

Responses to clarifications

Expression of Interest for Selection of Agency for Conducting study on development of a bamboo- based economy in Meghalaya: A Socio-Economic Study
EOI -IV/9/2021-22

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Reference	Query	MBMA Response
Section 2 DATA SHEET Clause 14.1.3 for time-based contracts only	<p>In Annexure A, there is no mention of the specific positions and the estimated quantity against the positions in this project.</p> <p>Again in DATA SHEET Clause 21.1 (for FTP) there is examples of positions: <i>For eg,</i></p> <p>a) Position K-1: [Project Manager/Team Leader] [15] b) Position K-2: [Domain Expert - Livestock] [10] c) Position K-3 [Domain Expert – Horticulture] [10] d) Position K-4 [Domain Expert – Non-Farm] [10] e) Position K-5 [Domain Expert – Apiculture] [10] f) Position K-6 [Manager Operations] [10]</p>	<p>Eligible bidders may provide the Key Experts and Non -Key Experts, No of Mandays required based on their understanding of the assignment and on the experience drawn from similar assignments in the past</p>
Section 2 DATA SHEET Clause 16.1	<p>There is no information on MBDA travel Norms to the bidders.</p>	<p>Bidders may quote their per diem norms based on reasonable rates for similar assignments undertaken. MBDA norms will be used for comparison.</p>

Section 2 DATA SHEET Clause 16.2	Kindly let us know the formula of the Price Adjustment as well as after how many months the price adjustment shall be effective on remuneration rate.	Price adjustment provision rates will be decided once the assignment reaches the mid stage and after review of progress made in the work plan.
Section 2 DATA SHEET Clause 17.4	Our understanding is that there will be ONE Original copy of the technical proposal but there is no mention of number of copies of the Technical Proposal.	17.4.6 The original and two copies of the Technical Proposal shall be placed inside of a sealed envelope clearly marked "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL", "[Name of the Assignment]", reference number, name and address of the Consultant, and with a warning "DO NOT OPEN UNTIL[INSERT THE DATE AND THE TIME OF THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE]."
Section 2 DATA SHEET Clause 17.7 and 17.9	As 20 days time from the date of publication is too short to prepare a competitive proposal.	Last date of submission is extended to 22 nd July 2021 as per the original mode of submission.
Section 2 Clause 6: Eligibility Criteria	Reduce the eligibility criteria from 10 years to 5 years Provide format for undertaking that the agency should not have been blacklisted by any Government Agency/Public Sector Undertaking/autonomous bodies.	No Change in the Original Clause. Bidders are free to use their format incorporating the clauses mentioned in Section 2 Clause 6 point 4.
Annexure A Terms of Reference Clause	There is an ambiguity regarding reimbursable of the travel expenses. As the location of work may be other NE India or any	Clarified that All travels related to the assignment will be reimbursed by MBMA within and outside Meghalaya.

4 Location of Work and Clause 5 Payment Terms	other state within INDIA, so the reimbursable amount within Meghalaya may not be relevant.	
	Can the proposal be submitted electronically?	Since it is a two envelope process containing sealed technical and financial proposal, electronic submission is not permitted.
FORM TECH 3 & Clause 16.1	<p>Facilities to be provided by the Client:</p> <p>We intend to have a separate house/flat that can act as Office-cum-Residence, so that the full-time research team can continue to have hassle free working before and after office hours. Will this be provided by the Client?</p> <p>The second is regarding local transportation. Will a dedicated vehicle be provided by the Client for the project team?</p>	<p>No. MBMA will provide assistance, if required, in finding a suitable place.</p> <p>No. MBMA will provide assistance, if required, in arranging local transport provider.</p>
General	Whether association with other consultants is permitted	No

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