

Replies to the queries

Request for Qualification (RfQ) cum Request for Proposal (RfP) for Selection of Consultant for Environmental Impact Assessment of Krishnapatnam Industrial Node under Chennai-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor (CBIC) Project

S. No	Original Clause	Query	Response of DMICDC
1	Clause 2.18.2 The key staff proposed above should be available for presentations/ discussions/ meetings with the Client, and/or State Govt. offices in Maharashtra.	It is provided in section 2.18.2 as “The key staff proposed above should be available for presentations/ discussions/ meetings with the Client, and/or State Govt. offices in Maharashtra”. But the present project is in Andhra Pradesh	Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.
2	Educational Qualification: Team Leader Should have Masters in Environmental Engineering. He/She should have Relevant experience of at least 15 years in conducting EIA studies for large projects like Townships, SEZ's, Industrial cities, Regional EIA etc.	Experience for team leader is provided as ‘masters in Environmental Engineering’. For becoming environmental coordinator (NABET accreditation) for sector 7(c) it is not mandatory that the expert should complete masters in environmental engineering	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
3	Scope of work	In section 5.1, required sectors are not confirmed. Confirmation of sectors required present EIA studies are essential for participation in tender	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
4	Scope of work	In Section 5.3, it is not confirmed the requirement of CRZ clearance and Forest clearance. It is very essential to confirm that these clearances are required or not with respect to Krisnapatanam node. Generally, these studies will be conducted by agencies other than NABET accredited agencies. Thus the confirmation is essential for preparing financial proposal.	The requirement of CRZ and Forest clearance has been clearly highlighted as part of the RfQ cum RfP. Accordingly, the condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
5	Timelines	Time frame provided is not adequate. Getting ToR from MoEF&CC is mainly depends on period in which they are conducting ToR meeting. Apart from that, minimum time	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.

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		period for collecting one season data is 3 months after getting ToR from MoEF&CC. CRZ and forest clearances requires much more time as listed in the RFQ	
6	Payment terms	Section 6.8, payment schedule can be changed.	Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.
7	The lead partner should have necessary sector specific Accreditation from NABET/QCI for carrying out the EIA studies as envisaged under this RFP.	Requesting you to kindly amend the clause, in case of consortium it not necessary for lead partner to have sector specific Accreditation from NABET/QCI, any consortium partner can fulfill the criteria.	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
8	In case of a consortium, above form has to be submitted for each consortium member and Minimum Eligibility Criteria for revenue should be satisfied by the lead member.	Requesting you to kindly amend the clause, in case of consortium; rather than lead partner to satisfy Minimum Eligibility Criteria for revenue, it should be consortium to fulfill the technical criteria.	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
9		Is obtaining of CRZ clearance (CRZ survey and report preparation) falls under EIA consultant scope or only technical ppt need to support by EIA consultant	The requirement of CRZ and Forest clearance has been clearly highlighted as part of the RfQ cum RfP. Accordingly, the condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
10	The firm should have undertaken/completed similar project of conducting Environmental Impact assessment, collection & establishment of baseline data, preparing Environmental Management Plan and taking environmental clearance from authorities for a minimum area of	Ramky has similar experience for SEZ project completed from 2008-2018 is approx. 25394.16 acres but not in three similar projects, kindly consider the same.	Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.

