# Request for Proposal (RFP)

# For Selection of a Consultant for Organizational Restructuring of Digital India Corporation

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# 1 Disclaimers

The information contained in this Request for Proposal (RFP) document or information provided subsequently to the Bidder(s) or applicants whether verbally or in documentary form, by or on behalf of Digital India Corporation (**DIC**), is provided to the Bidder(s) on the terms and conditions set out in this RFP document and all other terms and conditions, subject to which such information is provided.

This RFP document is not an agreement and is neither an offer nor an invitation to offer by DIC. This RFP is to invite proposals from applicants who are qualified to submit the bids ("Bidders"). The purpose of this RFP is to provide the Bidder(s) with information and to assist them in formulation of their proposals (Bids). This RFP does not claim to contain all the information, which each Bidder may require. Each Bidder should, at its own costs without any right to claim reimbursement, conduct its own investigations, analysis and should check the accuracy, reliability and completeness of the information in this RFP and wherever felt necessary obtain independent advice. DIC makes no representation or warranty and shall incur no liability under any law, statute, rules or regulations as to the accuracy, reliability or completeness of this RFP.

The information contained in this RFP document is selective and is subject to update, expansion, revision and amendment. DIC does not undertake to provide any Bidder with access to any additional information or to update the information in this RFP document or to correct any inaccuracies if any therein, which may become apparent. DIC reserves the right of discretion to change, modify, add to or alter any or all of the provisions of this RFP and/or the bidding process, without assigning any reasons whatsoever. Such change will be intimated or made accessible to all Bidders or can be accessed on the website of DIC. Any information contained in this RFP document will be superseded by any later written information on the same subject made available/accessible to Bidder(s) by DIC.

Information provided in this RFP is on a wide range of matters, some of which may depend upon interpretation of law. The information given is not intended to be an exhaustive account of statutory requirements and should not be regarded as a complete or authoritative statement of law. Further, DIC also does not accept liability of any nature whether resulting from negligence or otherwise howsoever caused arising from reliance of any Bidder upon the statements contained in this RFP.

DIC reserves the right to reject any or all the Bids received in response to this RFP at any stage without assigning any reason whatsoever and without being liable for any loss/injury that Bidder might suffer due to such reason. The decision of DIC shall be final, conclusive and binding on all the Bidders/parties directly or indirectly connected with the bidding process.

# 2 Bid Details

**Purchaser** Digital India Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "**DIC**")

Address Digital India Corporation (DIC)

Electronics Niketan Annexe

6, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003

Website www.dic.gov.in

#### 2.1 Process of Selection

The process of selection of successful Bidder would be as follows:

- a) Issue of RFP
- b) Pre Bid Meeting/ Clarification / Corrigendum (if any)
- c) Submission of Bids
- d) Opening of Eligibility Bids
- e) Opening of Technical Bids
  - i. Technical Bid Evaluation
  - ii. Presentations of the Bidders & interviews of select resources meeting eligibility criteria with Evaluation Committee -Technical Score
- f) Opening of financial bids of the Bidders that are technically qualified (Technically qualified Bidders will be ones that have scored above the predefined threshold of seventy percent.
- g) Award of contract to the most responsive Bid based on QCBS method (Quality and Cost Based Selection) combining score of the Bidder giving weightage of **80:20** for technical and financial scores respectively.

#### 2.2 Activities

Activities	Date, Time & Place
Date of Issuance of RFP	23/09/2021
Submission of pre-bid written queries (e-mail only)	04/10/2021
gauravt@digitalindia.gov.in	15:00 hrs.
Pre-Bid Conference/Meeting (Online) – The meeting link will be	05/10/2021
published at www.DIC.gov.in & CPP Portal www.eprocure.gov.in	16:00 hrs.
Publication of pre-bid clarifications and issue of Corrigendum	08/10/2021
(if any) To be published at www.DIC.gov.in & CPP Portal -	
www.eprocure.gov.in	
Last Date for submission of bids (Online mode only at CPP	16/10/2021
Portal- www.eprocure.gov.in)	<mark>06:55 hrs.</mark>
Opening of Bids (Pre-qualification) The meeting link will be	18/10/2021
published at www.DIC.gov.in & www.eprocure.gov.in	11:30 hrs.
Date and time for opening of Technical bids (Online)	Will be scheduled
Technical Presentation & interviews of resources (Online)	Will be scheduled
Opening of Financial bids (Online)	Will be scheduled

#### h) Note:

- i. DIC reserves the right to change dates without assigning any reasons thereof. Intimation of the same shall be notified on DIC's website.
- ii. This bid document is not transferable.
- iii. If a holiday is declared on the dates mentioned above, the bids shall be received / opened on the next working day at the same time specified above and at the same venue unless communicated otherwise.
- iv. All time mentioned are Indian Standard Time =GMT+5.30 Hours

## 2.3 RFP Validity period

- a) RFP responses will remain valid and open for evaluation according to their terms for a period of at least 180 days from the last date of submission of bids.
- b) DIC shall also have the right at its sole and absolute discretion to continue the assignment/contract with the successful Bidder/s for future requirements on the rates finalized in this processing for various items/activities as described in the financial bid, or at the price negotiated thereafter, after expiry of current assignment period. In exceptional circumstances, DIC may solicit the Bidders' consent to an extension period of validity.

#### 2.4 Communication on the RFP

a) Recipients are required to direct all communication for any clarification related to this RFP, to the RFP Coordinator mentioned below:

#### **Administration**

# **Digital India Corporation**

Electronics Niketan Annexe, 6, CGO Complex Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110003 Email ID: **gauravt@digitalindia.gov.in** 

- b) All queries relating to the RFP, technical or otherwise, must be submitted by email only and will be entertained by DIC only in respect of the queries received upto the date and time specified in the section Bid Details. DIC will respond to the queries in the pre-bid meeting. Post pre-bid meeting, the clarifications/corrigendum(s) will be published at DIC & CPP Portal at the relevant sections.
- c) DIC may, in its absolute discretion, seek but shall be under no obligation to seek, additional information or material from any Bidders after the closure of RFP and all such information and material provided will be taken to form part of that Bidders response.

# 2.5 Sub-contracting

Sub-contracting not allowed. Formation of consortium or association of consultants or sub-contracting of services in whole or part with other firms shall not be permitted. In case the consultant / Bidder is found to not possess the requisite capabilities, it will be summarily rejected and disqualified from the process for this assignment.

