their status, i.e., whether manufacturer or agents of manufacturer holding the Letter of Authority of the Principal authorizing them specifically to make an offer in India in response to tender either directly or through the agents/ representatives.
- 2) Such Agents/ Associates shall provide self-attested documentary evidence about their identity, business details to establish that they are a bonafide business and conform to regulations.
- 3) The Bidder/ Foreign Principal must commit to submitting after the Financial bid opening, due to price-sensitive information, the Agreement between them, including the amount of commission/ remuneration included in the price (s).

- 4) Confirmation on behalf of the foreign principals that the commission/ remuneration, if any, reserved for Indian Agents/ Associates in the quoted price(s), shall be paid by the Procuring Entity in India in equivalent Indian Rupees on satisfactory completion of the Project or supplies of Goods and Spares.
- 5) Failure to furnish correct and detailed information shall render Foreign Principal's bid liable to be rejected as nonresponsive in addition to other punitive actions against the Foreign Principal and their Indian Agents/ Associates for violation of Code of Integrity as per the Tender Document.

4. Purchase Preference Policies of the Government

The Procuring Entity reserves its right to grant preferences to the following categories of eligible Bidders under various Government Policies/ Directives:

- 1) Class I Local Suppliers under Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order 2017" (MII) of Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, (DPIIT - Public Procurement Section) as revised from time to time.
- 2) Bidders from Micro and/ or Small Enterprises (MSEs) under Public Procurement Policy for the Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) Order, 2012 as amended from time to time.
- 3) Start-ups Bidders under Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Public Procurement Division OM No F.20\212014-PPD dated 25.07.2016 and subsequent clarifications; and/ or
- 4) Any other category of Bidders, as per any Government Policies, announced from time to time, if so provided in the TIS/ ITB/ AITB

4.1 Make in India Order

Orders issued by the Government of India regarding eligibility to participate and for purchase preference to "Local Suppliers" to encourage 'Make in India' and promote manufacturing and production of goods and services in India shall apply to this procurement, as detailed below. Updates and modifications in the Make in India policy by the government of India at the time of uploading this tender document on the portal are also applicable to this tender. <https://doe.gov.in/procurement-policy-division-0?page=1>.

4.1.1 Categories of Local Suppliers

Bidders/Contractors are divided into three categories based on Local Content. Local content in the context of this policy is the total value of the item procured (excluding net domestic indirect taxes) minus the value of imported content in the item (including all customs duties) as a proportion of the total value, in percent.:

- 1) 'Class-I local Supplier' with local content equal to or more than 50%.
- 2) 'Class-II local Supplier' with local content equal to or more than 20%, but less than 50%.
- 3) 'Non - Local Supplier' with local content less than 20%.

4.1.2 Eligibility Restrictions based on Reciprocity.

If so stipulated in the Tender Document, entities from such countries identified as not allowing Indian companies to participate in their Government procurement shall not be allowed to participate on a reciprocal basis in this tender. The term 'entity' of a country shall have the same meaning as under the FDI Policy of DPIIT as amended from time to time.

4.1.3 Eligibility to participate

- 1) **Minimum local content for eligibility to participate:** Only bidders meeting the minimum prescribed local content for the product shall be eligible to participate subject to the following conditions. This threshold is declared in TIS and/ or Section VI: Schedule of Requirements
- 2) **Classes of Local Suppliers eligible to Participate:** Based on the Make in India Policy, classes of local/ non-local Suppliers eligible to participate in the tender is declared in TIS/ AITB/ Schedule of Requirements. Only Class-I and Class-II local Suppliers shall be eligible to participate and not non-local Suppliers.

4.1.4 Thresholds

- 1) Following thresholds shall be declared in the Tender Document.
 - (a) **Minimum local content for Contractor classification:** local content percentage prescribed to qualify as Class-I or Class-II local Suppliers for various products
 - (b) **Minimum local content for eligibility to participate:** Minimum local content percentage prescribed for eligibility for a bid to be considered.
 - (c) **The margin of purchase preference:** The bid price quoted by Class-I Local Supplier should be within this percentage from the L-1 price quoted by Non-local or Class-II bidders for being eligible for purchase preference.
- 2) If not so declared, the default threshold shall be as follows:
 - (a) Local content for eligibility for Class-I; Class-II local Suppliers and Non-local Suppliers shall be 50% and above; 20% and above but less than 50%; and less than 20%, respectively.
 - (b) Minimum local content for eligibility to participate shall be 20%,
 - (c) The margin of purchase preference shall be 20%.

4.1.5 Purchase preference to Class-I local Suppliers

- 1) For goods and works where the Goods are divisible by nature:
 - (a) Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid shall be termed as L-1. If L-1 is 'Class-I local Supplier', the contract for full quantity shall be awarded to L-1.
 - (b) If the L-1 bid is not a 'Class-I local Supplier', 50% of the order quantity shall be awarded to L-1. After that, the lowest bidder among the 'Class-I local Supplier' whose quoted price falls within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L-1 price for the remaining 50% quantity, and a contract for that quantity shall be awarded him, subject to matching the L-1 price. In case such lowest eligible 'Class-I local Supplier' fails to match the L-1 price or accepts less than the offered quantity, the next higher 'Class-I local Supplier' within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L-1 price for the remaining quantity and so on, and the contract shall be awarded accordingly. If some quantity is still left uncovered on Class-I local Suppliers, such balance quantity shall also be ordered on the L-1 bidder.
- 2) For goods and works where the Goods are not divisible, and in the procurement of services where the bid is evaluated on price alone:
 - (a) Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid shall be termed as L-1. If L-1 is 'Class-I local Supplier', the contract shall be awarded to L-1.

- (b) If L-1 is not 'Class-I local Supplier', the lowest bidder among the 'Class-I local Supplier' shall be invited to match the L-1 price subject to Class-I local Supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference, and the contract shall be awarded to such 'Class-I local Supplier' subject to matching the L-1 price.
 - (c) If such lowest eligible 'Class-I local Supplier' fails to match the L-1 price, the 'Class-I local Supplier' with the next higher and so on, bid within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L-1 price, and the contract shall be awarded accordingly. If none of the 'Class-I local Supplier' within the margin of purchase preference matches the L-1 price, the contract shall be awarded to the L-1 bidder.
- 3) Where parallel contracts are to be awarded to multiple bidders: In Bids where parallel contracts are to be awarded to multiple bidders subject to matching of L-1 rates or otherwise, the 'Class-I local Supplier' shall get purchase preference over 'Class-II local Supplier' as well as 'Non-local Supplier', as per following procedure:
- (a) If there is sufficient local capacity and competition for the item to be procured, as notified by the nodal Ministry, only Class I local Suppliers shall be eligible to bid. As such, the multiple Contractors, who would be awarded the contract, should be all and only 'Class I Local Suppliers'.
 - (b) In Bids, other than those mentioned above, 'Class II local Suppliers' or both 'Class II local Suppliers' and 'Nonlocal Suppliers' may also participate in the tender process along with 'Class I Local Suppliers'. If 'Class I Local Suppliers' qualify for the contract award for at least 50% of the tendered quantity in tender, the contract shall be awarded to all the qualified bidders as per award criteria stipulated in the Tender Documents. However, in case 'Class I Local Suppliers' do not qualify for the award of contract for at least 50% of the tendered quantity as per award criteria, purchase preference should be given to the 'Class I local Supplier' over 'Class II local Suppliers'/ 'Non-local Suppliers' provided that their quoted rate falls within the margin of purchase preference of the highest bid considered for award of contract. To ensure that the 'Class I Local Suppliers' taken in totality are considered for award of contract for at least 50% of the tendered quantity, first purchase preference has to be given to the lowest among such eligible 'Class-I local Suppliers', subject to its meeting the prescribed criteria for the award of contract as also the constraint of the maximum quantity that can be sourced from any single Contractor. If the lowest among such 'Class-I local Suppliers' does not qualify for purchase preference because of aforesaid constraints or does not accept the offered quantity, an opportunity shall be given to next higher among such 'Class-I local Supplier', and so on.

4.1.6 Verification of local content and violations:

- 1) The 'Class-I local Supplier'/ 'Class-II local Supplier' at the time of tender, bidding, or solicitation shall be required to indicate the percentage of local content and provide self-certification that the item offered meets the local content requirement for 'Class-I local Supplier'/ 'Class-II local Supplier', as the case may be.
- 2) In cases of procurement for a tender value above Rs. 10 crores, the 'Class-I local Supplier'/ 'Class-II local Supplier' shall be required to provide a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in the case of companies) or a practising cost accountant or practising chartered accountant (in respect of Contractors other than companies) giving the percentage of local content.

- 3) Complaints about Local content declarations may be made through the channels of Procuring Entity. Procuring Entities and Nodal Ministries may prescribe fees for such complaints.
- 4) Bids with false declarations regarding Local contents shall be rejected as responsive, in addition to punitive actions under the MII orders and for violating the Code of Integrity as per the Tender Document.

4.1.7 Manufacture under license/ transfer of technology / collaboration agreements with phased indigenization

- 1) Foreign companies shall enter into a joint venture with an Indian company to participate.
- 2) The Procuring Entity reserves its right, but without being under any obligation to do so, to grant exemption from meeting the stipulated local content to Bidders manufacturing indigenously a product developed abroad under a license from a foreign manufacturer (who holds intellectual property rights) under a technology collaboration agreement/ transfer of technology agreement with a precise phasing of increase in local content. Bidder must obtain such an exemption letter and submit it along with his bid to avail such an exemption.

4.1.8 Information to be provided by Bidders regarding Make in India policy

Bidder shall provide required self-declaration as detailed in Form 1.2 – Eligibility Declarations:

- 1) Self-declaration of their local content (and required certificate, in case of procurements above Rs 10 Crores) and their status as Class-I/ Class-II/ Non-local Supplier and their eligibility to participate as per this clause.
- 2) If the Tender Document indicates countries identified as not allowing Indian companies to participate in their Government procurement, then a declaration that they are not an 'Entity' of such countries (as per criteria of the FDI Policy of DPIIT as amended from time to time) and are therefore eligible to participate in this tender.
- 3) If a Bidder is claiming exemption (as obtained from relevant authorities) from meeting the stipulated local content on account of manufacturing the product in India under a license from a foreign manufacturer with the precise phasing of increase in local content, he must provide proof thereof.

4.2 Support/ Preferential Treatment to Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs)

Policies of the Government to support Micro and Small Industries (MSEs, registered as per the following sub-clause) in comparison to non-MSE enterprises shall apply to this procurement.

4.2.1 Registration of MSEs

- 1) MSEs interested in availing such benefits must enclose in Form 1.2 with their offer the Udyam Registration Certificate with the Udyam Registration Number as proof of their being MSE registered on the Udyam Registration Portal. The certificate shall be of latest but before the deadline for the bid submission.
- 2) MSEs shall be treated as owned by SC/ ST or women entrepreneurs:
 - (a) The proprietor(s) shall be SC/ ST or women In proprietary MSEs

- (b) At least 51% shares shall be held by the SC/ ST or women partners in a partnership MSEs.
- (c) At least a 51% share shall be held by SC/ ST or women promoters in Private Limited Companies MSEs.

4.2.2 Support to MSEs

MSEs are exempted from payment of Earnest Money. (as per ITB-clause 9.4 below, they shall be required only to submit Bid Security Declaration)

4.2.3 Reservation of specific items for procurement

This procurement is not reserved as per the Public Procurement Policy for the Micro and Small Enterprises Order, 2012, for exclusive purchase from Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) registered with agencies, as mentioned in clause 4.2.3 below.

4.2.4 Purchase Preference to MSEs

The Procuring Entity reserves its option to give purchase preference to MSEs compared to the non-MSE enterprises as per policies of the Government from time to time. This preference shall only apply to products produced and services rendered by Micro and Small Enterprises. If an MSE bidder quotes a price within the band of the lowest (L-1) +15 percent in a situation where the L-1 price is quoted by someone other than an MSE, then MSE bidders are eligible for being awarded up to 25 percent of the total quantity being procured if they agree to match the L-1 price. In case of more than one such eligible MSE, this 25 percent quantity shall be distributed proportionately among these bidders.

4.3 Support to Start-up Enterprises

4.3.1 Definition of Start-up Enterprises

- 1) As defined by DPIIT, an entity shall be considered as a 'Start-up':
 - (a) Upto a period of ten years from the date of incorporation/ registration, if it is incorporated as a private limited company (as defined in the Companies Act, 2013) or registered as a partnership firm (registered under section 59 of the Partnership Act, 1932) or a limited liability partnership (under the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008) in India, and
 - (b) Turnover of the entity for any of the financial years since incorporation/ registration has not exceeded one hundred crore rupees, and
 - (c) The entity works towards innovation, development or improvement of products or processes or services or a scalable business model with a high potential for employment generation or wealth creation.
- 2) Provided that an entity formed by splitting up or reconstructing an existing business shall not be considered a 'Start-up'.
- 3) A Start-up so identified under the above definition shall be required to obtain and submit along with his bid a certificate of an eligible Start-up from the inter-Ministerial Board of Certification to obtain support.

4.3.2 Support to Start-ups

The Government of India has ordered the following support to Start-ups (as defined by the Department of Promotion of Industrial and Internal Trade - DPIIT).

- 1) **Exemption from submission of Bid Security:** Such Start-ups shall be exempted from payment of Earnest Money. (as per ITB-clause 9.4 below, they shall be required only to submit Bid Security Declaration)
- 2) **Relaxation in Prior Turnover and Experience:** The Procuring Entity reserves its right to relax the condition of prior turnover and prior experience for start-up enterprises subject to meeting of quality & technical specifications. The decision of the Procuring Entity in this regard shall be final.

5. The Goods, Eligible Goods and Basis of Evaluation

5.1 Eligible Goods –Origin and Minimum Local Content

All 'Goods' and 'incidental Works/ Service' to be supplied under the contract must conform to i) restrictions on certain countries with land-borders with India (ITB-clause 3.3; ii) minimum local content (Make in India Policy – ITB-clause 4.1). If Bidder avails benefits under any preferential policy as Class-I Local Supplier or as MSE or Start-up enterprise, the Goods must not circumvent the provisions relating to such benefits.

5.2 Basis of Evaluation for Schedules/ packages

- 1) If there is more than one schedule/ package in Section VI: Schedule of Requirements, evaluation of financial ranking of bids shall be done separately for each schedule, and Bidder has the option to submit its quotation for any one or more schedules/ packages and, also, to offer special discount for combined schedules. However, Bidder shall quote for the complete Goods as stipulated in a schedule quoted.
- 2) If there is only a list of items without grouping into schedules, evaluation of financial ranking of bids shall be done for each item separately, and Bidder has the option to submit its quotation for any one or more items and, also, to offer special discount for combined items. However, Bidder shall quote for all the destinations included in an item quoted.
- 3) If there is only one item in the Goods with several destinations, evaluation of financial ranking of bids shall be done separately for each destination included in that item separately, and Bidder has the option to submit its quotation for any one or more destinations and, also, to offer special discounts for all destinations.

6. Bid Prices, Taxes and Duties

6.1 Prices

6.1.1 Competitive and Independent Prices

- a) The prices should be arrived at independently, without restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder or competitor relating to:
 - i) those prices; or
 - ii) the intention to submit an offer; or
 - iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.
- b) The prices should neither be nor shall be knowingly disclosed by the Bidder, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or competitor before bid opening or contract award unless otherwise required by law.

6.1.2 Undue profiteering

- 1) **Controlled Price, if any or MRP:** The price quoted by Bidder shall not be higher than the controlled price fixed by law for the Goods, if any, or where there is no controlled price, it shall not exceed the prices or contravene the norms for fixation of prices if any, laid down by Government or where the Government has fixed no such prices or norms, it shall not exceed the price appearing in any agreement, if any, relating to price regulation by any industry. In any case, save for special reasons stated in the bid, if any, the price charged shall not be higher than the Maximum Retail Price (MRP).
- 2) **Undue profiteering:** If the price quoted is higher than the controlled price in the sub-clause above, Bidder shall specifically mention this fact in his bid giving reasons for quoting a higher price(s). If he fails to do so or makes any misstatement, it shall be lawful for the Procuring Entity either to revise the price at any stage to bring it in conformity with the sub-clause (1) above or to terminate the contract for default as per the contract and avail all the remedies available therein in addition to other punitive actions for violation of Code of Integrity.

6.1.3 Price Components

- 1) Bidder shall indicate in the Price Schedule all the specified components of prices shown therein, including the unit prices and total bid prices.
- 2) **The break-up of Prices based on Origin of Goods:** The quoted prices for Goods offered from India and those offered from abroad should be indicated separately in the applicable Price Schedules. The prices in the corresponding price schedule shall be entered separately in the following manner:
 - (a) **Domestic Goods:** For Goods offered indigenously, the prices in the corresponding price schedule shall be entered separately in the following manner:
 - (i) The price of the Goods quoted ex-factory, ex-showroom, ex-warehouse or off-the-shelf, as applicable, shall be assumed to include all taxes and duties like GST, customs duty, etc. already paid or payable on the components and raw material used in the manufacture or assembly of the Goods or on the previously imported Goods of foreign origin.
 - (ii) Any GST, which shall be payable on the Goods in India if the contract is awarded.
 - (iii) Charges towards inland transportation, insurance, and other local costs incidental to the delivery of the Goods to their final destination as stipulated in Section VI: Schedule of Requirements and
 - (iv) The price of incidental Works/ Services, as and if mentioned in Section VI: Schedule of Requirements.

3) Price Components in case of Capital Goods/ Machinery and Plant

As declared in TIS/ AITB the procurement of Capital Goods/ Machinery & Plant following price components shall be provided in Form 2: Schedule of Requirements – Compliance and Form 3: Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance – Compliance:

(a) Compulsory Spares for One Year's Maintenance (If applicable)

The Bidders shall also quote in their financial bids the prices of spares and their quantities estimated to be required for maintenance of equipment two years beyond the warranty period. The total cost of such spares shall be added to the cost of equipment and incidental works/

services to evaluate financial bids. These spares shall be supplied along with the main equipment.

(b) Insurance

The Bidders shall also quote in their financial bids the cost of Insurance of the consignment of the equipment and spares upto the ultimate consignee. If not explicitly quoted, it shall be assumed to be included in the process quoted for the equipment.

(c) Prices of Other Spares usually needed for Maintenance

The Bidders shall also quote in their financial bids the indicative prices of crucial spares and their quantities estimated to be required for maintenance of equipment beyond the above mentioned One Year period. This information is for future spares ordering, and the prices would not be added to the bid amount. The successful bidder/ contractor shall endeavour to maintain such prices over a reasonable period. The Bidders who are OEM must give undertaking for supply of spare parts for a period of the expected life of the machine/equipment. Other tenderers must submit undertakings from their OEM to supply spare parts for a period of the expected life of the machine/equipment. In this connection, GCC-6.6 (Spare Parts) shall also be applicable.

(d) Incidental Works/ Services

The Bidders shall provide the specified incidental works/ services (e.g., Installation, Commissioning, Training of Operator etc.). The Bidders may quote separate prices for these. Otherwise, it shall be assumed to be included in the prices of the main equipment price.

4) The indication of such price components is to compare the Bids and shall not restrict the Procuring Entity's right to award the contract on any terms offered.

6.1.4 Price Schedule

- 1) Bidders are to upload only the downloaded Price Schedule : (1) PDF Format and (2) BOQ in excel format) after entering the relevant fields without any alteration/ deletion/ modification of other portions of the excel sheet. Delivery Schedule and Terms of delivery are also to be quoted. All the columns shown in the price schedule should be filled up as required. If any column does not apply to a Bidder, he should clarify the same on firm's letterhead.
- 2) Bidders shall fill in their rates other than zero value in the specified cells without keeping it blank. i.e. the bidder has to quote some price value for every item in the price schedule. As per clause 173 1(i) of GFR, "if a firm quotes NIL charges/consideration, the bid shall be treated as unresponsive and will not be considered. "
- 3) The quoted price shall be considered to include all relevant financial implications, including inter-alia the scope of the Goods to be supplied, location of the bidder, location of the consignee(s), terms of delivery, extant rules and regulations relating to taxes, duties, customs, transportation, environment, labour of the bidder's country and in India.

6.1.5 Provisions of GST

- 1) Break up of different price elements, i.e., as per GST Act, shall be indicated separately, along with its associated HSN code and GST rate.

- 2) While quoting the basic rate, the bidder should offset the input credit available/ to be availed as per the GST Act.
- 3) Please refer to ITB-clause 6.3 for further details.

6.1.6 Currencies of Bid and Payment

- 1) The currency of bid and payment shall be quoted by Bidder preferably in Indian Rupees.
- 2) Where the Tender Document permits quotations in different currencies, then, for domestic Goods, prices shall be quoted in Indian Rupees only, and for imported Goods, prices shall be quoted either in Indian rupees or in the currency stipulated in the AITB. For evaluation, all quoted prices shall be first converted into Indian Rupees as per the procedure mentioned in ITB-clause 12.4.2 below.
 - (a) Regarding price(s) for incidental Works/ Services, if any, required with the Goods, the same shall be quoted in Indian Rupees, if such Works/ Services are to be performed/ undertaken in India.
 - (b) Commission for Indian Agent, if applicable, shall be indicated in the space provided for in the price schedule and quoted in Indian Rupees only.

6.1.7 Non-compliances

Tenders, where prices are quoted in any other way, shall be rejected as nonresponsive.

6.2 Firm/ Variable Price

6.2.1 Firm Price

prices quoted by Bidder shall remain firm and fixed during the currency of the contract and not subject to variation on any account.

6.2.2 Price Variation Clause: Not applicable

6.2.3 Exchange rate variation: Not applicable

6.3 Goods and Services Tax (GST)

6.3.1 GST Registration Status:

- 1) All the bidders/ Bidders should ensure that they are GST compliant and their quoted tax structure/ rates as per GST Act/ Rules. Bidder should be registered under GST and furnish GSTIN number and GST Registration Certificate in their offer unless they are specifically exempted from registration under specific notification/ circular/ section/ rule issued by statutory authorities.
- 2) **GST Registration Number (15-digit GSTIN).** If the bidder has multiple business verticals in a state and has separate registration for each vertical, the GSTIN of each vertical is concerned with the supply and service involved, as per the scope of Schedule of Requirements and Price Schedule quoted. If the supply/ service provided is from multiple states, the bidder should mention GST registration numbers for each state separately.
- 3) **Composition scheme:** If the Bidder has opted for a composition levy under Section 10 of CGST, he should declare the fact while bidding along with GSTIN and GST registration certificate.

- 4) **Exemption from Registration:** If a bidder is not liable to take GST registration, i.e., having turnover below threshold, he shall submit undertaking/ indemnification against tax liability. Bidder claiming exemption in this respect shall submit a valid certificate from practising Chartered Accountant (CA)/ Cost Accountant with Unique Document Identification Number (DIN) to the effect that Bidder fulfils all conditions prescribed in notification exempting him from registration. Such bidder/ dealer shall not charge any GST and/ or GST Cess in the bill/ invoice. In such case, applicable GST shall be deposited under Reverse Charge Mechanism (RCM) or otherwise as per GST Act by the Procuring Entity directly to concerned authorities. Bidder should note that his offer would be loaded with the payable GST under the RCM. Further, Bidder should notify and submit to the Procuring Entity within 15 days from the date of becoming liable to registration under GST.
- 5) The Procuring Entity's state-wise GSTINs are indicated in Section VI – Schedule of Requirements and/ or TIS/ AITB.

6.3.2 HSN Code and GST Rate:

- 1) HSN (Harmonized System of Nomenclature) code for the goods provided in this Tender Document is only indicative. It shall be the responsibility of Bidder to ensure that they quote the exact HSN Code and corresponding GST rate for the goods being offered by them.
- 2) As per the GST Act, the bid and contract must show the GST Tax Rates (and GST Cess if applicable) and GST Amount explicitly and separate from the bid/ contract price (exclusive of GST). If the price is stated to be inclusive of GST, the current rate included in the price must be declared by the bidder.
- 3) If a Bidder asks for GST (and GST Cess if applicable) to be paid extra, the rate and nature of such taxes applicable should be shown separately. Bidders should quote 'GST' if payable extra on the total basic rate of each cost element and quote GST in '%' inclusive of cess.
- 4) If GST, other taxes, duties are not specified, or column is left blank in the price schedule, it shall be presumed that no such tax/ levy is applicable or payable by the Procuring Entity.

6.4 Payments

6.4.1 General

Unless otherwise stipulated, Payment terms laid down in clause GCC 10.3 shall be applicable.

6.4.2 No Advance Payments

Unless otherwise stipulated, no advance payment of any type (Mobilization, secured advances etc.), shall be made by the Procuring Entity to the contractor. If so, provided the conditions for such advances shall be as per conditions stipulated therefor.

7. Downloading the Tender Document; Corrigenda and Clarifications

7.1 Downloading the Tender Document

The Tender Document shall be published and be available for download as mentioned in TIS. The Bidders can obtain the Tender Document after the date and time of the start of availability till the deadline for

availability. If the office happens to be closed on the deadline for the availability of the Tender Document, the deadline shall not be extended.

7.2 Corrigenda/ Addenda to Tender Document

Before the deadline for submitting bids, the Procuring Entity may update, amend, modify, or supplement the information, assessment or assumptions contained in the Tender Document by issuing a corrigenda and addenda. The corrigenda and addenda shall be published in the same manner as the original Tender Document. Without any liability or obligation, the Portal may send intimation of such corrigenda/ addenda to bidders who have downloaded the document under their login. However, the bidders' responsibility is to check the website(s) for any corrigenda/ addenda. Any corrigendum or addendum thus issued shall be considered a part of the Tender Document. To give reasonable time to the prospective bidders to take such corrigendum/ addendum into account in preparing their bids, the Procuring Entity may suitably extend the deadline for the bid submission, as necessary. After the procuring entity makes such modifications, any Bidder who has submitted his bid in response to the original invitation shall have the opportunity to either withdraw his bid or re-submit his bid superseding the original bid within the extended time of submission as per ITB-clause 10.4.1 below.

7.3 Clarification on the Tender Document

A Bidder may seek clarification of the Tender Document from Office/ Contact Person/ e-procurement Help Desk as mentioned in TIS, provided the clarifications are raised before the clarification end date mentioned in TIS (or if not mentioned, within 7 days before the deadline for the bid submission). The Procuring Entity shall respond within 5 working days of receipt of such a request for clarification. The query and clarification shall be shared on the portal with all the prospective bidders. Any modification of the Tender Document that may become necessary due to the clarification shall be made by the Procuring Entity through an Addendum/ Corrigendum issue under the sub-clause above.

8. Pre-bid Conference

- 1) prospective bidders interested in participating in this tender may attend a Pre-bid conference to clarify techno-commercial conditions of the Tenders at the venue, date and time specified therein. Participation in the Pre-bid conference is restricted to prospective bidders who have downloaded the Tender Document.
- 2) Participation is not mandatory. However, if a bidder chooses not to (or fails to) participate in the Pre-bid conference or does not submit a written query, it shall be assumed that they have no issues regarding the techno/ commercial conditions.
- 3) The date and time by which the written queries for the Pre-bid must reach the authority and the last date for registration for participation in the Pre-bid conference are also mentioned in the TIS. If the dates are not mentioned, such date and time shall be 7 days before the date and time of the pre-bid conference.
- 4) Delegates participating in the Pre-bid conference must provide a photo identity and an authorization letter as per the format in Format 2: "Authorization for attending a Pre-bid Conference " from their Company/ principals; else, they shall not be allowed to participate. The pre-bid conference may also be held online at the discretion of the Procuring Entity.

- 5) After the Pre-bid conference, Minutes of the Pre-bid conference shall be published on the Procuring Entity's portal within seven days from the Pre-bid conference. If required, a clarification letter and corrigendum to Tender Document shall be issued, containing amendments of various provisions of the Tender Document, which shall form part of the Tender Document. As per ITB-clause 7.2 above, to give reasonable time to the prospective bidders to take such clarifications into account in preparing their bids, the Procuring Entity may suitably extend, as necessary, the deadline for the bid submission.

9. Preparation of Bids

9.1 The bid

9.1.1 Language of the bid

The bid submitted by Bidder and all subsequent correspondence and documents relating to the bid exchanged between Bidder and the Procuring Entity shall be written in English Language only.

9.1.2 Acquaintance with Local Conditions and Factors

The Bidder, at his own cost, responsibility, and risk, is encouraged to visit, examine, and familiarise himself with all the site/ local conditions and factors. The Bidder acknowledges that before the submission of the bid, he has, after a complete and careful examination, made an independent evaluation of the Site/ local conditions, the legal, environmental, infrastructure, logistics, communications and any other conditions or factors of which would have any effect on the price to be quoted by him or affecting performance/ completion of the contract. Bidders shall themselves be responsible for compliance with Rules, Regulations, Laws and Acts in force from time to time at relevant places. On such matters, the Procuring Entity shall have no responsibility and shall not entertain any request from the bidders in these regards.

9.1.3 Cost of Bidding

The Bidder(s) shall bear all direct or consequential costs, losses and expenditure associated with or relating to the preparation, submission, and subsequent processing of their Bids, including but not limited to preparation, copying, postage, delivery fees, expenses associated with any submission of samples, demonstrations, or presentations which the Procuring Entity may require, or any other costs incurred in connection with or relating to their Bids. All such costs, losses and expenses shall remain with the Bidder(s), and the Procuring Entity shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for the same or any other costs, losses and expenses incurred by a Bidder(s) for participation in the Tender Process, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Tender Process.

9.1.4 Interpretation of Provisions of the Tender Document

The provisions in the Tender Document must be interpreted in the context in which these appear. Any interpretation of these provisions far removed from such context or other contrived or in between-the-lines interpretation is unacceptable.

9.1.5 Quote Quantities/ Prices in both Numerals and Words

Although the software on the Portal may convert quantities/ rates/ amounts in numerical digits in Bids to words, the bidders are advised to ensure that there is no ambiguity in this regard.

9.1.6 Alternative Bids not Allowed

As stipulated in the TIS/ AITB, conditional offers, alternative offers, multiple bids by a bidder shall not be considered. The Portal shall permit only one bid to be uploaded.

9.2 Documents comprising the bid:

9.2.1 Techno-commercial bid/ Cover

"Technical Bid" shall include inter-alia the original or scanned copies of duly signed or digitally signed copies of the following documents in pdf format. Pdf documents should not be password protected. If so, stipulated in TIS/ AITB, specified originals or self-certified copies of originals shall also be required to be physically submitted as per instruction contained therein. *No price details should be given or hinted at in the Technical bid:*

- 1) Form 7: Documents relating to Bid Security: A Bid Securing Declaration (BSD) in lieu of bid security in the format provided therein shall be uploaded as per ITB clause 9.4.
- 2) Form 1: bid Form (to serve as covering letter and declarations applicable for both the Technical bid and Financial bid);
 - (a) Form 1.1: Bidder Information;
 - (b) Form 1.2: Eligibility Declarations;
 - (c) If applicable, Form 1.3: OEM's Authorization (Ref ITB-Clause 1.5 also): Unless specifically barred in TIS/ AITB, in case Bidder offers to supply Goods, which some other firm (OEM) manufactures, Bidder must have been duly authorized by the OEM to quote for and supply the Goods to the Procuring Entity in this particular tender specifically. Bidder shall submit OEM's authorization letter to this effect as per this.
 - (d) If applicable. Form 1.4: Declaration by Agents/ Associates of Foreign Principals/ OEMs (ITB-clause 3.5 above)
- 3) Form 4: 'Qualification Criteria - Compliance': Documentary evidence needed to establish the Bidder's qualifications as stipulated in Section VIII: Qualification Criteria as follows. Besides the stipulated documents, other supporting documents, literature, pamphlets may also be attached.:
 - (a) Bidder shall also submit Form 4.1: Performance Statement to prove his technical, production and financial capabilities and eligibility, commensurate with requirements of this Tender.
- 4) Form 2: Schedule of Requirements - Compliance: Bidders should fill this form to detail the Schedules of Goods offered by them, maintaining the same numbering and structure. They may add additional details not covered elsewhere in their bid. They should highlight here any deviations/ exceptions/ reservations regarding Section VI: 'Schedule of Requirements', in a chart form, without any ambiguity or conditionality along with justification and supporting documents. Even in case of no deviation, please fill in confirmations and nil deviation statements. If mentioned elsewhere in the bid, such deviations shall not be recognised and null and void.
- 5) Form 3 - Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance - Compliance: Bidder shall upload the required and relevant documents like technical data, literature, drawings, test Reports/ Certificates and or/ or Type Test Certificates (if applicable/ necessary) from NABL/ ILAC/ Government lab with supporting documents, to establish that the goods and incidental Works/ Services offered in the bid fully conform to the goods and Works/ Services specified by the Procuring Entity in the Tender Document. Bidder is also required to provide clause by clause compliance/ deviation Statement in a

chart form (without ambiguity or conditionality along with justification) relating to all parameters of Technical Specifications, Quality Assurance. Even in case of no deviation, please fill in confirmations and nil deviation statements. If mentioned elsewhere in the bid, such deviations shall not be recognised and null and void.

- 6) Form 5 - Terms and Conditions - Compliance: Bidder must comply with the entire commercial and other clauses of this Tender Document. Any deviations should be listed in a chart form without ambiguity or conditionality, along with justification and supporting documents. All such Statements and Documents shall be uploaded as Form 5. Even in case of no deviation, please fill in confirmations and nil deviation statements. If mentioned elsewhere in the bid, such deviations shall not be recognised and null and void.
- 7) Form 6- Checklist for the Bidders. Bidder must also upload the Checklist given in the Tender Document as Form 6 to confirm that he has complied with all the instructions in the Tender Document, and nothing is inadvertently left out. This checklist is only for general guidance and is not comprehensive, and does not absolve Bidder from complying with all the requirements stipulated elsewhere in the Tender Document.
- 8) duly signed Form 8: Integrity Pact.
- 9) Any other format/ form if considered relevant by the bidder

9.2.2 Financial bid/ Cover

"Financial bid" shall comprise the Price Schedule (To be submitted separately as a PDF Sheet and an excel sheet) considering all financially relevant details, including Taxes and Duties as per ITB-clause 6.3. No additional technical details, which have not been brought out in the Technical bid shall be brought out in the Financial bid.

