ePROCUREMENT TENDER PORTAL WORKFLOW

FIRM PARTICIPATION GUIDE

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1. REGISTRATION PHASE

1.1 Initial Registration Process

Step 1: Access Portal

- Navigate to eProcurement portal URL
- Click on "New Vendor Registration"
- Select appropriate registration category (Manufacturer/Trader/Service Provider)

Step 2: Basic Information Entry

- Enter company name as per registration certificate
- Provide valid email ID (will be username)
- Create strong password (minimum 8 characters with special characters)
- Enter registered mobile number for OTP verification
- Complete CAPTCHA verification

Step 3: Email & Mobile Verification

- Check email for verification link
- Click verification link within 24 hours

- Enter OTP received on mobile
- Confirm successful verification

1.2 Company Profile Creation

Step 1: Legal Information

- Company registration number
- Date of incorporation
- Type of organization (Proprietorship/Partnership/Pvt Ltd/Public Ltd)
- Registered office address
- Communication address
- Contact person details

Step 2: Tax Registration Details

- PAN number with upload of PAN card
- GST registration number for each state
- Upload GST certificates
- Professional tax registration (if applicable)
- Other tax registrations

Step 3: Business Information

- Nature of business
- Product/Service categories (select multiple as applicable)
- Annual turnover for last 3 years
- Number of employees
- Manufacturing/Service facilities details
- Quality certifications held

1.3 Document Upload Requirements

Mandatory Documents:

1. Company Registration Certificate

- Incorporation certificate
- Partnership deed (if partnership)

• Memorandum & Articles of Association (for companies)

2. Tax Documents

- PAN card
- GST registration certificates
- Tax exemption certificates (if any)

3. Financial Documents

- Audited balance sheets (last 3 years)
- Profit & loss statements
- CA certificate for turnover
- Bank solvency certificate

4. Authorization Documents

- Board resolution for authorized signatory
- Power of attorney (if applicable)
- Authorized signatory ID proof

5. Technical Documents

- ISO certificates
- Product certifications
- License certificates
- MSME/NSIC/Startup certificate

1.4 Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) Integration

Step 1: DSC Procurement

- Obtain Class 3 DSC from authorized CA
- Ensure DSC is in the name of authorized signatory
- Validity should be minimum 1 year

Step 2: DSC Registration

- Install DSC drivers
- Register DSC on portal
- Map DSC with user ID
- Test DSC functionality

Step 3: DSC Validation

- System validates DSC
- Confirmation message received
- DSC details displayed in profile

1.5 Profile Verification & Approval

Step 1: Self-Declaration

- Accept terms and conditions
- Declare information accuracy
- Submit undertaking
- Initial submission

Step 2: Admin Verification

- Portal admin reviews documents
- Verification of authenticity
- Query raised if discrepancies found
- Response to queries within timeline

Step 3: Approval Process

- Final verification completed
- Approval/Rejection communicated
- Vendor code generated
- Welcome email sent
- Profile activated for bidding

2. TENDER DISCOVERY PHASE

2.1 Tender Search Process

Step 1: Login to Portal

- Enter username (email)
- Enter password
- Complete CAPTCHA

Two-factor authentication (if enabled)

Step 2: Navigate to Tender Search

- Click "Search Tenders" menu
- Select search criteria:
 - Tender category
 - Department/Organization
 - Location (state/district)
 - Tender value range
 - Publishing date range
 - Closing date range

Step 3: Advanced Search Options

- Keyword search in tender title
- Tender reference number
- Product/Service code
- Tender type (Open/Limited/Single)
- Tender stage (Live/Archived)

2.2 Tender Analysis & Review

Step 1: View Tender List

- Review search results
- Sort by closing date/value/department
- Check tender status
- Note important dates

Step 2: Tender Details Review

- Click on tender title
- Review basic information:
 - Tender reference number
 - Publishing date & time
 - Bid submission end date
 - Bid opening date

• Pre-bid meeting details

Step 3: Critical Information Check

- Tender value/EMD amount
- Tender fee
- Work description
- Eligibility criteria
- Technical specifications
- Evaluation methodology

