

## Tender for Hiring of Consulting Agency for Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) Studies in Leh, UT Ladakh

Tender No.: SECI/C&P/IPP/17/0003/22-23

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1	2	12	2	2. Contractor Scope of Work: The proposed area where the ESIA study is envisaged to be carried out is approximately 250 sq. km of land in the More Plains of UT Ladakh along the Manali-Leh national highway.	1. The project area map is not provided. Kindly provide it for a better understanding of the project area. 2. Provide the highest elevation on which the project area should be considered.	Technical	The KMZ file is provided on the ETS website
2	2	12	2	2. Contractor Scope of Work: To the east of the study area is the Changthang wildlife sanctuary which also includes the Tso Kar RAMSAR wetland.	The Wildlife Clearance, Forest Clearance, and Ramsar Site NOC, if any, are not the bidder's scope. Please clarify.	Technical	The proposed land parcels are outside wildlife sanctuary and RAMSAR wetlands.
3	2	13	2.1	f) .....the ecological baseline studies should target migratory season for birds	Kindly justify is it the summer migratory season or the winter migratory season.	Technical	Both seasons
4	2	13	2.1	h).....The studies shall also suggest the areas where wind turbine generators and the avian fauna are expected to co-exist.	Is this a solar project or wind project or hybrid project?	Technical	Hybrid Project
5	2	13	2.1	h)..... The studies shall identify the flight path and flight trajectory of the avian species and suggest safe routes for overhead power lines to be laid in the area.	Survey of transmission line path will be in bidders scope? If yes kindly provide the approximate length of the transmission line and tentative path of the transmission line and the name of the substations.	Technical	Survey of transmission line path is not in bidders scope of work. However the bidder has to demarket the areas through which the transmission lines can be laid so that they do not interfere with flight path of avian species.
6	2	15	2.2	Collect from appropriate authorities and incorporate the findings of other projects proposed in the study area (projects proposed are high-capacity power transmission system by PGCIL, a railway link from Bilaspur in HP to Leh, road tunnel below Tanglang La pass, etc.). The aspects of these projects that can impact the project of SECI may be incorporated.	Is the Cumulative Impact Assessment bidder's scope? Please clarify.	Technical	The Cumulative Impact Assessment is not in bidders' scope, however, the aspects of other projects that might impact this project may be enumerated and risk identified.
7	2	15	2.4	The proposed Impact Assessment is primarily a combination of two components: A. Social Impact Assessment (SIA) and B. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	Do we have to prepare SIA and EIA report separately?	Technical	The provisions of tender document are clear.
8	2	18	2.4	Stage 2: ESIA study - Environmental, Ecological and Social Baseline: a. Environmental: Collection of primary data for the following attributes Ambient Air Quality, Ambient Noise Quality, Groundwater & surface water Quality, Soil Quality.....	Kindly provide the details about the number of locations, frequency of samples, and tenure of sampling for each parameter. What will be the study area for the environmental baseline survey beyond the project area?	Technical	Maybe decided by the consultant in a way that the report is comprehensive and depicts the actual situation.
9	2	19	2.4	Stage 2: ESIA study: I. Environmental, Ecological and Social Baseline: c. Socio-economic Environment: Identify all key stakeholders (PAPs, government, NGOs, CBOs, academicians etc.) in the project AOI.....	What will be the study area for the socio-economic survey beyond the project area?	Technical	Within the project area only
10	3	30	9.1	Instruction to Bidders- Hard Copy Submission	Is hard copy submission mandatory? Are the last date of hard copy submission and e-copy submission same?	Contractual	Yes