9.3 Bid Validity

- 1) Bids shall remain valid for a period of 90 days from the date of opening of technical bids as stipulated in TIS. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected as nonresponsive.
- 2) In case the day upto which the bids are to remain valid falls on/ subsequently declared a holiday or closed day for the Procuring Entity, the bid validity shall automatically be deemed to be extended upto the next working day.
- 3) In exceptional circumstances, before the expiry of the original time limit, the Procuring Entity may request the bidders to extend the validity period for a specified additional period. The request and the bidders' responses shall be made in writing or electronically. A bidder may agree to or reject the request. A bidder who has agreed to the Procuring Entity's request for extension of bid validity, in no case, he shall be permitted to modify his bid.

9.4 Bid Security - Related Documents

- 1) The bidder shall furnish along with its tender, EMD for an amount of INR 28.16 Lakhs shown in the Notice Inviting Tender (NIT).
- 2) In lieu of Bid Security, all Bidders shall furnish/ upload a Bid Securing Declaration (BSD) as Form 7: Documents Relating to Bid Security, along with its Technical bid. The BSD is required to protect the

Procuring Entity against the risk of the Bidder's unwarranted conduct as amplified under the sub-clause below.

- 3) The BSD provides for automatic suspension of the Bidder from being eligible for bidding in any tender in Ministry/ Department of India Meteorological Department for 2 years from the date of such enforcement. This declaration shall stand enforced if Bidder breaches the following obligation(s) under the tender conditions:
 - (a) withdraws or amends his bid or impairs or derogates from the bid in any respect within the period of validity of its bid; or
 - (b) after having been notified within the period of bid validity of the acceptance of his bid by the Procuring Entity:
 - i) refuses to or fails to submit the original documents for scrutiny or the required Performance Security within the stipulated time as per the conditions of the Tender Document.
 - (i) fails or refuses to sign the contract.
- 4) Unsuccessful Bidders' bid-Securing Declaration shall expire, if the contract is not awarded to them, upon:
 - (a) receipt by Bidder of the Procuring Entity's notification
 - (i) of cancellation of the entire tender process or rejection of all bids or
 - (ii) of the name of the successful bidder or
 - (b) forty-five days after the expiration of the bid validity or any extension thereof
- 5) The bid-Securing Declaration of the successful bidder shall stand expired only when Bidder has furnished the required Performance Security and signed the Agreement.

9.5 Non-compliance with these provisions

Bids are liable to be rejected as nonresponsive if a Bidder:

- 1) fails to provide and/ or comply with the required information, instructions etc., incorporated in the Tender Document or gives evasive information/ reply against any such stipulations.
- 2) furnishes wrong and/ or misleading data, statement(s) etc. In such a situation, besides rejection of the bid as nonresponsive, it is liable to attract other punitive actions under relevant provisions of the Tender Document for violation of the Code of Integrity.

10. Signing and Uploading of Bids

10.1 Relationship between Bidder and eProcurement Portal

The Procuring Entity is neither a party nor a principal in the relationship between Bidder and the Organization hosting the e-procurement portal (hereinafter called the Portal). Bidders must acquaint and train themselves with the rules, regulations, procedures, and implied conditions/ agreements of the Portal. Bidders intending to participate in the bid shall be required to register in the Portal. Bidders shall settle clarifications and disputes, if any, regarding the Portal directly with them. In case of conflict between provisions of the Portal with the Tender Document, provisions of the Portal shall prevail. Bidders may study the resources provided by the Portal for Bidders.

10.2 Signing of bid

The individual signing/ digitally signing the bid or any other connected documents should submit an authenticated copy of the document(s), which authorizes the signatory to commit and submit bids on behalf of the bidder in Form 1.1: Bidder Information.

10.3 Submission/ uploading of Bids.

10.3.1 Submission/ Uploading to the Portal

- 1) No manual Bids shall be made available or accepted for submission (except for originals of scanned copies as per sub-clause 5 below). In the case of downloaded documents, Bidder must not make any changes to the contents of the documents while uploading, except for filling the required information – otherwise, the bid shall be rejected as nonresponsive.
- 2) Bids shall be received only *Online* on or before the deadline for the bid submission as notified in TIS.
- 3) Only one copy of the bid can be uploaded, and Bidder shall digitally sign all statements, documents, certificates uploaded by him, owning sole and complete responsibility for their correctness/ authenticity as per the provisions of the IT Act 2000 as amended from time to time.
- 4) Bidder need not sign or up-load the Schedules in ITB-clause 1.4 above while uploading his bid unless otherwise instructed in the Tender Document. It is assumed that Bidder commits itself to comply with all the Sections and documents uploaded by the Tender Inviting Officer.
- 5) Bidder must upload scanned copies of originals (or self-attested copies of originals – as specified). Uploaded Pdf documents should not be password protected. Bidder should ensure the clarity/ legibility of the scanned documents uploaded by him.
- 6) originals of such specified uploaded scanned documents must also be physically submitted sealed in double cover and acknowledgement be obtained before the deadline for the bid submission at the venue mentioned. Failure to do so is likely to result in the bid being rejected as non-responsive. If the office is closed on the deadline for physical submission of originals, it shall stand extended to the next working day at the same time and venue. The Procuring Entity reserves its right to call for verification originals of all such self-certified documents from the Bidders at any stage of evaluation, especially from the successful Bidder(s) before the issue of Letter of Award (LoA).
- 7) Regarding the protected Price Schedule (PDF sheet and BOQ in excel format, Cover-2), Bidder shall write his name in the space provided in the specified location only. Bidder shall type rates in the figure only in the rate column of respective item(s) without any blank cell or Zero values in the rate column, without any alteration/ deletion/ modification of other portions of the excel sheet. If space is inadequate, Bidder may upload additional documents under "Additional Documents" in the "bid Cover Content."
- 8) The date and time of the deadline for the bid submission shall remain unaltered even if the specified date is declared a holiday for the Tender Inviting Officer.
- 9) The date and time of the e-Procurement server clock, which is also displayed on the dashboard of the bidders, shall be taken as the reference time for deciding the closing time of bid submission. Bidders are advised to ensure they submit their bid within the deadline and time of bid submission,

taking the server clock as a reference, failing which the portal shall not accept the Bids. No request on the account that the server clock was not showing the correct time and that a particular bidder could not submit their bid because of this shall be entertained. Failure or defects on the internet or heavy traffic at the server shall not be accepted as a reason for a complaint. The Procuring Entity shall not be responsible for any failure, malfunction or breakdown of the electronic system used during the e-Tender Process.

- 10) All Bids uploaded by Bidder to the portal shall get automatically encrypted. The encrypted bid can only be decrypted/ opened by the authorised persons on or after the due date and time. The bidder should ensure the correctness of the bid before uploading and take a printout of the system generated submission summary to confirm successful bid upload.
- 11) The Procuring Entity may extend the deadline for bids submission by issuing an amendment as per ITB-clause 7.2 above, in which case all rights and obligations of the Procuring Entity and the bidders previously subject to the original deadline shall then be subject to the new deadline for the bid submission.
- 12) Bid submitted through modalities other than those stipulated in TIS shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive.

10.3.2 Implied acceptance of procedures by Bidders

Submission of bid in response to the Tender Document is deemed to be acceptance of the e-Procurement and tender procedures and conditions of the Tender Document.

10.3.3 Late Bids

The bidder shall not be able to submit his bid after the expiry of the deadline for the bid submission (as per server time). Therefore, in eProcurement, a situation of Late Tender does not arise.

10.4 Modification, Resubmission and Withdrawal of Bids

10.4.1 Modification & Resubmission

Once submitted in e-Procurement, Bidder cannot view or modify his bid since it is locked by encryption. However, resubmission of the bid by the bidders for any number of times superseding earlier bid(s) before the date and time of submission is allowed. Resubmission of a bid shall require uploading of all documents, including financial bid afresh. The system shall consider only the last bid submitted as the valid bid.

10.4.2 Withdrawal

- 1) The bidder may withdraw his bid before the bid submission deadline, and it shall be marked as withdrawn and shall not get opened during the Bid opening.
- 2) No bid should be withdrawn after the deadline for the bid submission and before the expiry of the bid validity period. If a Bidder withdraws the bid during this period, the Procuring Entity shall be within its right to enforce Bid Securing Declaration (in lieu of forfeiture of the Bid Security), in addition to other punitive actions provided in the Tender Document for such misdemeanour.

11. Bid Opening

The date & time of the opening bid is as stipulated in TIS. Bids cannot be opened before the specified date & time, even by the Tender Inviting Officer, the Procurement Officer, or the Publisher. If the specified date of Bid Opening falls on is subsequently declared a holiday or closed day for the Procuring Entity, the Bids shall be opened at the appointed time on the next working day.

12. Evaluation of Bids and Award of Contract

12.1 General norms

12.1.1 Evaluation based only on declared criteria.

The evaluation shall be based upon scrutiny and examination of all relevant data and details submitted by Bidder in its/ his bid and other allied information deemed appropriate by Procuring Entity. Evaluation of bids shall be based only on the criteria/ conditions included in the Tender Document.

12.1.2 Deviations/ Reservations / Omissions - Substantive or Minor

- 1) During the evaluation of Bids, the following definitions apply:
 - (a) "Deviation" is a departure from the requirements specified in the Tender Document;
 - (b) "Reservation" is the setting of limiting conditions or withholding from complete acceptance of the requirements specified in the Tender Document; and
 - (c) "Omission" is the failure to submit part or all of the information or documentation required in the Tender Document.
- 2) A deviation/ reservation/ omission from the requirements of the Tender Document shall be considered as a substantive deviation as per the following norm, and the rest shall be considered as Minor deviation:
 - (d) which affects in any substantive way the scope, quality, or performance of the product;
 - (e) which limits in any substantive way, inconsistent with the Tender Document, the Procuring Entity's rights or the Bidder's obligations under the contract; or
 - (f) Whose rectification would unfairly affect the competitive position of other Bidders presenting substantively responsive Bids.
- 3) The decision of the Procuring Entity shall be final in this regard. Bids with substantive deviations shall be rejected as nonresponsive.
- 4) Variations and deviations and other offered benefits (techno-commercial or financial) above the scope/ quantum of the Goods specified in the Tender Document shall not influence evaluation Bids. If the bid is otherwise successful, such benefits shall be availed by the Procuring Entity, and these would become part of the contract.
- 5) The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject bids with any minor deviations. Wherever necessary; the Procuring Entity shall convey its observation as per ITB-clause 12.1.3 below, on such 'minor' issues to Bidder by registered/ speed post/ electronically etc. asking Bidder to respond by a specified date. If Bidder does not reply by the specified date or gives an evasive reply without clarifying the point at issue in clear terms, that bid shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive.

12.1.3 Clarification of Bids and shortfall documents

- 1) During the evaluation of Techno commercial or Financial Bids, the Procuring Entity may, at its discretion, but without any obligation to do so, ask Bidder to clarify its bid by a specified date. Bidder should answer the clarification within that specified date (or, if not specified, 7 days from the date of receipt of such request). The request for clarification shall be submitted in writing or electronically, and no change in prices or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted that may grant any undue advantage to such bidder. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder regarding its Bid that is not in response to a request by the Purchasing Entity shall not be considered.
- 2) If discrepancies exist between the uploaded scanned copies and the Originals submitted by the bidder, the original copy's text, etc., shall prevail. Any substantive discrepancy shall be construed as a violation of the Code of Integrity, and the bid shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive in addition to other punitive actions under the Tender Document for violation of the Code of Conduct.
- 3) The Procuring Entity reserves its right to, but without any obligation to do so, to seek any shortfall information/ documents only in case of historical documents which pre-existed at the time of the Bid Opening, and which have not undergone change since then and does not grant any undue advantage to any bidder. There is a provision on the portal for requesting Short-fall documents from the bidders. The system allows taking the shortfall documents from any bidders only once after the technical bid opening.

12.1.4 Contacting Procuring Entity during the evaluation

From the time of bid submission to awarding the contract, no Bidder shall contact the Procuring Entity on any matter relating to the submitted bid. If a Bidder needs to contact the Procuring Entity for any reason relating to this tender and/ or its bid, it should do so only in writing or electronically. Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Procuring Entity during the processing of bids, evaluation, bid comparison or award decisions shall be construed as a violation of the Code of Integrity, and bid shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive in addition to other punitive actions for violation of Code of Integrity as per the Tender Document.

12.2 Evaluation of Bids

12.2.1 Preliminary Examination of Bids - Determining Responsiveness

A substantively responsive bid is complete and conforms to the Tender Document's essential terms, conditions, and requirements, without substantive deviation, reservation, or omission. Only substantively responsive bids shall be considered for further evaluation. Unless otherwise stipulated in the AITB, the following are some of the crucial aspects for which a bid shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive:

- 1) The bid is not in the prescribed format or is not submitted as per the stipulations in the Tender Document.
- 2) Required Bid Security Declaration (Form 7) has not been provided.
- 3) Bidder is not eligible to participate in the bid as per laid down eligibility criteria;
- 4) The Goods offered are not eligible as per the provision of this tender.
- 5) Bidder has quoted Goods manufactured by a different firm without the required authority letter from the proposed manufacturer.

- 6) Bidder has quoted conditional bids or more than one bid or alternative bids unless permitted explicitly in the TIS/ AITB.
- 7) The bid validity is shorter than the required period.
- 8) The bid departs from the essential requirements stipulated in the bidding document;
- 9) Against a schedule in Section VI: Schedule of Requirement, Bidder has not quoted the entire Goods as stipulated in that schedule.
- 10) Non-submission or submission of illegible scanned copies of stipulated documents/ declarations

12.2.2 The evaluation process in Single/ multiple Cover(s) and PQB Tenders

- 1) This Tender Process is for multiple (two or more) covers Bids. Initially, only the techno-commercial bids shall be opened on the stipulated date of opening of bids. After that, the techno-commercial evaluation shall be done whether these bids meet the eligibility & qualification criteria and techno-commercial aspects. Subsequent opening of financial bids and financial evaluation shall be done only of bids declared successful in techno-commercial evaluation.
- 2) If it is stipulated that this is the second stage of the two-stage tender Process or pre-qualified bidding (PQB) after shortlisting qualified bidders in the EoI/ PQB stage, evaluation of responses from the shortlisted qualified bidders shall follow the same procedure as described above for multiple covers Tender Process.

12.3 Techno-commercial Evaluation

Only substantively responsive bids shall be evaluated for techno-commercial evaluation. In evaluating the techno-commercial bid, conformity to the eligibility/ qualification criteria, technical specifications, and Quality Assurance; and commercial conditions of the offered Goods to those in the Tender Document is ascertained. Additional factors incorporated in the Tender Document shall also be considered in the manner indicated therein. Bids with substantive techno-commercial deviations shall be rejected as nonresponsive. Procuring entity reserves its right to consider and allow minor deviations in technical and Commercial Conditions as per ITB-clause 12.1.2.

12.3.1 Evaluation of eligibility

Procuring Entity shall determine, to its satisfaction, whether the Bidders are eligible as per ITB-clause 3.2 and NIT-clause 3 above to participate in the Tender Process as per submission in Form 1.2: Eligibility Declarations in Form 1: bid Form. Tenders that do not meet the required eligibility criteria prescribed shall be rejected as nonresponsive.

12.3.2 Evaluation of Qualification Criteria

Procuring Entity shall determine, to its satisfaction, whether the Bidders are qualified and capable in all respects to perform the contract satisfactorily (subject to dispensation, if any, for Start-ups as per ITB-Clause 4.3 above) as per submission in Form 4 and its Form 4.1. This determination shall, inter-alia, consider the Bidder's financial, technical and production or other prescribed capabilities for satisfying requirements incorporated in the Tender Document. The determination shall not consider the qualifications of other firms such as the Bidder's subsidiaries, parent entities, affiliates, subcontractors

(other than specialized subcontractors if permitted in the bidding document), or any other firm(s) different from the Bidder.

12.3.3 Evaluation of Conformity to Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications/ Quality Assurance

Procuring Entity shall evaluate schedule-wise conformity of the description, scope of supply, quantity, delivery schedules, terms of delivery, transportation of the offered goods to Section VI- Schedule of requirements as per submissions in Form 2: 'Schedule of Requirements - Compliance'. Technical specifications, drawings, quality assurance and other technical terms and conditions of the Bids shall be examined, as per Form 3: 'Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance - Compliance'. Unless otherwise stated in the TIS/ AITB, alternative offers/ makes/ models shall *not* be considered.

12.3.4 Evaluation of Conformity to Commercial and Other Clauses

Bidder must comply with all the Commercial and other clauses of the Tender Document as per submissions in Form 5. The Procuring Entity shall also evaluate the commercial conditions quoted by Bidder to confirm that all terms and conditions stipulated in the Tender Document have been accepted without substantive omissions/ reservations/ exception/ deviation by the Bidder. Deviations from or objections or reservations to critical provisions such as those concerning Governing laws and Jurisdiction (GCC Clause 3), Contractor's Obligations and Restrictions of its Rights (GCC Clause 5), Performance Bond/ Security (GCC Clause 5.8), Warranty/ Guarantee (GCC Clause 6.7), Force Majeure (GCC Clause 9.13), Taxes & Duties (GCC Clause 10.2) and Code of Integrity (GCC Clause 13) will be deemed to be a material deviation.

12.3.5 Declaration of Techno-commercially Suitable Bidders and Opening of Financial Bids

Bids that succeed in the above techno-commercial evaluation shall be considered techno-commercially suitable, and financial evaluation shall be done only of such Bids. The list of such techno-commercially suitable bidders and a date/time and venue for the opening of their financial bids shall be declared on the Portal and individually to all participant bidders in accordance with ITB-clause 12.2.2 as per the type of Tender Processes.

12.4 Evaluation of Financial Bids and Ranking of Bids

12.4.1 Ranking of Financial Bids

- 1) Evaluation of the financial bids shall be on the price criteria only. Financial Bids of all Techno-commercially suitable bids are evaluated and ranked to determine the lowest priced bidder.
- 2) The comparison of the responsive Bids shall be on total outgo from the Procuring Entity's pocket, to be paid to the contractor or any third party, including all elements of costs as per the terms of the proposed contract, on FOR/ FOT destination basis, duly delivered, commissioned, etc. as the case may be, including any taxes, duties, levies etc., freight, transit Insurance, loading/ unloading/ stacking, insurance etc.
- 3) if the Schedule of Requirements contains more than one schedule, the financial ranking of bids shall be done based on all schedules put together. The bid for a schedule shall not be considered if the complete requirements prescribed in that schedule are not included in the bid;
- 4) If any bidder offers conditional discounts/ rebates in his bid or suo motu discounts and rebates after the Bid Opening (techno-commercial or financial), such rebates/ discounts shall not be

considered for ranking the offer. But if such a bidder does become L-1 without discounts/ rebates, such discounts/ rebates shall be availed and incorporated in the contracts;

- 5) the quoted price shall not be loaded based on deviations in the techno-commercial conditions. If it is so declared, such loading of the financial bid shall be done as per the relevant provisions;
- 6) As per policies of the Government, from time to time, the Procuring Entity reserves its option to give purchase preferences to eligible categories of Bidders as indicated in the Tender Document.
- 7) evaluation of Bids shall include and consider the following taxes/ duties, as per ITB-clause 6.3 above:
 - (a) in the case of Goods manufactured in India or Goods of foreign origin already located in India, GST & other similar duties, which shall be contractually payable, on the Goods if a contract is awarded on the bidder;
 - (b) The offers shall be evaluated based on the GST rate quoted by each bidder, and the same shall be used for determining the inter-se ranking. The Procuring Entity shall not be responsible for any misclassification of HSN Number or incorrect GST rate if quoted by the bidder. Any increase in GST rate due to misclassification of HSN number shall have to be absorbed by the supplier; and
 - (c) If GST is quoted extra, but with the provision that it shall be charged as applicable at the time of delivery, the offer shall be evaluated for comparison purposes by loading the maximum existing rate of GST for the product/ HSN code.
- 8) **Ambiguous Financial bid:** If the financial bid is ambiguous and leads to two equally valid total price amounts, it shall be rejected as nonresponsive.

12.4.2 Global Tender Enquiry (GTE, International Competitive Bidding)(Not applicable to this tender)

12.4.3 Evaluation Process in Tender cum e-Reverse Auction (Not applicable to this tender)

12.4.4 FGTE Cartel Formation/ Pool Rates

- 1) Unless the Procuring Entity decides this to be a case of Cartel/ Pool Rates, if more than one bidder quote the same total evaluated price, then the Procuring Entity reserves its right to distribute unequal quantities among the bidders - excluding one or more bidders, based on considerations like performance/ financial capabilities, the distance of destination godowns from the location of the factories, production capacities, any extra features/ benefits offered etc.
- 2) If Procuring Entity decides this to be a case of Cartel/ Pool Rates, leading to “Appreciable Adverse Effect on Competition” (AAEC) as identified in Competition Act, 2002, as amended from time to time, it reserves its rights to:
 - (a) order any quantity on any one or more bidders without assigning any reason thereof.
 - And/ or
 - (b) consider it as a violation of the Code of Integrity and reject the bid(s) as nonresponsive in addition to other punitive actions provided in this regard in the Tender Document. In addition to such remedies, the Procuring Entity also reserves the right to refer the matter to the Competition Commission of India (CCI) for obtaining necessary relief. In addition, the attention

of the bidders is drawn to Chapter VI of the “The Competition Act 2002”, which deals with Penalties. Such actions shall be in addition to other rights and remedies available to the Procuring Entity under the contract and Law.

12.4.5 Reasonableness of Rates Received

Procuring Entity shall evaluate whether the rates received in the Bids in the zone of consideration are reasonable. If the rates received are considered abnormally low or unreasonably high, it reserves its right to take action as per the following sub-clauses, or as per ITB-clause 2.3, reject any or all Bids; abandon/ cancel the Tender process and issue another tender for the identical or similar Goods.

12.4.6 Consideration of Abnormally Low Bids

An Abnormally Low bid is one in which the bid price, in combination with other elements of the bid, appears so low that it raises substantive concerns as to the Bidder's capability to perform the contract at the offered price. Procuring Entity shall in such cases seek written clarifications from the Bidder about its capability to deliver the contracted goods at the offered price, including detailed price analyses of its bid price concerning scope, schedule, allocation of risks and responsibilities, and any other requirements of the Tender Document. If, after evaluating the price analyses, procuring entity determines that Bidder has substantively failed to demonstrate its capability to deliver the contracted goods at the offered price, the Procuring Entity shall reject the bid/ proposal, and evaluation shall proceed with the next ranked bidder.

12.4.7 Price Negotiation

Usually, there shall be no price negotiations. However, the Procuring Entity reserves its right to negotiate with the lowest acceptable bidder (L-1), who is techno-commercially suitable for supplying bulk quantity and on whom the contract would have been placed but for the decision to negotiate.

13. Award of Contract

13.1 The Procuring Entity's Rights

13.1.1 Right to Vary Quantities at the Time of Award

At the time of contract award, the Procuring Entity reserves the right to increase or decrease, without any change in the unit prices or other terms and conditions of the bid and the Tender Document, the quantity of Goods originally stipulated in Section VI: Schedule of Requirements, provided this increase/ decrease does not exceed 25 (twenty-five) percent of tendered quantity.

13.1.2 Parallel Contracts or Splitting of Award

The Procuring Entity reserves its right to split the quantities and conclude Parallel contracts with more than one bidder (for the same tender) in the following circumstances:

- 1) there shall be no parallel orders or splitting quantities among more than one Bidders.
- 2) After due processing, if it is discovered that the quantity to be ordered is far more than what L-1 alone is capable of supplying and there was no prior stipulation in the Tender Document for parallel contracts, then it reserves its rights to distribute the quantity being finally ordered, among the other bidders by counter offering the L-1 rate to willing L-2 or higher bidders, in a transparent manner to avail full assessed capacities of lower-priced bidders first, before inviting higher-priced bidders. The decision of Procuring Entity shall be final.

- 3) However, if the Tender Document stipulates such parallel contracts due to the critical/ strategic/ specific nature of the supplies/ Goods, the manner of deciding relative share of the lowest bidder (L-1) and the rest shall be clearly defined, along with the minimum number of Bidders sought (subject to availability of suitable bids meeting the requirements) for the contract. In such cases, the bidders should not quote for less than 25% of the tendered quantity; otherwise, their offer shall be rejected as nonresponsive. Unless otherwise stipulated in the AITB, in case of splitting in two and three, the ratio of 70:30; 50:30:20, respectively shall be used. These ratios are approximate, and the Procuring Entity reserves its right to marginally vary quantities to suit capacity/ past performance of the bidder/ unit loads of packing or transportation/ relative ranking of the bids/ delivery period offered/ existing load of Bidder and other similar factors affecting smooth supplies as per requirements.

13.1.3 Additional Conditions for Rate Contracts (Not applicable to this tender)

13.2 Letter of Award (Acceptance - LoA) and Signing of Contract

13.2.1 Selection of Successful Bidder(s)

The Procuring Entity shall award the contract to the Bidder(s) whose bid(s) is Techno-commercially suitable and bid price(s) is lowest and reasonable, as per evaluation criteria detailed in the Tender Document.

13.2.2 Verification of Original Documents

Before issuing a Letter of Award (LoA) to the successful Bidder(s), the Procuring Entity may, at its discretion, ask Bidder to submit online for verification the originals of all such documents whose scanned copies were submitted online along with the Technical bid. If so decided, the photocopies of such self-certified documents shall be verified and signed by the competent officer and kept in the records as part of the contract agreement. If the Bidder fails to provide such originals or in case of substantive discrepancies in such documents, it shall be construed as a violation of the Code of Integrity. Such bid shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive in addition to other punitive actions in the Tender Document. The evaluation of Bids shall proceed with the subsequent ranked offers.

13.2.3 Letter of Award (LoA)

- 1) The Bidder, whose bid has been accepted and documents verified (at the discretion of Procuring Entity), shall be notified of the award by the Procuring Entity before the expiration of the Bid-Validity period by written or electronic means. This notification (hereinafter and in the Conditions of Contract called the "Letter of Award - LoA") shall state the sum (hereinafter and in the contract called the "Contract Price") that the Procuring Entity shall pay the contractor in consideration of the supply of the Goods. The Letter of Award (LoA) shall constitute the legal formation of the contract, subject only to the furnishing of performance security as per the provisions of the sub-clause below. The Procuring Entity, at its discretion, may directly issue the contract subject only to the furnishing of performance security, skipping the issue of LoA.
- 2) It shall be mandatory for the successful bidder to be registered on GeM and obtain a unique GeM Seller ID. before the placement of LoA or the contract. This ID shall be incorporated in the contract.

13.2.4 Performance Security

- 1) Within 14 days (or any other period stipulated in AITB) of receipt of the Letter of Award (LoA, or the contract if LoA has been skipped), performance Security as per details in GCC-5.8 shall be submitted by the contractor to the Procuring Entity.
- 2) If the contractor, having been called upon by the Procuring Entity to furnish Performance Security, fails to do so within the specified period, it shall be lawful for the Procuring Entity at its discretion to annul the award and enforce Bid Securing Declaration (in lieu of forfeiture of the Bid Security), besides taking any other administrative punitive action like 'Removal from List of Registered Suppliers' etc.
- 3) If the bidder, whose bid is the lowest evaluated bid withdraws or whose bid has been accepted, fails to sign the procurement contract as may be required or fails to provide the security as may be required for the performance of the contract or otherwise withdraws from the procurement process, the Procuring Entity shall cancel the procurement process. If the Procuring Entity is satisfied that it is not a case of cartelization and that the integrity of the procurement process has been maintained may offer the next successful bidder an opportunity to match the financial bid of the first successful bidder, and if the offer is accepted, award the contract to the next successful bidder at the price bid of the first successful bidder.

13.2.5 Signing of Contract

- 1) Within seven working days of receiving performance security, the Procuring Entity shall send the contract form (as per Format 1: Contract Form along with sub-formats) duly completed and signed, in duplicate, by registered/ speed post or by suitable digital means to the successful Bidder.
- 2) If so asked by the Procuring Entity, the successful Bidder shall return the original copy of the contract, duly signed and dated, within seven days from the date of receipt of the contract, to the Procuring Entity by registered/ speed post or by a suitable digital means.
- 3) Otherwise, the contract shall be taken to be legally effective from the date of its signing. The Contractor may point out to the Procuring Entity, in writing/ electronically, any anomalies noticed in the contract within seven days of its receipt.

13.2.6 Expiry of bid Declaring Declarations

Upon the furnishing by the successful Bidder of the Performance Security, the Procuring Entity shall promptly notify the other Bidders that their Bids have been unsuccessful. The Bid Securing Declarations of unsuccessful bidders shall expire on receipt of this notification by them, in terms of ITB-clause 9.4 above. The bid-Securing Declaration of the successful bidder shall expire when Bidder has furnished the required Performance Security and signed the Agreement.

13.2.7 Publication of Tender Result

The name and address of the successful Bidder(s) receiving the contract(s) shall be published in the Portal and notice board/ bulletin/website of the Procuring Entity.

14. Grievance Redressal/ Complaint Procedure

- 1) Bidder has the right to submit a complaint or seek de-briefing regarding the rejection of his bid, in writing or electronically, within 10 days of declaration of techno-commercial or financial evaluation results. The complaint shall be addressed to the Head of Procurement.

- 2) Within 5 working days of receipt of the complaint, the Tender Inviting Officer shall acknowledge the receipt in writing to the complainant indicating that it has been received, and the response shall be sent in due course after a detailed examination.
- 3) The Tender Inviting Officer shall convey the final decision to the complainant within 15 days of receiving the complaint. No response shall be given regarding the confidential process of evaluating bids and awarding the contract before the award is notified, although the complaint shall be kept in view during such a process. However, no response shall be given regarding the following topics explicitly excluded from such complaint process:
 - (a) Only a bidder who has participated in the concerned Tender Process, i.e., pre-qualification, bidder registration or bidding, as the case may be, can make such representation.
 - (b) Only a directly affected bidder can represent in this regard.
 - (i) In case of pre-qualification bid has been evaluated before the bidding of Technical/ financial bids, an application for review concerning the technical/ financial bid may be filed only by a bidder who has qualified in pre-qualification bid;
 - (ii) In case a technical bid has been evaluated before the opening of the financial bid, an application for review concerning the financial bid may be filed only by a bidder whose technical bid is found to be acceptable.
 - (c) Following decisions of the Procuring Entity shall not be subject to review:
 - (i) Determination of the need for procurement.
 - (ii) Complaints against specifications except under the premise that they are either vague or too specific to limit competition
 - (iii) Selection of the mode of procurement or bidding system;
 - (iv) Choice of the selection procedure.
 - (v) Provisions limiting the participation of bidders in the Tender Process, in terms of policies of the Government
 - (vi) Provisions regarding purchase preferences to specific categories of bidders in terms of policies of the Government
 - (vii) The decision to enter into negotiations with the L-1 bidder; and
 - (viii) Cancellation of the Tender Process except where it is intended to subsequently re-tender the same Goods.

15. Code of Integrity in Public Procurement, Misdemeanours and Penalties:

Procuring authorities, bidders, suppliers, contractors, and consultants should observe the highest standard of integrity and not indulge in prohibited practices or other misdemeanours, either directly or indirectly, at any stage during the Tender Process or during the execution of resultant contracts. GCC-clause 13 (including the penalties prescribed therein) shall be considered to be part of this clause of ITB (even though it is not being reproduced here for the sake of brevity) and shall apply mutadis mutandis during the pre-award tender process.

Section III: Appendix to Instructions to Bidders (AITB)

Document No. **Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx/**; Tender Title: GOODS

(Ref ITB-clause 1.4)

Note for Bidders: Following clauses (in column 1), wherever these appear in ITB shall be taken to be negated or additional provision be added to, or existing provisions be altered as per column 2. Whenever there is any conflict between the provision in the ITB and that in the AITB, the provision contained in the AITB shall prevail.

Column 1	Column 2
ITB clauses	To be read as
ITB 3, 4	Bidders - Eligibility and Preferential Policies
ITB 3.2	None
ITB 4.1	Joint venture allowed.
ITB 4.3.2	No Relaxation in prior Turnover and Experience.
ITB 5 to 6	Schedule of Requirements, Bid Prices, Taxes and Duties
ITB 5.2	Total all-inclusive offer for all the items mentioned in Schedule of Requirement and BOQ shall be used to determine the inter-se ranking of the offer.
ITB 6.1.3	Nil
ITB 6.1.6	Prices shall be quoted in Indian Rupees for offers received for supply within India and in foreign currency (preferably in USD) in case of offers received for supply from foreign countries.
ITB 6.2	Price Variation or Exchange Rate Variation clause to be as per GCC
ITB 9 to 10	Downloading, Preparation, Submission and Opening of Bids
ITB 9.1.1	English
ITB 9.1.6	Conditional offers, alternative offers, multiple bids by a bidder shall not be considered.
ITB 12	Evaluation of Bids and Award of Contract
ITB 12.2.1	Following is added The Purchaser may waive any minor informality, nonconformity, or irregularity in a bid that does not constitute a material deviation, provided such waiver does not prejudice or affect the relative ranking of any Bidder.
ITB 12.2.2	Two stage tender process

ITB 12.3.1, 12.3.2	As per Section VIII		
ITB 12.4.1-1)	As per Section VIII		
ITB 12.4.1-2)	Not Applicable		
ITB 12.4.2	Domestic Tender		
ITB 12.4.3	Parameter	Value	Default in Text
	Minimum valid bids for e-RA		3
	Shortlisting of lowest bidders for e-RA		3 upto 6 bidders; 50% above 6
	Start time of e-RA after Financial bid opening		2 Hrs
	Decrement Value (%age of L-1) and rounding off		0.5%
	The initial period of e-RA		2 Hrs
	Period of Auto-extension		10 mins
	Max auto-extensions		50
	End of trigger period in case of technical glitches		5 P.M. same day
	Time for uploading results after the end of RA		2 days
ITB 13.1.1	Nil		
ITB 13.1.2	Splitting not allowed		
ITB 13.1.3	"Rate contract" is not applicable		
ITB 13.2.4	As per GCC Clause		

Section IV: General Conditions of Contract (GCC)

1. General

1.1 Tenets of Interpretation

Throughout the contract:

- 1) The heading of these conditions shall not affect the interpretation or construction thereof.
- 2) Writing or written includes matter either whole or in part, in digital communications, manuscript, typewritten, lithographed, cyclostyled, photographed, or printed under or over signature or seal or digitally acceptable authentication, as the case may be.
- 3) Words in the singular include the plural and vice-versa.
- 4) Words importing the masculine gender shall be taken to include other genders, and words importing persons shall include any company or association or body of individuals, whether incorporated or not.
- 5) Terms and expression not herein defined shall have the meanings assigned to them in the contract Act, 1872 (as amended) or the Sale of Goods Act, 1930 (as amended) or the General Clauses Act, 1897 (as amended) or of INCOTERMS, (current edition published by the International Chamber of Commerce, Paris) as the case may be.
- 6) Any reference to 'Goods' shall be deemed to include the incidental Works/ Services also.
- 7) Any generic reference to GCC shall also imply a reference to SCC as well.
- 8) In case of conflict, provisions of SCC shall prevail over those in GCC.
- 9) Any reference to 'Contract' shall be deemed to include all other documents (inter-alia GCC, SCC) as described in GCC-clause 2.5.
- 10) Any reference to any legal Act, Government Policies or orders shall be deemed to include all amendments to such instruments, from time to time, till date.
- 11) GCC-clause 5.10 (Book Examination clause), GCC-clause 6.5 (Option Quantity clause), GCC-clause 10.1.6 (Fall clause) shall not apply unless invoked explicitly in the contract. Nevertheless, Fall Clause (GCC-clause 10.1.6) shall be expressly applicable in the case of Rate Contract (Refer SCC-clause 6.8).