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	25 sq kms And The firm should have undertaken/completed similar project of conducting Coastal Regulation Zone clearance from authorities for a minimum area of 25 sq kms		
11	The lead partner should have necessary sector specific Accreditation from NABET/QCI for carrying out the EIA studies as envisaged under this RFP. The details of valid Accreditation Certificate from NABET/ QCI for EIA consultant should be enclosed.	We have NABET accreditation for SEZ cat A projects , is this sufficient according to RFP. Kindly confirm	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
12	The firm should have undertaken/completed similar project of conducting Coastal Regulation Zone clearance from authorities for a minimum area of 25 sq kms	According to minimum qualification criteria a consultant should have conducting Coastal Regulation Zone clearance from authorities for a minimum area of 25 sq kms, kindly wave off this area, we have similar experience but not for 25sq kms	Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.
13		Is there any Forest land or wildlife sanctuary fall under 10km radius of the project kindly confirm	The consultants are requested to study the project site/visit the site before submitting their proposal.
14		How many districts are covering in above mentioned project node	
15		Is there any interstate clearance required	
16	Environmental Policy & Law Expert: Should be a Law Graduate with expertise in Environmental Policy and laws.	Can we replace the key personnel expert for 5. Environmental Policy & Law Expert with LLB qualification having experience in dealing with Environmental projects (EIA/EMP sectors).	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
17	Section 2.18	As per the RFP we need to submit the	The condition of the RfQ cum

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	Proposal due date: 30 th November, 2018	proposal by online mode as well as hard copy by the due date of 30 th November. For the hard copy to reach DMICDC office by this date consultant will need to courier the proposal at least 2-3 (business) days prior to this date which essentially reduces the submission time by 2-3 business days. Hence consultant kindly request DMICDC to consider acceptance of the hard copy proposal within 3 business days of online bid submission date (i.e ~ December 05, 2018 considering the weekend holidays)	RfP remains unchanged.
18	Section 2.9.4: The firm should have undertaken/completed similar project of conducting Environmental Impact assessment, collection & establishment of baseline data, preparing Environmental Management Plan and taking environmental clearance from authorities for a minimum area of 25 sq kms	As per MoEF Notification 2006 Industrial estates more than 500 Ha (5 Sq.km) are considered as Category A projects and EC is accorded. Therefore request to consider 5 sq kms as minimum area instead of 25 sq kms	Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.
19	Section 2.9.4: The firm should have undertaken/completed similar project of conducting Coastal Regulation Zone clearance from authorities for a minimum area of 25 sq kms Projects 'a' 'b' and 'c' shall be collectively referred to as "Eligible Projects". For 'b', and 'c', a single project can qualify for both categories. In that event, it will be counted as one project separately	Industrial areas having CRZ clearance are less in India. The projects considered for EC which has CRZ clearance components shall be considered as eligible projects for both b and c clauses of section 2.9.4. Request not to restrict one project.	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.

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	for each category; however, a maximum of one such project shall be admissible.		
20	Section 2.18.3: Environmental Policy & Law Expert: Should be a Law Graduate with expertise in Environmental Policy and laws.	Since the project area is located in a marine and terrestrial ecology, the need of marine and terrestrial expert is much more essential than the Law Graduate. Consultant kindly requests DMICDC to consider a NABET A category expert in both the fields as a minimum criterion.	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
21	Section Form 3I: For Eligible Projects, ongoing projects completed to 80 percent can be considered.	As per NABET office assessment draft EIA report submitted to the client before public hearing is considered as completed projects. Kindly consider the draft EIA report submitted to the client before public hearing as 80%.	Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.
22	Section 5: Terms of Reference: An area of approximately 50 sq kms has been demarcated for the development of the Krishnapatnam Industrial Area.	Please provide location map of the project area to know the geographical features and Eco sensitive zones.	Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.
23	Section 5.3 (i): Conducting Public hearing - The consultants are responsible for making necessary arrangements for the public hearing including arrangements for logistics etc. for smooth conduct of the public hearing. The consultants are responsible to get approved minutes of meeting of Public Hearing from State Pollution Control Board / and concerned District Administration to incorporate same in Final EIA report.	Consultant's typical scope is limited to providing technical assistance in all stages of the project including the public hearing stage. Consultant shall prepare and submit necessary documents to DMICDC for onward submission to APPCB for conduct of the Public Hearing. Consultant request that all necessary arrangements for the conduct of the Public Hearing (logistics, seating arrangements, sound systems, etc.) be taken up directly by DMICDC.	The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.