2.3 Document Download Process

Step 1: Access Tender Documents

- Click "Download Documents"
- List of available documents displayed
- Check document titles and sizes

Step 2: Download All Documents

- Tender notice
- Detailed NIT (Notice Inviting Tender)
- Technical specifications
- BOQ/Price schedule
- Terms & conditions (commercial)
- Terms & conditions (technical)
- Draft contract/agreement
- Annexures and formats

Step 3: Document Organization

- Create tender-specific folder
- Save all documents systematically
- Check for corrigendum regularly
- Download amended documents if any

2.4 Fee Payment Process

Step 1: Check Fee Requirements

- Tender document fee amount
- EMD (Earnest Money Deposit) amount
- Processing fee (if any)
- Check exemptions (MSME/NSIC/Startup)

Step 2: Payment Gateway Process

- Select payment mode:
 - Net banking
 - Credit/Debit card
 - NEFT/RTGS (offline mode)
- Enter payment details
- Complete OTP verification
- Submit payment

Step 3: Payment Confirmation

- Transaction reference number generated
- Payment receipt downloaded
- Auto-update in tender status
- Email confirmation received

3. BID PREPARATION PHASE

3.1 Eligibility Assessment

Step 1: Qualification Criteria Review

- Experience requirements:
 - Years in business
 - Similar work experience
 - Number of projects completed
 - Value of projects executed

Step 2: Financial Criteria Check

Annual turnover requirement

- Net worth criteria
- Profit/loss status
- Working capital availability

Step 3: Technical Criteria Verification

- Technical manpower availability
- Equipment/infrastructure
- Quality certifications required
- Production capacity (if applicable)

Step 4: Document Availability Check

- All experience certificates available
- Financial documents updated
- Technical compliance documents
- Legal compliance certificates

3.2 Technical Bid Preparation

Step 1: Technical Proposal Structure

- Executive summary
- Understanding of scope
- Methodology and approach
- Work plan and timeline
- Key personnel deployment
- Equipment deployment plan
- Quality assurance plan
- HSE (Health, Safety, Environment) plan

Step 2: Supporting Documents Compilation

- Company profile (as per format)
- Experience certificates
- Client testimonials
- Work completion certificates

- Performance certificates
- Technical team CVs
- Equipment list with proof
- Subcontractor details (if any)

Step 3: Compliance Matrix Preparation

- Clause-by-clause compliance
- Deviations highlighted
- Alternative proposals (if permitted)
- Technical clarifications

3.3 Financial Bid Preparation

Step 1: Price Calculation

- Download BOQ/Price schedule
- Understand pricing format:
 - Item rate contract
 - Lump sum contract
 - Percentage rate contract
- Calculate base costs
- Add overheads and profit
- Consider market rates

Step 2: Tax & Duties Calculation

- GST calculation as applicable
- Custom duties (if imports involved)
- Other statutory levies
- Price variation clause understanding

Step 3: Final Price Formulation

- Total project cost
- Payment terms consideration
- Discount strategy (if any)
- Price competitiveness check

• Final review and approval

3.4 Document Preparation Standards

Step 1: Document Formatting

- Follow prescribed formats strictly
- Page numbering mandatory
- Index/table of contents
- Clear section divisions
- Authorized signatory signature on all pages

Step 2: File Preparation

- PDF format for all documents
- File size limits compliance
- File naming convention
- Compression if required
- Password protection (if specified)

Step 3: Digital Signature Application

- Sign individual documents
- Sign consolidated PDF
- Verify signature visibility
- Check signature validity

4. BID SUBMISSION PHASE

4.1 Online Bid Creation

Step 1: Navigate to My Bids

- Login to portal
- Go to "My Workspace"
- Click "Create New Bid"
- Select relevant tender

Step 2: Bid Cover Selection

- Single cover (technical + financial together)
- Two cover (technical and financial separate)
- Three cover (eligibility, technical, financial)
- Four cover (additional qualification cover)

Step 3: Form Filling Process

- General bid details
- Undertakings and declarations
- Technical specifications compliance
- Commercial terms acceptance
- Deviations/exceptions listing