1.2 Definitions

In the contract :

- 1) "Agent" is a person employed to do any act for another or represent another in dealings with a third person. In the context of public procurement, an Agent is a representative participating in the Tender Process or Execution of a Contract for and on behalf of its principals.
- 2) "Allied Firm" are all business entities that are within the 'controlling ownership interest' (ownership of or entitlement to more than twenty-five percent of the company's shares or capital or profits) or 'control' (including the right to appoint a majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholder

agreements or voting agreements) of the principal firm acting alone or together or through one or more juridical persons. All successor firms or assigns of the principal firm shall be considered allied firms.

- 3) "bid" (including the term 'tender', 'offer', 'quotation' or 'proposal' in specific contexts) means an offer to supply goods, services or execution of works made as per the terms and conditions set out in a document inviting such offers.
- 4) "Bidder" (including the term 'Bidder', 'consultant' or 'service provider' in specific contexts) means any person or firm or company, including any member of a consortium or joint venture (that is an association of several persons, or firms or companies), every artificial juridical person not falling in any of the descriptions of bidders stated hereinbefore, including any agency branch or office controlled by such person, participating in a Tender Process.
- 5) "Bill of Quantities" (including the term Price Schedule or BOQ) means the priced and completed Bill of Quantities forming part of the bid.
- 6) "Commercial Bank" means a bank, defined as a scheduled bank under section 2(e) of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.
- 7) "Consignee" means the person to whom the goods are required to be delivered as stipulated in the contract. A contract may provide the goods to be delivered to an interim consignee for further despatch to the ultimate consignee.
- 8) "Contract" (including the terms 'Purchase Order' or 'Supply Order' or 'Withdrawal Order' or 'Work Order' or 'Consultancy Contract' or 'Contract for Services', 'rate contract' or 'framework contract' or 'Letter of Award – LoA' (letter or memorandum communicating to the contractor the acceptance of his bid) or 'Agreement' or a 'repeat order' accepted/ acted upon by the contractor or a 'formal agreement', under specific contexts), means a formal legal agreement in writing relating to the subject matter of procurement, entered into between the Procuring Entity and the contractor on mutually acceptable terms and conditions and which are in compliance with all the relevant provisions of the laws of the country;
- 9) "Contractor" (including the terms 'Supplier' or 'Service Provider' or 'Consultant' or 'Firm' or 'Vendor' or 'Manufacturer' or 'Successful Bidder' under specific contexts) means the person, firm, company, or a Joint Venture with whom the contract is entered into and shall be deemed to include the contractor's successors (approved by the Procuring Entity), agents, subcontractor, representatives, heirs, executors, and administrators as the case may be unless excluded by the terms of the contract.;
- 10) "Day", "Month", "Year" shall mean calendar day/ month or year (unless reference to financial year is clear from the context).
- 11) "Drawing" means the drawing or drawings stipulated in or annexed to the Specifications or the Tender Document/ Contract;
- 12) "General Conditions" means the General Conditions of Contract, also referred to as GCC.
- 13) "Goods" (including the terms 'Stores', 'Material(s)' in specific contexts) includes all articles, material, commodity, livestock, medicines, furniture, fixtures, raw material, consumables, spare parts, instruments, machinery, equipment, industrial plant, vehicles, aircrafts, ships, railway rolling stock assemblies, sub-assemblies, accessories, a group of machines comprising an integrated

production process or such other categories of goods or intangible, products like technology transfer, licenses, patents or other intellectual properties (but excludes books, publications, periodicals, etc., for a library) under specific context), procured or otherwise acquired by a Procuring Entity. Any reference to Goods shall be deemed to include specific small work or some services that are incidental or consequential to the supply of such goods;

- 14) "Government" means the Central Government or a State Government as the case may be and includes agencies and Public Sector Enterprises under it, in specific contexts;
- 15) "Inspection" means activities such as measuring, examining, testing, analysing, gauging one or more characteristics of the goods or services or works, and comparing the same with the specified requirement to determine conformity.
- 16) "Inspecting Officer" means the person or Organization stipulated in the contract for inspection under the contract and includes his/ their authorised representative;
- 17) "Intellectual Property Rights" (IPR) means the rights of the intellectual property owner concerning a tangible or intangible possession/ exploitation of such property by others. It includes rights to Patents, Copyrights, Trademarks, Industrial Designs, Geographical indications (GI).
- 18) "Parties": The parties to the contract are the "Contractor" and the Procuring Entity, as defined in this clause;
- 19) "Performance Security" (includes the terms 'Security Deposit' or 'Performance Bond' or 'Performance Bank Guarantee' or other specified financial instruments in specific contexts) means a monetary guarantee to be furnished by the successful Bidder or Contractor in the form prescribed for the due performance of the contract;
- 20) "Place of Delivery" the delivery of the Goods shall be deemed to take place on delivery of the Goods, after approval by the Inspecting Officer (If provided in the contract) at following places as per the terms and conditions of the contract -
 - (a) The consignee at his premises; or
 - (b) Where so provided, the interim consignee at his premises; or
 - (c) A carrier or other person named in the contract for transmission to the consignee: or
 - (d) The consignee at the destination station in case of a contract stipulating for delivery of Goods at the destination station.
- 21) "Procurement" or "public procurement" (or 'Purchase', or 'Government Procurement/ Purchase' including an award of Public-Private Partnership projects, in specific contexts) means the acquisition of Goods/ Services/ works by way of purchase, lease, license or otherwise, either using public funds or any other source of funds (e.g. grant, loans, gifts, private investment etc.) of goods, works or services or any combination thereof, by a Procuring Entity, whether directly or through an agency with which a contract for procurement services is entered into, but does not include any acquisition without consideration. The term "procure"/ "procured" or "purchase"/ "purchased" shall be construed accordingly;
- 22) "The Procuring Entity" means the entity in The Procuring Organization procuring Goods or Works or Services;

- 23) "Procurement Officer" means the officer signing the Letter of Award (LoA) and/or the contract on behalf of the Procuring Entity;
- 24) "Service(s)" (including the term 'Non-consultancy services' or 'Outsourcing of Services' in specific contexts) are defined by exclusion as services that cannot be classified as Consultancy Services. Services (Non-consultancy) involve routine, repetitive physical, procedural, and non-intellectual outcomes for which quantum and performance standards can be tangibly identified and consistently applied and are bid and contracted on such basis but does not include the appointment of an individual made under any law, rules, regulations, or order issued in this behalf. Any reference to Services shall be deemed to include the supply of goods or performance of consultancy service or small works, which are incidental or consequential to such services;
- 25) "Special Conditions" means Special Conditions of Contract, which override the General Conditions, also referred to as SCC.
- 26) "Specification" or "Technical Specification" means the drawing/ document/ standard or any other details governing the construction, manufacture or supply of goods or performance of services that prescribes the requirement to which goods or services have to conform as per the contract.
- 27) "Signed" means ink signed or digitally signed with a valid Digital Signature as per IT Act 2000 (as amended from time to time). It also includes stamped, except in the case of Letter of Award or amendment thereof.;
- 28) "Tender"; "Tender Document"; "Tender Enquiry" or "Tender Process": 'Tender Process' is the whole process from the publishing of the Tender Document till the resultant award of the contract. 'Tender Document' means the document (including all its sections, appendices, forms, formats, etc.) published by the Procuring Entity to invite bids in a Tender Process. The Tender Document and Tender Process may be generically referred to as "Tender" or "Tender Enquiry", which would be clear from context without ambiguity.
- 29) "Test" means such test as is prescribed by the particulars governing the construction, manufacture or supply of Goods as may be prescribed by the contract or considered necessary by the Inspecting Officer whether performed or made by the Inspecting Officer or any agency acting under the direction of the Inspecting Officer;
- 30) "Works" refer to any activity involving construction, fabrication, repair, overhaul, renovation, decoration, installation, erection, excavation, dredging, and so on, which make use of a combination of one or more of engineering design, architectural design, material and technology, labour, machinery, and equipment.

1.3 Document Conventions

All words and phrases defined in GCC-clause 1.2 are written as 'Capitalised word' and shall have the defined meaning. The rest of the words shall be as per grammar, inter-alia 'Goods' shall indicate definition as given in the GCC while 'goods' shall have usual dictionary meaning.

1.4 Abbreviations:

Abbreviation	Definition
AITB	Appendix to Instructions To Bidders
BOQ	Bill of Quantities (Excel sheet of Price Schedule)
BSD	Bid Securing Declaration
CFR	Cost and Freight (port of destination)
CGST	Central Goods and Services Tax
CIF	Cost, Insurance & Freight (port of destination)
CPPP	Central Public Procurement Portal
DAP	Delivered at Place (Destination)
DDP	Delivery Duty Paid
DoE	Department of Expenditure
DP	Delivery Period
DPIIT	Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade
DSC	Digital Signature Certificate
e-RA	Electronic Reverse Auction
EFT/ NEFT	(National) Electronic Funds Transfer
ERV	Exchange Rate Variation
FAS	Free Alongside Ship (port of loading)
FDI	Foreign Direct investment
FOB	Free on Board (port of loading)
FOR	Free on Rail (named Station)
GCC	General Conditions of Contract
GeM	Government e-Marketplace
GRIR	Goods Receipt and Inspection Report
GST	Goods and Services Tax
GTE	Global Tender Enquiry (International Competitive Bidding)
HSN	Harmonized System of Nomenclature
IEM	Independent External Monitor

Abbreviation	Definition
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
INR	Indian Rupee
ITB	Instructions To Bidders
ITC (HS)	Indian Tariff Classification (Harmonised System)
LoA	Letter of Award (Acceptance)
MII	Make in India
MSE	Micro and Small Enterprises
MSME	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
MSMED	MSME Development (Act)
NIT	Notice Inviting Tender
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
PVC	Price Variation Clause
PAN	Permanent Account Number
PC	(Indian) Penal Code
PPD	Procurement Policy Division
PQB	Pre-Qualification Bidding
RAP	Reverse Auction (Process)
RCM	Reverse Charge Mechanism
SC	Scheduled Caste
SCC	Special Conditions of Contract
ST	Scheduled Tribe
TCS	Tax Collected at Source
TDS	Tax Deducted at Source
TIA	Tender Inviting Authority
TIS	Tender Information Summary

2. The Contract

2.1 Language of Contract

the contract shall be written in English only. All correspondence and other contract documents, which the parties exchange, shall also be written/ translated accordingly in English.

This Contract and its documents (referred to in GCC-clause 2.5 below) constitutes the entire agreement between the Procuring Entity and the contractor and supersedes all other communications, negotiations, and agreements (whether written or oral) of the Parties made before the date of this Contract. No agent or representative of either Party has the authority to make, and the Parties shall not be bound by or be liable for, any statement, representation, promise or agreement not outlined in this Contract.

2.2 The Entire Agreement

This Contract and its documents (referred to in GCC-clause 2.5 below) constitutes the entire agreement between the Procuring Entity and the contractor and supersedes all other communications, negotiations, and agreements (whether written or oral) of the Parties made before the date of this Contract. No agent or representative of either Party has the authority to make, and the Parties shall not be bound by or be liable for, any statement, representation, promise or agreement not outlined in this Contract.

2.3 Severability

If any provision or condition of this Contract is prohibited or rendered invalid or unenforceable, such prohibition, invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions and conditions of this Contract.

2.4 Parties

The parties to the contract are the contractor and the Procuring Entity, as defined in GCC-clause 1.2 above and nominated in the contract.

2.5 Contract Documents and their Precedence

The following conditions and documents in indicated order of precedence (higher to lower) shall be considered an integral part of the contract, irrespective of whether these are not appended/ referred to in it. Any generic reference to 'Contract' shall imply reference to all these documents as well:

- 1) Valid and authorized Amendments issued to the contract.
- 2) the Agreement consisting of the initial paragraphs, recitals and other clauses set forth immediately before the GCC and including the formats annexed to it and signatures of Procuring Entity;
- 3) the Letter of Award (LoA)
- 4) Final written submissions made by the contractor during negotiations, if any;
- 5) the SCC
- 6) the GCC
- 7) the contractor's bid;
- 8) any other document listed in the SCC as forming part of this Contract.

- 9) Integrity Pact if any

2.6 Modifications/ Amendments, Waivers and Forbearances

2.6.1 Modifications/ Amendments of Contract

- 1) If any of the contract provisions must be modified after the contract documents have been signed, the modifications shall be made in writing and signed by the Procuring Entity, and no modified provisions shall be applicable unless such modifications have been done. No variation in or modification of the contract terms shall be made except by a written amendment signed by the Procuring Entity. Requests for changes and modifications may be submitted in writing by the contractor to the Procuring Entity. At any time during the currency of the contract, the Procuring Entity may suo-moto or, on request from the contractor, by written order, amend the contract by making alterations and modifications within the general scope of the Contract.
- 2) If the contractor does not agree to the suo-moto modifications/ amendments made by the Procuring Entity, he shall convey his views within 14 days from the date of amendment/ modification. Otherwise, it shall be assumed that the contractor has consented to the amendment.
- 3) Any verbal or written arrangement abandoning, modifying, extending, reducing, or supplementing the contract or any of the terms thereof shall be deemed conditional and shall not be binding on the Procuring Entity unless and until the same is incorporated in a formal instrument and signed by the Procuring Entity, and till then the Procuring Entity shall have the right to repudiate such arrangements.

2.6.2 Waivers and Forbearances

The following shall apply concerning any waivers, forbearance, or similar action taken under this Contract:

- 1) Any waiver of a Procuring Entity's rights, powers, or remedies under this Contract must be in writing, dated, and signed by an authorized representative of the Procuring Entity granting such waiver and must specify the terms under which the waiver is being granted.
- 2) No relaxation, forbearance, delay, or indulgence by Procuring Entity in enforcing any of the terms and conditions of this Contract or granting of an extension of time by Procuring Entity to the contractor shall, in any way whatsoever, prejudice, affect, or restrict the rights of Procuring Entity under this Contract, neither shall any waiver by Procuring Entity of any breach of Contract operate as a waiver of any subsequent or continuing breach of Contract.

3. Governing Laws and Jurisdiction

3.1 Governing Laws and Jurisdiction

- 1) This Contract, its meaning and interpretation, and the relation between the Parties shall be governed by the Laws of India for the time being in force.
- 2) Irrespective of the place of delivery, or the place of performance or the place of payments under the contract, the contract shall be deemed to have been made at the place from which the Letter of Award (LoA, or the contract Agreement, in the absence of LoA) has been issued. The courts of

such a place shall alone have jurisdiction to decide any dispute arising out or in respect of the contract.

3.2 Changes in Laws and Regulations

Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, if after the last deadline for the bid submission (Techno-commercial), any law, regulation, ordinance, order or bye-law having the force of law is enacted, promulgated, abrogated, or changed in India (which shall be deemed to include any change in interpretation or application by the competent authorities) that subsequently affects the Delivery Date and/ or the contract Price, then such Delivery Date and/ or Contract Price shall be correspondingly increased or decreased, to the extent that the contractor has thereby been affected in the performance of any of its obligations under the contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such additional or reduced cost shall not be separately paid or credited if the same has already been accounted for in the price adjustment provisions where applicable.

4. Communications

4.1 Communications

- 1) All communications under the contract shall be served by the parties on each other in writing, in the contract's language, and served in a manner customary and acceptable in business and commercial transactions.
- 2) The effective date of such communications shall be either the date when delivered to the recipient or the effective date mentioned explicitly in the communication, whichever is later.
- 3) No communication shall amount to an amendment of the terms and conditions of the contract, except a formal letter of amendment of the contract, so designated.
- 4) Such communications would be an instruction or a notification or an acceptance or a certificate from the Procuring Entity, or it would be a submission or a notification from the contractor. A notification or certificate which the contract requires must be communicated separately from other communications.

4.2 The person signing the Communications

For all purposes of the contract, including arbitration, thereunder all communications to the other party shall be signed by:

- 1) The person who has signed the contract on behalf of the contractor shall sign all correspondences. A person signing communication in respect of the contract or purported to be on behalf of the contractor, without disclosing his authority to do so, shall be deemed to warrant that he has authority to bind the contractor. If it is discovered at any time that the person, so signing has no authority to do so, the Procuring Entity reserves its right to, without prejudice to any other right or remedy, to terminate the contract for default in terms of the contract and avail any or all the remedies thereunder and hold such person personally and/ or the contractor liable to the Procuring Entity for all costs and damages arising from such remedies.
- 2) Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, the Procurement Officer signing the contract shall administer the contract and sign communications on behalf of the Procuring Entity. Interim or

ultimate consignees; Inspecting Agency/ officers and the paying authorities mentioned in the contract shall also administer respective functions during Contract Execution.

4.3 Address of the parties for sending communications by the other party.

- 1) For all purposes of the contract, including arbitration, thereunder the address of parties to which the other party shall address all communications and notices shall be:
 - (a) The address of the contractor as mentioned in the contract unless the contractor has notified the change of address by a separate communication containing no other topic to the Procuring Entity. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the consequence of an omission to notify a change of address in the manner aforesaid, and
 - (b) The address of the Procuring Entity shall be the address mentioned in the contract. The contractor shall also send additional copies to officers of the Procuring Entity presently dealing with the contract.
 - (c) In case of the communications from the contractor, copies of communications shall be marked to the Procurement Officer signing the contract, and as relevant also to Inspecting Agency/ Officer; interim/ ultimate consignee and paying authorities mentioned in the contract. Unless already stipulated in the contract before the contract's start, the Procuring Entity and the contractor shall notify each other if additional copies of communications are to be addressed to additional addresses.

5. Contractor's Obligations and restrictions on its Rights

5.1 Changes in Constitution/ financial stakes/ responsibilities of a Contract's Business

The Contractor must proactively keep the Procuring Entity informed of any changes in its constitution/ financial stakes/ responsibilities during the execution of the contract. Where the contractor is a partnership firm, the following restrictions shall apply to changes in the constitution during the execution of the contract:

- 1) a new partner shall not be introduced in the firm except with the previous consent in writing of the Procuring Entity, which shall be granted only upon execution of a written undertaking by the new partner to perform the contract and accept all liabilities incurred by the firm under the contract before the date of such undertaking.
- 2) On the death or retirement of any partner of the contractor firm before the complete performance of the contract, the Procuring Entity may, at his option, terminate the contract for default as per the Contract and avail any or all remedies thereunder.
- 3) If the contract is not terminated as provided in Sub-clause (2) above notwithstanding the retirement of a partner from the firm, that partner shall continue to be liable under the contract for acts of the firm until a copy of the public notice given by him under Section 32 of the Partnership Act, has been sent by him to the Procuring Entity in writing or electronically.

5.2 Obligation to Maintain Eligibility and Qualifications

- 1) The contract has been awarded to the contractor based on specific eligibility and qualification criteria. The Contractor is contractually bound to maintain such eligibility and qualifications during the execution of the contract. Any change which would vitiate the basis on which the contract was

awarded to the contractor should be pro-actively brought to the notice of the Procuring Entity within 7 days of it coming to the Contractor's knowledge. These changes include but are not restricted to:

- (a) Change regarding declarations made by it in its bid in Form 1.2: Eligibility Declaration

5.3 Change in its qualification criteria submitted in its bid in Form 4: Qualification Criteria - Compliance and its sub-form(s).Restriction on Potential Conflict of Interests

Neither the contractor nor its Subcontractors nor the Personnel shall engage, either directly or indirectly, in any of the following activities:

- 1) during the term of this Contract, any business or professional activities in India that would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Contract.
- 2) after the termination of this Contract, such other activities as may be stipulated in the contract.

5.4 Consequences of a breach of Obligations

Should the contractor or any of its partners or its Subcontractors or the Personnel commit a default or breach of GCC-clause 5.1 to 5.7, the Contractor shall remedy such breaches within 21 days, keeping the Procuring Entity informed. However, at its discretion, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part, to treat it as a breach of contract and avail any or all remedies thereunder. The decision of the Procuring Entity as to any matter or thing concerning or arising out of GCC-clause 5.1 to 5.7 or on any question whether the contractor or any partner of the contractor firm has committed a default or breach of any of the conditions shall be final and binding on the contractor.

5.5 Assignment and Sub-contracting

- 1) the contractor shall not, save with the previous consent in writing of the Procuring Entity, sublet, transfer, or assign the contract or any part thereof or interest therein or benefit or advantage thereof in any manner whatsoever.
- 2) the contractor shall notify the Procuring Entity in writing all subcontracts awarded under the contract if not already stipulated in the contract. In its original bid or later, such notification shall not relieve the contractor from any of its liability or obligation under the terms and conditions of the contract. Subcontract shall be only for bought out items and incidental Works/ Services. Subcontracts must comply with and should not circumvent Contractor's compliance with its obligations under GCC-clause 5.1 to 5.7, based on which the contract was awarded to him.
- 3) If the Contractor sublets or assigns this contract or any part thereof without such permission, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part, to treat it as a breach of contract and avail any or all remedies thereunder.

5.6 Indemnities for breach of IPR Rights

- 1) the contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless, free of costs, the Procuring Entity and its employees and officers from and against all suits, actions or administrative proceedings, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any nature, including attorney's fees and expenses, which may arise in respect of the Goods provided by the contractor under this Contract, as a result of any infringement or alleged infringement of any patent, utility model, registered

design, copyright, or other Intellectual Proprietary Rights (IPR) or trademarks, registered or otherwise existing on the date of the contract arising out of or in connection with:

- (a) any design, data, drawing, specification, or other documents or Goods provided or designed by the contractor for or on behalf of the Procuring Entity.
 - (b) The sale by the Procuring Entity in any country of the products produced by the Goods supplied by the contractor, and
 - (c) The installation of the Goods by the contractor or the use of the Goods at the Procuring Entity's Site
- 2) Such indemnity shall not cover any use of the Goods or any part thereof or any products produced thereby:
- (a) other than for the purpose indicated by or to be reasonably inferred from the contract
 - (b) in association or combination with any other equipment, plant, or materials not supplied by the contractor.
- 3) If any proceedings are brought, or any claim is made against the Procuring Entity arising out of the matters referred above, the Procuring Entity shall promptly give the contractor a notice thereof. At its own expense and in the Procuring Entity's name, the contractor may conduct such proceedings and negotiations to settle any such proceedings or claim, keeping the Procuring Entity informed.
- 4) If the contractor fails to notify the Procuring Entity within twenty-eight (28) days after receiving such notice that it intends to conduct any such proceedings or claim, then the Procuring Entity shall be free to conduct the same on its behalf at the risk and cost to the contractor.
- 5) At the contractor's request, the Procuring Entity shall afford all available assistance to the contractor in conducting such proceedings or claim and shall be reimbursed by the contractor for all reasonable expenses incurred in so doing.

5.7 Confidentiality, Secrecy and IPR Rights

5.7.1 IPR Rights

All deliverables, outputs, plans, drawings, specifications, designs, reports, and other documents and software submitted by the contractor under this Contract shall become and remain the property of the Procuring Entity and subject to laws of copyright and must not be shared with third parties or reproduced, whether in whole or part, without the Procuring Entity's prior written consent. The contractor shall, not later than upon termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents and software to the Procuring Entity, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The contractor may retain a copy of such documents and software but shall not use it for any commercial purpose.

5.7.2 Confidentiality

All documents, drawings, samples, data, associated correspondence or other information furnished by or on behalf of the Procuring Entity to the contractor, in connection with the contract, whether such information has been furnished before, during or following completion or termination of the contract, are confidential and shall remain the property of the Procuring Entity and shall not, without the prior written consent of Procuring Entity neither be divulged by the contractor to any third party, nor be used by him for any purpose other than the design, procurement, or other services and work required for the performance of Section IV: General Conditions of Contract (GCC)

this Contract. If advised by the Procuring Entity, all copies of all such information in original shall be returned on completion of the contractor's performance and obligations under this contract.

5.7.3 Secrecy

If The Contract declares the subject matter of this Contract as coming under the Official Secrets Act, 1923 or if the contract is marked as "Secret", the contractor shall take all reasonable steps necessary to ensure that all persons employed in any connection with the contract, have acknowledged their responsibilities and penalties for violations under the Official Secrets Act and any regulations framed thereunder.

5.7.4 Obligations of the contractor

- 1) Without the Procuring Entity's prior written consent, the contractor shall not use the information mentioned above except for the sole purpose of performing this contract.
- 2) The contractor shall treat and mark all information as confidential (or Secret – as the case may) and shall not, without the written consent of the Procuring Entity, divulge to any person other than the person(s) employed by the contractor in the performance of the contract. Further, any such disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and only so far as necessary for such performance for this contract.
- 3) Notwithstanding the above, the contractor may furnish to its holding company or its Subcontractor(s) such documents, data, and other information it receives from the Procuring Entity to the extent required for performing the contract. In this event, the contractor shall obtain from such holding company/ Subcontractor(s) an undertaking of confidentiality (or secrecy – as the case may be) similar to that imposed on the contractor under the above clauses.
- 4) The obligation of the contractor under sub-clauses above, however, shall not apply to information that:
 - (a) the contractor needs to share with the institution(s) participating in the financing of the contract;
 - (b) now or hereafter is or enters the public domain through no fault of Contractor;
 - (c) can be proven to have been possessed by the contractor at the time of disclosure and which was not previously obtained, directly or indirectly, from the Procuring Entity; or
 - (d) otherwise lawfully becomes available to the contractor from a third party that has no obligation of confidentiality.
- 5) The above provisions shall not in any way modify any undertaking of confidentiality (or Secrecy – as the case may be) given by the contractor before the date of the contract in respect of the contract/ the Tender Document or any part thereof.
- 6) The provisions of this clause shall survive completion or termination for whatever reason of the contract.

5.8 Performance Bond/ Security

- 1) Within fourteen days (or any other period mentioned in Tender Document or Contract) after the issue of Letter of Award (LoA or the contract, if LoA is skipped) by the Procuring Entity, the contractor shall furnish to the Procuring Entity, performance security, valid up to sixty days (or any

other period mentioned in Tender Document or Contract) after the date of completion of all contractual obligations by the contractor, including the warranty obligations.

- 2) The amount of Performance security shall be 5% of the total order value or as stipulated in Tender Document or Contract denominated in Indian Rupees or the currency of the contract and shall be in one of the following forms:
 - (a) Fixed Deposit Receipt drawn on any commercial bank in India, favouring the authority mentioned in therein (or DDO of India Meteorological Department, if not mentioned).
 - (b) Bank Guarantee issued by a commercial bank in India, in the prescribed form provided in Format 1.3.
- 3) If the contractor, having been called upon by the Procuring Entity to furnish Performance Security, fails to do so within the specified period, it shall be lawful for the Procuring Entity at its discretion to annul the award and enforce Bid Securing Declaration (in lieu of forfeiture of the Bid Security), besides taking any other administrative punitive action like 'Removal from List of Registered Suppliers' etc.
- 4) If the contractor during the currency of the Contract fails to maintain the requisite Performance Security, it shall be lawful for the Procuring Entity at its discretion at its discretion
 - (a) to terminate the Contract for Default besides availing any or all contractual remedies provided for breaches/ default, or
 - (b) without terminating the Contract:
 1. recover from the contractor the amount of such security deposit by deducting the amount from the pending bills of the contractor under the contract or any other contract with the Procuring Entity or the Government or any person contracting through the India Meteorological Department or otherwise howsoever as per GCC-clause 10.4, or
 2. treat it as a breach of contract and avail any or all availing any or all contractual remedies provided for breaches/ default.
- 5) In the event of any amendment issued to the contract, the contractor shall furnish suitably amended value and validity of the Performance Security in terms of the amended contract within fourteen days of issue of the amendment.
- 6) The Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part,
 - (a) to deduct from the performance securities or to forfeit the said security in whole or in part in the event of:
 - (i) any default, or failure or neglect on the part of the contractor in the fulfilment or performance in all respect of the contract under reference or any other contract with the India Meteorological Department or any part thereof
 - (ii) for any loss or damage recoverable from the contractor which the Procuring Entity may suffer or be put to for reasons of or due to above defaults/ failures/ neglect
 - (b) and in either of the events aforesaid to call upon the contractor to maintain the said performance security at its original limit by making further deposits, provided further that the Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part, to recover any such claim

from any sum then due or which at any time after that may become due to the contractor for similar reasons.

- 7) Subject to the sub-clause above, the Procuring Entity shall release the performance security without any interest to the contractor on completing all contractual obligations, including the warranty obligations, if any. Alternatively, for the duration of Warranty obligations, upon the contractor submitting a suitable separate Warranty Security, the original Performance Guarantee Security shall be released mutatis mutandis.
- 8) No claim shall lie against the Procuring Entity regarding interest on cash deposits or Government Securities or depreciation thereof.

5.9 Permits, Approvals and Licenses

Whenever the supply of Goods and incidental Works/ Services requires that the contractor obtain permits, approvals, and licenses from local public authorities, it shall be the contractor's sole responsibility to obtain these and keep these current and valid. Such requirements may include but not be restricted to export license or environmental clearance if required. If requested by the contractor, the Procuring Entity shall make its best effort to assist the contractor in complying with such requirements in a timely and expeditious manner, without any dilution of the Contractor's responsibility in this regard.

5.10 Book Examination Clause

the Procuring Entity reserves the right for 'Book Examination' as follows:

- 1) the contractor shall, whenever called upon and required to produce or cause to be produced, for examination by any Government Officer duly authorised in that behalf, any cost or other book of account, voucher, receipt, letter, memorandum, paper or writing or any copy of or extract from any such document. The Contractor shall also furnish information relating to the execution of this contract or relevant for verifying or ascertaining the cost of executing this contract to such Government Officer in such manner as may be required. The decision of such Government Officer on the question of relevancy of any document, information of return being final and binding on the parties. The obligation imposed by this clause is without prejudice to the contractor's obligations under any other statute, rules or orders which shall be concurrently binding on the contractor.
- 2) the contractor shall, if the authorised Government Officer so requires (whether before or after the prices have been finally fixed), afford facilities to the Government Officer concerned to visit the contractor's premises to examine the processes of production and estimate or ascertaining the cost of performance of Contract. The authorised Government Officer shall have power, mutadis mutandis, to examine all the relevant books of Contractor's subcontractor, or any subsidiary or allied firm or company, if any portion of the contract is entrusted or carried out by such entities.
- 3) If on such examination, it is established that the contracted price is more than the actual cost-plus reasonable margin of profit, the Procuring Entity shall have the right to reduce the price and determine the amount to a reasonable level.
- 4) The Contractor or its agency is bound to allow examination of its books within 60 days from the date the notice is received by the contractor or its agencies calling for the production of documents under sub-clause (1) above. In the event of the contractor's or his agency's failure to do so, the

contract price would be reduced and determined according to the best judgment of the Procuring Entity, which would be final and binding on the contractor and his agencies.

5.11 Custody and Return of the Procuring Entity's Materials/ Equipment/ Documents loaned to Contractor.

- 1) no asset/ property/ drawings/ material/ samples/ equipment/ utility shall be provided or loaned to the contractor for the performance of the contract. Whenever such assets are required to be issued to the contractor (inter-alia in fabrication or design or development) as per the contract, these would be issued only as per terms and conditions and against appropriate safeguards (including Insurances, Bank Guarantee, Indemnity Bonds, Retention Money etc.) specified therein. The Contractor shall use such property for the execution of the contract and no other purpose whatsoever.
- 2) The contractors shall sign receipts for all tools, plants and materials or other assets/ properties made over to him by the Procuring Entity. All such assets shall be deemed to be in good condition when received by the contractor unless he has within twenty-four hours of the receipt thereof notified the Procuring Entity to the contrary. Otherwise, he shall be deemed to have lost the right to do so at any subsequent stage.
- 3) These assets shall remain the property of the Procuring Entity, and the contractor shall take all reasonable care of all such assets. The contractor shall be responsible for all damage or loss from whatever cause caused while such assets are possessed or controlled by the contractor, staff, workmen or agents.
- 4) Where the contractor insures such assets against loss or fire at the request of the Procuring Entity, such insurance shall be deemed to be by way of additional precaution and shall not prejudice the liability of the contractor as aforesaid
- 5) The Contractor shall return all such assets in good order or repair, fair wear and tear excepted, before the completion/ closure/ termination of the contract and shall be responsible for any failure to account for the same or any damage done to that as assessed by the Procuring Entity, whose decision shall be final and binding.

5.12 Labour Codes and Related Obligations

This clause shall be applicable only if it is specifically indicated to be applicable in SCC.

5.12.1 Independent Contractor

The contractor's status shall be that of an independent contractor and Primary Employer of staff deployed during the contract by him or his sub-contractors or other associates. The Contractor, its employees, agents, and subcontractors performing under this Contract are not employees or agents of the India Meteorological Department or Procuring Entity or Central or State Government or their agencies/ Enterprises, simply by Services delivered under this Contract.

