

PMC for 400 MLD SWRO Desalination Plant at Perur, Chennai

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Ref: SSNT PMC 400 MLD / CMWSSB / 5061185/444

Date: 24th November 2021

To,
The Superintending Engineer (Desalination)
Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board,
Urban Administrative Building,
2nd Floor, No.75, Santhome High Road,
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Chennai 600 028,
Tamil Nadu, India

Sub: JICA Assisted Project for Construction of 400 MLD Seawater Reverse Osmosis Desalination Plant at Perur (JICA Loan ID-P267) – Request for Work from Home for PMC Staffs - List of activities to be carried out for CP1 to CP4 components during extended partial lockdown period from 01 December 2021 to 31 January 2022 – Reg.

Ref: 1. Your Letter no. Ref: CMWSSB/SE(Desal)/400 MLD Plant/PMC-050/2021 dated 06.09.2021
2. Our Letter no. Ref: SSNT PMC 400MLD /CMWSSB / 5061185/399 dated 25.08.2021
3. Our Letter no. Ref: SMEC/ CMWSSB / 7061563/005, dated 20.01.2020
4. Your Letter no. Lr.no.CMWSSB/SE(Desal)/400 MLD Plant / PMC/2020, dated 13.01.2020
5. Our Contract Agreement with CMWSSB, dated 09.01.2020

Dear Sir,

Thank you for providing the approval and allowing the international staff to work from home at their respective countries in view of the Corona Pandemic and restrictions in international travel till 30 November 2021 vide your letter cited at reference no.1, dated 06.09.2021 for the subject project.

In this regard, we wish to bring to your notice that the extended lockdown / international travel ban is still prevailing in most countries and is expected to continue until 2022. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there are many international travel restrictions to India; the copy of the international travel advisory document of proof of restriction is attached along with this letter (Annexure-1). PMC has strived to mobilise the international experts [Contract Specialist (Desal), Electrical Engineer (Desal) and Pipeline Engineer] from their respective home country, wherever possible, based on the international travel relaxation. Also, we are closely monitoring the prevailing situation worldwide for mobilising our international experts at the Chennai office.

Therefore, in the interest of the project and maintaining the prevalent Government COVID protocols, we plan to mobilise/remobilise the international staff to Chennai Project Office progressively as the improvement in the situation is recorded, and the respective countries ease the international travel restriction.

Please note that most staff are working from the Chennai office, except two international staff from Australia. Other International staff need to provide their services intermittently, and as per the project requirement, we will bring them to the Chennai office whenever required.

As the project is at the crucial stage of its bid process management for the CP1 component, we request the Work from home for the following international experts due to various constraints of the COVID pandemic across the globe.

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Sl. No.	Name of Expert	Position	Country	Work From Home approval requested date	Reason
Key International Expert					
1.	Dr. P. Dharmabalan	Team Leader / Project Manager	Australia	01.12.2021 to 31.01.2022	International Travel restriction due to Covid-19 third wave
2.	Dr. Ghulam Mustafa	Desalination Expert	Australia	01.12.2021 to 31.01.2022	International Travel restriction due to Covid-19 third wave
3.	Mr. Michel Morillon	Mechanical Engineer (Desal)	France	01.12.2021 to 31.01.2022	Will be mobilised to Chennai office as per the project requirement and International Travel guidelines.

In addition to the above, the two more international experts, namely Mr. Abdel Fattah Toukan and Mr. Guilbert Z Gonzales, working as Contract specialist (Desal) and Electrical Engineer (Desal) respectively in Chennai Office. Both are planned to be demobilised by mid-December 2021 so that we can be able to complete the responses to pre-bid queries for CP1. However, if there are any further inputs required by them for shorter period after demobilization, the same will be provided by them from their native country, thus their inputs are planned to be optimised.

Hence, we also request you to kindly approve these two international experts to get their home input as and when required. The details of experts are given below:

Sl. No.	Name of Expert	Position	Country	Work From Home approval requested date	Reason
Key International Expert					
1.	Mr. Abdel Fattah Toukan	Contract Specialist (Desal)	Canada	16.12.2021 to 31.01.2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is remobilised to Chennai office from 05.11.2021 onwards and At present, working from the Chennai office to provide clarification on bid queries. Intermittent input based on project requirement till the bids due date by contractor.
2.	Mr. Guilbert Z Gonzales	Electrical Engineer (Desal)	Philippines	11.12.2021 to 31.01.2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At present, working at the Chennai office to provide clarification on bid queries. Intermittent input based on project requirement, till the bids due date by contractor.

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Please find attached the list of the activities to be carried out by our staff for CP1 to CP4 component during this extended partial lockdown period (Annexure-2). We affirm that if any meetings and/or discussions are planned, we will connect through an Online MS Teams Meeting / Video Conference call for the subject project.

Given the above, we request you to kindly provide the Work from home approval for the above-mentioned international experts from 01 December 2021 to 31 January 2022.