# 2.6 Bid Security/EMD

- a) All the Bidders shall submit "Bid Security Declaration" as EMD please refer format at **Annexure 1**.
- b) Bids submitted without the "Bid Security Declaration", or any other format will be liable for rejection without providing any opportunity to the bidder concerned.
- c) Bid Security Declaration must remain valid for at least 180 days beyond the final bid submission date and the validity of the Bid Security Declaration should be extended in the event the last date of bid validity is extended.

- d) Bid Security Declaration of all unsuccessful bidders would go void from the final selection processes completed. The Bid Security Declaration of selected/empanelled bidder(s) would be void upon submission of Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG).
- e) The Bidder(s) may be penalized with suspension for participation in future for a period of up to one year, if:
  - o Bidder withdraws the proposal or increases the quoted prices after opening of the Proposal and during the period of Bid validity or its extended period, if any.
  - o In case of a successful Bidder, if the Bidder fails to sign the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions (including timelines for execution of the Agreement) of this RFP or fails to furnish the Performance Bank Guarantee in accordance with the terms and conditions (including timelines for furnishing PBG) of this RFP.
  - o If the bidder is found indulging in any corrupt, fraudulent or other malpractice in respect of the bid;

#### 2.7 Performance Bank Guarantee

- a) The selected Bidder has to provide an unconditional and irrevocable Performance Bank Guarantee of **Three Percent of the Total Contract Value** from a Scheduled Commercial Bank in India towards due performance of the contract in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of RFP document, within 15 days from the intimation from DIC. The Performance Guarantee shall be kept valid up to 60 days, beyond the contract period. if the consultant / Bidder fails to furnish Performance Bank Guarantee within 15 days from the date of selection by DIC for any reason whatsoever the Bidder may be penalized with the suspension for participation in future procurement processes for a period of up to one year. The cost of Performance Guarantee would have to be borne by the successful Bidder. In case, the contract extended for any reason, the PBG need to be extended accordingly by the selected Bidder.
- b) The format for Performance Guarantee is provided in **Annexure 15**.

# 3 Definitions

- a) "DIC" means Digital India Corporation which is a not for profit Company set up by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Govt. of India, under Section 8 of Companies Act 2013. Earlier the company was known as 'Media Lab Asia'. It has been renamed 'Digital India Corporation' w.e.f. Sep 8, 2017.
- b) "Bidder/ Applicant/ Consultant" means the entity or firm who is submitting its proposal for providing services to DIC.
- c) "Affiliates/ Group Companies" means membership firms working under the common brand name and engaged in similar activity of providing consulting services and registered in India.
- d) "Partner" means a partner as defined under Partnership Act, 1932 and also includes a professional sharing profit in a consulting firm/ LLP under the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008.
- e) "Personnel/ Professional" means full time and suitably qualified staff on the payroll of the Bidder.
- f) "Proposal/ Bid" means the Eligibility, Technical and the Commercial/Financial Proposal.
- g) "RFP" means this "Request For Proposal" prepared by DIC for the selection of Consultant.
- h) "Assignment" or "Project" or "Services" or "Job" means the work to be performed by the Consultant pursuant to the contract.
- i) "Terms of Reference (TOR)" means the section included in the RFP (at **Section 7**) which explains the Scope of Work, activities, tasks to be performed by the selected Consultant.
- j) "Contract" or "agreement" means the contract signed by the parties and all the attached documents and the appendices.
- k) "Day" means a calendar day.
- l) "Parties"- Party or Parties means DIC or Bidder/Selected Bidder/Consultant or both as the case may be.

# 4 Overview of Digital India Corporation (DIC)

Digital India Corporation is a not for profit Company set up by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Govt. of India, under Section 8 of Companies Act 2013. Earlier the company was known as 'Media Lab Asia'. It has been renamed as 'Digital India Corporation' w.e.f. Sep 8, 2017.

Digital India Corporation (DIC) leads and guides in realizing the vision, objectives and goals of the Digital India program. It provides the strategic support to Ministries/Departments of Centre/States for carrying forward the mission of Digital India by way of Capacity Building for e-Governance projects, promoting best practises, encouraging Public-Private Partnerships (PPP), nurturing innovation and technology in various domains. To ensure autonomy and viability of the organisation in the long run, DIC, will also collaborate and mobilise partnerships with the industry, to evolve revenue based models for service delivery.

To undertake these functions, Digital India Corporation will attract talent and resources both from government and market. The judicious mix of talent will ensure that Government is equipped with a broad spectrum of resources for successful design of Digital India related projects. For more information, please visit **www.dic.gov.in** 

# 4.1 Digital India Corporation has the following broad responsibilities:

- a) To provide leadership and support to Government of India through MeitY; to steer and anchor the Digital India Programme along with related policy and implementation initiatives.
- b) To support MeitY with regards to policy and implementation related issues concerning various ongoing programmes & schemes in the ICT domain as well as new initiatives undertaken as part of the Digital India Programme.
- c) To support Ministries/Departments, both at Centre and States, as well as other stakeholders in crafting e-Governance strategies, to further promote Accountability, Efficiency, Efficacy and Transparency.
- d) To source talent and resources both from the market as well as within Government in ICT domain to Ministries/ Deptts on chargeable basis under Central & State Government; a talent pool of technically skilled manpower for hardware, software, networks, cyber security and laws, standards, quality and testing, etc
- e) To promote innovation and evolve models for empowerment of citizens and also to promote participatory governance and citizen engagement across the government through various platforms including social media.

#### 4.2 DIC has 3 broad divisions viz.:

# 4.2.1 Technology Development & Deployment Division (TDDD)

a) The vision of TDD Division is to bring the benefits of innovative solutions for socio-economic uplift at the grass root level of the society with mission to bring the benefits of Information & Communication Technologies (ICT) in certain focused areas viz. Healthcare, Education, Livelihood Enhancement (Agriculture, Crafts, MSMEs) and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan). The division works on the paradigm of collaborative research in its task of developing technologies and bringing them to the daily lives of people.

b) The division has created a niche for itself in the area of taking the technologies from lab to land and "IT for Masses". The division has strength & 17+ years of experience in understanding the needs of the field, conceptualization, project formation, development & deployment of technologies / products & services. Keeping the same in view, the projects undertaken by TDD division, are based on the grass-root requirements and relevant to its cause with the objective to empower citizens in general and gender, minorities, farmers, artisans, tribes, persons with disabilities (Divyangjan) etc. in particular through innovative ICT applications. The division has demonstrated decent capabilities in identifying the potential of certain technologies reasonably early. The technologies, developed by the division, have received a lot of recognition as evident from numerous National & International awards it has received. In addition to its core activities, the Division is also implementing Visvesvaraya PhD Scheme in Electronics and IT with the objective to give thrust to R&D, Create innovative ecosystem and Enhance India's competitiveness in these knowledge intensive sectors. More details on https://dic.gov.in/index.php/divisions/phd-scheme