5.12.2 Obligations of the contractor under Labour Codes and Rules

- 1) In cases where Contract or part(s) thereof is to be performed by the contractor at the premises of the Procuring Entity or Consignee, the contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Labour

Codes, which including Code on Wages, 2019, The Industrial Relations Code 2020, Code on the Social Security 2020, and The Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions 2020, and Draft Rules made thereunder, as modified from time-to-time, wherever applicable and shall also indemnify the Procuring Entity from and against any claims under the aforesaid Labour codes and the Rules.

- 2) The Contractor shall obtain a valid licence under the aforesaid Labour codes and the Rules as modified from time-to-time before the commencement of the contract and continue to have a valid license until the completion of the contract. Any failure to fulfil this requirement, the Procuring Entity shall treat it as a breach of contract for default as per the contract and avail any or all remedies thereunder.
- 3) In respect of all labour directly or indirectly employed in the contract for the performance of the contractor's part of the contract, the contractor shall comply with or cause to comply with the provisions of the aforesaid Labour codes and the Rules wherever applicable. The contractor shall be solely responsible for submitting all the necessary returns under these Codes and the Rules. Nevertheless, the contractor shall submit monthly returns to the Procuring Entity to confirm compliance with such Codes and rules. Failure to do so shall entitle Procuring Entity to take any measure to ensure compliance to such codes and rules by the contractor and his associates, including, but not limited to, withholding contractor's on-account bills.
- 4) The Contractor shall pay the wages as per the Code on Wages to their workers not below the rate of minimum wages, as notified by the State Government or Central Government, whichever is higher, through the bank transfer. Notwithstanding the contract's provisions to the contrary, the Contractor shall cause to be paid the wages to labour directly or indirectly engaged on the contract, including any engaged by his Sub-Contractors in connection with the said contract as if he had immediately employed the labour. The Procuring Entity shall, without any commitments or being obliged to do, may its discretion, monitor that such payments are being made. The Contractor shall be required to submit, every month, documentary evidence in the form of a Bank Statement of having transferred the gross minimum wages to each of the workers. Failure to do so shall entail Procuring Entity taking up any measure to ensure the payment of wages including, but not limited to, withholding contractor's on-account bills.
- 5) In every case in which, by virtue of the provisions of the aforesaid Labour codes and the Rules, the Procuring Entity is obliged to pay any amount of wages to a workman employed by the contractor or his Sub-Contractor in execution of the contract or to incur any expenditure in providing welfare and health amenities required to be provided under the aforesaid Labour codes and the Rules or to incur any expenditure on account of the contingent liability of the Procuring Entity due to the contractor's failure to fulfil his statutory obligations under the aforesaid Labour codes and the Rules the Procuring Entity shall recover from the contractor, the amount of wages so paid or the amount of expenditure so incurred, and without prejudice to the rights of the Procuring Entity under the aforesaid Labour codes and the Rules, the Procuring Entity shall be at liberty to recover such amount or part thereof by deducting it from the security deposit and/ or from any sum due by the Procuring Entity to the contractor whether under the contract or otherwise. The Procuring Entity shall not be bound to contest any claim made against it under the aforesaid Labour codes and the Rules except on the contractor's written request, and upon giving the Procuring Entity complete security for all costs, Procuring Entity might become liable in contesting such claim. The decision of the Procuring Entity regarding the amount actually recoverable from the contractor as stated above shall be final and binding on the contractor.

5.12.3 The obligation of Contractor to ensure awareness of Labour Codes

- 1) The Contractor has to mandatorily provide a comprehensive day-long training carried out by a certified Third-Party agency for the awareness of Labour codes and the Rules, grievance redressal mechanism and other provisions applicable to his and his Sub-contractor's staff, workers, labour employed by him directly or indirectly in delivery of service to the Procuring Entity. The Contractor must submit relevant documentary proof to Procuring Entity of having conducted such training to all workers.
- 2) The Contractor must provide a comprehensive booklet (Procuring Entity approves that) containing all the relevant updated labour codes, rules, and other applicable provisions, to every worker at the outset of the contract in the local vernacular language.
- 3) Procuring Entity, without any commitments or being obliged to do, may its discretion, provide following facilities for Contractor's Contract Labour working on this Contract:
 - a) Helpline for complaints from labour regarding payment of wages, worksite facilities, sexual harassment etc
 - b) Provision for recording anonymous complaints from workers, citizens etc., regarding violation of Labour codes and the Rules by Contractor.

6. Scope of Supply and Technical Specifications

6.1 The Scope of Supply

- 1) This contract is for the supply of the Goods of the description, specifications, and drawings, and in the quantities outlined in the contract on the dates specified therein.
- 2) **Incidental Works/ Services:** the contractor shall be required to perform specified incidental Works/ Services (e.g., Installation, Commissioning, Operator's Training etc. in case of Supply of Capital Goods/ Machinery & Plant) as an integral part of the Goods in the contract.

6.2 Technical Specifications and Standards

The Goods & incidental Works/ Services to be provided by the contractor under this contract shall conform to the technical specifications and quality control parameters mentioned in 'Technical Specification and Quality Assurance' under Sections VII of the Tender Document or as stipulated in the contract. Wherever references are made in the Contract to codes and standards by which it shall be executed, the edition or the revised version of such codes and standards shall be those specified in the Contract. During Contract execution, any changes in any such codes and standards shall be applied only after approval by the Purchaser. For standards and requirements where no applicable specifications/ Quality Assurance are mentioned, appropriate latest authoritative standards and quality assurance issued by the concerned institution shall be applicable. The Goods supplied shall be.

- 1) Entirely brand new, unused, and incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless prescribed otherwise by the Procuring Entity in the contract.
- 2) conform to materials, manufacture and workmanship as stipulated in the contract, free of all defects and faults using specified/ appropriate materials, manufacture, and workmanship throughout and consistent with the established and generally accepted standards for Goods of the type ordered and in full conformity with the contract specification, drawing or sample, if any.

6.3 Quantity Tolerance

the obligation for completing supplies shall be considered complete if the Goods have been supplied to the tolerance of plus or minus 5% of the quantity or of the total value of goods ordered in the contract. Only the supplied quantity shall be paid for as per the terms of the contract.

6.4 Eligible Goods - Country of Origin and Minimum Local Content

As stipulated in SCC or Contract, the country of origin of 'Goods' and 'incidental Works/ Service' to be supplied under the contract shall have their origin in India or other countries and must conform to the declaration made by the contractor in its bid regarding but not limited to i) restrictions on certain countries with land-borders with India; ii) minimum local content and location of value addition (Make in India Policy); iii) Contractor's status as MSE or Start-up. The term "origin" used in this clause means where the goods (including subcontracted components) are mined, grown, produced, or manufactured or from where the incidental Works/ Services are arranged and supplied. For purposes of this Clause, the term 'Goods' shall have the meaning as defined in GCC-clause 1.2.

6.5 Option Quantity (Repeat Order) Clause:

The Procuring Entity shall reserve the right, but without any obligation to do so, to increase or decrease the ordered quantity up to Twenty-Five percent (25%) at any time, till the final delivery date of the contract or place a repeat order, up to Twenty-Five percent (25%), within one year from the date of placement of supply order, by giving reasonable notice and commensurate delivery period, even though the quantity ordered initially has been supplied in full before the last date of Delivery Period.

6.6 Spare parts in Supply of Capital Goods/ Machinery and Plant

- 1) If SCC/ Contract declares it to be the procurement of Capital Goods/ Machinery & Plant, the contractor shall supply/ provide any or all of the following materials, information etc. about spare parts manufactured and/ or supplied by them:
 - (a) The spare parts as selected by the Procuring Entity to be purchased from the contractor, subject to the condition that such purchase of the spare parts shall not relieve the contractor of any contractual obligation including warranty obligations; and
 - (b) In case the production of the spare parts is discontinued within the service life of the equipment supplied hereunder (or a period stipulated in the contract):
 - (i) sufficient advance notice to the Procuring Entity before such discontinuation to provide adequate time for it to purchase the required spare parts etc., and
 - (ii) immediately following such discontinuation, as and if requested by the Procuring Entity, provide free of cost the designs, drawings, layouts, specifications, and alternative sources of supply of such spare parts.
- 2) the contractor shall carry sufficient inventories to assure ex-stock supply of consumable spares for the Goods so that the same is supplied to the Procuring Entity promptly on receipt of the order from the Procuring Entity.

6.7 Warranty/~~Guarantee~~

the following warranty/~~Guarantee~~ clause shall apply:

- 1) the contractor hereby covenants that it is a condition of the contract that all Goods supplied to the Procuring Entity under this contract shall be free of all defects and faults arising from design,

materials (except when the design adopted and/ or the material used are as per the Procuring Entity's specifications) or workmanship or from any act or omission of the contractor, that may develop under regular use of the supplied Goods under the conditions prevailing in India.

- 2) the contractor also guarantees that the said Goods would continue to conform to the description and quality as aforesaid, for 24 months from the date of acceptance (SAT) of goods at sites of installation.
- 3) Obligations of the contractor under the warranty clause shall survive even though:
 - (a) The Goods may have been inspected, accepted, installed/ commissioned and paid for by the Procuring Entity.
 - (b) The contract is terminated for any reason whatsoever.
- 4) The Procuring Entity shall promptly notify in writing to the contractor, If during the period above, the said goods/ stores/ articles are discovered not to conform to the description and quality or have deteriorated, otherwise than by fair wear and tear (the decision of the Procuring Entity in that behalf being final and conclusive).
- 5) Upon receipt of such notice, the contractor shall, within 14 days (or within any other period, if stipulated in the contract), expeditiously repair or replace the defective Goods or parts thereof, free of cost, at the ultimate destination. The Contractor shall take over the replaced parts/ Goods after providing their replacements, and no claim shall lie on the Procuring Entity for such replaced parts/ Goods after that.
- 6) A penalty of 0.5% (half per cent) per week of the contract value of individual system for the delay in response time beyond specified time as detailed above shall be recoverable from the Performance/ Warrantee Guarantee or as per GCC-clause 10.4 below. The maximum penalty for warranty failure will be 5% (Five percent) of the contract value during the whole warranty period. If there is further such delay after reaching this limit, Procuring Entity shall be entitled to encashment of whole of Performance/ Warrantee Guarantee Bonds. In such an event, action similar to GCC-clause 9.10 for inordinate delays would also be taken.
- 7) In case of any rectification of a defect or replacement of any defective Goods during the warranty period, the warranty for the rectified/ replaced Goods shall remain till the original warranty period.
- 8) If the contractor, having been notified, fails to rectify/ replace the defect(s) within 21 days (or within any other period, if stipulated in the contract), it shall amount to breach of Contract for default under GCC-clause 12.1, and the Procuring Entity shall avail any or all remedial action(s) thereunder.

6.8 Additional Conditions for Rate Contracts

If SCC/ Contracts stipulates explicitly that this is a "Rate Contract" for the supply of the Goods outlined in the Contract during the period therein specified, then the following additional Contract Conditions shall be applicable:

6.8.1 Quantity Contracted-for

- 1) The Rate Contract is only a standing offer from the Contractor. Subject as hereinafter mentioned, no guarantee is given as to the number or quantity of the Goods which shall be ordered during the period of the rate contract.
- 2) The Procuring Entity undertakes to place the supply (withdrawal/ off-take) orders for Goods detailed in the Contract at the terms and prices mentioned therein.
- 3) However, they reserve the right to obtain from any source any Goods referred to in the Contract to meet an emergency or for values less than the threshold specified in the Contract (Rs 1.5 - one and a half - Lakhs, if not specified) if the Procuring Entity is satisfied that the Contractor is not in a position to supply specific quantities of Goods within the period in which these are required.

6.8.2 Applicability of Fall Clause

GCC-clause 10.1.6 shall be expressly applicable to Rate Contracts.

6.8.3 Supply Orders and Deliveries

- 1) Supply (withdrawal/ offtake) orders for obtaining supplies of a definite quantity of Goods along with all other required conditions, shall be issued by the Procuring Entity or its nominated Direct Demanding Officers (D.D.O.). Such DDOs/officers shall be nominated and authorised during the contract period by the Procuring Entity to place such Supply orders directly on the Contractor.
- 2) The Contract shall deliver the quantities thus ordered as per the terms and conditions of the Supply Order.
- 3) Procuring Entity is entitled to place supply orders up to the last day of the validity of the rate contract and, though supplies against such supply orders shall be affected beyond the validity period of the rate contract, all such supply shall be guided by the terms & conditions of the rate contract.

6.8.4 Monetary limits for indents (Not applicable)

6.8.5 Right to repeat competitive bidding (Not applicable)

6.8.6 Short-closing or Renegotiation of the Rate Contract (Not applicable)

6.8.7 Renewal of Rate Contracts (Not applicable)

7. Inspection and Quality Assurance

7.1 Tests and Inspections

- 1) The 'Technical Specification and Quality Assurance' (Section VII) shall specify inspections and tests (including raw materials and/ or stage inspections, if so specified) to be carried out and where and how they are to be conducted. If such inspections and tests are conducted in the premises of the contractor or its subcontractor(s), all reasonable facilities and assistance, including access to relevant drawings, design details and production data, shall be furnished by the contractor to the Procuring Entity's inspector at no charge to the Procuring Entity.
- 2) The Procuring Entity and/ or its nominated representative(s) shall, without any extra cost to the Procuring Entity, inspect and/ or test the ordered Goods and the incidental Works/ Services to

confirm their conformity to the contract specifications and other quality assurance details incorporated in the contract. As soon as a consignment is getting ready, the contractor shall submit a request for inspection to the Inspecting Officer and the Procuring Entity. The Inspecting Officer shall inform the contractor in writing of its programme for such inspection and the officials' identity to be deputed for this purpose.

- 3) the contractor shall, before proceeding with bulk manufacture or delivery of the Goods, submit to the Inspecting Officer for inspection samples of the specified raw-material used in the manufacture and/ or the Goods as stipulated in the contract or by the Inspecting Officer. However, the Contractor shall not be entitled to be shown any consideration or give any extension of time or claim to be exonerated from completing the delivery within the stipulated period only on the ground of delay in the approval of any such sample.
- 4) if the test proves satisfactory and the stores or any instalment thereof is accepted, the quantity of the stores or materials expended in the test shall be deemed to have been taken delivery of by the Purchaser and be paid for as such.
- 5) in the contract, all costs of tests and inspections (including any special or third-party tests), whether at the contractor's premises, shall be borne by the contractor. However, in case of stipulation for type testing/ proto-type testing of machinery and plant involving special tests, the contract shall indicate the apportionment of test and expended material costs among the parties.
- 6) Under no circumstances does the Inspecting officer have the authority to modify the governing specifications, approved drawings, or samples during inspection without the Procuring Entity's approval.

7.2 Consequence of Rejection

Upon the Goods being rejected by the Inspecting Officer or Interim Consignee or Consignee at a place other than the premises of the contractor, the Procuring Entity shall be at liberty to:

- 1) Demand that such stores shall be removed by the contractor at his cost subject as hereinafter stipulated, within 21 days of the date of intimation of such rejection. Provided that the Inspecting Officer may call upon the contractor to remove dangerous, infected, or perishable stores within 48 hours of the receipt of such communication and the decision of the Inspecting Officer in this regard shall be final in all respects. Provided further that where the price or part thereof has been paid, the consignee is entitled without prejudice to his other rights to retain the rejected stores till the price paid for such stores is refunded by the contractor or dispose off such rejected Goods as per clause below save that such retention shall not in any circumstances be deemed to be acceptance of the stores or waiver of rejection thereon. The Contractor shall bear all cost of such replacement, including taxes and freight, if any, on replacing and replacing Goods without being entitled to any extra payment on that or any other account.
- 2) All rejected Goods shall, in any event, and circumstances remain and always be at the contractor's risk immediately on such rejection. If the contractor does not remove such Goods within the periods aforementioned, the Procuring entity /inspecting officer, as the case may be as per the place of rejection, may remove the rejected Goods. The Procuring Entity or Inspecting Officer may either return the same to the contractor at his risk and cost by such mode of transport as it may decide or dispose off such Goods at the contractor's risk and on his account and retain such portion

of the proceeds from such disposal, as may be necessary to recover any expense incurred in connection with such disposals (or any price refundable as a consequence of such rejection). The Procuring Entity shall, in addition, be entitled to recover from the contractor ground rent/ demurrage charges on the rejected Goods after the expiry of the time-limit mentioned above.

- 3) Disposal of rejected goods in an aforesaid manner shall not exonerate contractor but still hold him liable to pay to the procuring entity, the dues as may arise as per the terms of contract besides the cost of goods if already paid to the contractor and any inspection charges. The Purchaser can take action as per contract terms if the contractor fails to pay the amount due to him.
- 4) where under the contract the price payable is fixed F.O.R. dispatching station, the contractor shall, if the Goods are rejected at destination by the consignee, be liable, in addition to his other liabilities, including a refund of price recoverable in respect of the Goods so rejected, to reimburse to the Procuring Entity the freight and all other expenses incurred by it in this regard. The Contractor shall be allowed to take back rejected Goods only after such refunds are received by the Procuring Entity.

7.3 Inspections at the last moment

- 1) If the contract stipulates pre-despatch inspection of the ordered Goods at Contractors premises, he shall put up the Goods for inspection well ahead of the delivery period to complete the inspection within that period.
- 2) In cases where only a portion of the Goods ordered is tendered for inspection at the last moments of the delivery period and also in cases where inspection is not completed in respect of the portion of the Goods tendered for inspection during the delivery period, the inspector shall carry out the inspection and complete the formality beyond the contractual delivery period at the specific written request by and at the risk and expense of the contractor. The fact that the Goods have been inspected after the contractual delivery period shall not amount to keeping the contract alive, and this shall be without any prejudice to the legal rights and remedies available to the Procuring Entity under the terms & conditions of the contract.
- 3) If the Goods tendered for inspection during or at the last moments of the delivery period are not found acceptable after carrying out the inspection, the Procuring Entity is entitled to cancel the contract in respect of the same at the risk and expense of the contractor. If the Goods tendered for inspection are found acceptable, the Procuring Entity may grant an extension of the delivery period subject to conditions mentioned in GCC-clause 9.11 below.

7.4 Consignee's right of Rejection of Inspected Goods

- 1) Goods accepted by the Procuring Entity and/ or its inspector at the initial inspection and final inspection in terms of the contract shall in no way dilute the Procuring Entity's right to reject the same later if found deficient concerning 'Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance'.
- 2) Notwithstanding any approval which the Inspecting Officer may have given in respect of the Goods or any materials or other particulars or the work or workmanship involved in the performance of the contract (whether with or without any test carried out by the contractor or the Inspecting Officer or under the direction of the Inspecting Officer) and notwithstanding delivery of the Goods where so provided to the interim consignee, it shall be lawful for the consignee, on behalf of the Procuring Entity, to inspect, test and, if necessary, reject the Goods or any part, portion or

consignment thereof, after the Goods' arrival at the final destination within a reasonable time after actual delivery thereof to him at the place of destination stipulated in the contract, if such Goods or part, portion or consignment thereof is not in all respects in conformity with the terms and conditions of the contract whether on account of any loss, deterioration or damage before despatch or delivery or during transit or otherwise howsoever.

Note: Regarding materials pre-inspected at the firm's premises during manufacture or before delivery or dispatch, the consignee shall issue rejection advice within 90 days from the date of receipt.

8. Packing, Transportation, Insurance and Receipt

8.1 Packing Specifications and Quality

- 1) The marking of the Goods must comply with the Goods of the laws relating to merchandise marks for the time being in force in India.
- 2) The packing for the Goods to be provided by the contractor should be strong and durable enough to withstand, without limitation, the entire journey during transit, including transshipment (if any), rough handling, open storage etc., without any damage, deterioration etc. If necessary, the size, weights, and volumes of the packing cases, the remoteness of the goods' final destination, and availability or otherwise of transport and handling facilities at all points during transit upto the final destination shall also be considered.
- 3) The quality of packing, the manner of marking within & outside the packages, and accompanying documentation shall strictly comply with the 'Technical Specification and Quality Assurance' and in the contract. If the packing requirements are amended due to any amendment to the contract, the contractor shall comply accordingly.
- 4) Unless otherwise provided in the contract, all containers (including packing cases, boxes, tins, drums, and wrappings) in which the contractor supplies the Goods shall be considered non-returnable and their cost included in the contract price.
- 5) If the contract provides that the containers shall be returnable, they must be marked 'returnable'. Unless otherwise specified, the cost of reverse transportation shall be borne by the contractor.
- 6) If the contract provides that returnable containers shall be separately charged, they shall be invoiced by the contractor at a price stipulated in the contract. In such cases, the contractor shall give full credit for the invoiced amount if the containers are returned to the contractor. Return of containers shall be made within a reasonable time, and in the event of any dispute or difference arising as to whether the containers were so returned, the decision of the Procuring Entity thereon shall be final and binding. In his discretion, the Procuring Entity may award such compensations as may, in his opinion, be proper for any undue delay in returning the containers.

8.2 Packing instructions

Unless otherwise mentioned in the 'Technical Specification and Quality Assurance' under Sections VII and SCC under Section V, the contractor shall make separate packages for each consignee (in case there is more than one consignee mentioned in the contract) and mark each package on three sides with the following with indelible paint of proper quality:

- 1) An iconic graphical mark to visually identify a particular consignment.
- 2) Name of the Procuring Entity; contract number and date
- 3) brief description of Goods including quantity.
- 4) the gross weight of the package
- 5) Serial number of this package and the total number of packages in the consignment
- 6) packing list reference number
- 7) country of origin of goods
- 8) consignee's name and full address and
- 9) Contractor's name and address

8.3 Transfer of Title of Goods

- 1) notwithstanding any inspection and approval by the Inspecting Officer on the contractor's premises, or any payments made to the contractor, property in the Goods (and resultant rights and liabilities) shall not pass on to the Procuring Entity until the Goods have been received, inspected, and accepted by the consignee. The Goods and every constituent part thereof, whether in the possession or control of the contractor, his agents or servants or a carrier, or the joint possession of the contractor, his agents or servants and the Procuring Entity, his agents, or servants, shall remain in every respect at the risk of the contractor, until their actual delivery to a person stipulated in the contract as the interim consignee for despatch to the consignee. The Contractor shall be responsible for all loss, destruction, damage, or deterioration of or to the Goods from any cause whatsoever while the Goods after approval by the Inspecting Officer are awaiting despatch or delivery or are in the course of transit from the contractor to the consignee or, as the case may be, interim consignee. The Contractor shall alone be entitled and responsible for making claims against any carrier in respect of non-delivery, short delivery, mis-delivery, loss, destruction, damage, or deterioration of the Goods entrusted to such carrier by the contractor for transmission to the consignee or the interim consignee as the case may be.
- 2) Provided that where, under the terms of the contract, the Goods are required to be delivered to an interim consignee for despatch to the consignee, the Goods shall be at the Procuring Entity's risk after their delivery to the interim consignee.

8.4 Transportation

8.4.1 Instructions for transportation of domestic Goods

The contractor shall arrange transportation of the ordered Goods as per its procedure.

8.4.2 Shipping Arrangement for Foreign Contracts: (Not applicable to this tender)

8.4.3 Airlifting

Should the Procuring Entity intend to airlift all or some of the Goods, the contractor shall pack the Goods accordingly upon receiving intimation to that effect. Such deliveries shall be agreed upon well in advance and paid for as may be mutually agreed.

8.4.4 Distribution of Despatch Documents for Clearance/ Receipt of Goods

- 1) the contractor shall send all the relevant despatch documents well in time to the Procuring Entity to enable it to clear or receive (as the case may be) the Goods in terms of the contract. Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, the usual documents involved and the drill to be followed in general for this purpose are as follows:
- 2) For Domestic Goods, the contractor shall notify the Procuring Entity, consignee, and others concerned, if mentioned in the contract, the complete details of despatch and also supply the following documents (as relevant) to them by registered post/ speed post/ courier besides advance intimation by digital means (or as instructed in the contract or SCC):
 - (a) the contractor's Invoice indicating, inter alia description and specification of the Goods, quantity, unit price, total value;
 - (b) Packing list;
 - (c) Insurance certificate;
 - (d) Railway receipt/ Road Consignment note;
 - (e) Manufacturer's guarantee certificate and in-house inspection certificate;
 - (f) Inspection certificate issued by the Procuring Entity's inspector
 - (g) Expected date of arrival of goods at destination and
 - (h) Any other document(s), as and if mentioned explicitly in the contract.
- 3) For Imported Goods, the contractor shall notify the Procuring Entity, consignee and other concerned, if mentioned in the contract, the complete details of despatch and also supply the following documents to them by Courier (or as instructed in the contract), besides advance intimation by digital means:
 - (a) Clean on-Board Airway Bill/ Bill of Lading (B/ L)
 - (b) Original Invoice
 - (c) Packing List
 - (d) Certificate of Origin from Seller's Chamber of Commerce
 - (e) Certificate of pre-despatch inspection by the Procuring Entity's representative/ nominee
 - (f) Certificate of Quality and current manufacture from OEM
 - (g) Dangerous Cargo Certificate, if any.
 - (h) Insurance Policy of 110% if CIF contract.
 - (i) Performance Bond/ Warranty Bond

8.5 Freight

The Goods shall be despatched at public tariff rates. In the case of F.O.R. station of despatch contract, the Goods shall be booked by the most economical route or most economical tariff available at the time of despatch as the case may be. Failure to do so shall render the contractor liable for any avoidable expenditure caused to the Procuring Entity. Where alternative routes exist, the Procuring Entity shall, if called upon to do so, indicate the most economical route available or name the authority whose advice in

the matter shall be taken and acted upon. If any advice of any such authority is sought, his decision or advice in the matter shall be final and binding on the contractor,

8.6 Insurance

The contractor shall arrange for insuring the Goods against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage, and delivery in the following manner:

- 1) In case of domestic goods supply on FOR destination basis, the contractor shall be responsible until the entire Goods contracted arrive in good condition at destination. The contractor shall cover the transit risk in this respect by getting the Goods duly insured at its own cost. The contractor shall obtain the insurance cover in its name and not in the name of the Procuring Entity or its Consignee.
- 2) In case of import of goods, it shall entirely be the contractor's responsibility to make good loss/ damage without waiting for settlement of insurance claim so that equipment is commissioned within the time stipulated in the contract.

8.7 Receipt of Consignment

8.7.1 Preliminary Acknowledgement

At the time of the delivery at the destination, the consignee shall receive the Goods on a "subject to inspection and acceptance in terms of contract" basis and shall issue the preliminary receipt to acknowledge having received the claimed quantity (not the quality) of consignment.

8.7.2 Goods Receipt and Inspection Report

If the received consignment successfully passes the quantity and quality checks, procuring Entity shall issue a Goods Receipt and Inspection Report (GRIR, or a similar voucher by any other name). The contractor may claim payment based on this document inter-alia other specified documents.

8.7.3 Rejection of Consignment by the Consignee

If the received consignment or part thereof fails to pass quantity and quality checks, the Procuring Entity shall issue a Rejection Note, noting the reasons for rejection. The Paying Authority shall recover any part payment or freight charges paid for the rejected consignment. The Contractor shall take back the rejected consignment as per GCC-clause 7.2 above within 21 days unless otherwise stipulated in the contract.

8.7.4 Short Receipt Certificate

If the quantity received is less than claimed/ invoiced, GRIR/Rejection Note shall be issued only for the received quantity. In such cases, a short receipt certificate shall also be issued by the consignee.

8.7.5 Perishable Goods

For Goods with a limited shelf life, the contractor shall ensure that at least 75% (or any other percentage stipulated in the contract) of shelf life remains a balance on delivery date. The Procuring Entity reserves its rights to reject expired or products with less than such specified shelf life.

9. Terms of Delivery and delays

9.1 Effective Date of Contract

The effective date of the contract shall be the date on which it has been signed by the Procuring Entity or the effective date mentioned in the contract, whichever is later. If the procurement entity receives no communication from the contractor within 14 days of the date signed by the procuring entity or the date of sending it to the contractor, whichever is later, then the date of signing shall be the effective date of the contract. The dates of deliveries shall be counted from such date. No notice to commence the contract shall be issued separately.

9.2 Time is the Essence of the contract

The time for and the date for delivering the Goods stipulated in the contract or as extended shall be deemed to be of the essence of the contract. Delivery must be completed not later than the date(s) so specified or extended.

9.3 Destination Places

The destination(s) where the Goods are to be delivered shall be as stipulated in the contract or Section VI – Schedule of Requirements.

9.4 Terms of Delivery

- 1) Terms of delivery (DAP) shall determine the point at which the responsibilities and property in goods passes over from the contractor to the Procuring Entity. These terms also determine the time of delivery.
- 2) the contractor shall deliver as detailed in the contract (DAP), the quantities of the Goods detailed therein, and the Goods shall be delivered or despatched not later than the dates stipulated in the contract. The delivery shall not be complete unless the Goods are inspected and accepted by the Consignee as provided in the contract. No Goods shall be deliverable to the consignee on Sundays and public holidays or outside designated working hours without the written permission of the consignee.
- 3) the contractor shall not despatch the Goods after the expiry of the delivery period. The Contractor must apply to the Procuring Entity to extend the delivery period and obtain the same before despatch. If the contractor despatches the Goods without obtaining an extension, it would be doing so at its own risk, and no claim for payment for such supply and/ or any other expense related to such supply shall lie against the Procuring Entity.

9.5 Part Supplies

The Contractor shall not arrange part-shipments and/ or trans-shipment if not stipulated in the contract without the express/ prior written consent of the Procuring Entity.

9.6 Progressing of Deliveries

The Contractor shall allow reasonable facilities and free access to his Works/ records to the Inspecting Officer or such other Officer as may be nominated by the Procuring Entity to ascertain the progress of the deliveries under the contract. The Contractor shall, from time-to-time, render such reports concerning the progress of the contract and/ or supply of the Goods in such form as may be required by the Procuring Entity. The submission, receipt and acceptance of such reports shall not prejudice the rights of the

Procuring Entity under the contract, nor shall operate as an estoppel against the Procuring Entity merely because he has not taken notice of/ or subjected to test any information contained in such report.

9.7 Notification of Delivery.

Notification of delivery or despatch regarding every instalment shall be made to the consignee and to the Procuring Entity immediately on despatch or delivery. The Contractor shall further supply to the consignee, or the interim consignee, as the case may be, packing list of the consignment and the contract references. All packages, containers, bundles, and loose materials part of every instalment shall be fully described in the packing list, and complete details of the contents of the packages and quantity of materials shall be given to enable the consignee to check the Goods on arrival at destination. The Railway Receipt/ Consignment Note or Bill of Lading shall be forwarded to the consignee by registered post/ Courier/ by hand immediately on the despatch of Goods. The Contractor shall bear and reimburse the Procuring Entity demurrage/ wharfage or other charges, if any, paid because of delay on the contractor's part in forwarding the Railway Receipt, Consignment Note or Bill of Lading.

9.8 Dispatches at the last moment or after the expiry of the delivery

- 1) If the contractor locally supplies a consignment after the expiry of the contracted delivery date, the Consignee may either refuse to receive it or receive it without prejudice to the rights of the Procuring Entity under the terms and conditions of the contract. Such consignments shall lie at the risk and responsibility of the contractor. Such a receipt by the consignee shall not acquiesce or condone the late delivery and shall not intend or amount to an extension of the delivery period or keeping the contract alive. The Contractor must obtain an extension of the delivery date/period from the Procuring Entity.
- 2) As regards supplies coming from outside, if the contractor dispatches the Goods after the expiry of the delivery period, it shall be at his own risk and responsibility, and that the consignee is not liable for any demurrage, wharfage, and deterioration of Goods at the destination station and, in his interest, the contractor shall get an extension of the delivery period from the contracting Entities.

9.9 Delay in the contractor's performance

If the contractor fails to deliver the Goods or any instalment thereof or delays incidental Work/ Services (e.g. installation, commissioning, operator training etc.) within the period fixed for such delivery in the contract or as extended or at any time repudiates the contract before the expiry of such period, the Procuring Entity may without prejudice to his other rights:

- 1) recover from the contractor liquidated damages as per clause 9.12 below, or
- 2) treat the delay as a breach of contract as per clause 12.1 below and avail all the remedies therein.

9.10 Inordinate Delays

Inexcusable delays of more than one-fourth (25%) of the total completion period shall be treated as inordinate delays. Such inordinate delays shall be noted as poor performance and be held against the contractor in future tenders. A show-cause notice shall be issued to the contractor before declaring it a poor performance. Such delays may be considered as a breach of the contract at the option of the Procuring Entity.

9.11 Extension of Delivery Period:

- 1) If at any time during the currency of the contract, the contractor encounters conditions hindering timely delivery of the Goods and performance of incidental Works/ Services, he shall promptly inform the Procuring Entity in writing about the same and its likely duration. He must make a request to the Procuring Entity for an extension of the delivery schedule. On receiving the contractor's communication, the Procuring Entity shall examine the situation and, at its discretion, may agree to extend the delivery schedule, with or without liquidated damages and with and without denial clause by issuing an amendment to the contract.
- 2) **Conditions for Extension of Delivery Period:** When the period of delivery is extended due to unexcused delay by the contractor, the amendment extending the delivery period shall, inter alia, be subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) **Liquidated Damages:** The Procuring Entity shall recover from the contractor, under the provisions of this clause, liquidated damages on the Goods and incidental Works/ Services, which the contractor has failed to deliver within the delivery period stipulated in the contract.
 - (b) **Denial Clause:**
 - (i) No increases in price on account of any statutory increase in or fresh Imposition of GST, customs duty or on account of any other taxes/ duty/ cess/ levy), leviable in respect of the Goods and incidental Works/ Services stipulated in the said contract which takes place after the original delivery date, shall be admissible on such of the said Goods, as are delivered after the said date; and
 - (ii) Notwithstanding any stipulation in the contract for an increase in price on any other ground, including price variation clause or foreign exchange rate variation, or any other variation clause, no such increase after the original delivery date shall be admissible on such goods delivered after the said date.
 - (iii) Nevertheless, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled to the benefit of any decrease in price on account of reduction in or remission of GST, customs duty or on account of any other Tax or duty or any other ground as stipulated in the price variation clause or foreign exchange rate variation or any other variation clause which takes place after the expiry of the original delivery date.

