

Clause No.	INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS (ITB)			
	<p>In such a case, Bidder shall also be required to submit the Original BG in physical form to reach Employer at the address mentioned in Bidding Documents, not later than 10 days from the date of submission of Techno-Commercial bids or before the Price Bid opening, whichever is earlier, failing which its bid shall be rejected and not considered for further evaluation.</p>			
13.0	<b>Period of Validity of Bids</b>			
13.1	The Bid (comprising Techno-Commercial and Price envelope) shall remain valid for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the deadline set for submission of Bid. The bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by Employer as being non-responsive.			
13.1.1	The bidder is required to keep the prices of recommended spares covered under Price Schedule No. 6 valid for a period of six (6) months after Notification of Award for main equipment and mandatory spares.			
13.2	In exceptional circumstances, Employer may solicit the Bidder's consent to an extension of the bid validity period. The request and responses thereto shall be made in writing by post, or e-mail. If a Bidder accepts to extend the period of bid validity, the validity of bid security shall also be suitably extended. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. A Bidder granting the request will not be required nor permitted to modify its bid.			
14.0	<b>Format and Signing of Bid</b>			
	The Bids including all the documents uploaded at the e-Tender Portal shall be digitally signed (using the appropriate class of digital signature prescribed at e-Tender Portal) by a duly authorised representative of the Bidder to bind him to the contract. The authorization shall be indicated by written power of attorney as per ITB Clause 8.1.1 (b) and shall be submitted in physical form in a separate sealed envelope prior to the deadline for submission of bids.			
	<b>D. Submission of Bids</b>			
15.0	<p>The Bid [comprising the Bid Form as per Section-VII, Part 1 of 2, together with its Attachments (Techno-commercial and price) and BOQ/Price Schedules] shall be submitted simultaneously at the e-tender portal through e-tender mode in the manner specified elsewhere in bidding document. No Manual/ Physical Copy of the Bid shall be acceptable, except the documents specified to be submitted in physical form as per ITB Clause 8.1.1.</p> <p>Bidder shall upload the completed Bid Form, Attachments pertaining to Techno-commercial envelope along with all annexures under 'Technical Cover' at the e-Tender Portal.</p> <p>The Attachments to Price Envelope, duly completed together with BOQ (excel format) shall be uploaded in 'Finance cover' at the e-Tender Portal. Further, the detailed break-up of BOQ price in the Price Schedules (if provided along with Bidding documents) shall also be</p>			
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	<p>furnished in 'Finance cover'. Bidders may note that Attachments to Price Envelope together with BOQ (excel sheet)/Price Schedule <b><u>should not be</u></b> uploaded in the 'Technical cover' at the e-Tender Portal.</p> <p><b>Bidder to further ensure that documents uploaded online are being downloaded properly. Employer shall not be responsible for corrupt files, if any, uploaded online by bidder. Further file related to particular Attachment/Schedule including their annexures/ appendices, if any, shall be given name of that Attachment/Schedule only.</b></p>		
15.1	<b>Sealing and Marking of Physical Documents</b>		
15.1.1	<p>Documents to be submitted in physical form (as brought out at ITB clause 8.1.1) shall be sealed and marked in the following manner:</p> <p>(i) The bid security furnished in accordance with ITB Clause 12 shall be sealed in a separate envelope duly marking the envelope as "ATTACHMENT-1: BID SECURITY".</p> <p>(ii) All other Original documents required to be submitted in physical form in line with ITB Clause 8.1.1 shall be sealed in a separate envelope duly marking the envelope as "Techno-Commercial Bid – Physical Documents"</p> <p><b>The envelopes shall then be sealed in an outer envelope.</b></p>		
15.1.2	<p>The inner and outer envelopes shall:</p> <p>(a) be addressed to the Employer at the address given in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS), and</p> <p>(b) bear the Package name indicated in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS), the Invitation for Bids number indicated in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS), and the statement "DO NOT OPEN BEFORE [date]," to be completed with the time and date specified in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS), pursuant to ITB clause 16 i.e. 'Deadline for Submission of Bids'.</p>		
15.1.3	<p>The inner envelopes shall also indicate the name and address of the Bidder.</p>		
15.1.4	<p>If the outer envelope is not sealed and marked in the manner specified above, the Employer will assume no responsibility for its misplacement.</p>		
16.0	<b>Deadline for Submission of Bids</b>		
16.1	<p>Bids (both Techno-Commercial and Price) must be submitted online at e-tender portal not later than the time and date stated in the e-Tender Portal.</p>		
16.2	<p>The physical documents in line with ITB Clause 8.1.1 shall be submitted before stipulated bid submission time at the address specified in BDS and Employer shall not be liable for loss/non-receipt/late receipt of above documents in postal transit.</p>		
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