# 4.2.2 National e-Governance Division (NeGD)

- a) NeGD is an Independent Business Division (IBD) established by MeitY within DIC to undertake Programme Management of National eGovernance Plan (NeGP), having the following features:
  - This Division enjoys complete financial and HR autonomy from the rest of DIC.
  - Government personnel in NeGD are taken on deputation to DIC.
  - NeGD has its own head as President and CEO.
  - The selection process for both Government and private sector personnel is common for ensuring uniform quality and suitability of personnel.
  - Government funds for managing specific e-Governance projects / programmes as identified by MeitY are transferred directly to the Division, subject to extant rules in this regard.
- b) NeGD acts as one of the key catalysts and integrators for initiatives under Mission Mode Projects and support components under NeGP 2.0 across the country. NeGD is also expected to proactively support central ministries / departments / state governments in propagation of their e-Governance initiatives. For more information, visit https://www.negd.gov.in

#### 4.2.3 MyGov

MyGov platform is a unique path breaking initiative which was launched on July 26, 2014 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. It is a unique first of its kind participatory governance initiative involving the common citizen at large. The idea of MyGov brings the government closer to the common man by the use of online platform creating an interface for healthy exchange of ideas and views involving the common citizen and experts with the ultimate goal to contribute to the social and economic transformation of India. In its short span of existence till date, MyGov platform has been more than successful in keeping the citizens engaged on important policy issues and governance, be it Clean Ganga, Girl Child Education, Skill Development and Healthy India to name a few. There is no doubt that this platform has made inroads in diminishing the gap which has traditionally existed between the citizen and the Government. **For more information, visit https://www.mygov.in** 

# 5 Invitation

DIC invites Proposals (the "Proposals/Bids") for appointment of a Consultant for Organizational Restructuring and HR planning and it's Implementation as per the Terms of Reference (ToR) given in Section 7. The Bidders/Applicants desirous of taking up the project are invited to submit their Proposal/Bid in response to this RFP. The criteria and the actual process of evaluation of the proposals in response to the RFP and subsequent selection of the Successful Bidder will be entirely at DIC's discretion. The Bidders/ Applicants should have necessary experience, capability and expertise to perform, as per the Terms of Reference and to adhere to DIC's requirements/ terms and conditions outlined in the RFP. The RFP is not an offer by DIC, but an invitation to receive responses from the potential Bidders. No contractual obligation whatsoever shall arise from the RFP process unless and until a formal contract is signed and executed by duly authorized official(s) of DIC with the Successful Bidder.

# 6 Eligibility Criteria

The Bidder shall have to give an undertaking to accept all the conditions of the RFP (refer **Annexure 3**). In addition, the list of the pre-qualification/qualifying/eligibility requirements and the supportive documents that need to be submitted are given in table below.

Sr. No	Details	Supporting Documents to be submitted
1	The Bidder should have been in <b>existence in India at least from April 01, 2016 or earlier</b> with ability to service the client across India and	Certificate of Incorporation/ Constitutional Documents
2	The Bidder should have a functional office in Delhi NCR. The Consultant should be a Government Organization/ Public Sector Unit/ Partnership Firm/Private Limited Company/ Limited Liability Partnership Firm/MNC/ Public Limited Company registered or incorporated in India. It should NOT BE an Individual / Proprietary Firm / HUF etc.	Address Proof / Certificate of Incorporation
3	The Bidder must have a minimum of 3 years' experience in providing Management Consulting services to Organizations with more than 100 employees.	Relevant details of the engagement for past 3 years with client certificates. (also refer Annexure 5 & 6)
5	The Bidder, in the last 3 years, should have undertaken at least ONE Management Consultancy Project on a Long Term basis (i.e. at least for 9 Months or more) for organizational restructuring of an organization with more than 100 resources. The assignment should have covered organizational restructuring, planning, HR policies and Branding. The Bidder should have in-house capability to take up assignment on its own and not through any	Relevant details of engagement(s) undertaken in the last three years with Client Certificates. (also refer Annexure 5 & 6)  Undertaking Letter (refer Annexure 3)
	associates. Joint and collative Bids will not be accepted.	,
6	The Bidder should have average positive profit in the last three consecutive financial years (2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21). The profitability at Profit Before Tax levels would be considered for evaluation.	Certified (by Statutory Auditor) copies of audited Balance sheet and Profit & Loss Account for past 3 years

Sr. No	Details	Supporting Documents to be submitted
7	The Bidder must have earned a fee of at least Rs. 50 Crores (Rupees Fifty Crores Only) from Management Consultancy services during each of the three previous financial years i.e. (2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21)	by Statutory Auditors. In case the Bidder
	Fee from services other than management consultancy viz. relating to accounting, audit and taxation, etc. will not be included.	
		Relevant certificate from Statutory/ Tax Auditors will be required.
8	The Bidder should not be owned or controlled by any Director or Employee (or Relatives) of DIC and any of its Divisions.	
9	The Bidder should not have been penalized or found guilty in any court of law and the consultant shall not have been blacklisted / debarred by any Central Government Ministry/State Government/ any other regulatory authority / and not involved in any major litigation that may have impact or compromise the delivery of services required during last three years i.e. April 2018-March 2021 and April 2021 onwards till date.	the Bidder on Bidder's letter head to be provided. However, DIC would have the right to independently verify the same.
10	The company / firm and director / partners have not defaulted to any Government entity within the jurisdiction of India.	

#### Note:

- a. Cut-off date for the above to be taken as April 01, 2021 unless otherwise specified.
- b. Documentary evidence must be submitted for each Criteria.
- c. Self-declaration needs to be signed by Authorized Signatory.
- d. Registered Start-up Medium Enterprises and Micro & Small Enterprises are exempted for serial no. 1, 3, 4, 6 & 7 above as per OM No. DPE/7(4)/2007-Fin. dated Nov 8, 2015 of Department of Public Enterprise, Govt. of India; OM No.F.20/2/2014-PPD(Pt.) dated Sep 20, 2016 & July 25, 2016 of Procurement Policy Division, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance and OM No. 1(2)(1)/2014-MA Part dated March 10, 2016 of Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India.
- e. Provisional balance sheet signed by CA can be submitted for FY 2020-21 if accounts have not been audited / ready.

f. Completion Letter/ Reference Letter / email from relevant Senior Executive of the client to be attached (Format given in **Annexure 6**) for each engagement reference mentioned.