11	1	6	6	Bidder shall submit bid proposal along with non-refundable Tender Processing Fees, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) if applicable/ Bid Securing Declaration complete in all respect as per the Bid <i>Information Sheet...</i>	We request the client to provide the format for Bid Securing Declaration.	Financial	EMD is exempted for this tender
12	3	30	9.1	Hard copy of the bid shall comprise of following documents/ programmed file-Attachments to be submitted in sealed envelope, as part of First Envelope. The envelope shall bear {the name of <i>Tender, the Tender No. and the words 'DO NOT OPEN BEFORE'</i> (due date & time)}.	Kindly confirm that only the documents mentined under this clause listed from 'a' to 'e' are to be submitted in Hard copy. The complete Technical proposal only needs to be submitted online.	Contractual	Yes
13	3	30	9.1 (e)	e. The Passphrase to decrypt the relevant Bid-Parts (for both Techno-Commercial and Financial) in separate sealed envelopes before the start date and time of the Tender Opening Event (TOE)	What is Passphrase . What do we need to submit under this head. Kindly clarify.	Contractual	<i>It's an online tender. The pass-phrases are</i> any phrase required to encrypt the techno-commercial and financial bids for s-TOO (Special tender opning officer) of SECI. Bidder needs to submit the pass-phrases for the same. Please contact the concerned person from ETS for more clarification.
14	3	52	2.2	After execution of contract and during <b>Defect liability period (DLP)/ Warranty/ Guarantee Period</b>	We understand the work duration is of 3 months, Kindly suggest what is the DLP period after completion of work.	Contractual	Please refer to the clause 2.3 of Annexure I Section III ( Instruction to bidders) Tender document.
15	General	-	-	No details regarding insurance obligation of the Consultant	We request the client to kindly specify/mention insurance obligations of the Consultant under this proposal.	Contractual	Consultant shall take insurance at his own cost to cover risk to his man, material and machinary.
16	General	-	-	Estimated Consultancy Budget	We request you to suggest the tentative budget for this work, So that all the consultants can be on same level and can submit a comprehansive and competitive Quotation for this work.	Financial	Not Applicable
17	General	-	-	-	We understand that Statutory Clearance like Environment, Forests and Wildlife is not the part of the scope of work.	Technical	All statautory clearances required for consultant for performing their work shall be obtained by consultant themselves. However, SECI shall provide request letter for the same.
18	5	75	1.4.2	1.4.2. There can be a maximum of 03 (Three) partners/members in a JV/Consortium. The Lead partner/member of the JV/Consortium shall meet individually not less than 50% of minimum Financial Eligibility Conditions (MAAT & Working Capital) given at para 1.3 above. However, all the JV/Consortium partners/members must meet collectively 100% Financial Eligibility Conditions given at para 1.3 above	Request for change in clause"MAAT & Working Capital" for any of the consortium Partner, may be exemted for other partners.	Contractual	Terms and conitions of tender document shall prevail
19	2	15	2.4	iv. Description of the Project Key Environmental & Social Aspects	One month representative monitoring as per MOEF guidelines may be suitable as the contract period it self is for 3 months. Thus requesting the Employer may consider the monitoring period for One representative month and change the clause accordingly. Please clarify the parameters, freequency, duration and aspects of mitoring. Also mention the period of monitoring as the next 3 months shall be monsson season	Technical	Terms and conitions of tender document shall prevail
20	7	90	14	SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (SCC)	Kind request to waive of the penalty clause 14. LIQUIDITY DAMAGES considering gregraphical, social and cliamtic condistions	Contractual	Terms and conitions of the tender document shall prevail

