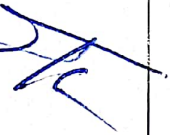


Response to Pre-bid queries

Request For Empanelment of Agencies for Conducting Green Audits in Adityapur Auto cluster

Ref No: 1185 dt. 06/11/2025

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1.	NA	General: Force Majeure a) We request you to add the following events in the Force Majeure definition i.e. "Pandemic, any other catastrophic unforeseeable, circumstances, any statutory, rules, regulations, orders or requisitions issued by a Govt. department or competent authority thereon considering Covid-19 situation. Please Consider b) We request you to kindly allow us to provide a written notice within 60 (Sixty) days of occurrence of such force majeure. Please Consider c) We request you to kindly include notice period of 60 days in case of termination due to force majeure if applicable for this contract. Please Consider	Since this is a Request for Empanelment (RFE), the detailed terms and conditions will be incorporated in the Agreement / Work Order issued to the empaneled agencies at the time of engagement.
2.	NA	General: Insurance against liability and damages We request you kindly suggest actual requirement of Insurance for the services provider for this tender Kindly Clarify	Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above



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3.	NA	<p>General: Limitation of liability</p> <p>We understand the Limitation of Liability shall be limited to 100% of the total contract fees under any circumstances for this contract. Please Confirm.</p>	Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above
4.	Clause no. 14: Arbitration	<p>We request you to kindly consider the Arbitration as per Indian Arbitration and Conciliation act 1996 & appointment of "Sole & independent Arbitrator" should be agreed by both the parties mutually for any amount of claim.</p>	The EFE is apply clear on this matter
5.	Clause no. 7: Jurisdiction	<p>We request you to allow Courts of Mumbai to have exclusive jurisdiction over the matter. Please Consider.</p>	Can not be accepted as tendering authority is based out of Ranchi
6.	NA	<p>We request you to consider an overall cap of 5% of the contract value. Please Consider</p> <p>General: Penalties for delay and dissatisfactory services</p>	Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above
7.	NA	<p>We request you to consider an overall cap of 5% of the contract value. Please Consider</p> <p>General: Liquidated damages</p> <p>We understand that Liquidated Damages applicable for this contract shall be maximum to the 5% of the value of the contract in any circumstances. Kindly confirm.</p>	Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above
8.	NA	<p>General: Suspension or termination</p> <p>a) We request you to consider prior written notice of 60 days before termination of Contract due to any reason.</p>	Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above

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		<p>b) We request you to please allow the equal right for termination by giving 60 days prior notice in writing to the contractor</p> <p>c) We understand that client shall pay the outstanding fee prior to the termination, also we request you to please give clarification on the payment after the termination of the contract.</p> <p>Please consider</p> <p>General: Indemnity</p> <p>We understand that the limit of indemnification by a Third-party inspection agency/Contractor will be limited to the contract fees in any circumstances. Kindly Confirm.</p>	<p>Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above</p>
9.	NA	<p>General: Payment terms</p> <p>We request you to consider that bill will be submitted on monthly basis and 100% payment will be released within 30 days of submission of bills. Please consider</p>	<p>Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above</p>
10.	NA	<p>a) We request clarification on whether ISO certifications held by our parent companies may be accepted toward meeting the tender requirements for ICF Consulting India Pvt. Ltd. The ICF Group operates under a unified global quality system, and group entities collectively hold ISO 9001, ISO 14001, and ISO 27001 certifications. Kindly confirm if these can be considered for evaluation.</p>	<p>a) The ISO certificates obtained by the parent company shall be treated as valid for the subsidiary/sister concern, provided that the bidder submits documentary proof of the parent subsidiary relationship and a declaration stating that the same quality systems and processes are followed by the bidding entity.</p>
11.	<p>Technical Evaluation Criteria The Applicant should have quality certifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISO 9001: 2.5 Marks 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ISO 17020: 2.5 Marks ISO 9001:2015: 5 Marks 	<p>b) We additionally request the Authority to remove the ISO 17020 requirement, as this standard applies to inspection bodies and is not relevant to consulting organizations.</p> <p>We would like to confirm whether submission of a commercial proposal is required as part of the current bid process.</p>	<p>b) No change</p>
12.	NA	<p>We would appreciate it if you could share your standard terms and conditions that will govern the contract arising from this RFP. Understanding your contractual requirements will enable us to submit a comprehensive and compliant bid that aligns with your expectations.</p>	<p>This is empanelment activity hence no commercial proposal is required</p>
13.	NA	<p>As the Limitation of Liability is not defined in the RFP document, we request you to kindly confirm that the maximum cumulative liability of the successful Bidder will be limited to the Contract Fee under the agreement to be signed. You would appreciate this is in line with the standard industry norms and being adopted by other multilateral agencies.</p>	<p>Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above</p>
14.	NA		<p>Please refer to the clarification provided at point number 1 above</p>

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