## 6.1 Additional requirement

Apart from the above minimum criteria, the Bidder is also required to give the following information:

Sr No	Documents Required	
i)	Ownership and nature of entity (public, partnership, subsidiary etc.).	
ii)	Income Tax returns for past three years.	
iii)	Board resolution (in case of company) or Power of Attorney authorizing the	
	authorized signatory to sign on behalf of the Bidder.	
iv)	Proof of address of registered office.	
v)	Integrity pact as per Annexure 14	

- o DIC reserves the right to ask for additional / alternate documents from the Bidder.
- o The firms meeting the eligibility criteria as laid out above will be taken forward to the next stage of technical evaluation.
- o Non submission of any of the specified documents by the Bidder may result in rejection of bid.

#### 6.2 Technical Bid

- a. Technical proposal will include details of overall approach to the areas listed in this RFP along with specific proposals/solution on each of these areas covering the conceptualization, design and implementation stages. Technical proposal should also clearly articulate the deliverables at the end of each phase of work. The consultancy firm / successful Bidder is expected to work with DIC to ensure early implementation of their recommendations, overcoming the bottlenecks, if any.
- b. The Technical Bid should be complete in all respects and contain all information required in the document. The Technical Bid shall comply the format given at **Annexure 11.**

#### 6.3 Financial Bid

- a. The Financial bid will contain the financial quote covering total price/fees/cost of undertaking the assignment **inclusive of all components and applicable taxes**. No upward revision in the price would be considered on any count. Relevant price information and the rates should be quoted in Indian Rupees only. **The format of Financial Bid** is given in **Annexure 12**.
- b. The Financial bid made by the firm should take care of the following points:
  - 1) The Financial Bid contradicting the Technical Bid (TB) in any manner will be rejected.
  - 2) Financial Bid containing conditional offers will be summarily rejected.
  - 3) In case of discrepancy in words and figures, the price quoted in words will be taken as final
  - 4) There should not be any hidden costs for the items quoted.
  - 5) DIC is not responsible for the arithmetical accuracy of the bid. The consultants / Bidders will have to ensure all calculations are accurate.
  - 6) DIC at any point in time, for reasons whatsoever, is not responsible for any Assumptions made by the Bidder. DIC, at a later date, will not accept any plea of the Bidder or changes in the financial offer for any such assumptions.
  - 7) Any overwriting, erasure, etc. has to be initialed by the Authorized person.

- 8) It may kindly be noted that DIC will not pay any other amount and other expenses like travel and accommodation etc. except the Work Order Value after deduction of applicable taxes (if any).
- 9) The TDS amount at prevailing rate shall be deducted from the payments to be made to the successful Bidder /Consultant. In lieu of the same, TDS Certificate will be provided by DIC to the Consultant.
- 10) The Bidder shall take into account all conditions and difficulties that may be encountered during the course of assignment, while quoting the rate.

# 7 Terms of Reference (ToR)

# 7.1 Introduction: The terms of reference shall include the following:

- a) Study of the present organization structure of DIC and the roles and responsibilities assigned to it.
- b) Assessment of the potential of DIC, specially in light of the role being envisaged to DIC in future specially with regard to the projects being assigned to DIC in the fields of Artificial Intelligence, Emerging Technologies, National Language Technology Mission, Managed Service Provider for Cloud Services, e-Commerce Platform service provider for Ministry of Textiles, Poshan Tracker for Ministry of WCD, Social Media services for various departments and other projects being assigned to DIC, Agro Advisory Services being provided by its IIDS platform to various state / central agencies and other assignments by various Government Departments.
- c) DIC presently has around 468 team members on its projects and assignments and has annual projects worth around Rs 250 Crores. With the proposed new projects being assigned to DIC, the annual turnover is likely to exceed Rs 500 Crores with an estimated team size of 1000. This will require designing optimal organizational structure and HR Policies that promotes innovation and motivation for team members.
- d) With the expansion of roles and responsibilities, the functioning of DIC will also see a paradigm shift on multiple HR dimensions like talent and performance management.
- e) In view of this, DIC would like to engage the services of an external consultant to help steer DIC with right approach and implementation support. The selected Consultant *inter alia* can help to suggest suitable changes in systems, processes, technological architecture and such other matters considered appropriate for ensuring sustenance of such synergistic benefits.
- f) The selected Consultant should also identify gaps in existing business practices with particular reference to technological capabilities, HR policies, governance, etc and to suggest necessary changes for their improvement so as to achieve robust system-driven business practices.
- g) The selected Consultant will have to set up a Project Management Office at Office of DIC located in New Delhi for effective implementation and monitoring of activities. With this, they would identify owners, timelines milestones etc. needed to achieve the objective/scope of RFP. Through this, they which will also convey the progress through management dashboards, regular review meetings and presentations etc. The same will be detailed in the Service Level Agreement.

# 7.2 Duration of the Assignment

The said project/assignment will be for a **period of 9 (Nine) months only.** The selected Bidder has to complete the assignment within the stipulated timeframe only. The Bidders are advised to understand the requirement and plan their approach and engagement of resources for the completion of tasks accordingly.

#### 7.3 Scope of work for Consultants

The scope of work for the Consultants would broadly entail the following three sections: -

- I. Vision and Mission of the Organization
- II. Organizational Structure Planning

# III. Human Resource Planning and Policies

The Sections will inter alia cover the following areas:-

# 7.3.1 Vision and Mission of the Organization

- a) Redefining the Vision and Mission of DIC by assessing the present role and responsibilities and synergizing with the future potential and drawing a clear roadmap for achieving these objectives along with prioritizing the quick-wins. While doing so one, the Consultant needs to explore areas of synergies with DIC with its Business Divisions like NeGD and MyGov.
- b) Identify key metrics that require improvement to enhance value to Digital India and all stakeholders as well as achieving self- sufficiency in the long run.
- c) Create overall branding strategy that will position DIC at the core of Digital India

# 7.3.2 Organizational Structure Planning

- a) Review the existing structure of DIC with regard to Projects and Business Divisions
- b) Recommend most optimal structure based on the present and potential roles and responsibilities
- c) The proposed structures should address all functional areas including Admin, HR and Finance
- d) Identify functions that can be outsourced to 3rd party service providers, if necessary