This is for your kind consideration and approval, please.

Yours truly,

For **Consortium of SMEC International Pty Ltd -TCE Ltd.-NJS Engineers India Ltd.-SMEC (India) Pvt. Ltd.**

Dr. P. Dharmabalan
Project Manager/Team Leader

Encl: As above



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ANNEXURE-1

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ADVISORY : AUSTRALIA

The screenshot shows the 'smartraveller.gov.au' website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'COVID-19 AND TRAVEL' and a link to 'Do not go overseas'. Below this is an 'ALERT' banner stating: 'Aus citizens, PRs and Aus visa-holders should travel to Abbey Gate at Kabul Int Airport to await evac flights.' The main header includes the 'smartraveller.gov.au' logo and a search bar. The navigation menu has links for 'Before you go', 'Destinations', 'While you're away', and 'COVID-19'. There are also buttons for 'Our services' and 'Urgent help'.

COVID-19 and travel

Do not go overseas. A travel ban is in place. Exemptions apply.

23 March 2021

There's a ban on overseas travel from Australia. You can't [leave Australia](#) unless you have [an exemption](#) from the Department of Home Affairs, or are travelling to a destination that is [exempt from the ban](#).

Our global travel advice remains at '[Do not travel](#)' due to the health risks from the COVID-19 pandemic and the significant disruptions to global travel. Some destinations were already set at Do Not Travel prior to COVID-19 due to the extreme risk to your safety.

If you're overseas and wish to return to Australia, be prepared for delays and read our advice on [trying to get home](#).

When you [arrive in Australia](#) you must quarantine for 14 days at designated facilities in your port of arrival, unless you have an [exemption](#) or are travelling on a [quarantine-free flight](#) from a green zone destination. At this time, vaccination against COVID-19 does not change this quarantine requirement. You may be required to pay for the costs of your quarantine. View [State and Territory Government COVID-19 information](#) for information about quarantine and domestic borders.

If you're [staying overseas](#), make plans to stay for an extended period. Follow the advice of local authorities and minimise your risk of exposure to COVID-19. Stay in touch with family and friends so they know you're safe.

Our network of [embassies and consular posts around the world](#) will provide you with up-to-date local advice and support throughout this difficult period. Be aware consular services may be limited due to local measures.

For the latest information, [read](#) and [subscribe](#) to our news and travel advice. Also see our [COVID-19](#) information pages.

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Overall: **Do not travel**

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ANNEXURE-2: LIST OF ACTIVITIES TO BE CARRIED OUT FOR CP1 TO CP4 DURING AN EXTENDED LOCKDOWN PERIOD BETWEEN 01 DECEMBER 2021 TO 31 JANUARY 2022

Sl. No.	Contract Package	Name of the Staff	Activities carried out for the project	Key Deliverables
1	CP1	Dr. P. Dharmabalan Dr. Ghulam Mustafa Mr. Michel Morillon Mr. Abdel Fattah Toukan Mr. Guilbert Z Gonzales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of reply to pre-bid queries raised by the Prequalified Bidders Discussion with CMWSSB and JICA officials and attending the meeting on the CP1 bidding process management Coordinating the team and providing input and guidance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submission of reply to pre-bid queries raised by the Prequalified Bidders on Bidding Document for CP1
2	CP2	Dr. P. Dharmabalan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation, review of Detailed Design Reports and Drawings. Preparation and review of Draft Bidding Document. Preparation of Environmental Management Plan, Environmental Monitoring Plan, Social Safeguard Review Report for CP2 (Perur Pumping Station, Porur UGT and pumping station). Coordinating the team and providing input and guidance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submission of Detailed Design Report and Drawings.
3	CP4	Dr. P. Dharmabalan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of the inventory data of zone-wise existing water distribution network provided by CMWSSB Verification, analysis of the zone-wise data, report shared by CMWSSB, and PMC observations, if any. Preparation and review of Draft Design Report for Area X and XIII. Review of hydraulic modelling of a proposed water distribution network for Area X and XIII. Coordinating the team and providing input and guidance. Review of progress and other reports prepared by team members before submission to CMWSSB. Attending the Review meetings with CMWSSB officials. <p>Note: The above activities will be carried out subject to making available the required data. However, PMC will try to obtain the data from a different organization to the possible extent.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compilation of data collection, water distribution network drawings for the Area IV, V, VI and IX Submission of Draft Hydraulic Design and Drawings for Area X and XIII

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4	General	Dr. P. Dharmabalan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Preparation of Monthly Progress Report (MPR 22) for November 2021Preparation of Monthly Progress Report (MPR 23) for December 2021Preparation of Quarterly Progress Report (QPR 08) for October 2021 to December 2021Coordinating the team and providing input and guidance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Submission of Monthly Progress Report (MPR 22) for November 2021Submission of Monthly Progress Report (MPR 23) for December 2021Submission of Quarterly Progress Report (QPR 08) for October 2021 to December 2021

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