21	5	75	1.4.1	1.4.1 All the JV/Consortium partners/members of the JV/Consortium shall meet individually 100% of Technical Eligibility Conditions given at para 1.2 above.	if every one in JV has 100% Technical Eligibility Conditions given at para 1.2 above. Then why the partner with others?? <i>they can go individually..... Please allow the eligibility wrt anyone of the eligible partner.</i>	Contractual	Terms and conitions of the tender document shall prevail
22				1.2.2 <i>The consultant must be an "Accredited EIA consultant" with MoEF&amp;CC/NABET for infrastructure/ industry/ urban development sector (e.g., power, renewable energy, oil &amp; gas, dams, irrigation, roads, railways, aviation, townships, public infrastructure like educational institutes or hospitals, large industries, etc.). (Document Required: Document certifying Accreditation from MoEF/NABET)</i>	Solar power project does not require EC as EIA notification as it white category of industry. So why NABET certification is required. Please allow the consultant who has no NABET accreditation. Such consulting firm have done multiple ESIA studies for renewable projects funded by International Funding Insititutes like WB, IFC,ADB, & others.	Technical	Terms and conitions of tender document shall prevail
23				15. PAYMENT TERMS			
24				50% payment on submission of draft report	It will be burden to the consultant till the draft report submission, so request to consider for Mobilization fee with 20-30% and 30-20% for draft report submission	Financial	Refer Amendment
25	General			Submission of tender	For more Competitive bidding. We request you to allow us to submit the bid through subsidiary company and Technical & Financial experience can be consider of Parent Company/Affiliate company. Kindly accept and confirm	Contractual	Terms and conitions of the tender document shall prevail
26	General			Government fees and Statutory fees	All Government fees and Statutory fees is in the scope of Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited. Kindly confirm	Technical	Yes
27	GCC	92	(GCC clause 15)	Payment Eligibility, 50% of total payment - On submission of draft reports and acceptance of same for submission of final reports and 50% of total payment- On submission of final reports	As per huge scope of work request to amend the payment clause as 50% payment after mobilization of team, 20% after field work, 20% after submission of draft ESIA report and 10% after submission of final ESIA report.kindly clarify	Technical	Refer Amendment
28	General			Other NOC and clearance	All other noc and clearance is in the scope of Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited. Kindly confirm	Technical	All statautory clearances required for consultant for performing their work shall be obtained by consultant themselves. However, SECI shall provide request letter for the same.
29	General			No. of Family, Land Acquisition details, Comprensaction details , R&R Plan	For Social Impact assessment kindly provide the Affected No. of family and Poppulation and Land Acquisition details, Comprensaction details , R&R Plan, Kindly confirm	Technical	Data to be collected from concerned department of UT Ladakh Administration as part of scope of work.
30		104		SCHEDULE OF RATES (SOR)/PRICE BID, Format-VI	Request to accept the Lumsum Contract price or Confirm the Total Sq. Km area for Proposal. Kindly confirm	Financial	Proposed area in sq. km is already mentioned in the tender document
31		75		Bank Guarentee	As per tender cluase it is not mentioned the Performance security Bank Guarentee of 4.5 Lakh. Kindly confirm	Financial	It is mentioned in the tender document
32				Wildlife clearance , Forest Clearance	all Wildlife clearance , Forest Clearance is in the scope of Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited. Kindly confirm	Technical	Proposed land parcels are outside any wildlife santuary or forest cover.
33	1.2 TECHNICAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	72	1.2.2	<i>The consultant must be an "Accredited EIA consultant" with MoEF&amp;CC/NABET for infrastructure/ industry/ urban development sector (e.g., power, renewable energy, oil &amp; gas, dams, irrigation, roads, railways, aviation, townships, public infrastructure like educational institutes or hospitals, large industries, etc.). (Document Required: Document certifying Accreditation from MoEF/NABET)</i>	request you t to relax these criteria as Renewable Energy being <i>a white Category industry doesn't fall under the Purview of EIA</i> Notification 2006 and requirement of QCI-NABET for conducting ESIA for White Category Industries (Renewable Energy) is not mandatory.	Contractual	Terms and conitions of the tender document shall prevail

34	1.2 TECHNI CAL ELIGIBI LITY CRITER IA	73	1.2.4	Out of the similar works undertaken by the contractor, at least one of them should be for Central/State Government/Central/State Autonomous Bodies/Public Sector Undertaking.	request you to revise the Criteria as <i>Out of the similar works undertaken by the contractor, at least one of them should be for Central/State Government /Central/State Autonomous Bodies/Public Sector/MNCs as per IFC, ADB, World Bank Standards Undertaking.</i>	Technical	Terms and conitions of tender document shall prevail
35	2.7 Team Composi tion:	21	b. Social Experts:	Social Expert A post-graduate/doctoral degree holder in Social Sciences, or a related field with at least 10 years of undertaking (E)SIA studies, preferably for development projects. i.S/he should have experience of organizing consultations with potentially affected persons. ii.Familiarity with the relevant regulations would be an advantage. iii.Fluency in English & Hindi languages.	Request you to condider teh following : Social Expert A post-graduate/doctoral degree holder in Social Sciences, or a related field with more than 05 years of undertaking (E)SIA studies, preferably for development projects. i.S/he should have experience of organizing consultations with potentially affected persons. ii.Familiarity with the relevant regulations would be an advantage. Fluency in English & Hindi languages	Technical	Terms and conitions of tender document shall prevail