#### 7.3.3 Human Resources and Related Areas

The selected Consultant would work towards redefining HR in DIC. The areas will broadly include the following: -

- a) Redefine organization structure design for better accountability and project implementation
- b) Restructuring of functions at HQ level and controlling units in the States (SeMTs) and Mumbai office
- c) Benchmark current DIC organization structure and strength with other Govt entities
- d) Suggest changes in organization structure in line with future projects
- e) Provide a framework for assessing the personnel requirement, keeping in view industry standards, best practices and to support the future growth requirements of DIC.
- f) Identify needs for specialisation in DIC and create an architecture for building specialization among employees in DIC
- g) Identify skills needed for key positions, map skill set of current employees and asses talent gap within the organization
- h) Plan a career path and HR policies to incentivize retention of talented employees
- i) Create roadmap for meeting talent gap from various sources and create a well-structured on-boarding program

#### 7.4 Milestones

The scope of work for the assignment is proposed to be exceuted in three distinct but interrelated phases relating to:

- Assessment
- Design
- Recommendation

#### 7.4.1 Assessment

- a) The selected consultant will take up a comprehensive and 360 degree assessment of the existing policies and organizational structure at DIC
- b) The selected consultant will take up a scientific culture survey of the existing staff to understand the current feedback that will directly feed into the design of the new Organization Structure aimed at attracting and retaining talent
- c) The selected consultant will take up an assessment of the future personnel requirement of DIC that will include skills, competencies and experience
- d) The selected consultant will also conduct workshops with end customer and management of DIC and MEITY to understand the vision for the new organization including providing feedback on the existing structure

## 7.4.2 Design

- a) The selected consultant will take up comprehensive benchmarking (primary and secondary) exercise (Good Practices as well as Pitfalls) aimed at identifying suggestions for the new HR strategy covering structure, policies, compensation, recruitment, career progressing including designations, etc. The benchmark company should be ideally based out of India that work within the public sector system but have flexibility to design and implement HR strategies aligned to the private sector, eg: Invest India.
- b) The selected consultant will develop framework for the HR strategy basis which the new HR strategy will be developed including, non-negotiable elements to achieve the overall objective
- c) The selected consultant will project the likely personnel requirement across levels for the next 5 years and likely career progressing including performance assessment framework

#### 7.4.3 Recommendations

- a) The selected consultant will develop a comprehensive organizational structure and HR strategy that covers all key elements of HR including but not limited to:
  - Principles
  - Proposed Organization Structure
  - Job Roles and Description
  - Career Progression including Performance Assessment
  - Recruitment
  - Compensation
  - Staff Welfare and Retention Strategy
- b) The selected consultant will prepare detailed Job Description for all unique roles especially those where recruitment is planned over the next 2 years
- c) The selected consultant will prepare detailed Implementation Plan that will include mechanism to be put in place to implement the strategy including governance structure for implementation and transition plan from existing to the new structure
- d) The selected consultant will undertake atleast 3 communication workshops to bring management and staff on board to the proposed new strategy

#### 7.5 Deliverables

As part of the engagement, the selected consultant will provide the following deliverables:

- a) Inception Report
- b) Assessment report
- c) Design Principle and Proposed Strategy
- d) Draft Final Report and Presentation to the Board
- e) Final Report

#### 7.6 Timelines

The first part of the engagement is expected to be completed with 3 months of the start of the engagement as per the time lines indicated below:

- a) Inception Report | **10 Days** from the start of the Engagement
- b) Assessment report including Workshops | **5 Weeks** from the start of the engagement
- c) Design Principle and Proposed Strategy | **within 8 weeks** from the start of the engagement
- d) Draft Final Report and Presentation to the Board | **within 12 weeks** from the start of the engagement
- e) Final Report | within 1 week of receiving the feedback on the draft report

Post the Final report, after 3 months (First Phase), the role of the Consultant will be to assist DIC in implementation of the restructuring plan over the next 6 months. The milestones and deliverables of the Second Phase (limited to 6 months only) of engagement will be modified/defined in the Final Report.

#### 7.7 Commitment on Resources

DIC envisages continuous involvement of the consultant throughout the assignment. A dedicated project team has to work on-site at DIC's premises at New Delhi and manpower may be deputed in any other offices as per mutual understanding for the entire duration of the project. The on-site team shall consist of a judicious mix of Senior and Middle management executives having the requisite experience. At least 5 full time and dedicated, suitably qualified and experienced professionals should be part of the team.

The on-site team of resources would need to work under the overall guidance and control of Senior Executives of Consultant Firm. Subject Matter Experts should be brought on-board to provide necessary support to the on-site team as and when the need arises.

The selected Consultant would need to submit the phase wise resource deployment plan for the approval of DIC. DIC will evaluate the technical bids with particular emphasis on the quality, commitment, and composition of resources positioned for various roles in the project.

Minimum qualification and experiences of resources to assist in the implementation is as under:

#	Resource	Nos.	Minimum Qualification & experiences required
i	Team Leader	One (1)	<ul> <li>20+ Years of professional work experience</li> <li>Post Graduate (preferably Business Administration)</li> <li>Experience with eGovernment</li> <li>Experience with Benchmark Institutions like Invest</li> </ul>

#	Resource	Nos.	Minimum Qualification & experiences required		
			<ul> <li>India</li> <li>International Experience</li> <li>Should be on the permanent roles of the Bidder at the time of submission of the Bid</li> </ul>		
ii	Project Manager	One (1)	<ul> <li>15+ Years of professional work experience</li> <li>Post Graduate in HR</li> <li>Should have experience of at least 5 HR Strategy Projects</li> <li>Experience with Public Sector</li> <li>Should be on the permanent roles of the Bidder at the time of submission of the Bid</li> </ul>		
iii	Consultant	Three (3)	<ul> <li>10+ Years of professional work experience</li> <li>Engineer and Post Graduate (HR and IT)</li> <li>Experience in HR and eGovernance and Capacity Building/Change Management</li> <li>Experience of at least 3 similar projects in India</li> <li>Should be on the permanent roles of the Bidder at the time of submission of the Bid</li> </ul>		

Except Subject Matter Expert (SMEs) all other resources will be required to work at DIC on full time basis (Second/Implementation Phase). Keeping in view the nature and urgency of the work the SMEs may be required to visit DIC as and when required.