4.2 Document Upload Process

Step 1: Technical Document Upload

- Select technical cover
- Browse and select files:
 - Technical proposal
 - Experience documents
 - Qualification documents
 - Compliance matrix
 - Supporting certificates
- Upload progress monitoring
- Successful upload confirmation

Step 2: Financial Document Upload

- Select financial cover
- Upload price bid:
 - Filled BOQ
 - Price breakup
 - Commercial terms
- Verify upload completion

Step 3: Additional Uploads

- EMD proof
- Tender fee proof
- Scanned copies of originals
- Any clarification documents

4.3 Bid Encryption & Submission

Step 1: Bid Review

- Check all sections completed
- Verify all mandatory documents uploaded
- Review declarations
- Check technical compliance
- Verify price accuracy

Step 2: Bid Encryption Process

- Click "Encrypt Bid"
- System encrypts using public key
- Encryption certificate generated
- Save encryption receipt

Step 3: Final Submission

- Click "Submit Bid"
- Enter DSC PIN
- Digital signature applied
- Final confirmation prompt
- Confirm submission

Step 4: Post-Submission

- Bid submission receipt generated
- Unique bid reference number
- Download and save receipt
- Email confirmation received
- Print hard copy for records

4.4 Bid Modification Process

Allowed Modifications:

- Before bid submission deadline
- Unlimited modifications permitted
- Previous version overwritten
- Fresh encryption required

Modification Steps:

- Login and go to "Submitted Bids"
- Click "Modify Bid"
- Make necessary changes
- Re-upload documents if needed
- Encrypt and resubmit
- New receipt generated

5. BID OPENING & EVALUATION PHASE

5.1 Technical Bid Opening

Step 1: Opening Schedule

- Check bid opening date/time
- Login before scheduled time
- Navigate to "Bid Opening" section
- Join online opening (if public)

Step 2: Opening Process

- Authorized officer initiates
- System decrypts technical bids
- Bidder list displayed
- Basic compliance checked
- Opening report generated

Step 3: Initial Scrutiny

- EMD verification
- Tender fee verification
- Document presence check
- Prima facie eligibility
- Scrutiny report published

5.2 Technical Evaluation Process

Step 1: Detailed Evaluation

- Technical committee review
- Clause-by-clause compliance
- Experience verification
- Qualification assessment
- Site visit (if applicable)

Step 2: Clarification Process

- Clarifications sought (if any)
- Response timeline given
- Submit clarification online
- Additional documents (if asked)

Step 3: Technical Qualification

- Technical score calculation
- Minimum score requirement
- Qualified/Disqualified status
- Evaluation report preparation
- Result publication

5.3 Financial Bid Opening

Step 1: Qualified Bidders Only

- Technical qualification verified
- Financial opening date notified
- Login for financial opening

• Public opening process

Step 2: Price Revelation

- Bid prices displayed
- Bidder-wise comparison
- L1, L2, L3 positions
- Price reasonableness check

Step 3: Final Evaluation

- Combined technical-financial score (if QCBS)
- Lowest price determination (if L1)
- Conditional items review
- Final ranking preparation

5.4 Reverse Auction (If Applicable)

Step 1: RA Notification

- Eligible bidders notified
- RA date and time
- Starting price (L1 price)
- Decrement value
- Duration of auction

Step 2: RA Participation

- Login during RA window
- Current L1 price visible
- Submit reduced price
- Multiple iterations allowed
- Auto-extension if last-minute bid

Step 3: RA Closure

- Final L1 determined
- RA report generated
- Price finalization

6. CONTRACT AWARD PHASE

6.1 Letter of Award (LOA) Process

Step 1: LOA Issuance

- Successful bidder notification
- LOA uploaded on portal
- Download LOA
- Review terms and conditions
- Acceptance timeline noted

Step 2: LOA Acceptance

- Submit acceptance online
- Upload signed copy
- Confirm all terms
- No deviations at this stage

Step 3: Performance Security

- Calculate PBG amount (usually 3-10%)
- Obtain from approved bank
- Upload PBG copy
- Original to be submitted physically
- EMD refund process initiated