9.12 Liquidated damages

- 1) Subject to GCC clause 9.11, if the contractor fails to deliver any or all of the Goods or fails to perform the incidental Works/ Services (e.g. installation, commissioning or operator training) within the time frame(s) incorporated in the contract, the Procuring Entity shall, without prejudice to other rights and remedies available to the Procuring Entity under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as agreed liquidated damages, but not as a penalty, a sum equivalent to the ½% percent (or any other percentage if prescribed in the contract) of the delivered price (including elements of GST & freight) of the delayed Goods and/ or incidental Works/ Services for each week of delay or part thereof until actual delivery or performance, subject to a maximum deduction of the 10% (or any other percentage if prescribed in the contract) of the delayed Goods' or incidental Works/ Services' contract price(s). Besides liquidated damages during such a delay, the denial clause as per GCC-clause 9.11-2(b) shall also apply.

- 2) Any failure or delay by any sub-contractor, though their employment may have been sanctioned under GCC-clause 5.5 above, shall not be admitted as a ground for any extension of time or for exempting the contractor from liability for any such loss or damage as aforesaid.

9.13 Force Majeure

- 1) On the occurrence of any unforeseen event, beyond the control of either Party, directly interfering with the delivery of Services arising during the currency of the contract, such as war, hostilities, acts of the public enemy, civil commotion, sabotage, fires, floods, explosions, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, lockouts, or acts of God, the affected Party shall, within a week from the commencement thereof, notify the same in writing to the other Party with reasonable evidence thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the Procuring Entity in writing, the contractor shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as reasonably practicable and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the Force Majeure event. If the force majeure condition(s) mentioned above be in force for 90 days or more at any time, either party shall have the option to terminate the contract on expiry of 90 days of commencement of such force majeure by giving 14 days' notice to the other party in writing. In case of such termination, no damages shall be claimed by either party against the other, save and except those which had occurred under any other clause of this contract before such termination.
- 2) Notwithstanding the remedial provisions contained in GCC-clause 9.12 or 12.1, none of the Party shall seek any such remedies or damages for the delay and/ or failure of the other Party in fulfilling its obligations under the contract if it is the result of an event of Force Majeure.

10. Prices and Payments

10.1 Prices

10.1.1 Charged Prices

Prices to be charged by the contractor for the supply of Goods and provision of incidental Works/ Services in terms of the contract shall not vary from the corresponding prices quoted by the contractor in its bid or during negotiations, if any, and incorporated in the contract except for any price adjustment authorized in the contract.

10.1.2 Controlled Prices

- 1) The price charged by the contractor shall not be higher than the controlled price fixed by law for the Goods, or where there is no controlled price, it shall not exceed the minimum of Maximum Retail Price (MRP) at which the same or similar Goods are available in the market in the relevant region, or contravene the norms for fixation of prices laid down by Government, or where the Government has not fixed such prices or norms, it shall not exceed the price appearing in any agreement relating to price regulation by any industry in consultation with the Government.
- 2) **Penalties for overcharging:** If the sub-clause above is violated, unless the contractor had explicitly mentioned this fact in his bid giving reasons for quoting a higher price (s), or makes any mis-statement, it shall be lawful for the Procuring Entity to:
 - (a) annul the award and treat it as a misdemeanour as per the contract and take any or all punitive remedies available thereunder, or

- (b) without annulling the award, take action as per GCC-clause 10.4 to recover the overcharged amount, or
- (c) treat it as a breach of contract as per GCC-Clause 12.1 and avail any or all remedies thereunder.

10.1.3 Price Components and Incidental Works/ Services

Unless otherwise stated in the contract, The Procuring Entity shall not pay for consignment of incomplete components unless the full useable Scope of Goods (as per the contract/ Schedule of Requirement) has been received. Deficiencies in incidental Works/ Services shall also amount to incomplete delivery. Spares would not be paid for unless the primary Goods are received.

10.1.4 Firm Prices

Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, Prices shall be fixed and firm.

10.1.5 Price Variation and Exchange Variation Clause: Not applicable

10.1.6 Fall Clause

This Fall Clause shall be expressly applicable only if explicitly invoked in SCC. Nevertheless, Fall Clause shall be expressly applicable in case of Rate Contract (Refer SCC-clause 6.8):

- 1) The price charged for the Goods supplied under the contract by the contractor shall in no event exceed the lowest price at which the contractor sells the Goods or offers to sell Goods of identical description, to any persons/ Organizations including the Procuring Entity or any Department or Undertaking of the Central Government, as the case may be during the currency of the contract. Contractor shall forthwith notify such reduction or sale or offer of sale to the Procuring Entity and the price payable under the contract for the Goods supplied after the date of coming into force or such reduction or sale or offer of sale shall stand correspondingly reduced.
- 2) The above stipulation shall, however, not apply to:
 - (a) Exports by the contractor
 - (b) Sale of Goods as original equipment at prices lower than the prices charged for normal replacement
 - (c) Sale of perishable Goods having a limited shelf life, such as drugs that have expiry dates
- 3) the contractor shall furnish the following certificate to the concerned Accounts Officer with each bill for payment of supplies made against the contract.

** We certify that there has been no reduction in the sale price of the Goods of description identical to the Goods supplied to the Procuring Entity under the contract herein, and such Goods have not been offered/ sold by me/ us to any person/ Organization including any Ministry/ Department/ Attached and Subordinate Office/ Public Sector Undertaking of Central or State Government(s) as the case may be upto the date of bill/ the date of completion of Contract at a price lower than the price charged under this contract except for the quantity of Goods categories under (a), (b) and (c) of sub-clause (2) above, details of which are as follows:-"*

10.2 Taxes and Duties

- 1) the contractor shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, fees, levies etc., incurred until delivery of the Goods to the Procuring Entity. Further instruction, if any, shall be as provided in the contract.
- 2) If applicable under relevant tax laws and rules, the Procuring Entity shall deduct from all payments and deposit required taxes to respective authorities on account of GST Reverse Charge Mechanism; Tax Deducted at Source (TDS), and Tax Collected at Source (TCS) relating to Income Tax, labour cess, royalty etc.
- 3) **Payment of GST Tax under the contract:**
 - (a) The payment of GST and GST Cess to the contractor shall be made only on the latter submitting a GST compliant Bill/ invoice indicating the appropriate HSN code and applicable GST rate thereon duly supported with documentary evidence as per the provision of relevant GST Act and the Rules made there under. The delivery shall be shown being made in the name, location/ state, and GSTIN of the consignee only; the location of the procurement office of the procuring entity has no bearing on the invoicing.
 - (b) The supply of Goods or services or both, if imported into India, shall be considered as supply under inter-state commerce/ trade and shall attract integrated tax (IGST). The IGST rate and GST cess shall be applicable on the 'Custom Assessable Value' plus the 'Basic Customs duty applicable thereon'.
 - (c) While claiming reimbursement of duties, taxes etc. (like GST) from the Procuring Entity, as and if permitted under the contract, the contractor shall also certify that in case it gets any refund out of such taxes and duties from the concerned authorities at a later date, it (the contractor) shall refund to the Procuring Entity, the Procuring Entity's share out of such refund received by the contractor. The Contractor shall also refund the appropriate amount to the Procuring Entity immediately on receiving the same from the concerned authorities.
 - (d) All necessary adjustment vouchers such as Credit Notes/ Debit Notes for any short/ excess supplies or revision in prices or any other reason under the contract shall be submitted to the Procuring Entity in compliance with GST provisions.
 - (e) Liquidated damages or any other recoveries should be shown as deductions on the invoice, and GST shall be applicable only on the nett balance payment due.
 - (f) In case of Price Variation or Exchange Rate variation, or any other variation is applicable, GST shall be applicable on the nett invoice value after the variation is taken into account.
 - (g) GST shall be paid as per the rate at which it is liable to be assessed or has been assessed provided the transaction of the sale is legally liable to such taxes and is payable as per the terms of the contract subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) The Procuring Entity shall not pay a higher GST rate if leviable due to any misclassification of HSN number or incorrect GST rate incorporated in the contract due to contractor's fault. Wherever the contractor invoices the Goods at GST rate or HSN number, which is different from that incorporated in the contract, payment shall be made as per GST rate, which is lower of the GST rates incorporated in the contract or billed.
 - (ii) However, the Procuring Entity shall not be responsible for the contractor's tax payment or duty under a misapprehension of the law.

- (iii) Bidder is informed that he shall be required to adjust his basic price to the extent required by a higher tax rate billed as per invoice to match the all-inclusive price mentioned in the contract.
 - (iv) In case of profiteering by the contractor relating to GST tax, the Procuring Entity shall treat it as a violation of the Code of Integrity in the contract and avail any or all punitive actions thereunder, in addition to recovery and action by the GST authorities under the Act.
 - (v) The contractor should issue Receipt vouchers immediately on receipt of all types of payments along with tax invoices after adjusting advance payments, if any, as per Contractual terms and GST Provisions.
 - (vi) Liquidated damages or any other recoveries should be shown as deductions on the invoice, and GST shall be applicable only on the nett balance payment due.
- 4) **Statutory Variation Clause:** Unless otherwise stated in the contract, statutory increase in applicable GST rate only during the original delivery period shall be to Procuring Entity's account. Any increase in the rates of GST beyond the original completion date during the extended delivery period shall be borne by the contractor. The benefit of any reduction in GST rate must be passed on to the Procuring Entity during the original and extended delivery period. However, GST rate amendments shall be considered for quoted HSN code only, against documentary evidence, provided such an increase of GST rates after the last date of bid submission.

5) Duties/ Taxes on Raw Materials

The Procuring Entity is not liable for any claim from the contractor on account of fresh imposition and/ or increase (including statutory increase) of GST, customs duty, or other duties on raw materials and/ or components used directly in the manufacture of the contracted Goods taking place during the pendency of the contract unless such liability is expressly agreed to in terms of the contract.

10.3 Terms and Mode of Payment

10.3.1 For Domestic Goods:

Payments shall be made as per the payment procedures of the Procuring Entity through NEFT/RTGS

only. The Contractor shall provide a duly filled mandate form along with Bank account details on their official letter-head for receipt of payments. The same bank account shall be maintained throughout the contract period. Any change in the IFSC code or bank details must be informed to IMD (Purchaser) well in advance.

The payment terms for full delivery (DAP) at respective station (mentioned in RFP), are as follows:

(i) **For the 1st Year:**

- (a) 70% payment shall be released after receipt and acceptance of goods at the respective station (mentioned in RFP), along with submission of all required documents by the bidder.
- (b) 30% balance payment shall be made after a successful Site Acceptance Test (SAT) conducted at respective station (mentioned in RFP).

(ii) **For 2nd to 5th Year supplies:**

- (c) Acceptance shall be carried out at the respective sites including Antarctica station.

- (d) 90% payment shall be released after delivery at respective station (mentioned in RFP) (scheduled for the 1st week of July every year).
- (e) The remaining 10% shall be released after acceptance at Antarctica station. This may take additional time due to logistical constraints in transportation.

(iii) All payments shall be subject to applicable statutory deductions as prevailing at the time of release.

(iv) The selected bidder shall raise only one consolidated invoice per delivery year, which will serve as the basis for payment processing.

10.3.2 For Imported Good: Not Applicable

10.3.3 General Payment condition for payment

- 1) In Domestic Contracts, payments shall only be made in Indian Rupees. In Global Tenders, payment to foreign bidders shall be made in the currency/ currencies authorized in the contract. However, agency commission and local value addition shall be paid only in Indian Rupees.
- 2) the contractor shall send its claim for payment in writing as per GST compliant Invoice and documents, when contractually due, along with relevant documents etc., as stipulated in Contract and a manner as also specified therein.
- 3) While claiming payment, the contractor is also to certify in the bill that the payment being claimed is strictly in terms of the contract and all the obligations on the part of the contractor for claiming that payment has been fulfilled as required under the contract.
- 4) Unless otherwise specified documents which the contractor is to furnish while claiming payment are:
 - (a) Original Invoice (GST Compliant format)
 - (b) Certificate of pre-despatch inspection by the Procuring Entity's representative/ nominee, if applicable
 - (c) Manufacturer's test certificate, if applicable
 - (d) Performance/ Warrantee Bond, if applicable
 - (e) Certificate of Insurance, if applicable
 - (f) Clean on Bill of lading/ Airway bill/ Rail receipt or any other despatch document, in case of payment against dispatch documents, if so provided
 - (g) Consignee's Certificate confirming receipt and acceptance of Goods, in case of payment after receipt and acceptance
 - (h) Any other document specified.
- 5) In a case where the contractor is not in a position to submit its bill for the balance payment for want of receipt certificate from the consignee and the consignee has not complained about the non-receipt, shortage, or defects in the supplies made, the balance amount shall be paid by the paying authority without consignee's receipt certificate after three months from the date of the preceding part payment for the Goods in question, subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) The contractor must provide proof that he has given sufficient prior notice in this regard to the Procuring Entity and the concerned Consignee(s), but there has been no response.
 - (b) the contractor shall undertake to make good any defect or deficiency that the consignee (s) may report within six months from the date of despatch of Goods.
 - (c) Delay in supplies, if any, has been regularized.

- (d) The Contract price, where it is subject to variation, has been finalized.
- (e) the contractor furnishes the following undertakings:

“We, _____ certify that We have not received back the Inspection Note duly received by the consignee or any communication from the Procuring Entity or the consignee about non-receipt, shortage or defects in the Goods supplied. We _____ undertake to make good any defect or deficiency that the consignee may report within three months from the date of receipt of this balance payment or six months from the date of despatch, whichever is later.

10.3.4 Advance/ mobilization Payment not allowed:

Payments for supplies made or incidental works/ services rendered shall be released after supplies have been made and only after such incidental works/ services have also been rendered. If expressly provided for in the contract, partial payments against dispatch documents shall not be considered an advance payment for this clause.

10.4 Withholding and lien in respect of sums claimed:

- 1) Whenever any claim or claims for payment of a sum of money arises against the contractor, out of or under the contract, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part, to withhold and also have a lien to retain such sum or sums, in whole or in part pending finalisation or adjudication of any such claim from-
 - (a) any security or retention money, if any, deposited by the contractor.
 - (b) any sum(s) payable till now or hereafter to the contractor under the same Contract or any other contract with the Procuring Entity if the security is insufficient or if no security has been taken from the contractor.
- 2) Where the contractor is a partnership firm or a limited company, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part, to withhold and also have a lien to retain towards such claimed amount or amounts in whole or in part from any sum found payable to any partner/ limited company, as the case may be, whether in his capacity or otherwise.
- 3) It is an agreed term of the contract that the sum(s) of money so withheld or retained under the lien referred above shall be kept withheld or retained till the claim arising out of or under the contract is determined under clause GCC 11 and/ or 12. The contractor shall have no claim for interest or damages whatsoever on any account in respect of such withholding or retention under the lien referred to supra and duly notified as such to the contractor.
- 4) **Lien in respect of Claims in other Contracts:** Any sum of money due and payable to the contractor (including the security deposit returnable to him) under the contract may be withheld or retained by way of lien by the Procuring Entity or Government against any claim of the Procuring Entity or Government in respect of payment of a sum of money arising out of or under any other contract made by the contractor with the Procuring Entity or Government.

10.5 Payment Against Time-Barred Claims

All claims against the Procuring Entity shall be legally time-barred after three years calculated from the date when the payment falls due unless the payment claim has been under correspondence. The Procuring Entity is entitled to, and it shall be lawful for it to reject such claims.

10.6 Commissions and Fees

The Contractor shall disclose any commissions or fees that may have been paid or are to be paid to agents, representatives, or commission agents concerning the selection process or execution and performance of this Contract. The information disclosed must include the name and address of the agent, representative, or commission agent, the amount and currency, and the purpose of the commission or fee in a format similar to Form 1.4 of the Tender Document.

11. Resolution of disputes

11.1 Disputes and Excepted Matters

All disputes and differences between the parties hereto, as to the construction or operation of this contract, or the respective rights and liabilities of the parties on any matter in question; or any other account whatsoever, but excluding the Excepted Matters (detailed below); arising out of or in connection with the contract, within thirty (30) days from aggrieved Party notifying the other Party of such matters; whether before or after the completion/ termination of the contract, that cannot be resolved amicably between the Procurement Officer and the contractor within thirty (30) days from aggrieved Party notifying the other Party of such matters, shall be hereinafter called the "Dispute". The aggrieved party shall give a 'Notice of Dispute' indicating the Dispute and claims citing relevant Contractual clause to the designated authority and requesting for invoking the following dispute resolution mechanisms. The Dispute shall be resolved without recourse to courts through dispute resolution mechanisms detailed subsequently, in the sequence as mentioned below, and the next mechanism shall not be invoked unless the earlier mechanism has been invoked or has failed to resolve it within the deadline mentioned therein.

- 1) Adjudication
- 2) Conciliation
- 3) Arbitration

11.2 Excepted Matters

Matters for which provision has been made in any Clause of the contract shall be deemed as 'excepted matters' (matters not disputable/ arbitrable), and decisions of the Procuring Entity, thereon shall be final and binding on the contractor. The 'excepted matters' shall stand expressly excluded from the purview of the sub-clauses below, including Arbitration. However, where the Procuring Entity has raised the dispute, this sub-clause shall not apply. Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, excepted matters shall include but not limited to:

- 1) any controversies or claims brought by a third party for bodily injury, death, property damage or any indirect or consequential loss arising out of or in any way related to the performance of this Contract ("Third Party Claim"), including, but not limited to, a Party's right to seek contribution or indemnity from the other Party in respect of a Third-Party Claim.
- 2) Issues related to the pre-award tender process or conditions
- 3) Issues related to ambiguity in contract terms shall not be taken up after a contract has been signed. All such issues should be highlighted before the signing of the contract by the contractor.

- 4) Provisions incorporated in the contract, which are beyond the purview of The Procurement Entity or are in pursuance of policies of Government, including but not limited to
 - (a) Provisions of restrictions regarding local content and Purchase Preference to Local suppliers in terms of Make in India policy of the Government
 - (b) Provisions regarding restrictions on Entities from Countries having land-borders with India in terms of the Government's policies in this regard
 - (c) Purchase preference policies regarding MSEs and Start-ups

11.3 Adjudication

After exhausting efforts to resolve the Dispute with the Purchasing Officer executing the contract on behalf of the Procuring Entity, the contractor shall give a 'Notice of Adjudication' specifying the matters which are in question, or subject of the dispute or difference indicating the relevant contractual clause, as also the amount of claim item-wise to Head of Procurement or any other authority mentioned in the contract (hereinafter called the "Adjudicator") for invoking resolution of the dispute through Adjudication. During his adjudication, the Adjudicator shall give adequate opportunity to the contractor to present his case. Within 60 days after receiving the representation, the Adjudicator shall make and notify decisions in writing on all matters referred to him. The parties shall not initiate, during the adjudication proceedings, any conciliation or arbitral or judicial proceedings in respect of a dispute that is the subject matter of the adjudication proceedings. If not satisfied by the decision in adjudication, or if the adjudicator fails to notify his decision within the abovementioned time-frame, the contractor may proceed to invoke the process of Conciliation as follows.

11.4 Conciliation of disputes

- 1) Any party may invoke Conciliation by submitting "Notice of Conciliation" to the Head of the India Meteorological Department. Since conciliation is a voluntary process, within 30 days of receipt of "Notice of Conciliation", the Head of the India Meteorological Department shall notify a sole Conciliator if the other party is agreeable to enter Conciliation. If the other party is not agreeable to Conciliation, the aggrieved party may invoke Arbitration.
- 2) The Conciliator shall proactively assist the parties to reach an amicable settlement independently and impartially within the terms of the contract, within 60 days from the date of appointment of the Conciliator.
- 3) If the parties reach an agreement on a dispute settlement, they shall draw up a written settlement agreement duly signed by the parties and conciliator. When the parties sign the settlement agreement, it shall be final and binding on the parties. The dispute shall be treated as resolved on the date of such agreement.
- 4) The parties shall not initiate, during the conciliation proceedings, any arbitral or judicial proceedings in respect of a dispute that is the subject matter of the conciliation proceedings.
- 5) Termination of Conciliation: Disputes shall remain alive if the conciliation is terminated as follows:
 - (a) By written declaration of the conciliator, after consultation with the parties, to the effect that further efforts at conciliation are no longer justified, on the date of such declaration; or

- (b) By a written declaration of any party to the conciliator to the effect that the conciliation proceedings are terminated, on the date of such declaration; or
 - (c) If the parties fail to reach an agreement on a settlement of the dispute, within 60 days of the appointment of Conciliator
- 6) On termination of Conciliation, if the dispute is still alive, the aggrieved party shall be free to invoke Arbitration.

11.5 Arbitration Agreement

11.5.1 This Agreement

- 1) This Arbitration Agreement (hereinafter referred to as this “Agreement”) relating to this Contract (hereinafter called the “Main Agreement” for this agreement) is made under the provisions of The Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 as amended from time to time and the rules thereunder (hereinafter called The Arbitration Act). This Agreement shall continue to survive termination, completion, or closure of the Main Agreement for 120 days after that.
- 2) Subject to aforesaid provisions, relevant clauses of the contract shall apply to the appointment of arbitrators and arbitration proceedings under this Agreement.
- 3) The Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development (MSMED) Act, 2006 provides parties to a dispute (where one of the parties is a Micro or Small Enterprise) to be referred to Micro and Small Enterprises Facilitation Council if the dispute is regarding any amount due under Section 17 of the MSMED Act, 2006. If a Micro or Small Enterprise, being a party to dispute, refers to the provisions in MSMED Act 2006, these provisions shall prevail over this Agreement.

11.5.2 Notice for Arbitration

- 1) **Authority to Appoint Arbitrator(s):** For this Arbitration Agreement ‘The Appointing Authority’, to appoint the arbitrator shall be Secretary, MoES named in the contract and includes if there be no such authority, the officer who is for the time being discharging the functions of that authority, whether in addition to other functions or otherwise.
- 2) In the event of any dispute as per GCC-clause 11.1 above, if the Adjudicator fails to decide within 60 days (as referred in 11.3 above), or the Conciliation is terminated (as referred in sub-clause 11.4 above) then, parties to the contract, after 60 days but within 120 days of ‘Notice of Dispute’ (clause 11.1 above) shall request the Appointing Authority through a “Notice for Arbitration” in writing requesting that the dispute or difference be referred to arbitration.
- 3) The “Notice for arbitration” shall specify the matters in question or subject of the dispute or difference indicating the relevant contractual clause, as well as the amount of claim item-wise.

11.5.3 Reference to Arbitration

After appointing Arbitrator(s), the Appointing Authority shall refer the Dispute to them. Only such dispute or difference shall be referred to arbitration regarding which the demand has been made, together with counter-claims or set off. Other matters shall be beyond the jurisdiction of Arbitrator(s)

11.5.4 Appointment of Arbitrator

1) Qualification of Arbitrators:

- (a) In the case of retired officers of The India Meteorological Department, he shall have retired in the rank of Senior administrative grade (or equivalent) and shall have retired at least 1 years prior and must not be over 70 years of age on the date of Notice for arbitration.
- (b) He/ they shall not have had an opportunity to deal with the matters to which the contract relates or who, in the course of his/ their duties as officers of the India Meteorological Department, expressed views on any or all of the matters under dispute or differences. A certification to this effect (as per Format 1.4) shall be taken from Arbitrators. The proceedings of the Arbitral tribunal or the award made by such Tribunal shall, however, not be invalid merely for the reason that one or more arbitrators had in the course of his service, an opportunity to deal with the matters to which the contract relates or who in the course of his/ their duties expressed views on all or any of the matters under dispute.
- (c) An Arbitrator may be appointed notwithstanding the total no. of arbitration cases in which he has been appointed in the past.
- (d) Not be other than the person appointed by The Appointing Authority and that if for any reason that is not possible, the matter shall not be referred to arbitration at all.

2) Replacement of Arbitrators

If one or more of the arbitrators appointed as above refuses to act as arbitrator, withdraws from his office as arbitrator, or in the event of the arbitrator dying, neglecting/ unable or unwilling or refusing to act for any reason, or his award being set aside by the court for any reason, or in the opinion of The Appointing Authority fails to act without undue delay, the Appointing Authority shall appoint new arbitrator/ arbitrators to act in his/ their place in the same manner in which the earlier arbitrator/ arbitrators had been appointed. Such a re-constituted Tribunal may, at its discretion, proceed with the reference from the stage at which it was left by the previous arbitrator (s).

3) Appointment of Arbitrator:

- (a) In cases where the total value of all claims in question added together does not exceed Rs 50,00,000/ - (Rupees Fifty Lakh only), the Arbitral Tribunal shall consist of sole Arbitrator. For this purpose, The Appointing Authority shall send to the contractor, within 60 days from the day of receipt of a written and valid notice for arbitration, a panel of at least four (4) names of retired officers, duly indicating their retirement dates.
- (b) The contractor shall be asked to nominate at least two names out of the panel for appointment as his nominee within 30 days from the dispatch date of the request by The Appointing Authority. The Appointing Authority shall appoint at least one out of them as the sole arbitrator within 30 days from the receipt of the names of the contractor's nominees.
- (c) In cases where the total value of all claims in question added together exceeds Rs 50,00,000/ - (Rupees Fifty Lakh only), the Arbitral Tribunal shall consist of three (3) retired Officers of the India Meteorological Department. For this purpose, The Appointing Authority shall send a panel of at least four (4) names of such Officer(s) empanelled to work as Arbitrators duly indicating their retirement date to the contractor within 60 days from the day when a written and The Appointing Authority receives valid demand for arbitration.
- (d) The contractor shall be asked to nominate at least 2 names out of the panel for appointment as his nominee within 30 days from the dispatch date of the request by The Appointing Authority. The Appointing Authority shall appoint at least one out of them as the contractor's

nominee. It shall also simultaneously appoint the balance number of arbitrators either from the panel or outside the panel, duly indicating the 'Presiding Arbitrator' from amongst the 3 arbitrators so appointed, within 30 days from the receipt of the names of Contractor's nominees.

- (e) If the contractor does not suggest his nominees for the arbitral tribunal within the prescribed timeframe, The Appointing Authority shall proceed for appointment of the arbitral tribunal within 30 days of the expiry of such time provided to the contractor.

11.5.5 Failure to appoint Arbitrators.

If The Appointing Authority fails to appoint an arbitrator within 60 (sixty) days, then subject to the survival of this Arbitration Agreement, in international commercial arbitration, the Supreme Court of India shall designate the arbitral institution for the appointment of arbitrators. In case of national arbitrations, the High Court shall designate arbitral institutions. The Arbitration Council of India must have graded these arbitration institutions. These arbitral institutions must complete the selection process within thirty days of accepting the request for the arbitrator's appointment.

11.5.6 The Arbitral Procedure

- 1) **Effective Date of Entering Reference:** The arbitral tribunal shall be deemed to have entered the reference on the date on which the arbitrator(s) have received notice of their appointment. All subsequent time limits shall be counted from such date.
- 2) **Seat and Venue of Arbitration:** The seat of arbitration shall be the place from which the Letter of Award or the contract is issued. The venue of arbitration shall be the same as the seat of arbitration. However, in terms of section 20 of The Arbitration Act, the arbitrator, at his discretion, may determine a venue other than the seat of the arbitration without in any way affecting the legal jurisdictional issues linked to the seat of the arbitration.
- 3) If the Adjudication and/ or Conciliation mechanisms had not been exhausted before such reference to Arbitration, the Arbitrator should ask the aggrieved party to approach designated authority for such mechanisms before the Arbitration proceedings are started.
- 4) The claimant shall submit to the Arbitrator(s) with copies to the respondent his claims stating the facts supporting the claims along with all the relevant documents and the relief or remedy sought against each claim within 30 days from the date of appointment of the Arbitral Tribunal unless otherwise extension has been granted by Arbitral Tribunal.
- 5) On receipt of such claims, the respondent shall submit its defence statement and counter claim(s), if any, within 60 days of receipt of the copy of claims, unless otherwise extension has been granted by Arbitral Tribunal.
- 6) No new claim shall be added during proceedings by either party. However, a party may amend or supplement the original claim or defense thereof during arbitration proceedings subject to acceptance by the Tribunal having due regard to the delay in making it.
- 7) Statement of claims, counterclaims and defense shall be completed within six months from the effective reference date.

- 8) **Oral arguments to be held on a day-to-day basis:** Oral arguments as far as possible shall be heard by the arbitral tribunal on a day-to-day basis, and no adjournments shall be granted without sufficient cause. The arbitrator (s) may impose an exemplary cost on the party seeking adjournment without sufficient cause.
- 9) **Award within 12 (twelve) months:** The arbitral tribunal is statutorily bound to deliver an award within 12 (twelve) months from the date when the arbitral tribunal enters reference. The award can be delayed by a maximum of six months only under exceptional circumstances where all parties consent to such extension of time. The court's approval shall be required for further extension if the award is not made out within such an extended period. During the period of an application for extension of time is awaiting before the court, the arbitrator's proceedings shall continue until the disposal of the application.
- 10) **Fast Track Procedure:** The parties to arbitration may choose to opt for a fast-track procedure either before or after the commencement of the arbitration. The award in fast-track arbitration is to be made out within six months, and the arbitral tribunal shall be entitled to additional fees. The salient features of the fast-track arbitration are:
 - (a) The dispute is to be decided based on written pleadings only.
 - (b) Arbitral Tribunal shall have the power to call for clarifications in addition to the written pleadings where it deems necessary.
 - (c) An oral hearing may be held only if all the parties request or the arbitral tribunal considers it necessary.
 - (d) The parties are free to decide the fees of the arbitrator(s) for fast-track procedure.
- 11) **Powers of Arbitral Tribunal to grant Interim Relief:** The parties to arbitration may approach the arbitral tribunal for seeking interim relief on the grounds available under section 9 of the act. The tribunal has the powers of a court while making interim awards in the proceedings before it.
- 12) **Confidentiality:** As provided in Section 42A of The Arbitration Act, all the details and particulars of the arbitration proceedings shall be kept confidential, except in certain situations like if the disclosure is necessary for the implementation or execution of the arbitral award.
- 13) **Obligation During Pendency of Arbitration:** Performance of the contract shall, unless otherwise directed by the Procuring Entity, continue during the arbitration proceedings, and no payment due or payable by the Procuring Entity shall be withheld on account of such proceedings, provided; however, it shall be open for Arbitral Tribunal to consider and decide whether or not the performance of the contract or payment therein should continue during arbitration proceedings.

11.5.7 The Arbitral Award

- 1) In the case of the Tribunal, comprising of three members, any ruling on award shall be made by a majority of members of the Tribunal. In the absence of such a majority, the views of the Presiding Arbitrator shall prevail.
- 2) The arbitral award shall state item-wise the sum and reasons upon which it is based. The analysis and reasons shall be detailed enough so that the award can be inferred from it.

- 3) It is further a term of this arbitration agreement that where the arbitral award is for the payment of money, no interest shall be payable on whole or any part of the money for any period till the date on which the award is made in terms of Section 31 (7) (a) of The Arbitration Act.
- 4) The award of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on the parties to this contract.
- 5) A party may apply for corrections of any computational errors, typographical or clerical errors, or any other error of similar nature occurring in the award or interpretation of a specific point of the award to the Tribunal within 60 days of receipt of the award.
- 6) A party may apply to the Tribunal within 60 days of receiving the award to make an additional award as to claims presented in the arbitral proceedings but omitted from the arbitral award.

11.5.8 Savings

The Arbitral Tribunal shall decide any matter related to Arbitration not covered under this Arbitration Agreement as per the provisions of The Arbitration Act.

11.5.9 Cost of Arbitration and fees of the Arbitrator(s)

- 1) The concerned parties shall bear the cost of arbitration in terms of section 31 (A) of The Arbitration Act. The cost shall inter-alia include fees of the Arbitrator. Further, the fees payable to the Arbitrator shall be governed by instructions issued on the subject by the Procuring Entity and/ or the Government from time to time, in line with the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, irrespective of the fact whether the Arbitrator is appointed by the Procuring Entity or the Government under this clause or by any court of law unless directed explicitly by Hon'ble court otherwise on the matter. A sole arbitrator shall be entitled to a 25% extra fee over such a prescribed fee.
- 2) The arbitrator shall be entitled to a 50 percent extra fee if the award is made within 6 months in terms of provisions contained in section 29(A) (2) of The Arbitration Act.
- 3) Besides the above, Arbitrator shall also be entitled to this extra fee in cases where Fast Track Procedure in terms of section 29 (B) of The Arbitration Act is followed.

12. Defaults, Breaches, Termination, and closure of Contract

12.1 Termination due to Breach, Default, and Insolvency

12.1.1 Defaults and Breach of Contract

In case the contractor undergoes insolvency or receivership; neglects or defaults, or expresses inability or disinclination to honour his obligations relating to the performance of the contract or ethical standards or any other obligation that substantively affects the Procuring Entity's rights and benefits under the contract, it shall be treated as a breach of Contract. Such defaults could include inter-alia:

- 1) **Default in Performance and Obligations:** if the contractor fails to deliver any or all of the Goods or fails to perform any other contractual obligations (including Code of Integrity or obligation to maintain eligibility and Qualifications based on which contract was awarded) within the period stipulated in the contract or within any extension thereof granted by the Procuring Entity.
- 2) **Insolvency:** If the contractor being an individual or if a firm, any partner thereof, shall at any time, be adjudged insolvent or shall have a receiving order or order for the administration of his estate

made against him or shall take any proceeding for composition under any Insolvency Act for the time being in force or make any conveyance or assignment of his effects or enter into any assignment or composition with his creditors or suspend payment or if the firm be dissolved under the Partnership Act, or

- 3) **Liquidation:** if the contractor is a company being wound up voluntarily or by order of a Court or a Receiver, Liquidator or Manager on behalf of the Debenture-holders is appointed, or circumstances shall have arisen which entitle the Court or Debenture-holders to appoint a Receiver, Liquidator or Manager

12.1.2 Notice for Default:

As soon as a breach of contract is noticed, a show-cause 'Notice of Default' shall be issued to the contractor, giving two weeks' notice, reserving the right to invoke contractual remedies. After such a show-cause notice, all payments to the contractor would be temporarily withheld to safeguard needed recoveries that may become due on invoking contractual remedies.