Based on the Covid-19 pandemic guidelines, DIC resources are working from Office or Home or/and on roster basis as required by the job requirements. The resources deployed at DIC will have **9 leave over the 6 months (i.e. Phase-II)** subject to approval from the Reporting Officer designated under this project. Any unauthorized absence from the duty will impact as deduction in payment as per details given at **sub-section 9.9** 

An attendance register will be maintained at DIC where the resources will need to signed on each working day.

# 8 Submission of Bids

#### 8.1 Pre-Bid Clarifications

- a. The Bidders will have to ensure that their queries (if any) are submitted prior to the Pre-Bid meeting.
- b. It may kindly be noted that no bid-query will be received through phone Calls/Fax. All queries must be submitted in writing through e-mail only at the specified e-mail ID.
- c. All the queries should necessarily be submitted in the following format in Excel:

Sr.		Query by bidder		
	Page No.	Section No.	Section Name	
1				
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- d. Bidders must adhere to the above template while submitting their queries.
- e. Any requests for clarifications post the indicated date/time may not be entertained.
- f. Designated e-mail ID for submission of queries: email: gauravt@digitalindia.gov.in

## 8.2 Clarification to Pre-Bid Queries/Issue of Corrigendum

- a. Clarification to the queries received will be published at the advertisement platforms (DIC website & CPP Portal) as per the timeline specified. However, DIC makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness or accuracy of any response made in good faith, nor does DIC undertake to answer all the queries that have been posed by the bidders.
- b. At any time prior to the last date for receipt of bids, DIC may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective Bidder, modify the RFP Document by a corrigendum.
- c. After the pre-bid conference/meeting, the Corrigendum (if any) & clarifications will published at the advertisement platforms as per the timeline specified. No individual communication will be made to the queries.
- d. Any corrigendum(s) published/issued shall be deemed to be incorporated into this RFP.
- e. In order to give prospective Bidders reasonable time in which to take the corrigendum into account in preparing their bids, DIC may, at its discretion, extend the last date for the submission of Proposals.

# 8.3 Submission of Proposals

a. A three staged bid system will be followed in addition to submission of EMD (i.e. Bid Security Declaration) for this RFP with QCBS system i.e. Quality Cost-Based Selection (QCBS). The three bids to be submitted by bidders on CPPP are:

#### A. PRE-QUALIFICATION BID Annexure

Relevant Annexure(s) are:

- o Annexure 2: Checklist for Submission of Response to RFP
- o Annexure 4 Eligibility/Pre-qualification Bid
  - Annexure 1: Bid Security Declaration
  - Annexure 3 Undertaking regarding agreement of all terms of RFP

- Annexure 5 Format for Relevant Engagements
- Annexure 6 Format for Reference Letter / email from Client
- Annexure 7 Declaration: No default on any project in jurisdiction of India
- Annexure 8 Declaration: No Ownership or Control of DIC Employees (or relatives)
- Annexure 9 Declaration: Not penalized or Found Guilty in any Court of Law
- Annexure 10 Declaration: Number of Full Time professionals

#### **B. TECHNICAL BID Annexure**

Relevant Annexure(s) are:

- o Annexure 11 Technical Bid Format
  - Annexure 5 Format for Relevant Engagements
  - Annexure 6 Format for Reference Letter / email from Client
  - Annexure 13 –Format for CV

#### C. FINANCIAL BID Annexure

Relevant Annexure(s) are:

- o Annexure 12 Financial Bid Format
- b. Please note that prices/rate should not be indicated anywhere other than Financial Proposal. If found anywhere before opening of Financial Bid, their proposal shall be rejected.
- c. All the pages of the proposal must be sequentially numbered and must contain the list of contents with page numbers. Any deficiency in the documentation may result in the rejection of the Bid.
- d. The original proposal/bid shall be prepared in indelible ink. It shall contain no interlineations or overwriting. Each of the pages must be signed by Authorized Signatory.
- e. The bids are to be submitted electronically on CPPP on or before the last date of proposal submission. Bids received in any other form will not be accepted and may lead to rejection of the bid.
- f. The bid response of the Bidder to be submitted and uploaded on CPP Portal against this RFP.

#### 8.4 Submission of Bids only through CPP Portal

- a. Bids shall be submitted online only at Central Public Procurement (CPP) Portal Website: http://eprocure.gov.in/ in four parts, i.e. 'EMD/ Bid Security Declaration' (documents in .pdf format), 'Eligibility' (documents in .pdf format)", 'Technical Proposal' (documents in .pdf format) and 'Financial Proposal' (in exl format). Bids must be submitted as per the schedule (date & time) indicated in the calendar of events at sub-section 2.2.
- b. Manual bids or the bids submitted by telex/ telegram/ fax/ e-mail / by any other digital mode etc. will not be accepted under any circumstances. No correspondence will be entertained on this matter.

- c. The instructions given below are meant to assist the bidders in preparation of their bids in accordance with the requirements and submitting their bids online on the CPP Portal.
- d. For more detailed information and hassel free bid submission, please refer to URLs as follows.
  - Complete details at CPP Portal: <a href="https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app">https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app</a>
  - Instruction for online submission: <a href="https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app?page=StandardBiddingDocuments&service=page">https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app?page=StandardBiddingDocuments&service=page</a>
    e
  - Guidelines for hassel free bid submission: https://eprocure.gov.in/cppp/hassle\_free\_bid\_submission.pdf
  - FAQs: https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app?page=FAQFrontEnd&service=page