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24	<p>Section 5.3 (j): In case the project attracts provisions of the Coastal Regulation Zone, 2011, the consultants are responsible for preparation and filing of CRZ clearance application / proposal (including Form I, EIA report, Disaster Management Plan, Risk Assessment, Oil Spill contingency Plan, Emergency Preparedness Plan, scaled map indicating Low Tide Line / High Tide Line / Coastal Regulation Zone area duly demarcated by an agency authorized by State Coastal Management Zone Authority or MoEF&CC</p>	<p>Consultant shall provide all necessary technical assistance during the CRZ mapping and CRZ clearance stages. However, Consultant kindly requests DMICDC to directly appoint the CRZ mapping agency and exclude it from the consultant's fee. This will help consultant provide a more competitive quote. Alternatively, DMICDC can ask the consultant to engage the agency and DMICDC can reimburse the consultants on actuals for the CRZ Mapping scope.</p>	<p>The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.</p>
25	<p>Section 5.3 (k): In case the projects attracts provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980,</p>	<p>Please provide map of project area for demarking forest land in the project site if any</p>	<p>Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.</p>
26	<p>Section 5.3 Deliverable and Time Frame: Receipt of ToR from MoEF&CC - D+1.5 months</p>	<p>Receipt of ToR is an activity which is under the control of the statutory body and the consultant will not have a control of the time taken by the statutory body. Consultant will carry out the scope within its control in the most efficient manner to meet the time requirements which are under direct control of the consultant.</p>	<p>The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.</p>
27	<p>Section 6.8.1: 1. On submission of Inception Report 5% 2. Submissions of Application to MoEF&CC along with necessary forms and draft/reference TOR for the same. 10% 3. Receipt of TOR from MoEF&CC. 10% 4. Draft EIA Report</p>	<p>Consultant kindly request for an amendment to the payment milestone as: 1. 10% 2. 15% 3. 20% 4. 25% 5. 20%</p>	<p>Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.</p>

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	<p>25 %</p> <p>5. Final Environmental Assessment (EIA) Report including the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) to MoEF&CC 20 %</p> <p>6. On Obtaining EIA Clearance from MOEF&CC / Forest & CRZ clearance 30 %</p>	6. 10%	
28	<p>2.1.22 Project Office: Consultant is advised to have their main Project Office at Krishnapanam/ Vijaywada</p>	<p>EIA is a short term study, it would be difficult to maintain an office. Is that a key aspect for qualification? Request clarification on the same</p>	<p>The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.</p>
29	<p>2.9.4 Minimum Qualification Criteria:</p> <p>The firm should have undertaken/completed similar project of conducting Environmental Impact assessment, collection & establishment of baseline data, preparing Environmental Management Plan and taking environmental clearance from authorities for a minimum area of 25 sq kms</p>	<p>The minimum area requirement is too high and only DMICDC has undertaken such projects in past. Since the study is more about approvals for trunk infrastructure the focus shall not be on area or the requirements need to be reduced</p>	<p>Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.</p>
30	<p>Projects experience without the client certificate will not be evaluated.</p>	<p>Other evidences such as proof of final payment, Environmental Clearance/ CRZ clearance shall also be considered. As all clients do not issue certificates.</p>	<p>The consultant is requested to provide adequate supporting documents like work order, payment proof, client certificate, auditor certificate etc.</p>
31	<p>CRZ and Forest Clearance</p>	<p>Do we have any idea on extent of area under forest and CRZ? Is there an outline map with KML file available.</p>	<p>Kindly refer Corrigendum-1 in this regard.</p>
32	<p>Timeline</p>	<p>D+5 is not adequate considering need for CRZ and FC</p>	<p>The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.</p>

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33	Status of Masterplan and Feasibility Study	How much details do we have for commencing the EIA study?	The final master plan/other related documents will be shared with the selected consultant. The condition of the RfQ cum RfP remains unchanged.
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