12.1.3 Terminations for Default

- 1) **Notice for Termination for Default:** In the event of unsatisfactory resolution of 'Notice of Default' within two weeks of its issue as per sub-clause above, the Procuring Entity, if so decided, shall by written Notice of Termination for Default sent to the contractor, terminate the contract in whole or in part, without compensation to the contractor.
- 2) Such termination shall not prejudice or affect the rights and remedies, including under sub-clause below, which have accrued and/ or shall accrue to the Procuring Entity after that.
- 3) Unless otherwise instructed by the Procuring Entity, the contractor shall continue to perform the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 4) All warranty obligations, if any, shall continue to survive despite the termination.

12.1.4 Contractual Remedies for Breaches/Defaults or Termination for Default

If there is an unsatisfactory resolution within this period, the Procuring Entity shall take one; or more of the following contractual remedies.

- 1) Temporary withhold payments due to the contractor till recoveries due to invocation of other contractual remedies are complete.
- 2) Call back any loaned property or advances of payment, if any, with the levy of interest at the prevailing rate (MIBID - Mumbai Interbank Bid Rate).
- 3) Recover liquidated damages and invoke denial clause for delays.
- 4) Encash and/ or Forfeit performance or other contractual securities.
- 5) Prefer claims against insurances, if any.
- 6) Terminate contract for default, fully or partially including its right for Risk-and-Cost Procurement as per following sub-clause.

- 7) **Risk and Cost Procurement:** In addition to termination for default, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part, to procure Goods similar to those terminated, with such terms and conditions and in such manner as it deems fit at the "Risk and Cost" of the contractor. Such 'Risk and Cost Procurement' must be contracted within six months from the breach of Contract. The Contractor shall be liable for any loss which the Procuring Entity may sustain on that account provided the procurement, or, if there is an agreement to procure, such agreement is made. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any gain on such procurement, and the manner and method of such procurement shall be in the entire discretion of the Procuring Entity. It shall not be necessary for the Procuring Entity to notify the contractor of such procurement. It shall, however, be at the discretion of the Procuring Entity to collect or not the security deposit from the firm/ firms on whom the contract is placed at the risk and cost of the defaulted firm.

Note: Regarding the Goods which are not readily available in the market and where procurement difficulties are experienced, the period for making risk procurement shall be nine months instead of six months provided above.

- 8) Initiate proceedings in a court of law for the transgression of the law, tort, and loss, not addressable by the above means.

12.1.5 Limitation of Liability

Except in cases of criminal negligence or wilful misconduct, the aggregate liability of the contractor to the Procuring Entity, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total Contract Price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment, or to any obligation of the contractor to indemnify the Procuring Entity concerning IPR infringement.

12.2 Termination for Default/ Convenience of Procuring Entity and Frustration

12.2.1 Notice for Determination of Contract

- 1) The Procuring Entity reserves the right to terminate the contract, in whole or in part for its (the Procuring Entity's) convenience or frustration of contract as per sub-clause below, by serving written 'Notice for Determination of Contract' on the contractor at any time during the currency of the contract. The notice shall specify that the termination is for the convenience of the Procuring Entity or the frustration of the contract. The notice shall also indicate inter-alia, the extent to which the contractor's performance under the contract is terminated, and the date with effect from which such termination shall become effective.
- 2) Such termination shall not prejudice or affect the rights and remedies accrued and/ or shall accrue after that to the Parties.
- 3) Unless otherwise instructed by the Procuring Entity, the contractor shall continue to perform the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 4) All warranty obligations, if any, shall continue to survive despite the termination.
- 5) The Goods and incidental Works/ Services that are complete and ready in terms of the contract for delivery and performance within thirty days after the contractor's receipt of the notice of termination shall be accepted by the Procuring Entity as per the contract terms. For the remaining Goods and incidental Works/ Services, the Procuring Entity may decide:

- (a) To get any portion of the balance completed and delivered at the contract terms, conditions, and prices; and/ or
- (b) To cancel the remaining portion of the Goods and incidental Works/ Services and compensate the contractor by paying an agreed amount for the cost incurred by the contractor, if any, towards the remaining portion of the Goods and incidental Works/ Services.

12.2.2 Frustration of Contract

- 1) **Notice of Frustration Event:** Upon a supervening cause occurring after the effective date of the contract, including a change in law, beyond the control of either party whether as a result of the Force Majeure clause or within the scope of section 56 of the Indian Contract Act, 1872, that makes it impossible to perform the contract within a reasonable timeframe, the affected party shall give a 'Notice of Frustration Event' to the other party giving justification. The parties shall use reasonable efforts to agree to amend the contract, as may be necessary to complete its performance. However, if the parties cannot reach a mutual agreement within 60 days of the initial notice, the Procuring Entity shall issue a 'Notice for Determining the contract' and terminate the contract due to its frustration as in the sub-clause above.
- 2) However, the following shall not be considered as such a supervening cause.
 - (a) Lack of commercial feasibility or viability or profitability or availability of funds
 - (b) if caused by either party's breach of its obligations under this Contract or failure to act in good faith or use commercially reasonable due diligence to prevent such an event.

12.3 Closure of Contract

12.3.1 No Claim Certificate and Release of Contract Securities

After mutual reconciliations of outstanding payments and assets on either side, the contractor shall submit a 'No-claim certificate' to the Procuring Entity requesting the release of its contractual securities, if any. The Procuring Entity shall release the contractual securities without any interest if no outstanding obligation, asset, or payments are due from the contractor. The contractor shall not be entitled to make any claim whatsoever against the Procuring Entity under or arising out of this Contract, nor shall the Procuring Entity entertain or consider any such claim, if made by the contractor, after he shall have signed a "No Claim" Certificate in favour of the Procuring Entity. The Contractor shall be debarred from disputing the correctness of the items covered by the "No Claim" Certificate or demanding a clearance to arbitration in respect thereof.

12.3.2 Closure of Contract

The contract shall stand closed upon

- 1) successful performance of all obligations by both parties, including completion of warrantee obligations and final payment.
- 2) termination and settlements after that, if any, as per GCC-clause 12.1 or 12.2 above.

13. Code of Integrity in Public Procurement; Misdemeanours and Penalties

13.1 Code of Integrity

Procuring authorities as well as bidders, suppliers, contractors, and consultants - should observe the highest standard of ethics and should not indulge in following prohibited practices, either directly or indirectly, at any stage during the Tender Process or during the execution of resultant contracts:

- 1) **“Corrupt practice”** - making offer, solicitation or acceptance of a bribe, reward or gift or any material benefit, in exchange for an unfair advantage in the Tender Process or to otherwise influence the Tender Process;
- 2) **“Fraudulent practice”** - any omission or misrepresentation that may mislead or attempt to mislead so that financial or other benefits may be obtained or an obligation avoided. Such practices include a false declaration or false information for participation in a tender process or to secure a contract or in the execution of the contract;
- 3) **“Anti-competitive practice”** - any collusion, bid-rigging or anti-competitive arrangement, or any other practice coming under the purview of the Competition Act, 2002, between two or more bidders, with or without the knowledge of the Procuring Entity, that may impair the transparency, fairness, and the progress of the Tender Process or to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels;
- 4) **“Coercive practice”** - harming or threatening to harm persons or their property to influence their participation in the Tender Process or affect the execution of a contract;
- 5) **“Conflict of interest”** –participation by a bidding firm or any of its affiliates who are either involved in the Consultancy Contract to which this procurement is linked; or if they are part of more than one bid in the procurement; or if their personnel have a relationship or financial or business transactions with any official of procuring entity who are directly or indirectly related to tender or execution process of contract; or improper use of information obtained by the (prospective) bidder from the Procuring Entity with an intent to gain unfair advantage in the Tender Process or for personal gain;
- 6) **“Obstructive practice”** - materially impede procuring entity’s investigation into allegations of one or more of the above mentioned prohibited practices either by deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering; or by concealing of evidence material to the investigation; or by making false statements to investigators and/ or by coercive practices mentioned above, to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or by impeding the Procuring Entity’s rights of audit or access to information;

13.2 Obligations for Proactive Disclosures:

- 1) Procuring authorities, bidders, suppliers, contractors, and consultants are obliged under this Code of Integrity to *suo-moto* proactively declare any conflict of interest (coming under the definition mentioned above - pre-existing or as and as soon as these arise at any stage) in any Tender Process or execution of the contract. Failure to do so shall amount to a violation of this code of integrity.
- 2) Any bidder must declare, whether asked or not in a bid-document, any previous transgressions of such code of integrity during the last three years or of being under any category of debarment by the Central Government or by the Ministry/ Department of the India Meteorological Department from participation in Tender Processes. Failure to do so shall amount to a violation of this code of integrity.

13.3 Misdemeanours and Penalties

The following shall be considered misdemeanours - if a bidder/ contractor either directly or indirectly, at any stage during the Tender Process or during the execution of resultant contracts:

- 1) commits any of the following misdemeanours:
 - (a) violates the code of Integrity mentioned in GCC-clause 13.1 or GCC-Clause 10.1.6 (Fall clause) or the Integrity Pact if included in the Tender/ Contract;
 - (b) any other misdemeanour, e.g., supply of sub-standard quality of material/ services/ work or non-performance or abandonment of contract or failure to abide by 'Bid Securing Declaration'.
- 2) commits any of the following misdemeanours:
 - (a) has been convicted of an offence:
 - (i) under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988; or
 - (ii) the Indian Penal Code or any other law for the time being in force for causing any loss of life or property or causing a threat to public health as part of the execution of a public procurement contract.
 - (b) is determined by the Government of India to have doubtful loyalty to the country or national security consideration.
 - (c) Employs a government servant, who has been dismissed or removed on account of corruption or employs a non-official convicted for an offence involving corruption or abetment of such an offence, in a position where he could corrupt government servants or employs a government officer within one year of his retirement, who has had business dealings with him in an official capacity before retirement.

13.4 Penalties for Misdemeanours

Without prejudice to and in addition to the rights of the Procuring Entity to other remedies as per the Tender-documents or the contract, If the Procuring Entity concludes that a (prospective) bidder/ contractor directly or through an agent has committed a misdemeanour in competing for the tender or in executing a contract, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part to take appropriate measures, including the following:

13.4.1 if his bids are under consideration in any procurement

- 1) Enforcement of Bid Securing Declaration in lieu of forfeiture or encashment of Bid Security.
- 2) calling off of any pre-contract negotiations, and;
- 3) rejection and exclusion of Bidder from the Tender Process

13.4.2 if a contract has already been awarded

- 1) Termination of Contract for Default and availing all remedies prescribed thereunder;
- 2) Encashment and/ or Forfeiture of any contractual security or bond relating to the procurement;
- 3) Recovery of payments including advance payments, if any, made by the Procuring Entity along with interest thereon at the prevailing rate (MIBID - Mumbai Interbank Bid Rate);

13.4.3 Remedies in addition to the above:

In addition to the above penalties, the Procuring Entity shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part to:

- 1) File information against Bidder or any of its successors, with the Competition Commission of India for further processing, in case of anti-competitive practices;
- 2) Initiate proceedings in a court of law against Bidder or any of its successors, under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 or the Indian Penal Code or any other law for transgression not addressable by other remedies listed in this sub-clause.
- 3) Remove Bidder or any of its successors from the list of registered suppliers for a period not exceeding two years. Suppliers removed from the list of registered vendors or their related entities may be allowed to apply afresh for registration after the expiry of the period of removal.
- 4) Initiation of suitable disciplinary or criminal proceedings against any individual or staff found responsible.
- 5) Debar, a bidder/ contractor from participation in future procurements without prejudice to Procuring Entity's legal rights and remedies. Debarment shall automatically extend to all the allied firms of the debarred firm. In the case of Joint Venture/ consortium, all its members shall also stand similarly debarred:
 - (a) A Ministry/ Department (or any of its CPSUs, attached offices, autonomous bodies) may debar a bidder or any of its successors from participating in any Tender Process undertaken by all its procuring entities for a period not exceeding two years commencing from the date of debarment for misdemeanours listed in sub-clause GCC 13.3 -1) above. The Ministry/Department shall maintain such a list which shall also be displayed on their website.
 - (b) Central Government (Department of Expenditure (DoE), Ministry of Finance) may debar a bidder or any of its successors from participating in any Tender Process undertaken by all its procuring entities for a period not exceeding three years commencing from the date of debarment for misdemeanours listed in sub-clause GCC 13.3 - 2) above. DoE shall maintain such a list which shall be displayed on Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP).

Section V: Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)

Document No. **Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx**; Tender Title: GOODS

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2)

Note for Bidders: Following Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) shall apply for this procurement. These Special Conditions shall modify/ substitute/ supplement the corresponding (GCC) clauses as indicated below. Whenever there is any conflict between the provision in the GCC and that in the SCC, the provision contained in the SCC shall prevail.

GCC Clause No.	Topic	Modified/ replaced by SCC Provisions
GCC 1, 2, 3 and 4: General, The Contract, Governing Laws and Jurisdiction, Communications		
GCC 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4	Definitions and Abbreviations	Nil
GCC 2.1	Language of Contract	English
GCC 2.5	Contract Documents	Nil
GCC 3.1	Governing Laws and jurisdiction	The Contract shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of Union of India.
GCC 4.1, 4.3	Communications and notices	No additional communication requirement
GCC 4.2	Persons Signing Communications	As per GCC
GCC 5: Contractor's Obligations and Restrictions on its Rights		
GCC 5.6	Confidentiality and Secrecy of information	As per GCC
GCC 5.7	Performance Bond/ Security	5% of the order value The bank guarantee bond shall be issued either by a Bank located in the country of the Purchaser (Nationalized or Scheduled Bank in India) or a foreign Bank through a correspondent bank located in the country of the Purchaser (Nationalized or Scheduled Bank in India), acceptable to the purchaser. The Bank Guarantee bond should be submitted in accordance with the form. The Bank Guarantee Bond will be got verified from the issuing Bank by the employer.
GCC 5.9	Book Examination Clause	As per GCC 5.10
GCC 5.10	Custody and Return of the	NA

	Procuring Entity's Materials/ Equipment/ Documents loaned to Contractor	
GCC 5.11	Compliance with Labour Codes	NA
GCC 6: Scope of Supply and Technical Specifications		
GCC 6.1, 6.6	Incidental Works/ Services, Spares	Nil
GCC 6.3	Quantity Tolerance	As per GCC 6.3
GCC 6.4	Country of Origin and Minimum Local Content	As per GCC 6.4
GCC 6.5	Option Quantity Clause	As Per GCC 6.5
GCC 6.6	Spares in Supply of Equipment	As per RFP
GCC 6.7	Warranty/ Guarantee	As per RFP
GCC 7 and 8: Inspection, Quality Assurance, Packing, Transportation, Insurance and Receipt		
GCC 7.1	Tests and Inspections	As per RFP
GCC 8.	Packing, Transportation and Receipt	As per RFP
GCC 8.4.4	Distribution of Despatch Documents	As per RFP
GCC 9: Terms of Delivery and Delays		
GCC 9.5	Part shipment allowed	As per RFP
GCC 9.12	Liquidated Damages	As per clause GCC 9.12
GCC 10: Prices and Payments		
GCC 10.1.5	Price Variations	Not applicable
GCC 10.1.6	Fall Clause	As per GCC
GCC 10.2	Taxes and Duties	As per GCC
GCC 10.3.1, 10.3.2	Terms and Mode of payments	As per GCC
GCC 10.3.3	Payment Conditions	As per GCC
GCC 10.3.4	Advance Payment	Not Applicable

GCC 11, 12: Resolution of Disputes, Code of Integrity, Misdemeanours and Penalties		
GCC 11.2	Excepted Matters	As per GCC
GCC 11.5	Arbitration Agreement	As per GCC
GCC 12.1.4-5)	Risk and Cost Purchase	As per GCC

Section VI: Schedule of Requirements

(Ref ITB-clause 1.4)

Note for Bidders: Regarding this Schedule, Bidders must fill Form 2: 'Schedule of Requirements - Confirmation/ Deviation' with their Technical bid.

Tender Title								
Tender Reference No			Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx					
Schedule	Item Sr	Minimum Local Content (%)	Description of Goods	Quantity	Units of Quantity	Delivery Requirements	Destination, State	GSTIN
1	3	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Schedule-1		<i>[Description of Schedule]</i>						
	1.1		Ozonesondes	600	No.	As per RFP	As per RFP	
	1.2		Compatible ground systems	4	No.	As per RFP	As per RFP	
	1.3		Installation and commissioning	4	No.	As per RFP	As per RFP	

- (1) General Background of requirements: *[inter-alia - Where would the Goods are going to be used]*
- (2) Preferred Transportation: *[inter-alia - Transportation by Road, Rail, Sea or Air]*
- (3) Required Delivery Schedule:
- (4) Required Terms of Delivery: *[inter-alia - Free at Destination/ Delivered at Place DAP], Destination, Ultimate Consignee]*
- (5) Scope of Supply: *[inter-alia - any Accessories, Mandatory Spares, optional spares etc.]*
- (6) Incidental Works/ Services: *[Inter-alia - Installation, Commissioning, Training, or any other incidental requirements]*

Section VII: Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance

(Ref ITB-clause 1.4)

Note for Bidders: Regarding this Schedule, Bidders shall submit Form 3: 'Technical Specifications And Quality Assurance - Compliance' with their Technical bid.

Technical Specification, Allied Technical Details and Quality Assurance

Please refer APPENDIX No.-1 of the tender document. If there is any clashes or dispute between the scope of supply, technical specifications, terms and conditions relating to pure technical parts of the equipment, training, warranty, etc., the wording / matter available in APPENDIX No.-1 prevails over the wording / matter available herein.

7.1 Note: 1) Optional items mentioned in the quotation will not be considered for commercial evaluation.

2) Items to be supplied from India should be quoted in Indian Currency only. Payment of domestic goods and services shall be made to the Indian partner of the foreign firm as per terms and conditions of the contract.

7.2 Scope of Work

Scope of Work includes the following:

- (i)** Supply of the equipment / system as specified in APPENDIX No. 1
- (ii)** Site Training, Installation & Commissioning as specified in APPENDIX No. 1-clause-13.
- (iii)** On site comprehensive Warranty as specified in in APPENDIX No. 1-clause-15.

4.3 Inspection & Tests

General

- (i)** The Supplier shall at its own expense and at no cost to the Purchaser carry out all such tests and/or inspections of the Goods and Related Services as are specified here. The Supplier shall at its own expense and at no cost to the IMD carry out all such tests and/or inspections of the Goods and Related Services as are specified in the chapter 4 or as discussed and agreed to during the course of finalization of contract.
- (ii)** Whenever the Supplier is ready to carry out any such test and inspection, it shall give a reasonable advance notice, including the place and time, to the Purchaser. The Supplier shall obtain from any relevant third party or manufacturer any necessary permission or consent to enable the Purchaser or its designated representative to attend the test and/or inspection.
- (iii)** The IMD or its representative shall have the right to inspect and/or to test the Goods to confirm their conformity to the Contract specifications at no extra cost to the IMD and what inspections and tests the IMD requires and where they are to be conducted. The IMD shall notify the Supplier in writing in a timely manner of the identity of any representatives retained for these purposes.
- (iv)** Should any inspected or tested Goods fail to conform to the specifications, the purchaser may reject the goods and the Supplier shall either replace the rejected Goods or make alterations necessary to meet specification requirements free of cost to the Purchaser.
- (v)** The Purchaser's right to inspect, test and, where necessary, reject the Goods after the Goods' arrival at final destination shall in no way be limited or waived by reason of the Goods having previously been inspected, tested and passed by the Purchaser or its

- representative prior to the Goods shipment.
- (vi) The Supplier shall provide the Purchaser with a report of the results of any such test and/or inspection.
 - (vii) Before the goods and equipment are taken over by the Purchaser, the Supplier shall supply operation and maintenance Manuals together with Drawings of the goods and equipment built. These shall be in such details as will enable the Purchase to operate, maintain, adjust and repair all parts of the works as stated in the specifications.
 - (viii) The Manuals and Drawings shall be in the ruling language (English) and in such form and numbers as stated in the Contract.
 - (ix) Unless and otherwise agreed, the goods and equipment shall not be considered to be completed for the purposes of taking over until such Manuals and Drawing have been supplied to the Purchaser.
 - (x) On successful completion of acceptability test, receipt of deliverables, etc. and after the Purchaser is satisfied with the working of the equipment, the acceptance certificate signed by the Supplier and the representative of the Purchaser will be issued. The date on which such certificate is signed shall be deemed to be the date of successful commissioning of the equipment. Acceptance certificate form as given in Annexure-I (Chapter 8) should be signed by authorized representative of Supplier & Purchaser.

7.4 Installation, Commissioning & Acceptance Test

7.4.1 The acceptance test will be conducted by the Purchaser after the equipment is installed at Purchaser's site in the presence of supplier's representatives. The acceptance will involve trouble free operation. There shall not be any additional charges for carrying out acceptance test. No malfunction, partial or complete failure of any part of the equipment is expected to occur. The Supplier shall maintain necessary log in respect of the result of the test to establish to the entire satisfaction of the Purchaser, the successful completion of the test specified. In the event of the ordered item failing to pass the acceptance test, a period not exceeding two weeks will be given to rectify the defects and clear the acceptance test, failing which, the Purchaser reserve the right to get the equipment replaced by the Supplier at no extra cost to the Purchaser.

7.4.2 Successful conduct and conclusion of the acceptance test for the installed goods and equipment shall also be the responsibility and at the cost of the Supplier.

7.5 Training

As per RFP (APPENDIX- No. 1, Clause-13)

7.6 Incidental Services

As per RFP (APPENDIX- No. 1)

7.7 Delivery Schedule

As per RFP (APPENDIX- No. 1)

RFP

For

Procurement of Upper Air Ozone Sounding System using
Global Navigation Satellite system

India Meteorological Department
Ministry of Earth Sciences,
Government of India
New Delhi, India

Technical Specifications

A. Introduction

India Meteorological Department has a network of ozonesonde in India as well as Antarctica. These systems are capable of measuring Ozone, Pressure, Temperature, Humidity, Wind speed and Wind direction profiles up to a height of more than 35 kms above ground using a balloon carried Ozonesonde.

In the event of any mismatch, conflict, or contradiction between the provisions stated herein in the tender document and those appearing on the CPP/GeM, the conditions of the Tender/RFP shall prevail.

B. Purpose of RFP

IMD intends to procure Four (4) numbers of upper air Ozone Sounding Systems using Global Positional System (GPS) along with staggered supply of Ozonesonde with meteorological balloons and other accessories @ 120 numbers per year for 05 years. This document specifies an upper air Ozone Sounding Systems, capable of measuring Ozone, Pressure, Temperature, Humidity, Wind speed and Wind direction profiles up to a height of more than 35 kms above ground using a balloon carried Ozonesonde. The system shall operate in the 400-406 MHz meteorological band. The system shall use global positioning system (GPS) for wind measurement.

C. Terms & Conditions

1. Delivery Schedule :

- Year I: Delivery of Complete ground systems (04 Nos.) with 120 numbers of Ozonesondes, meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites to be delivered within four months from date of issue of supply order. Installation and commissioning of the equipment at all the sites shall be completed within three months (3) from the date of issue of supply order.
- Year II: Delivery of 120 numbers of Ozonesondes with meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites for II year during the first week of July.
- Year III: Delivery of 120 numbers of Ozonesondes with meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites for III year during the first week of July.
- Year IV: Delivery of 120 numbers of Ozonesondes with meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites for IV year during the first week of July.

- Year V: Delivery of 120 numbers of Ozonesondes with meteorological balloons and accessories (e.g. Parachute, dereeler, chemicals, consumables etc.) at respective sites for V year during the first week of July.

2. List of Deliverables:

S.No(1)	Name of Item/Store (2)	Quantity (3)	Make & Model (4)
Hardware & Software components			
1.	Ground Systems including sounding softwares	04 sets	
2.	Ground check equipment to check accuracy of radiosonde	04 sets	
3.	Computer and softwares as per para 9.2	04	
4.	Online UPS with battery bank for Four hours backup	04 sets	
5.	Basic Spares and tool kits	04 sets	
6.	Ozonesonde preparation kit and calibration kit	04 Nos.	
7.	Ozonizer kit	04 Nos.	
8.	Ozonesonde (compatible with the Ground system) for I Year Ozonesonde (compatible with the Ground system) for II Year Ozonesonde (compatible with the Ground system) for III Year Ozonesonde (compatible with the Ground system) for IV Year Ozonesonde (compatible with the Ground system) for V Year	120 Nos. 120 Nos. 120 Nos. 120 Nos. 120 Nos.	
9.	Meteorological Balloons for I Year Meteorological Balloons for II Year Meteorological Balloons for III Year Meteorological Balloons for IV Year Meteorological Balloons for V Year	120 Nos. 120 Nos. 120 Nos. 120 Nos. 120 Nos.	
10.	Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.) for I Year Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.) for II Year Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.) for III Year Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.) for IV Year Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.) for V Year	120 Nos. 120 Nos. 120 Nos. 120 Nos.	
11.	Documentations (hard copies and soft copies) 1. Operation Manual 2. Maintenance manual, 3. Installation Manual	05 sets of each	
Services components			
12.	Installation and commissioning at all the 3 Indian sites, For Bharati : Installation must be done at IMD, New Delhi for testing and SAT. Instrument will be dismantled and will be repacked for transportation to Bharati	04	

13.	Site Acceptance Test at all the sites including demonstration of two successful ascents of ozonesonde at Delhi site and one each at other sites during SAT. Instrument for Bharati will be tested at Delhi	04	
14.	Training: Theory, Installation, operation and maintenance training at all sites for 5 days.	1 2	
15.	On site Comprehensive Warranty for Five years at all the 4 sites for all ground equipment as per para 15.1. For Bharati station, warranty has to be provided in as detailed in para 15.1. The year wise breakup of warranty shall be provided for all the 4 stations.	04	

D. Technical Specifications:-

Technical Specifications for Upper Air Ozone Sounding System using Global Navigation Satellite system.	
S.N.	Parameter
1	GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
1.1	The system shall include all items necessary to measure, process, output, archive and display the atmospheric data at different heights i.e. ozone concentration, pressure, Ambient Atmospheric Temperature, Relative Humidity, geopotential height, Wind speed, wind direction etc .
1.2	The radiosonde offered by the manufacturer, comprising the ground equipment and radiosonde, should have participated in the Upper Air Instrument Intercomparison Campaign in Germany in 2022 (UAII -2022) are eligible to participate in this tender. Additionally, the sensor should have the following uncertainty targets defined under WMO OSCAR requirement uncertainty criteria (ORUCs) given in Table 9.2 for subsection 2.1 -Global Numerical Weather Prediction and Real-time Monitoring of UAII-2022. For further details, please refer to the official WMO publication available at https://library.wmo.int/viewer/68808/?offset=#page=135&viewer=picture&o=bookmark&n=0&q=
1.3	The system shall be automated so that operator action is not needed after a sounding is initiated. Initiating a sounding includes balloon filling, Ozonesonde preparation, system startup, surface observation entry and balloon launch.
1.4	As recommended by the WMO CIMO Guide No 8, ozonesonde measurement accuracy should always be checked in a controlled environment before the ozonesonde is launched to prevent the launch of faulty ozonesondes and to improve calibration accuracy by adjusting for small changes in calibration that may have occurred when the ozonesonde was transported to the launch site and during storage. Necessary equipment and software for this purpose must be included in the system.

1.5	For reliable data transfer from the ozonesonde to the ground station, digital modulation with efficient error detection and correction method shall be used.
1.6	To improve reliability and to minimize the need for maintenance, the system shall contain no moving parts other than cooling fans in the indoor equipment.
1.7	Detailed, para-wise compliance statement shall be provided by the tenderer and shall specifically state their compliance / Non-compliance in the text form in detail. Compliance and non-compliance of IMD specifications shall be clearly stated and shall be supported by text and literature.
2	Measurement accuracy requirements as per WMO Standards
2.1	Temperature- The atmospheric temperature sensor offered in the system should have an ORUC assessment function value of 3.0 K or less in the Planetary Boundary Layer (PBL), Free Troposphere (FT), and Upper Troposphere/Lower Stratosphere (UTLS) with effective confidence of +4 or above. Similarly, the ORUC assessment function value should be 5.0 or less in the Mid-Upper Stratosphere with an effective confidence of +4 or above. For more details, refer to the WMO publication available at https://library.wmo.int/viewer/68808/?offset=#page=135&viewer=picture&o=bookmark&n=0&q=
2.2	Humidity- The relative humidity sensor offered in the system should have an ORUC assessment function value of 10.0 % or less in the PBL and FT with an effective confidence of +4 or above. For more details, refer to the WMO publication available at https://library.wmo.int/viewer/68808/?offset=#page=135&viewer=picture&o=bookmark&n=0&q=
2.3	Pressure and Geopotential height- The ORUC assessment function value of the atmospheric pressure should be 2 hPa or less as per the UAII-2022 report in the FT, UTLS and MUS. The ORUC assessment function value of the geopotential height should be 20m or less as per the UAII-2022 report in the FT, UTLS and MUS. For more details, refer to the WMO publication available at https://library.wmo.int/viewer/68808/?offset=#page=161&viewer=picture&o=bookmark&n=0&q=
2.4	Wind— The wind (horizontal) vector should have an ORUC assessment function value of 5.0 m/s or less in the PBL and UTLS with an effective confidence of +4 or above. Similarly, the ORUC assessment function value should be 8.0 m/s or less and 10.0 m/s or less in the FT and MUS with an effective confidence of +4 or above, respectively. For more details, refer to the WMO publication available at https://library.wmo.int/viewer/68808/?offset=#page=135&viewer=picture&o=bookmark&n=0&q=
2.5	Ozone Measurement: ECC Ozone Sensor Measurement Range 0 to 400 DU Accuracy: $\pm 5\%$ at Surface, 100 hPa, 10 hPa and $\pm 10\%$ or better above
3	Ozonesonde Transmitter

3.1	To make it possible to choose a free frequency slot in the frequency band, also in noisy conditions, it shall be possible to tune the ozonesonde transmitter to any frequency within the frequency band.
3.2	Frequency range shall be within 400.15 – 406 MHz Meteorological band and Transmission range > 250 kms so that inadvertent tuning to unauthorized frequency is prevented. In addition to manual tuning, the system must be capable of tuning the ozonesonde automatically to a predefined value within the range.
3.3	The transmission power (effective radiation power) shall be high enough to ensure reliable telemetry in accordance with other requirements in this specification and to ensure received signal better than the sensitivity of the receiver up to the radial distance as per in latest WMO 2022 inter-comparison. For more details, refer to the WMO publication available at https://library.wmo.int/viewer/68808/?offset=#page=32&viewer=picture&o=bookmark&n=0&q=
4	Ozonesonde Physical construction
4.1	The design and construction of the Ozonesonde shall be such that no physical, electrical or chemical hazards are presented to operators, other personnel, or to any unskilled labour who requires access to the ozonesonde preparation room. The design shall also be free from projections that may cause hazard to humans or animals during preparation or on landing.
4.2	Meteorological Balloon suitable for (i) Rate of Ascent: approximately 5 m/s and (ii) Bursting Altitude: 35 km or more.
4.3	The ozonesonde and de-reeler design must enable a balloon launch in wind speeds up to 35m/s.
4.4	The suspension string between the ozonesonde and balloon shall be 30 meters or more to eliminate possible temperature errors caused by the balloon.
4.5	The suspension string shall be uncoiled slowly enough to prevent the sonde from hitting the ground when released.
4.6	It shall be possible to use the de-reeler together with a parachute. Every sonde must be provided with a parachute to record data of descending flight after balloon burst.
4.7	Humidity sensor must be designed so that the risk of ice formation on the humidity sensor is minimized.
4.8	Both, humidity and temperature sensor shall be mounted externally so that air that has previously been in contact with the ozonesonde body does not affect the measurement.
4.9	Both, humidity and temperature sensor shall be mounted so that thermal conduction from the ozonesonde body does not affect the measurement. It shall be ensured that the sensor in-flight position in relation to sonde body is the same in every ozonesonde i.e., the position cannot be altered by the user.

4.10	Both, humidity and temperature sensor shall recover fast from high humidity conditions or a cloud so that cloud top is reliably detected.
5	Ozonesonde electronics
5.1	Battery capacity shall be sufficient for a flight of 135 minutes after a 15 minutes preparation time. Total capacity should be 150 minutes or better.
5.2	Sampling rate of all sensors and wind data shall be at least once per second (1Hz).
6	Ozonesonde calibration
6.1	Ozonesonde must be factory calibrated before delivery.
6.2	Calibration data shall be stored in the Ozonesonde and be read automatically by the ground equipment during ozonesonde preparation.
6.3	The shelf life of the Ozonesonde, including battery shall be 24 months or higher.
7	GROUND SYSTEM
7.1	Ground system shall include antennae, receiver and general purpose computer, suitable mounting / installation fixtures and any other equipment necessary to perform a sounding.
7.2	Ground system for Ozone measurement shall consist: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Ozone Startup Kit including reagent-grade chemicals with accessories (e.g. Flowmeter, Pressure vacuum gauge, sensing solution containers, calibrated beakers, portable ozone destruction filter, Clamp to support glass burette, Electronic balance, toolkit, stopwatch, etc.) ii. Ozonizer Kit including calibration and test unit (USEPA / TUV approved). Shall have provision to correct the observations for : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Pump efficiency and its variation with pressure. ii) Back ground current iii) Ozone box temperature
7.3	All operator actions shall be through a single user interface.
7.4	When installed the design and construction of the system shall be such that no physical, electrical or chemical hazards are presented to operators, other users of the room, or to any unskilled labour who requires access to the room.
7.5	System description at functional block level shall be provided.
7.6	The UPS shall have capacity for running the complete sounding system for 3 hours. Rating and frequency of the UPS input voltage shall be chosen to match the available mains voltage.
7.7	Input voltage range shall be 200 to 240 VAC
7.8	Operating frequency range shall be 50-60Hz.