# 8.5 Reference points for submission of Bids

- a. Bidder should log into the site well in advance for bid submission so that they can upload the bid in time i.e. on or before the bid submission time. Bidder will be responsible for any delay due to other issues.
- b. The bidders shall have a valid digital signature certificate for participation in the online tender. The cost of digital signatures, if any, will be borne by respective bidders.
- c. Bidder has to provide 4 covers namely Bid Security Declaration (EMD), Eligibility Criteria, Technical Bid and Financial Nid.
- d. Bidder should prepare the Bid Security Declaration as per the instructions specified in the RFP document. The original should be posted/couriered/given in person to the concerned official, latest by the last date of bid submission or as specified in the RFP documents. The details of the physically sent, should tally with the details available in the scanned copy and the data entered during bid submission time. Otherwise the uploaded bid will be rejected.
- e. Bidders not submitting any of the required documents online will be summarily rejected.
- f. Bidders are requested to note that they should necessarily submit their financial bids in the format provided and no other format is acceptable.
- g. The server time (which is displayed on the bidders' dashboard) will be considered as the standard time for referencing the deadlines for submission of the bids by the bidders, opening of bids etc. The bidders should follow this time during bid submission.
- h. All the documents being submitted by the bidders would be encrypted using PKI encryption techniques to ensure the secrecy of the data. The data entered cannot be viewed by unauthorized persons until the time of bid opening. The confidentiality of the bids is maintained using the secured Socket Layer 128 bit encryption technology. Data storage encryption of sensitive fields is done. Any bid document that is uploaded to the server is subjected to symmetric encryption using a system generated symmetric key. Further this key is subjected to asymmetric encryption using buyers/bid opener's public keys. Overall, the uploaded tender documents become readable only after the tender opening by the authorized bid openers.
- i. The uploaded tender documents become readable only after the tender opening by the authorized bid openers.
- j. Upon the successful and timely submission of bids (i.e. after Clicking "Freeze Bid Submission" in the portal), the portal will give a successful bid submission message & a bid summary will be displayed with the bid no. and the date & time of submission of the bid with all other relevant details.

- k. The bid summary has to be printed and kept as an acknowledgement of the submission of the bid. This acknowledgement may be used or required for any online / offline bid opening meetings.
- 1. Bidders are also advised to go through instructions provided at CPP Portal.

#### 8.6 Instruction for submission of bids

Bids shall be in accordance to the instructions given in the Table below:

Bid Cover/	Bid Submission
Folder	
Proposal 1 – Bid Security	Proposal-1 shall be titled, "Bid Security" and shall be uploaded (on CPP Portal) as single pdf document and shall be duly signed using DSC. It should clearly show the details. And original to be submitted to DIC.
Proposal 2 – Eligibility Criteria	Proposal-2 shall be titled, "Eligibility Criteria" and shall be uploaded (on CPP Portal) as single pdf document and shall be duly signed using DSC. It should contain all supporting documents for eligibility criteria (Reference at Section 6 and Sub-Section 6.1).  All pages of the document (.pdf) shall be numbered.
Proposal 3 – Technical Proposal	Proposal-3 shall be titled, "Technical Proposal" and shall be uploaded (on CPP Portal) as single pdf document and shall be duly signed using DSC. Technical proposal shall cover the documents required against the technical evaluation parameters and the technical presentation (Reference <b>Sub-Section 6.2 and Sub-section 9.3</b> ).  All pages of the document (.pdf) shall be numbered & signed/initialled by the authorized signatory.
Proposal 4 – Financial Proposal	Proposal-4 shall be titled, "Financial Proposal" and shall be uploaded (on CPP Portal) as single pdf document and and shall be duly signed using DSC. It should contain all documents and formats related to financial proposal as mentioned in RFP (Reference Sub-Section 6.3 and Annexure 12). Company name (with address & contact details) & logo should be placed on all pages of the Financial Proposal.  All pages of the document (.exl) shall be numbered.  Financial Proposal or any part thereof should not be kept/ mixed with the Propoal-1 (EMD), Proposal 2 (Eligibility), Proposal-3 (Technical Bid) in either explicit or implicit form, in which case the bid will be rejected.

#### Note:

- The RFP and corrigendum thereof should be read in entirety before submitting bids so that bid submission captures all required documents as well as given format.
- Please check the documents and upload them carefully. Any error i.e. file is corrupted, not readable etc found the Bid will be rejected. DIC in no case will be liable for the same.

## 8.7 Assistance to Bidders

- a. Any queries relating to the RFP document and the terms and conditions contained therein should be addressed to the DIC or the relevant contact person indicated in the tender at **sub-section 2.4**.
- b. Any queries relating to the process of online bid submission or queries relating to CPP Portal in general may be directed to the 24x7 CPP Portal Helpdesk. [Phone number: 0120-4001-002 or 0120-4001-005 or 0120-6277-787 And Email: support-eproc@nic.in]

## 8.8 Rules for Responding to this RFP

- a. The firms / Bidders should use the formats prescribed in Annexure(s) by DIC in submission of the RFP Response.
- b. All responses received after the due date/ time as mentioned in advertisement would be considered late and would be liable to be rejected.
- c. Documents not required as part of the Tender should not be provided.
- d. All bid responses would be deemed to be irrevocable offers/ proposals from the consultants / Bidders and may be accepted by DIC to form part of final contract between DIC and the selected Consultant. Unsigned responses would be treated as incomplete and are liable to be rejected. The bids once submitted cannot be withdrawn/ modified after the last date for submission of the bids unless specifically permitted by DIC.
- e. In case, due to unavoidable circumstances, DIC does not award the contract within three months from the last date of the submission of the bids, and there is a possibility to award the same within a short duration, the Bidder would have the choice to maintain the EMD (Bid Security Declaration) with DIC or to withdraw the bid and obtain the security provided.
- f. DIC reserves the right not to allow/ permit changes in the technical requirements and not to evaluate the offer in case of non-submission of the technical details in the required format or partial submission of technical details.
- g. The Bidder, at no point in time, can excuse themselves from any claims by DIC whatsoever for their deviations in confirming to the terms and conditions and other schedules as mentioned in the RFP circulated by DIC. The Bidder shall be fully responsible for deviations to the terms & conditions etc. as proposed in the RFP.
- h. If related parties (as defined below) submit more than one bid then both/all bids submitted by related parties are liable to be rejected at any stage at DIC's discretion:
  - Bids submitted by the holding company and its subsidiary.
  - Bids submitted by one or more companies having common director/s.
  - Bids submitted by one or more Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) firms having common partners.
  - Bids submitted by one or more companies in the same group of promoters/ management.
  - Any other bid in the sole discretion of DIC is in the nature of multiple bids.

# 9 Evaluation of Bids

# 9.1 Opening of Bids

The bids received within the prescribed date and time will be opened as per schedule mentioned in the "Bid Details" for RFP given in the beginning of the RFP. During the opening of the bids, the Bidders can depute an authorized representative (only one) to attend the bid opening process. No separate information will be given in this regard to the Bidders for deputing their representatives. The representative has to submit an authority letter duly signed by the Consultant, authorizing him / her to represent and attend the Bid opening on behalf of it. The authorized representative present having photo identification, shall sign a register of attendance. However, bids would be opened even in the absence of any or all representatives of the Bidder.