6.2 Contract/Agreement Signing

Step 1: Agreement Preparation

- Draft agreement shared
- Review all clauses
- Seek clarifications if any
- Legal vetting (internal)

Step 2: Agreement Execution

- Sign on all pages
- Stamp duty payment
- Notarization (if required)
- Witness signatures
- Date of commencement noted

Step 3: Document Submission

- Signed agreement copy
- Performance bank guarantee
- Insurance policies
- Advance payment guarantee (if advance sought)
- Other securities

6.3 Work Order/Purchase Order

Step 1: Order Receipt

- Formal WO/PO issued
- Download from portal
- Review scope clearly
- Delivery schedule noted
- Payment terms verified

Step 2: Order Acknowledgment

- Acknowledge receipt
- Confirm acceptance
- Mobilization plan submission
- Key personnel nomination
- Contact points establishment

7. POST-AWARD MANAGEMENT

7.1 Contract Execution Monitoring

Step 1: Milestone Tracking

- Login to contract management
- Update progress regularly
- Upload progress photos
- Submit milestone reports
- Seek timeline extensions if needed

Step 2: Quality Compliance

- Third-party inspection coordination
- Test certificates upload
- Quality assurance documentation
- Client approval obtaining
- Non-conformity resolution

7.2 Invoice & Payment Management

Step 1: Invoice Preparation

- Milestone completion verification
- Invoice as per contract terms
- Supporting documents attachment
- GST compliance ensured
- Deductions incorporated

Step 2: Invoice Submission

- Upload on vendor portal
- Physical submission if required
- Acknowledgment obtained
- Payment tracking
- Follow-up mechanism

Step 3: Payment Receipt

- Payment notification received
- Verify amount correctness
- TDS certificate collection
- GST returns filing

Reconciliation with books

7.3 Contract Closure

Step 1: Completion Certificate

- Work completion intimation
- Joint inspection request
- Snag list resolution
- Final completion certificate
- Upload on portal

Step 2: Final Settlement

- Final bill preparation
- Retention money claim
- Performance security release
- Final payment receipt
- No-claim certificate

Step 3: Performance Rating

- Vendor rating received
- Review and feedback
- Dispute if any discrepancy
- Rating improvement plan
- Future reference value

8. COMPLIANCE & DOCUMENTATION

8.1 Statutory Compliance

Regular Updates Required:

- GST returns filing proof
- Tax payment certificates
- License renewals
- Insurance renewals

• Statutory audit reports

Portal Compliance:

- Profile updates quarterly
- Document validity monitoring
- New certification uploads
- Change intimations
- Blacklisting check

8.2 Record Management

Electronic Records:

- All tender documents
- Bid submission proofs
- Communication trails
- Contract documents
- Payment records

Physical Records:

- Original agreements
- Bank guarantees
- Insurance policies
- Statutory certificates
- Legal documents

8.3 Best Practices & Tips

Do's:

- Regular portal access
- Email monitoring
- Document backup
- Timeline adherence
- Proactive communication

Don'ts:

- Last-minute submission
- Incomplete documentation
- DSC expiry oversight
- Informal communications
- Deadline missing

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Common Errors & Solutions

1. DSC Not Working

- Clear browser cache
- Update Java
- Check DSC validity
- Re-register DSC

2. Upload Failures

- Check file size
- Verify file format
- Ensure proper naming
- Check internet speed

3. Payment Issues

- Verify account balance
- Check transaction limits
- Try alternate payment mode
- Contact bank if needed

Appendix B: Helpdesk Contacts

- **Technical Support**: [Helpdesk number]
- **Email Support**: [Support email]
- Working Hours: 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- **Emergency Support**: [Emergency contact]

Appendix C: Glossary of Terms

• **EMD**: Earnest Money Deposit

• **PBG**: Performance Bank Guarantee

• BOQ: Bill of Quantities

• NIT: Notice Inviting Tender

• LOA: Letter of Award

• **DSC**: Digital Signature Certificate

• QCBS: Quality and Cost Based Selection

• **L1**: Lowest Bidder

• RA: Reverse Auction

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