7.9	Feed Antenna cables shall be at least 30 meters in length.
8	Receiver
8.1	The system shall have a real-time spectrum display that shows the frequency occupation in the meteorological band (400-406 MHz) so that operator can choose a frequency in an unoccupied and noise-free slot.
8.2	It shall be possible to tune the frequency within the range.
8.3	It shall be possible to limit the usable frequency range in the ground system so that inadvertent tuning of ozonesonde to unauthorized frequency is prevented.
8.4	The system shall be able to receive and correctly process transmissions from the ozonesonde when other oznoesondes of similar type are operating at a frequency separation of +/- 200 kHz and beyond 10 km distance from the receiver.
8.5	The offered antenna shall be able to reliably receive the ozonesonde signal at elevation angle of 5 degrees or lower.
8.6	The system shall be capable of maintaining telemetry when ozonesonde is directly above the receiving antenna.
8.7	Antennae shall contain no moving parts and any control, such as direction control, shall be automatic and fully electronic.
8.8	It shall be possible to transfer processed data via Ethernet local area network (LAN) using TCP/IP, WMO SOCKET and WMO FTP protocol.
9	Main computer and software
9.1	The sounding software shall run in Windows11 operating system. The operating version shall be fully supported along with licensed version.
9.2	<p>Commercially available branded Computer (DELL / HP / Lenovo etc.) with latest available configuration as given below with licensed latest MS Windows, latest MS Office and Antivirus Softwares. The system computer shall be equipped with 47 cm or larger HD Digital Colour Monitor with inbuilt Webcam and speaker for video chatting must be included.</p> <p>Configuration :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processor/CPU : 8 core • Memory : 16GB DDR4 RAM • Hard Disk Drive : 512TB SSD and 1024GB HDD • Keyboard : Standard (wired) • Mouse: Optical (wired) • Bus Architecture : Integrated Graphics, 2 PCI Express x1 and 1 PCI Express x16 • Graphics Card : Intel Graphic Media Accelerator • Sound Card : Integrated Audio

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modem : Internal Modem (Data/Voice) • Networking Features: Integrated Gigabit Ethernet Network Card with remote booting facility, remote system installation, Asset tracking and security management, remote wake up.
9.3	The system must be capable of producing traditional alphanumeric coded meteorological messages as specified in the latest WMO Manual on codes. BUFR, TEMP, PILOT including national practices as applied in India. Tenderer shall list the available BUFR message sequences. CLIMATE TEMP (Monthly) as per IMD's requirement shall be prepared. Further, software must have option for generating data in WOUDC format.
9.4	Format for the data and all reports from Ozonesonde to be finalized by mutual consultation between supplier & IMD.
9.5	It shall be possible to transfer any of the produced data sets or the complete sounding data file automatically to another computer without operator intervention. The data transfer shall be via local area network (LAN).
9.6	The sounding system software should perform data quality checks from pre-established or user defined criteria. The sounding system software shall include diagnostics capabilities to detect faults and malfunctions in any of the system components. The results of the diagnostics shall be recorded into log files and any detected malfunction shall be reported to the user either on the system main display or with indicator lights on the faulty unit. The fault detection shall be at module level (line-replaceable unit).
9.7	The system shall be equipped with software tools that enable remote diagnostics and software maintenance via internet.
9.8	Facility to enter surface observation data (pressure, temperature, humidity, wind, cloud code, present weather, past weather etc) before launch.
9.9	For comparison purposes it must be possible to compare vertical profiles from the data archive in graphical form.
9.10	All sounding data shall be stored into single data file to preserve data integrity and to make it easy to manipulate archived sounding data.
9.11	Meteorological messages shall be coded automatically and as soon as sufficient amount of data has accumulated. For example: TEMP part A shall be coded immediately after data from surface to 100hPa level is received and processed. The complete TEMP report including all parts shall then be coded after the sounding is finished.
9.12	It shall be possible to transfer any of the produced data sets or the complete sounding data file automatically to another computer without operator intervention. The data transfer shall take place immediately after sufficient amount of data is collected also during sounding. The data transfer shall be via local area network (LAN).
9.13	The system software shall include diagnostics capabilities to detect faults and malfunctions in any of the system components. The results of the diagnostics shall be recorded into log

	files and any detected malfunction shall be reported to the user either on the system main display or with indicator lights on the faulty unit. The fault detection shall be at module level (line-replaceable unit).
9.14	The system shall be equipped with software tools that enable remote diagnostics and software maintenance via internet.
10	Operation
10.1	There must be a near real-time graphical display for checking sounding data during ascent. System time and the flight time after balloon launch have to be displayed continuously during a sounding.
10.2	Prior to and during a sounding it shall be possible to view the status of the GPS signals received locally and by the ozonesonde.
10.3	It must be possible to re-run the sounding data using different computing parameters. It shall be possible to code new messages and new data sets based on the new data from a re-run sounding.
10.4	It shall be possible to initiate message coding and data transfer both manually and automatically. The system shall incorporate user adjustable parameters to define the time or criteria for automatic message coding and data transfer.
10.5	Software shall be able to generate following plots: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stuve thermodynamic diagram • Tephigram • Pressure/altitude versus temperature, geopotential height & humidity. • Plot of time versus temperature, pressure, humidity, geopotential height • Pressure/altitude versus Wind speed and direction. • Balloon track with time. • Total precipitable water
11	Environmental operating conditions
11.1	Operating temperature range, indoor equipment: -10 to +50°C
11.2	Operating humidity range, indoor equipment: 90% non-condensing
11.3	Outdoor equipment temperature range: -40 to +50°C
11.4	Outdoor equipment humidity range: 10 to 100%
11.5	Maximum wind speed (outdoor equipment): 65m/s
11.6	Rain/Snow Protected Sealing: Weather-resistant design, suitable for continuous operation even under harsh meteorological conditions of Antarctica

12	Spares & Tools
12.1	Set of standard tools required for repair, assembly and disassembly of the system if any, shall be provided by the supplier at each installation site. A list of tools to be provided shall be mentioned in the technical bid.
13	DOCUMENTATION
	All operating and maintenance documentation shall be provided in electronic form and be pre-loaded on the computer hard disk. Total 05 sets of documents in hard copy shall be provided. Each set of document shall contain:
13.1	(i) Instruction for operation.
	(ii) Maintenance and service instructions with detailed circuit diagram, wiring and mechanical drawings.
	(iii) Installation manuals with complete drawings and details of electrical wiring.
14	Installation and SAT :
14.1	Provisional list of sites: System is to be installed by the firm at following sites in India. No additional charges shall be paid due to change of sites if any. i. Thiruvananthpuram ii. Pune iii. Delhi iv. Bharati (Antarctica)
14.1.1	All the civil work for installation of antenna and other ground equipment to be done by the supplier firm. Ready Made Antenna shall be provided for Bharati station (Antarctica) which may be installed without civil work and only by fixing through nut/bolts/wires etc.
14.1.2	Installation, SAT and related formalities of Bharati (Antarctica) site would be done provisionally at MC Goa (Provisionally MC Goa to be treated as Bharati station for delivery of goods for all years)
14.2	Site acceptance Test (SAT) : Subsequent to installation of system at respective site by supplier firm, site acceptance test (SAT) shall be carried out for system commissioning at site. The SAT shall be carried out in accordance with the mutually agreed detailed test plan and procedure provided by successful bidder. The system shall be declared commissioned only after successful completion of SAT. Any special equipment needed for SAT, shall be provided by the supplier. Supplier firm will demonstrate two successful ascents of ozonesonde at Delhi site and one each at other sites during SAT.
14.3	Training: The supplier shall provide 5 working days training in installation, theory, operation, maintenance and servicing of overall system at India Meteorological Department, New Delhi. The training shall include theoretical lectures on the system design, computer hardware / software and all other aspects which are considered essential for optimum

	<p>utilization of the system.</p> <p>SAT and site training in operation of Ozonesonde system to be conducted for 3 days at other sites excluding the date of journey. SAT and site training to start only after installation.</p>
15	WARRANTY
15.1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Onsite Warranty for all ground equipment for a period of five (05) years i.e. 60 months from the date of site acceptance of the system after installation and commissioning of the system. For Bharati station, equipment will be brought to IMD, New Delhi in case repair is required and supplier firm shall repair the same. Online support through video conferencing for maintenance to be provided by the supplier firm whenever required for Bharati. 2) During the warranty period, if a problem is reported by any of the station of IMD except Bharati station, the firm should respond and take appropriate action immediately at the site. In case the system remains inoperative for duration of 7 days or more for reasons of defects. Warranty period will be extended for double the corresponding period. All expenses to repair/replace the system to be borne by the firm. 3) Warranty for Ozonesondes for a period of Two years from the date of dispatch. Ozonesondes declared defective before the launch, shall be replaced at respective site free of cost including transport expenses borne by the firm within two months of the information provided by IMD in this regard, at O/o DGM (EMRC), New Delhi at free of cost i.e. entire transport expenses to be borne by the firm. 4) Transportation, custom, re-export, re-import to the installation site for repair and sending back of repaired items / parts to the site shall be borne by the firm. 5) The software and hardware upgradation if required in the project for smooth functioning of the equipment shall be provided by the bidder from time-to-time free of cost during the warranty period.
16	Other Technical Terms, conditions and references
16.1	The sounding software shall run in Windows/Linux operating system. The operating version shall be fully supported along with licensed version with essential peripherals, suitable anti-virus etc.
16.2	The computer machine shall be general purpose desktop type, available off the shelf in open market.
16.3	Facility to enter surface observation data (ozone, pressure, temperature, humidity, wind, cloud code, present weather, past weather etc.) before launch.
16.4	The system must be operatable by one person.
16.5	The system must be capable of generating high resolution BUFR for both ascent and descent in separate files. TEMP converted to BUFR not acceptable. Please provide sample dataset of 5 high resolution BUFR files for analysis from within the last 12 months

16.6	CLIMATE TEMP (MONTHLY) as per IMD's requirement shall be prepared.
16.7	Based on performance of the ozonesondes and sounding systems, IMD may place repeat order for ozonesondes as per requirement of IMD. This repeat order can be up to a maximum of twenty five percent (25%) of ozonesondes and/or compatible ground receiving and processing systems including consumables, whether for existing stations or for new stations, as per RFP specifications at same terms and conditions of the supply order during the contract period or within one year from the date of placement of the last supply order.
16.8	Tenderer must include a list of current users of the offered equipment (ground system and Ozonesonde) contributing data to World Ozone and Ultraviolet Radiation Data Centre (WOUDC) of World Meteorological Organization (WMO) for Ozonesonde data.

Section VIII: Qualification Criteria

(Ref ITB-clause 1.4)

This tender is based on Two Bid System. The Technical Bid and the Price Bid are to be submitted separately. First, the technical bids of each firm will be opened and evaluated by the Technical Evaluation Committee. Based on the technical evaluation of these bids, the financial bids of eligible (Technically qualified) bidders shall be opened at the date and time specified by the procuring entity. These Bids shall be scrutinized and evaluated by the Committees constituted by the competent authority with reference to the parameters prescribed in the Tender Enquiry Document. The report of the Financial Evaluation Committee will decide the lowest bidder.

All the reports will be uploaded on CPP Portal and can be viewed by the bidders.

SCRUTINY AND EVALUATION OF TENDERS

- (1) **Unresponsive bids:** The bids will be scrutinized to determine whether they are complete and meet the essential and important requirements, conditions etc. as prescribed in the Tender Enquiry Document. The bids are liable to be treated as non-responsive and will be summarily ignored if the required documents are not provided by the bidder along with technical bids.
- (2) **Technical Evaluation:** The Technical Bids will be scrutinized and evaluated by the Committee with reference to the parameters prescribed in the TE document. During the Technical Bids scrutiny, the members of the Committee will check the salient features of the bids like : Earnest Money Deposit documents, compliance to technical requirements, Delivery Period, other special features of the bids, as deemed fit.

Minor Informality/Irregularity/Non-Conformity: If, during the preliminary examination, the purchaser finds any minor informality and/or irregularity and/or non-conformity in a tender, the purchaser may waive off the same, provided it does not constitute any material deviation and

financial impact and also does not prejudice or affect the ranking order of the bidders. Wherever necessary, the purchaser will convey its observation on such 'minor' issues to the bidder asking the bidder to respond by a specified date. If the bidder does not reply by the specified date or gives evasive reply without clarifying the point at issue in clear terms, that bid is liable to be ignored.

Verification of local content and violations: At the time of tender application, the 'Class-I local Supplier'/'Class-II local Supplier' shall be required to provide a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in the case of companies) or a practicing cost accountant or practising chartered accountant (in respect of Contractors other than companies) giving the percentage of local content.

Bids with false declarations regarding Local contents shall be rejected as responsive, in addition to punitive actions under the MII orders and for violating the Code of Integrity as per the Tender Document.

- (3) **Financial Evaluation:** The Price Bids of the responsive bidders shall be scrutinized to get the ultimate/landing cost of stores to the procuring entity.

Note for Bidders: Regarding this Schedule, Bidders shall submit Form 4: 'Qualification Criteria - Compliance' with their Technical bid.

BIDDING FORMS

Form 1: Bid Form (Covering Letter)

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid, along with supporting documents, if any)

(On Bidder's Letter-head)

(Strike out alternative phrases not relevant to you)

Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

To

The President of India, through
Director General of Meteorology,
India Meteorological Department
Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.

[Complete address of the Procuring Entity]

Ref: Your Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx; Tender Title: GOODS

Sir/ Madam

Having examined the above mentioned Tender Document, we, the undersigned, hereby submit/ upload our Techno-commercial and Financial bid (Price Schedule) for the supply of Goods and incidental Works/ Services in conformity with the said Tender Documents.

(Please tick appropriate boxes or strike out sentences/ phrases not applicable to you)

1) Our Credentials:

(a) We are submitting this bid: -

- on our behalf, and there are no agents/ dealers involved in this tender, and hence no agency agreement or payments/ commissions/ gratuity is involved. Our company law and taxation regulatory requirements and authorization for signatories and related documents are submitted in Form 1.1 (Bidder Information).

Or

- as authorised dealer offering goods manufactured by our OEMs. Our OEM's law and taxation regulatory requirements and authorization for signatories and related documents are submitted in Form 1.3 (OEM's Authorization).

Or

- as agents/associates of our foreign principals. Our foreign principal's law and taxation regulatory requirements, as well as authorization for signatories and related documents, are submitted in Form1.4 (Declaration by Agents/ Associates of Foreign Principals/ OEMs).

(b) We..... hereby certify that We/ our Principals/ OEM M/ s..... are proven, established, and reputed manufacturers with factories at which are fitted with modern equipment and where the production methods, quality control, and testing of all materials and parts manufactured or used by us shall be open to inspection by the representative of the Procuring Entity.

2) **Our Eligibility and Qualifications to participate**

We comply with all the eligibility criteria stipulated in this Tender Document, and the relevant declarations are made along with documents in Form 1.2 of this bid-form. We fully meet the qualification criteria stipulated in this Tender Document, and the relevant details are submitted along with documents in Form 4: 'Qualification Criteria - Compliance.

3) **Our Bid to supply Goods:**

We offer to supply the subject Goods of requisite quality and within Delivery Schedules (DAP) in conformity with the Tender Document. The relevant details are submitted in Form 2: 'Schedule of Requirements - Compliance and Form3: 'Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance - Compliance.'

4) **Prices:**

We hereby offer to perform the Services at our lowest prices and rates mentioned in the separately uploaded Price-Schedule. It is hereby confirmed that the prices quoted therein by us are:

- (a) based on terms of delivery and delivery schedule confirmed by us; and
- (b) Cost break-up of the quoted cost, showing inter-alia costs (including taxes and duties thereon) of all the included incidental Goods/ Works considered necessary to make the proposal self-contained and complete, has been indicated therein, and
- (c) based on the terms and mode of payment as stipulated in the Tender Document. We have understood that if we quote any deviation to terms and mode of payment, our bid is liable to be rejected as nonresponsive, and
- (d) have been arrived at independently, without restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder or competitor relating to:
 - i) those prices; or
 - ii) the intention to submit an offer; or
 - iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.
- (e) have neither been nor shall be knowingly disclosed by us, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or competitor before bid opening or contract award unless otherwise required by law.

5) Affirmation to terms and conditions of the Tender Document:

We have understood the complete terms and conditions of the Tender Document. We accept and comply with these terms and conditions without reservations, although we are not signing and submitting some of the sections of the Tender Document. Deviations, if any, are submitted by us in Form 5: 'Terms and Conditions - Compliance'. We also explicitly confirm acceptance of the Arbitration Agreement as given in the Tender Document.

6) Bid Securing Declaration

We have submitted the Bid Securing Declaration (BSD, in lieu of Bid Security) in stipulated format vide Form 7: 'Documents Relating to bid security.'

7) Abiding by the Bid Validity

We agree to keep our bid valid for acceptance for a period upto -----, as required in the Tender Document or for a subsequently extended period, if any, agreed to by us and are aware of penalties in this regard stipulated in the Tender Document in case we fail to do so.

8) Non-tempering of Downloaded Tender Document and Uploaded Scanned Copies

We confirm that we have not changed/ edited the contents of the downloaded Tender Document. We realise that any such change noticed at any stage, including after the contract award, shall be liable to punitive action in this regard stipulated in the Tender Document. We also confirm that scanned copies of documents/ affidavits/ undertakings uploaded along with our Technical bid are valid, true, and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. If any dispute arises related to the validity and truthfulness of such documents/ affidavits/ undertakings, we shall be responsible for the same. Upon accepting our Financial bid, we undertake to submit for scrutiny, on-demand by the Procuring Entity, originals, and self-certified copies of all such certificates, documents, affidavits/ undertakings.

9) A Binding Contract:

We further confirm that, if our bid is accepted, all such terms and conditions shall continue to be acceptable and applicable to the resultant contract, even though some of these documents may not be included in the contract Documents submitted by us. We do hereby undertake that, until a formal contract is signed or issued, this bid, together with your written Letter of Award (LoA), shall constitute a binding contract between us.

10) Performance Guarantee and Signing the contract

We further confirm that, if our bid is accepted, we shall provide you with performance security of the required amount stipulated in the Tender Document for the due performance of the contract. We are fully aware that in the event of our failure to deposit the required security amount and/ or failure to execute the agreement, the Procuring Entity has the right to avail any or all punitive actions laid down in this regard, stipulated in the Tender Document.

11) Signatories:

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We confirm that we are duly authorized to submit this bid and make commitments on behalf of the Bidder. Supporting documents are submitted in Form 1.1 annexed herewith. We acknowledge that our digital/digitized signature is valid and legally binding.

12) Rights of the Procuring Entity to Reject bid(s):

We further understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any bid you may receive against your above-referred Tender Document.

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(Signature with date)

.....

(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

Form 1.1: Bidder Information

(Ref 8.2 of ITB)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

(On Company Letter-head)

(Along with supporting documents, if any)

Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

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Note: Bidder shall fill in this Form following the instructions indicated below. No alterations to its format shall be permitted, and no substitutions shall be accepted. Bidder shall enclose certified copies of the documentary proof/ evidence to substantiate the corresponding statement wherever necessary and applicable. Bidder's wrong or misleading information shall be treated as a violation of the Code of Integrity. Such Bids shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive, in addition to other punitive actions provided for such misdemeanours in the Tender Document.

(Please tick appropriate boxes or strike out sentences/ phrases not applicable to you)

1) Bidder/ Contractor particulars:

- (a) Name of the Company:.....
- (b) Corporate Identity No. (CIN):
- (c) Registration, if any, with The Procuring Entity:
- (d) GeM Supplier ID (if registered with GeM, it is mandatory at the time of placement of Contract)
- (e) Place of Registration/ Principal place of business/ manufacture
- (f) Complete Postal Address:
- (g) Pin code/ ZIP code:
- (h) Telephone nos. (with country/ area codes):
- (i) Mobile Nos.: (with country/ area codes):
- (j) Contact persons/ Designation:
- (k) Email IDs:

Submit documents to demonstrate eligibility as per NIT-Clause 3 and ITB-clause 3.2 - A self-certified copy of registration certificate – in case of a partnership firm – Deed of Partnership; in case of Company – Notarized and certified copy of its Registration; and in case of Society – its Byelaws and registration certificate of the firm.

2) Taxation Registrations:

- (a) PAN number:
- (b) Type of GST Registration as per the Act (Normal Taxpayer, Composition, Casual Taxable Person, SEZ, etc.):
- (c) GSTIN number: in Consignor and Consignee States

- (d) Registered/ Certified Works/ Factory where the Goods would be mainly manufactured and Place of Consignor for GST Purpose:
- (e) Contact Names, Nos. & email IDs for GST matters (Please mention primary and secondary contacts):

We solemnly declare that our GST rating on the GST portal/ Govt. official website is not negative/ blacklisted.

Documents to be submitted: Self-attested Copies of PAN card and GSTIN Registration.

3) Authorization of Person(s) signing the bid on behalf of the Bidder

- (a) Full Name: _____
- (b) Designation: _____
- (c) Signing as:

- A sole proprietorship firm. The person signing the bid is the sole proprietor/ constituted attorney of the sole proprietor,
- A partnership firm. The person signing the bid is duly authorised being a partner to do so, under the partnership agreement or the general power of attorney,
- A company. The person signing the bid is the constituted attorney by a resolution passed by the Board of Directors or in pursuance of the Authority conferred by Memorandum of Association.

Documents to be submitted: Registration Certificate/ Memorandum of Association/ Partnership Agreement/ Power of Attorney/ Board Resolution

4) Bidder's Authorized Representative Information

- (a) Name:
- (b) Address:
- (c) Telephone/ Mobile numbers:
- (d) Email Address:

(Signature with date)

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(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

DA: As above

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Form 1.2: Eligibility Declarations

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

(On Company Letter-head)

(Along with supporting documents, if any)

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Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

Note: The list below is indicative only. You may attach more documents as required to confirm your eligibility criteria.

Eligibility Declarations

(Please tick appropriate boxes or cross out any declaration not applicable to the Bidder)

We hereby confirm that we are comply with all the stipulation of NIT-clause 3 and ITB-clause 3.2 and declare as under and shall provide evidence of our continued eligibility to the Procuring Entity as may be requested:

- 1) **Legal Entity of Bidder:** _____
- 2) **OEM/ Manufacturer/ Agent/ Dealership Status:** _____
- 3) We are/ are not a JV _____
- 4) We solemnly declare that we (including our affiliates or subsidiaries or constituents):
 - a) are not insolvent, in receivership, bankrupt or being wound up, not have our affairs administered by a court or a judicial officer, not have our business activities suspended and are not the subject of legal proceedings for any of these reasons;
 - b) (including our Contractors/ subcontractors for any part of the contract):
 - (i) Do not stand declared ineligible/ blacklisted/ banned/ debarred by the India Meteorological Department or its Ministry/ Department from participation in its Tender Processes; and/ or
 - (ii) Are not convicted (within three years preceding the last date of bid submission) or stand declared ineligible/ suspended/ blacklisted/ banned/ debarred by appropriate agencies of Government of India from participation in Tender Processes of all of its entities, for offences mentioned in Tender Document in this regard. We have neither changed our name nor created a new "Allied Firm", consequent to the above disqualifications.

- c) Do not have any association (as bidder/ partner/ Director/ employee in any capacity) with such retired public official or near relations of such officials of Procuring Entity, as counter-indicated, in the Tender Document.
- d) We certify that we fulfil any other additional eligibility condition if prescribed in Tender Document.
- e) We have no conflict of interest, which substantially affects fair competition. The prices quoted are competitive and without adopting any unfair/ unethical/ anti-competitive means. No attempt has been made or shall be made by us to induce any other bidder to submit or not to submit an offer to restrict competition.

5) **Restrictions on procurement from bidders from a country or countries, or a class of countries under Rule 144 (xi) of the General Financial Rules 2017:** We certify as under:

“We have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India and on sub-contracting to contractors from such countries, and solemnly certify that we fulfil all requirements in this regard and are eligible to be considered. We certify that:

- (a) *we are not from such a country or, if from such a country, we are registered with the Competent Authority (copy enclosed). and;*
- (b) *we shall not subcontract any work to a contractor from such countries unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority.*

6) **MSME Status:**

Having read and understood the Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) Order, 2012 (as amended and revised till date), and solemnly declare the following:

- a) We are - Micro/ Small/ Medium Enterprise/ SSI/ Govt. Deptt. / PSU/ Others:.....
- b) We attach herewith, Udyam Registration Certificate with the Udyam Registration Number as proof of our being MSE registered on the Udyam Registration Portal. The certificate is the latest up to the deadline for submission of the bid.
- c) Whether Proprietor/ Partner belongs to SC/ ST or Women category. (Please specify names and percentage of shares held by SC/ ST Partners):.....

7) **Start-up Status**

we confirm that we are/ are not a Start-up entity as per the definition of the Department of Promotion of Industrial and Internal Trade – DPIIT.

8) **Make in India Status:**

Having read and understood the Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India PPP - MII) Order, 2017 (as amended and revised till date) and related notifications from the relevant Nodal Ministry/ Department, and solemnly declare the following:

(a) **Self-Certification for the category of suppliers:**

(Provide a certificate from statutory auditors/ cost accountant in case of Tenders above Rs 10 Crore for Class-I or Class-II Local Suppliers). Details of local content and location(s) at which value addition is made are as follows:

Local Content and %age	
Location(s) of value addition	

Therefore, we certify that we qualify for the following category of the supplier (tick the appropriate category):

Class-I Local Supplier/

Class-II Local Supplier/

Non-Local Supplier.

(b) We also declare that

There is no country whose bidders have been notified as ineligible on a reciprocal basis under this order for an offered Goods, or

We do not belong to any Country whose bidders are notified as ineligible on a reciprocal basis under this order for the offered Goods.

9) Self-Declaration by Indian Agents/ Associates of Foreign Principals

- (a) Self-attested documentary evidence about their identity (PAN, Aadhar Card, GSTIN registration, proof of address, etc.), business details (ownership pattern and documents, type of firm, year of establishment, sister concerns etc.) to establish that they are a bonafide business as per Indian Laws – are submitted as part of Form 1.1 annexed herewith.
- (b) Agency Agreement shall be submitted with Form 1.4. It shall cover
- (i) the precise relationship, services to be rendered, mutual interests in business - generally and/ or specifically for the tender and
 - (ii) any payment the agent or associate receives in India or abroad from the foreign OEM/ principal, whether a commission or a general retainer fee.
- (c) Our Foreign principals, explicitly authorizing us to make an offer in response to the tender, either directly or in association with them, are listed in Form 1.3 and 1.4 annexed herewith. That also indicates their name, address, nationality, status (i.e., whether manufacturer or agents of manufacturer holding the Letter of Authority of the Principal).
- (d) The amount of commission/ remuneration included in the price (s) quoted by Bidder for agents or associated bidder is detailed in Form 1.4.
- (e) Confirmation is given in Form 1.4 annexed herewith from the foreign principals that the commission/ remuneration, reserved for Bidder in the quoted price(s), if any, shall be paid by the Procuring Entity in India, in equivalent Indian Rupees on satisfactory completion of the Project or supplies of Goods and Spares.

10) Penalties for false or misleading declarations:

We hereby confirm that the particulars given above are factually correct and nothing is concealed and undertake to advise any future changes to the above details. We understand that any wrong or misleading self-declaration would violate the Code of Integrity and attract penalties as mentioned in this Tender Document.

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(Signature with date)

.....

(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of

.....

.....

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

DA: As in Sr 9 to 14 above, as applicable

Form 1.3: OEM's Authorization

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2)

(On Company Letter Head)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

OEM's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

OEM's Reference No. _____ Date.....

The President of India, through

Director General of Meteorology

India Meteorological Department

Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.

[Complete address of the Procuring Entity]

Dear Sirs,

Ref. Your Tender Enquiry No. **CPU/53/1023/15xx**; Tender Title: GOODS

- 1) We, -----, are proven and reputable manufacturers of the Tendered Goods. We have factories at----- . We hereby authorise Messrs----- (*name and address of the authorised dealer*) to submit a bid, process the same further and enter into a contract with you against above referred Tender Process for the supply of above Goods manufactured by us. Their registration number with us is, dated/ since.....
- 2) We further confirm that no Contractor or firm or individual other than Messrs. (*name and address of the above-authorized dealer*) is authorized for this purpose.
- 3) As principals, we commit ourselves to extend our full support for warranty obligations, as applicable as per the Tender Document, for the Goods and incidental Works/ Services offered for supply by the above firm against this Tender Document.
- 4) Our details are as under:
 - (a) Name of the Company:.....
 - (b) Complete Postal Address:
 - (c) Pin code/ ZIP code:
 - (d) Telephone nos. (with country/ area codes):
 - (e) Fax No.: (with country/ area codes):
 - (f) Mobile Nos.: (with country/ area codes):
 - (g) Contact persons/ Designation:
 - (h) Email IDs:

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- 5) We enclose herewith, as appropriate, *our ----- (Bye-Laws/ Registration Certificate/ Memorandum of Association/ Partnership Agreement/ Power of Attorney/ Board Resolution)*

Yours faithfully,

.....

[signature with date, name, and designation]

for and on behalf of Messrs.....

[name & address of the OEM and seal of company]

DA: As above

Form 1.4: Declaration by Agents/ Associates of Foreign Principals

(Required only for Agents/ Associates of Foreign Principals)

(Ref Clause 3.5 of ITB)

(On Company Letter Head)

(Along with supporting documents, if any)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

Agent's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Principal's Reference No. _____ Date.....

The President of India, through

Director General of Meteorology

India Meteorological Department

Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003

[Complete address of the Procuring Entity]

Dear Sirs,

Ref. Your Tender Enquiry No. **CPU/53/1023/15xx**; Tender Title: GOODS

- 1) We,, are a bonafide business as per Indian Laws. We have been retained as agent/ associates by our foreign principals/ OEM, Messrs..... (*name and address of the principal*) to associate with them for participation in this Tender Process.
- 2) We understand that any failure or non-disclosures, or mis-declarations by us, shall be treated as a violation of the Code of Integrity. Our Bids shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive, in addition to other punitive actions by the Procuring Entity as per the Tender Document.
- 3) The required details as per ITB-clause 3.5 are as follows.
 - (a) Name of the Agent/ Associate:.....
 - (b) Documents regarding ownership pattern: as appropriate – Bye Laws/ Registration Certificate/ Memorandum of Association/ Partnership Agreement/ Power of Attorney/ Board Resolution.
 - (c) Year of establishment.....
 - (d) Sister Concerns.....,
 - (e) Corporate Identity No. (CIN):
 - (f) Aadhar Card of Owner/ CEO/ Partner
 - (g) PAN number:
 - (h) Complete Postal Address:

- (i) Pin code/ ZIP code:
 - (j) Telephone nos. (with country/ area codes):
 - (k) Mobile Nos.: (with country/ area codes):
 - (l) Contact persons/ Designation:
 - (m) Email IDs:
 - (n) Type of GST Registration (Registered, Unregistered, Composition, SEZ, RCM etc.):
.....
 - (o) GSTIN number: in Consignor and Consignee States
 - (p) Registered office from where agency/ association services would be mainly provided for GST Purpose:
 - (q) Contact Names, Nos. & email IDs for GST matters (Please mention primary and secondary contacts):
- 4) Details required under ITB-clause 3.5 regarding the foreign principal/ OEM are given below.
- (a) Name of the Company:.....
 - (b) Nationality/ Country of operation/ incorporation.....
 - (c) Status:
 - (i) manufacturer or
 - (ii) agents of manufacturer holding the Letter of Authority of the Principal, specifically authorizing the agent to make an offer in India in response to tender either directly or through the agents/ representatives.
 - (d) Complete Postal Address:
 - (e) Telephone nos. (with country/ area codes):
 - (f) Mobile Nos.: (with country/ area codes):
 - (g) Contact persons/ Designation:
 - (h) Email IDs:
- 5) *Because of price-sensitive information*, agency/ dealership/ any other agreement with foreign principals/ OEM shall be submitted as per ITB-clause 3.5, on-demand, after the Financial bid opening. It shall contain details of payments of all commissions, gratuities, or fees concerning the tender process or execution of the contract that we have paid/ received, or shall pay/ receive, as per the following format:

Name of Recipient	Address	Services to be provided	Amount and Currency

- 6) Our principals have authorized us to confirm that the commission/ remuneration, if any, to us under the contract shall be paid in India, in equivalent Indian Rupees, on satisfactory completion of the Project or supplies of Goods and Spares.
- 7) We enclose herewith: as appropriate, our ----- Bye-Laws/ Registration Certificate/ Memorandum of Association/ Partnership Agreement/ Power of Attorney/ Board Resolution

Yours faithfully,

.....

.....

[signature with date, name, and designation]

for and on behalf of Messrs.....

[name & address of the OEM and seal of company]

DA: 1. As above

Form 2: Schedule of Requirements - Compliance

Schedule of Requirements

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2, Schedule VI: Schedule of Requirements)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

(on Company Letter-head)

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Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

Note to Bidders: Fill up this Form regarding Section VI: Schedule of Requirements maintaining the same numbering and structure. Add additional details not covered elsewhere in your bid in this regard.

Tender Title										
Tender Reference No			Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx							
Schedule	Item Sr	HSN Code	⁴ GST %	Local Content (%)	Description of Goods	Quantity	Units of Quantity	Delivery offered	Destination, State	Bidder's GSTIN

⁴ Mention total % and breakup into CGST, SGST, IGST, Cess etc.

Tender Title										
Tender Reference No			Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx							
Schedule	Item Sr	HSN Code	⁴ GST %	Local Content (%)	Description of Goods	Quantity	Units of Quantity	Delivery offered	Destination, State	Bidder's GSTIN
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Schedule-1	1.1									
	1.2									
	1.3									

- (1) Background of Goods offered:
- (2) Transportation:
- (3) Delivery Schedule:
- (4) Terms of Delivery:
- (5) Scope of Supply (Accessories, Spare Parts):
- (6) Incidental Works/ Services:

Deviations from Schedule of Requirements

Note to Bidders: Highlight deviations, if any, from Section VI: Schedule of Requirements in this Form.

Sl. No.	Ref of Tender Document Section, Clause		Subject	Confirmation/ Deviation/ Exception/ reservation	Justification/ Reason
	Section	Clause/ sub- clause			

We shall comply with, abide by, and accept without variation, deviation, or reservation all requirements detailed in Section IV: Schedule of Requirements in the Tender Document, except those mentioned above. If mentioned elsewhere in our bid, contrary terms and conditions shall not be recognised and shall be null and void.

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(Signature with date)

.....

(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of

.....

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

Form 3: Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance - Compliance

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2, Schedule VII: Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

(on Company Letter-head)

Tender Document No. Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx; Tender Title: GOODS

Bidder’s Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder’s Reference No. _____ Date.....

Note to Bidders: Highlight in this form deviations, if any, from Section VII: Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance, maintaining the same numbering and structure. Submit copies of original test certificates for standards/ specification tests on the Goods and other relevant documents like technical data, literature, drawings, etc. Add additional details not covered elsewhere in your bid in this regard.

Sl. No.	Ref of Technical Specification and Quality Assurance Clause		Subject	Confirmation/ Deviation/ Exception/ reservation	Justification/ Reason
	Section	Clause/ sub-Clause			

We shall comply with, abide by, and accept without variation, deviation, or reservation all Technical Specifications, Quality Assurance and Warranty requirements in the Tender Document, except those mentioned above. If mentioned elsewhere in our bid, contrary terms and conditions shall not be recognised and shall be null and void.

.....
 (Signature with date)

.....
 (Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of

.....
 [name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

DA: Relevant documents like technical data, literature, drawings, and other documents

Form 4: Qualification Criteria - Compliance

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2, Schedule VIII Qualification Criteria)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

(on Company Letter-head)

Tender Document No. Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx; Tender Title: GOODS

Bidder's Name _____

a) [Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

Note to Bidders: Furnish statements and documents to confirm conformity to Qualification Criteria may be mentioned/ attached here. The list below is indicative only. You may attach more documents as required for qualification criteria. Add additional details not covered elsewhere in your bid in this regard. Non-submission or incomplete submission of documents may lead to rejection of the bid as nonresponsive. Also highlight in this form deviations, if any, from Section VIII: Qualification Criteria.

- 1) Location of the manufacturing Factory
- 2) Details of Plant and Machinery executed and function in each department (Monographs & description pamphlets) be supplied, if available.
- 3) Details of arrangement for quality control of products such as laboratory etc
- 4) Details of Technical Supervisory staff-in-charge of production and quality control
 - (a) Skilled labour employed.
 - (b) Unskilled labour employed.
 - (c) The maximum number of workers (skilled & unskilled) employed on any day during the 18 months preceding the date of application.
- 5) Installed production capacity of item(s) quoted for, with the existing plant and machinery.
 - (a) The installed monthly production capacity for----- and the type of-----
 - (b) What portion of the production capacity shall be reserved for this contract? Indicate reserved capacity in terms of the number of items of Goods per month.
 - (c) average monthly production of ----- during the last 5 years on a single shift basis
 - (d) Existing order on hand for -----
- 6) Have you supplied the Goods tendered for or other identical items in the past? If so, details of supplies in the last five years may be furnished in Form 4.1.
- 7) Details relating to Section VIII: Qualification Criteria.....

8) Documents Attached supporting the compliance to qualification criteria:

Sr	Document Attached, duly filled, signed, and copies self-attested
1	
2	
3	

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(Signature with date)

.....

(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of

.....

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

DA: As above, if any

Form 4.1: Performance Statement

Statement of Supplies During Last Five Years and Outstanding Current Orders
(Ref ITB-clause 9.2 Schedule VIII Qualification Criteria)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

(on Company Letter-head)

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Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

Note to Bidders: Fill up this Form your past performance highlighting their qualification to supply relevant Goods. Statements and Documents to the Performance Statement may be mentioned/ attached here. The list below is indicative only. You may attach more documents as required to showcase your past performance. Add additional details not covered elsewhere in your bid in this regard.

Order issued by	Order No. & Date	Qty ordered	Quantity supplied	Price at which supplied	The total value of the order	Status as on date----

.....
(Signature with date)

.....
(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of

.....
.....

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

Form 5: Terms And Conditions - Compliance

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

(on Company Letter-head)

Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

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Note to Bidders: Fill up this Form regarding Terms and Conditions in the Tender Document, maintaining the same numbering and structure. Add additional details not covered elsewhere in your bid in this regard.

Sl. No.	Ref of Tender Document Section, Clause		Subject	Confirmation/ Deviation/ Exception/ reservation	Justification/ Reason
	Section	Clause/ sub-Clause			

We shall comply with, abide by, and accept without variation, deviation, or reservation all terms and conditions of the Tender Document, except those mentioned above. If mentioned elsewhere in our bid, contrary terms and conditions shall not be recognised and shall be null and void.

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(Signature with date)

.....

(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of

.....

.....

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company] DA: If any, at the option of the Bidder.

Form 6: Check-List for Bidders

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

(on Company Letter-head)

Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

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Note to Bidders: This check-list is merely to help the bidders to prepare their bids, it does not over-ride or modify the requirement of the tender. Bidders must do their own due diligence also.

Sr	Documents submitted, duly filled, signed	Yes/ No/ NA
1.	Form 1.- bid Form (to serve as covering letter and declarations applicable for both the Techno-commercial bid and Financial bid)	
2.	Form 1.1: Bidder Information along with Power of attorney and Registration Certificates etc.	
2.a	Self-attested copy of Registration certificates etc. of the firm	
2.b	Self-attested copy of PAN	
2.c	Self-attested copy of GSTIN registration(s)	
2.d	Self-attested copy of Power of Attorney etc. authorizing signatories on stamp paper to sign the bid	
3.	Form 1.2: Eligibility Declarations, along with supporting documents	
3.a	Self-attested copy of Registration certificate for bidders/ subcontractors from restricted neighbouring countries	
3.b	Self-attested copy of MSME registration	
3.c	Self-attested copy of Start-up registration/ status	
3.d	Self-attested copy of the certificate of Local Supplier Status for Make in India policy, from auditors/ cost accountant in case of Tenders above Rs 10 Crore	
4.	If applicable, Form 1.3: OEM's Authorization Form duly filled up (if applicable to Bidder concerned)	
4.a	Self-attested copy of Registration certificates etc. of the OEM/ principal	
4.b	Self-attested copy of Power of Attorney etc. authorizing signatories on stamp paper to sign Form 1.3 of OEM/ Principal	
5.	If applicable, Form 1.4: Declaration by Agents/ Associates of Foreign	

	Principals/ OEMs	
5.a	Self-attested copy of Registration certificates etc., of the agent/ dealer.	
5.b	Self-attested copy of Power of Attorney etc. authorizing signatories on stamp paper to sign Form 1.4 of Agent Dealer	
6.	Form 2: 'Schedule of Requirements - Compliance	
7.	Form 3: Technical Specifications and Quality Assurance - Compliance	
7.a	Relevant documents like technical data, literature, drawings, and other documents, at the option of Bidder	
8.	Form 4: Qualification Criteria - Compliance	
8.a	Documents Attached supporting the compliance to qualification criteria	
9.	Form 4.1: Performance Statement	
9.a	Documents/ contracts supporting the performance statement	
10.	Form 5: Terms and Conditions - Compliance	
10.a	Documents if any at the option of Bidder, supporting deviation	
11.	Form 6: This Checklist	
12.	Form 7: Documents relating to Bid Security	
13.	If applicable, Form 8: Duly signed Integrity Pact, If stipulated in AITB	
14.	Price Schedule (BOQ) Excel Sheet downloaded from the Portal filled and uploaded)	
15.	Any other requirements, if stipulated in TIS/ AITB; or if considered relevant by the Bidder	

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(Signature with date)

.....

(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of.....

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

Form 7: Documents relating to Bid Security.

(Ref ITB-clause 9.2)

Note: To be submitted as part of Technical bid, along with supporting documents, if any.

Submit as Form 7 as part of Technical bid, a Bid Securing Declaration In lieu of bid security in the following format. Bidders exempted from submission of bid security are also required to submit this.

Bid Securing Declaration

(on Company Letter-head)

Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

To

The President of India, through

Director General of Procurement

India Meteorological Department

Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003

[Complete address of the Procuring Entity]

Ref: Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx; Tender Title: GOODS

Sir/ Madam

We, the undersigned, solemnly declare that:

We understand that according to the conditions of this Tender Document, the bid must be supported by a Bid Securing Declaration in lieu of Bid Security.

We unconditionally accept the conditions of this Bid Securing Declaration. We understand that we shall stand automatically suspended from being eligible for bidding in any tender in India Meteorological Department for 2 years from the date of opening of this bid if we breach our obligation(s) under the tender conditions if we:

- 1) withdraw/ amend/ impair/ derogate, in any respect, from our bid, within the bid validity; or
- 2) being notified within the bid validity of the acceptance of our bid by the Procuring Entity:
 - (a) refused to or failed to produce the original documents for scrutiny or the required Performance Security within the stipulated time under the conditions of the Tender Document.
 - (b) Fail or refuse to sign the contract.

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We know that this bid-Securing Declaration shall expire if the contract is not awarded to us, upon:

- 1) receipt by us of your notification
 - (a) of cancellation of the entire tender process or rejection of all bids or
 - (b) of the name of the successful bidder or
- 2) forty-five days after the expiration of the bid validity or any extension to it.

(Signature with date)

.....

(Name and designation)

Duly authorized to sign bid for and on behalf of.....

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

Dated on day of [insert date of signing]

Place.....[insert place of signing]

DA:.....

Form 8: Integrity Pact

(If stipulated in TIS, ref Claus 8.2.1 of ITB)

(To be signed on Plain Paper)

(To be submitted as part of Technical bid)

Integrity Pact for Tender Enquiry No. **CPU/53/1023/15xx**; Tender Title: **GOODS**

This Agreement (hereinafter called the Integrity Pact) is made on ____ day of the month of ____ 202__ at _____, India.

BETWEEN

India Meteorological Department, ----- through Head of the India Meteorological Department, for and on behalf of President of India (hereinafter called the "The Principal", which expression shall mean and include unless the context otherwise requires, his successors in office and assigns) of the First Part

AND

M/ s. _____ (hereinafter called the "The Bidder/ Contractor" which expression shall mean and include, unless the context otherwise requires, his successors and permitted assigns) of the Second Part.

PREAMBLE

'The Principal' intends to award, under laid down organizational procedures, contract/ s for _____, 'The Principal' values full compliance with all relevant laws of the land, rules, regulations, economic use of resources and of fairness/ transparency in its relations with its Bidder(s) and/ or Contractor(s).

In order to achieve these goals, the Principal shall appoint Independent External Monitors (IEMs) who shall monitor the tender process and the execution of the contract for compliance with the principles mentioned above.

Section 1 - Commitments of the 'The Principal'

- 1) 'The Principal' commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption and to observe the following principles: -
 - (a) No employee of the Principal, personally or through family members, shall in connection with the tender for, or the execution of a contract, demand, take a promise for or accept, for self or third person, any material or immaterial benefit which the person is not legally entitled to.
 - (b) The Principal shall, during the tender process, treat all Bidder(s) with equity and reason. The Principal shall in particular, before and during the tender process, provide to all Bidder(s) the same information and shall not provide to any Bidder(s) confidential/ additional information through which the Bidder(s) could obtain an advantage in relation to the tender process or the contract execution.
 - (c) The Principal shall exclude from the process all known prejudiced persons.

- 2) If the Principal obtains information on the conduct of any of its employees, which is a criminal offence under the IPC/ PC Act, or if there be a substantive suspicion in this regard, the Principal shall inform the Chief Vigilance Officer and, in addition, can initiate disciplinary actions.

Section 2 - Commitments of the 'Bidder/ Contractor'

- 1) The 'Bidder/ Contractor' commit themselves to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption. The 'Bidder/ Contractor' commit themselves to observe the following principles during participation in the tender process and during the contract execution.
 - a. The 'Bidder/ Contractor' shall not, directly or through any other person or firm, offer, promise, or give to any of the Principal's employees involved in the tender process or the execution of the contract or to any third person any material or other benefit which he is not legally entitled to, in order to obtain in exchange any advantage of any kind whatsoever during the tender process or during the execution of the contract.
 - b. The 'Bidder/ Contractor' shall not enter with other Bidders into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contracts, submission or non-submission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelisation in the tender process.
 - c. The 'Bidder/ Contractor' shall not commit any offence under the relevant IPC/ PC Act; further, the 'Bidder/ Contractor' shall not use improperly, for purposes of competition or personal gain, or pass on to others, any information or document provided by the Principal as part of the business relationship, regarding plans, technical proposals, and business details, including information contained or transmitted electronically.
 - d. The 'Bidder/ Contractor' of foreign origin shall disclose the name and address of the Agents/ representatives in India if any. Similarly, the Bidder/ Contractors of Indian Nationality shall furnish the name and address of the foreign principals, if any. Further details as mentioned in the "Guidelines on Indian Agents of Foreign Suppliers" shall be disclosed by the Bidder/ Contractor. Further, as mentioned in the Guidelines, all the payments made to the Indian agent/ representative have to be in Indian Rupees only. Copy of the "Guidelines on Indian Agents of Foreign Suppliers" is placed in Appendix to this agreement.
 - e. The 'Bidder/ Contractor' shall, when presenting their bid, disclose any and all payments made, is committed to, or intends to make to agents, brokers, or any other intermediaries in connection with the award of the contract.
 - f. Bidder/ Contractor who have signed the Integrity Pact shall not approach the Courts while representing the matter to IEMs and shall wait for their decision in the matter.
- 2) The 'Bidder/ Contractor' shall not instigate third persons to commit offences outlined above or be an accessory to such offences.

Section 3 - Disqualification from tender process and exclusion from future contracts

If the 'Bidder/ Contractor', before award or during execution, has committed a transgression through a violation of Section 2, above or in any other form such as to put their reliability or credibility in question,

the Principal is entitled to disqualify the 'Bidder/ Contractor' from the tender process or take action as per the procedure mentioned in the "Guidelines on Banning of business dealings".

Section 4 - Compensation for Damages

- 1) If the Principal has disqualified the 'Bidder/ Contractor' from the tender process prior to the award according to Section 3, the Principal is entitled to demand and recover from 'Bidder/ Contractor' the damages equivalent to Earnest Money Deposit/ Bid Security.
- 2) If the Principal has terminated the contract according to Section 3, or if the Principal is entitled to terminate the contract according to Section 3, the Principal shall be entitled to demand and recover from the contractor liquidated damages of the contract value or the amount equivalent to Performance Bank Guarantee.

Section 5 - Previous transgression

- 1) Bidder declares that no previous transgressions occurred in the last three years with any other Company in any country conforming to the anti-corruption approach or with any Public Sector Enterprise in India that could justify his exclusion from the tender process.
- 2) If Bidder makes an incorrect statement on this subject, he can be disqualified from the tender process, or action can be taken as per the procedure mentioned in "Guidelines on Banning of business dealings".

Section 6 - Equal treatment of all Bidders/ Contractors/ Subcontractors

- 1) In the case of Sub-contracting, the Principal Contractor shall take responsibility for the adoption of the Integrity Pact by the Sub-contractor.
- 2) The Principal shall enter into agreements with identical conditions as this one with all Bidders and Contractors.
- 3) The Principal shall disqualify from the tender process all bidders who do not sign this Pact or violate its provisions.

Section 7 - Criminal charges against violating Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Subcontractor(s)

If the Principal obtains knowledge of the conduct of a Bidder, Contractor or Subcontractor, or of an employee or a representative or an associate of a Bidder, Contractor or Subcontractor which constitutes corruption, or if the Principal has substantive suspicion in this regard, the Principal shall inform the same to the Chief Vigilance Officer.

Section 8 - Independent External Monitor

- 1) The Principal appoints a competent and credible Independent External Monitor for this Pact after approval by Central Vigilance Commission. The task of the Monitor is to review independently and objectively whether and to what extent the parties comply with the obligations under this agreement.
- 2) The Monitor is not subject to instructions by the representatives of the parties and performs his functions neutrally and independently. The Monitor would have access to all Contract documents whenever required. It shall be obligatory for him/ her to treat the information and documents of the Bidders/ Contractors as confidential. He/ she reports to the Head of the India Meteorological Department.
- 3) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) accepts that the Monitor has the right to access without restriction to all Project documentation of the Principal, including that provided by the contractor. The Contractor shall also grant the Monitor, upon his request and demonstration of a valid interest, unrestricted and unconditional access to their project documentation. The same is applicable to Sub-contractors.
- 4) The Monitor is under contractual obligation to treat the information and documents of the Bidder/ Contractor(s)/ Sub-contractor(s) with confidentiality. The Monitor has also signed declarations on 'Non-Disclosure of Confidential Information and of 'Absence of Conflict of Interest'. In case of any conflict of interest arising at a later date, the IEM shall inform the Head of the India Meteorological Department and recuse himself/ herself from that case.
- 5) The Principal shall provide to the Monitor sufficient information about all meetings among the parties related to the Project provided such meetings could have an impact on the contractual relations between the Principal and the contractor. The parties offer the Monitor the option to participate in such meetings.
- 6) As soon as the Monitor notices, or believes to have noticed, a violation of this agreement, he shall so inform the Management of the Principal and request the Management to discontinue or take corrective action or to take other relevant action. The monitor can, in this regard, submit non-binding recommendations. Beyond this, the Monitor has no right to demand from the parties that they act in a specific manner, refrain from action, or tolerate action.
- 7) The Monitor shall submit a written report to the Head of the India Meteorological Department within 8 to 10 weeks from the date of reference or intimation to him by the Principal and, should the occasion arise, submit proposals for correcting problematic situations.
- 8) If the Monitor has reported to the Head of the India Meteorological Department, a substantiated suspicion of an offence under relevant IPC/ PC Act, and Head of the India Meteorological Department has not, within the reasonable time, taken visible action to proceed against such offence or reported it to the Chief Vigilance Officer, the Monitor may also transmit this information directly to the Central Vigilance Commissioner.
- 9) The word 'Monitor' would include both singular and plural.

Section 9 - Pact Duration

This Pact begins when both parties have legally signed it. It expires for the contractor 12 months after the last payment under the contract and for all other Bidders 6 months after the contract has been awarded. Any violation of the same would entail disqualification of the bidders and exclusion from future business dealings.

If any claim is made/ lodged during this time, the same shall be binding and continue to be valid despite the lapse of this pact as specified above unless it is discharged/ determined by the Head of the India Meteorological Department.

Section 10 - Other provisions

- 1) This agreement is subject to Indian Law. The place of performance and jurisdiction is the Registered Office of the Principal, i.e., New Delhi.
- 2) Changes and supplements, as well as termination notices, need to be made in writing. Side agreements have not been made.
- 3) If the contractor is a partnership or a consortium, this agreement must be signed by all partners or consortium members.
- 4) Should one or several provisions of this agreement turn out to be invalid, the remainder of this agreement remains valid. In this case, the parties shall strive to come to an agreement with their original intentions.
- 5) Issues like Warranty/ Guarantee etc. shall be outside the purview of IEMs.
- 6) In the event of any contradiction between the Integrity Pact and its Appendix, the Clause in the Integrity Pact shall prevail.
- 7) For and on behalf of the Principal

(Name of the Officer and Designation)

(Office Seal)

For and on behalf of 'Bidder/ Contractor'

(Name of the Officer and Designation)

(Office Seal)

For and on behalf of the Principal

Place

Date

Tender Document - Tend No./ xxxx

Witness 1:

(Name & Address)

Witness 2:

(Name & Address)

Appendix to Integrity Pact

Guidelines for Indian Agents of Foreign Suppliers

1.0 There shall be compulsory registration of agents for all Global (Open) Tender and Limited Tender. An agent who is not registered with 'The Principal' shall apply for registration in the registration form with the appropriate unit.

1.1 Registered agents shall file an authenticated Photostat copy duly attested by a Notary Public/ Original certificate of the Principal confirming the agency agreement. It should cover - the precise relationship, services to be rendered, mutual interests in business - generally and/ or specifically for the tender. Any commission/ remuneration/ salary/ retainership, which the agent or associate receives in India or abroad from the Principal/ OEM, whether should be brought on record in the Agreement and be made explicit.

1.2 Wherever the Indian representatives have communicated on behalf of their principals and the foreign parties have stated that they are not paying any commission to the Indian agents, and the Indian representative is working on the basis of salary, or a retainer, a written declaration to this effect should be submitted by the party (i.e., Principal) before finalizing the order.

2.0 Disclosure of particulars of agents/ representatives in India, if any.

2.1 Bidders of Foreign nationality shall furnish the following details in their offers:

2.1.1 The 'Bidder/ Contractor' of foreign origin shall disclose the name and address of the agents/ representatives in India if any and the extent of authorization and authority are given to commit the Principals. In case the agent/ representative be a foreign Company, it shall be confirmed whether it is an existing Company and details of the same shall be furnished.

2.1.2 The amount of commission/ remuneration included in the quoted price(s) for such agents/ representatives in India.

2.1.3 Confirmation of Bidder that the commission/ remuneration, if any, payable to his agents/ representatives in India, may be paid by 'The Principal' in Indian Rupees only.

2.2 Bidders of Indian Nationality shall furnish the following details in their offers:

2.2.1 The 'Bidder/ Contractor' of Indian Nationality shall furnish the name and address of the foreign principals, if any, indicating their nationality as well as their status, i.e., whether manufacturer or agents of

manufacturer holding the Letter of Authority of the Principal authorizing the agent specifically to make an offer in India in response to tender either directly or through the agents/ representatives.

2.2.2 The amount of commission/ remuneration included in the price (s) quoted by Bidder for himself.

2.2.3 Confirmation of the foreign principals of Bidder that the commission/ remuneration, if any, reserved for Bidder in the quoted price(s), may be paid by 'The Principal' in India in equivalent Indian Rupees on satisfactory completion of the Project or supplies of Goods and Spares in case of operation items.

2.3 In either case, in the event of contract, materializing, the terms of payment shall provide for payment of the commission/ remuneration, if any, payable to the agents/ representatives in India in Indian Rupees on expiry of 90 days after the discharge of the obligations under the contract.

2.4 Failure to furnish correct and detailed information as called for in clauses above shall render the concerned bid liable to rejection or, in the event of a contract materializing, the same liable to termination by 'The Principal'. Besides this, there would be a penalty of banning business dealings with 'The Principal' or damage or payment of a named sum.

FORMATS

Format 1: Contract Form

(Ref Clause 13.2.5 of ITB)

The President of India, through
Director General of Meteorology
India Meteorological Department
Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003

Contract No..... dated.....

To

Contractor [Write Name]

Unique GeM Supplier ID:.....

[Complete address of the contractor]

Subject: -----

Ref: 1. *This office' Letter of Award (LoA) No..... dated*

2. *This office Tender Enquiry No. CPU/53/1023/15xx; Tender Title: GOODS, dated..... and subsequent Amendment No....., dated..... (If any). (Hereinafter referred to as 'the Tender Document')*

3. *Your Tender No..... dated..... and subsequent communication(s)/ Revised Offer No..... dated (If any), exchanged between you and this office in connection with this tender. (Hereinafter referred to as 'Your Offer')*

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Your bid referred above, read with subsequent letters mentioned above, for the Goods stipulated in the Schedules annexed herewith, have been accepted. Terms and conditions in this Contract and the documents listed in the clause below shall apply.

2. Terms and conditions in the documents mentioned under Reference no: 1, 2 and 3 above (including General and Special Conditions of Contract) shall also be part of this contract.

Note: The words, expressions, definitions, and abbreviations used in this contract shall have the same meanings as are respectively assigned to them in the General Condition of Contract of 'the Tender Document'.

(Signature, name and address of [Procuring Entity]'s authorized official)

For and on behalf of.....

Received and accepted this contract

Tender Document - Tend No./ xxxx

(Signature, name, and address of the contractor's executive duly authorized to sign on behalf of the contractor)

For and on behalf of

(Name and address of the contractor)

.....

(Seal of the contractor)

Place: _____ Date:

Format 1.1: Bank Guarantee Format for Performance Security

(Ref Clause 9.4 of ITB and clause 5.8 of GCC)

To

The President of India, through

Director General of Meteorology

India Meteorological Department

Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003

[Complete address of the Procuring Entity]

Whereas..... (name and address of the contractor) (hereinafter called “the contractor”) has undertaken, in pursuance of contract no date..... to supply (description of goods and Works/ Services) (hereinafter called “the contract”).

And Whereas you have stipulated it in the said contract that the contractor shall furnish you with a bank guarantee (including e-Bank guarantee) by a Commercial bank for the sum specified therein as security for compliance with its obligations as per the contract;

And Whereas we have agreed to give the contractor such a bank guarantee.

Now Therefore we hereby affirm that we are guarantors and responsible to you, on behalf of the contractor, up to a total of(amount of the guarantee in words and figures), and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand declaring the contractor to be in default under the contract and without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of (amount of guarantee) as aforesaid, without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your demand or the sum specified therein.

We hereby waive the necessity of your demanding the said debt from the contractor before presenting us with demand.

We further agree that no change or addition to or other modification of the terms of the contract to be performed thereunder or of any of the contract documents which may be made between you and the contractor shall in any way release us from any liability under this guarantee, and we hereby waive notice of any such change, addition, or modification.

Tender Document - Tend No./ xxxx

This guarantee shall be valid until theday of20.....

Our.....branch at.....*(Name & Address of the*(branch) is liable to pay the guaranteed amount depending on the filing of a claim and any part thereof under this Bank Guarantee only and only if you serve upon us at our* branch a written claim or demand and received by us at our* branch on or before Dt..... otherwise, the bank shall be discharged of all liabilities under this guarantee after that.

(Signature of the authorized officer of the Bank)

.....

.....

Name and designation of the officer

.....

Seal, name & address of the Bank and address of Branch

*Preferably at the headquarters of the authority competent to sanction the expenditure for the procurement of goods or at the concerned district headquarters or the state headquarters.

Format 1.2: No Claim Certificate

(Refer Clause 12.3.1 of GCC)

(On company Letter-head)

Contractor's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Contractor's Reference No. _____ Date.....

To

The President of India, through

Director General of Meteorology

India Meteorological Department

Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003

[Complete address of the Procuring Entity]

No Claim Certificate

Sub: Contract Agreement no. ----- dated -----for the supply of -----

We have received the sum of Rs. (Rupees _____ only) as final settlement due to us for the supply of _____ under the abovementioned contract agreement.

We have received all the amounts payable to us with this payment and have no outstanding dispute of any description whatsoever regarding the amounts worked out as payable to us and received by us.

We hereby unconditionally and without any reservation whatsoever, certify that we shall have no further claim whatsoever, of any description, on any account, against the Procuring Entity, under contract above. We shall continue to be bound by the terms and conditions of the contract agreement regarding its performance.

Yours faithfully,

Signatures of contractor or

officer authorised to sign the contract documents.

on behalf of the contractor

(company Seal)

Date: _____

Place: _____

Format 1.3: Certification by Prospective Arbitrators

(Ref Clause 11.5.4 of GCC)

To

The Director General of Meteorology,

India Meteorological Department,

Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.

Certification by Prospective Arbitrators

1. Name: _____
2. Contact Details: _____
3. I hereby certify that I am retired officer of *[Name of Organization]* retired as _____ in _____ grade.
4. I have no past or present relationship concerning the subject matter in dispute, whether financial, business, professional or another kind.

Or

I have past or present relationships concerning the subject matter in dispute, whether financial, business, professional or another kind. The list of such interests is as under:-----

5. I have no past or present relationship/ interest financial, business, professional or other, in any of the parties, which may raise justifiable doubts about my independence or impartiality in terms of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 amended from time to time.

Or

I have past or present relationship/ interest financial, business, professional or other, in any of the parties, which may raise justifiable doubts about my independence or impartiality in terms of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 as amended from time to time. The details of such relationship or interest are as under:----

6. There are no concurrent circumstances that are likely to affect my ability to devote sufficient time to the arbitration and finish the entire arbitration within twelve months.

Or

Some circumstances are likely to affect my ability to devote sufficient time to the arbitration and finish the entire arbitration within twelve months. The list of such circumstances is as under:-----

(Signature)

(Name & Designation)

Format 1.4: Price Schedule

1. The bidder has to quote for all items, failing which the bid will be treated as incomplete and will be rejected. And the comparison will be made on the overall lowest tender basis.
2. Bidder should quote in this format. However, if quoted in a different format, all parameters given below should be covered.
3. Bidders shall fill in their rates other than zero value in the specified cells without keeping it blank. i.e. the bidder has to quote some price value for every item in the price schedule. As per clause 173 1(i) of GFR, if a firm quotes NIL charges / consideration, the bid shall be treated as unresponsive and will not be considered.
4. The blank price bid needs to be enclosed in the Technical Bid masking the prices.

Tender Enquiry No: _____ **Tender Date:** _____

Quotation No. _____ **Date:** _____

Lot 1: First Year							
S.N.	Description of Item (with Make and Model no.)	Quantity (Nos.)	Unit Price	Rate	Applicable Taxes (%)	Amount (INR)	Country of Origin
		A	B	C=AxB	D	E= C+D	
1.	Ground Receiver/ Processor Unit	4					
2.	RF Antenna Unit(s) with communication cables	4					
3.	Local GPS Antennae Unit	4					
4.	GPS Repeater Unit	4					
5.	Ground Check Box Unit	4					
6.	Desktop/Laptop PC	4					
7.	UPS (With minimum 4 Hours Battery Power Backup)	4					
8.	Sounding Software	4					
9.	Ozonesondes (Compatible with Ground Receiving System)	120					
10.	Installation, Operation and Maintenance Manuals	5					

11.	Transportation Charges (as per the RFP)	4					
12.	Any Other Item required for the system	4					
13.	Installation (As per the RFP)	4					
14.	Site Acceptance Test and Training (As per the RFP)	4					
15.	Meteorological Balloons	120					
16.	Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.)	120					
17.	Basic Spares and tool kits	04					
18.	Ozonesonde preparation kit and calibration kit	04					
19.	Ozonizer kit	04					
Total Ex-Works Price							
(-) LESS: Discount ___% (if any)							
Net Ex-Works Price							
(+) Packing & Forwarding Charges							
GST Charges							
SUB TOTAL							
GRAND TOTAL							
Approximate Weight of the Consignment							
Approximate Dimensions of the Consignment							

Lot 2: Second Year						
Description of Item (with Make and Model no.)	Quantity (Nos.)	Unit Pric e	Rate	Applicable Taxes	Amount (INR)	Country of Origin
	A	B	C= Ax B	D	E = C+D	
Ozonesondes (Compatible with Ground Receiving System)	120					

Meteorological Balloons	120					
Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.)	120					
Total Ex-Works Price						
(-) LESS: Discount ___% (if any)						
Net Ex-Works Price						
(+) Packing & Forwarding Charges						
GST Charges						
SUB TOTAL						
GRAND TOTAL						
Approximate Weight of the Consignment						
Approximate Dimensions of the Consignment						

Lot 3: Third Year						
Description of Item (with Make and Model no.)	Quantity (Nos.)	Unit Pric e	Rate	Applicable Taxes (%)	Amount (INR)	Country of Origin
	A	B	C= AxB	D	E= C+D	
Ozonesondes (Compatible with Ground Receiving System)	120					
Meteorological Balloons	120					
Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.)	120					
Total Ex-Works Price						
(-) LESS: Discount ___% (if any)						
Net Ex-Works Price						
(+) Packing & Forwarding Charges						
GST Charges						
SUB TOTAL						
GRAND TOTAL						
Approximate Weight of the Consignment						
Approximate Dimensions of the Consignment						

Lot 4: Fourth Year						
Description of Item (with Make and Model no.)	Quantity (Nos.)	Unit Pric e	Rate	Applicable Taxes (%)	Amount (INR)	Country of Origin

	A	B	C= AxB	D	E= C+D	
Ozonesondes (Compatible with Ground Receiving System)	120					
Meteorological Balloons	120					
Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.)	120					
Total Ex-Works Price						
(-) LESS: Discount ___% (if any)						
Net Ex-Works Price						
(+) Packing & Forwarding Charges						
GST Charges						
SUB TOTAL						
GRAND TOTAL						
Approximate Weight of the Consignment						
Approximate Dimensions of the Consignment						

Lot 5: Fifth Year						
Description of Item (with Make and Model no.)	Quantity (Nos.)	Unit Price	Rate	Applicable Taxes (%)	Amount (INR)	Country of Origin
	A	B	C=A xB	D	E= C+D	
Ozonesondes (Compatible with Ground Receiving System)	120					
Meteorological Balloons	120					
Accessories (Parachute, De-reelers, thread, chemicals and consumables etc.)	120					
Total Ex-Works Price						
(-) LESS: Discount ___% (if any)						
Net Ex-Works Price						
(+) Packing & Forwarding Charges						
GST Charges						
SUB TOTAL						
GRAND TOTAL						

Approximate Weight of the Consignment		
Approximate Dimensions of the Consignment		

Tender Clause No.	Term	Condition
	Mode of Shipment (DAP)	BY AIR / RAIL / ROAD
GCC 9	Delivery Term (DAP)	
	Delivery Schedule	As per the RFP
	The period of delivery shall count from	
	Time Frame required for conducting Installation & commissioning of the equipment, Acceptance Test, Training, etc.	
	Port of destination	As per the RFP
	Final Destination	As per the RFP
	Installation & Commissioning Charges, including taxes	
Section VII, 7.4, 7.5	Training Details & Charges, including taxes.	
GCC 10.3.1 and 10.3.2	Payment Term	

Signature of Authorised Person

With company seal and address

Format 2: Authorization for Attending Pre-bid Conference.

(Refer ITB-Clause 8)

(on Company Official Letter Head)

Bidder's Name _____

[Address and Contact Details]

Bidder's Reference No. _____ Date.....

To

The President of India, through
Director General of Meteorology
India Meteorological Department
Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.

Ref: Tender Enquiry No. **CPU/53/1023/15xx**; Tender Title: GOODS

Subject: Authorization for attending Pre-bid Conference on _____ (date).

Following persons are hereby authorized to attend the Pre-bid Conference for the tender mentioned above on behalf of _____ (Bidder) in order of preference given below.

Sr.	Name	Government Photo ID Type/ Number
I.		
II.		
Alternate Representative		

Note:

1. Maximum of two representatives (carrying valid Government photo IDs) shall be permitted to attend the Pre-bid opening. An alternate representative shall be permitted when regular representatives are not able to attend.
2. Permission to enter the hall where the pre-bid conference is conducted may be refused if authorization as prescribed above is not submitted.

Signatures of bidder

or

Officer authorized to sign the bid.

Documents on behalf of the bidder

[name & address of Bidder and seal of company]