1	Opening of Prequalification Bid	Refer <b>sub section 2.2</b> The meeting link will be published at <a href="https://www.dic.gov.in">www.dic.gov.in</a> & CPP Portal
2	Opening of Technical Bid	The meeting link will be shared with the Contact person (via email) of the shortlisted Bidders.
3	Technical Presentation & interviews	The meeting link will be shared with the Contact person (via email) of the shortlisted Bidders. The Contact person will need to share the details of resources and members who will join the same
4	Opening of Financial Bid	The meeting link will be shared with the Contact person (via email) of the shortlisted Bidders. The Contact person will need to share the details of members (max 2) who will join the same.

# 9.2 Preliminary Scrutiny

DIC will scrutinize the offers received to determine whether they are complete and as per RFP requirement. The Bidders meeting the eligibility criteria will be taken forward to the next stage of evaluation i.e. technical evaluation.

First the Bid Security Declaration will be checked. Then, the Pre-Qualification Proposal Documents will be reviewed/evaluated and only those bidders who qualify the minimum requirements (Refer **Section 6**- Eligibility) specified in the RFP, will be eligible for technical evaluation. Technical Proposal and Financial Proposal of Bidders who do not meet the Pre-Qualification criteria will not be opened/entertained. All the supporting documents/documentary evidence must be attached as per specifications done in Eligibility criteria i.e. **Section 6** and relevant Annexure(s).

## 9.3 Technical Evaluation

The technical bid submitted will be evaluated by Evaluation Committee. The Evaluation committee would undertake a discussion / presentation with the consultants on the understanding of the key challenges before DIC, proposed Approach and Methodology to be adopted, time frame for implementation of activities in DIC and the proposed team. The technical capabilities and competence of the Consultants should be clearly reflected in the discussion / presentation. DIC will inform the date, time and venue of the discussion / presentation to the Bidders that have met the eligibility criteria.

During the course of the discussion / presentation, DIC has the right to interview the proposed personnel, to decide whether to deploy him/her in the project or not. DIC shall reserve the right to seek the change of Resource personnel in case of need. DIC reserves the right to review the decision of appointment in the event DIC is not satisfied with the performance.

Based on the details submitted by the Consultancy firms in the Technical Proposal and the Discussion / Presentation with the Evaluation Committee of DIC, the Technical Evaluation of the eligible Bidders will be carried out as furnished below:

#	Parameters	Maximum Marks	Scoring Criteria
1	Firms Experience- Consultancy Project on a Long Term basis (more than 9 Months) in respect of organizational restructuring for organizations with at least 100 resources – Refer Technical Bid Annexure 10, Annexure 5 & Annexure 6	10 marks	<ul> <li>3+ assignments – Max 10 marks</li> <li>2 assignments – Max 7 Marks</li> <li>1 assignment – Max 5 Marks</li> </ul>
2	Team Leader Project Manager Consultant (3)  Refer Technical Bid Annexure 10, Annexure 13	55 Marks	<ul> <li>Team Leader (Max 20 marks)</li> <li>Qualification- maximum 7 marks</li> <li>Experience - maximum 11 marks</li> <li>Any relevant certification - maximum 2 marks</li> <li>Project Manager (Max 14 marks)</li> <li>Qualification- maximum 5 marks</li> <li>Experience - maximum 9 marks</li> <li>Consultant- (Max 7 marks each)</li> <li>Qualification- maximum 3 marks</li> <li>Experience- maximum 4 marks</li> </ul>
3	Approach & methodology  Refer Technical Bid  Annexure 10	14 Marks	Maximum 14 Marks
4	<b>Presentation and Interview</b> of the Key Team Members	21 Marks	Interview of any 3 resources (Team Leader will be mandatory; rest based on CV reviews)- Maximum 6 Marks Presentation- Maximum 15 Marks Parameters: Understanding, Approach & Methodology; operation plan with timelines; Risks and mitigation measure etc

#	Parameters	Maximum	Scoring Criteria
		Marks	
GRAND TOTAL		100	Minimum of 70 marks is required to qualify for further evaluation (i.e. to be a part of Financial Bid Opening)

Registered Start-ups (whether Micro & Small Enterprises or otherwise) are exempted for marks for serial no. 1 above as per OM No.F.20/2/2014-PPD(Pt.) dated Sep 20, 2016 of Procurement Policy Division, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance. They may be marked out of ninety (90) instead of hundred (100).

Bidders who are eligible as per the eligibility criteria and score at least 70 percent in technical evaluation criteria would be considered as technically qualified. DIC, at its sole discretion, may also choose to lower the minimum score from 70 percent.

#### Note:

- a) Documentary evidence must be submitted for each criterion and undertaking or declaration made by the consulting firm must be on the company letter head and is to be signed by an authorized signatory.
- b) Completion Letter / Reference Letter from relevant Senior Executive of the client to be attached for each engagement reference mentioned.
- c) If any of the criteria information is not deducible from the submitted documents, marks will not be award in those criteria, though Tender Evaluation Committee can ask for clarifications on their own discretion.

#### 9.4 Financial Evaluation

- a. The marks scored in the technical bid which essentially rates the Bidder on technical criteria will be given weightage of 80%. The financial bids will be given weightage of 20%. The combined score of technical and financial will determine the ranking of the firms. In case of a tie in the combined score between Bidders, the Bidder with higher technical score will be given a higher rank. DIC will appoint the top ranked consultant based on the ranking derived from the combined score.
- b. Bidders secured at least **70 percent** or more in technical evaluation will be eligible to participate in financial bid opening process. The Financial Bids (**i.e. Annexure 12**) of the technically qualified bidders will be opened on the prescribed date in the presence of representatives of Bidders.
  - In Format given at **Annexure 12**, the Bidders are required to quote their total fee (inclusive of all the components and taxes applicable) for 9 months. This amount/quote is to be used for financial evaluation purpose and, award of Work Order (if selected).
- b. After opening of financials bids of eligible bidders, the financial scoring will be done.
- c. The lowest financial quoted rate will receive highest marks i.e. 100. Scoring to other higher quoted rate will be assigned using formula indicated below:

# Financial Score = (Lowest Quote among the Bidders/Quote of the Bidder)\*100

- d. After weighted scoring of both technical and financial bids, they will be combined together and ranked. Highest scorer will secure Rank 1, then Rank 2 and so on.
- e. The Bidder with **Rank One** based on QCBS system will be selected as the most suitable Bidder using weightage of **80:20** for Technical and Financial respectively.
- f. A illustration for calculation of combined score is as under:

A	В	С	D	E	F	G	H	I
Sr.	Name of	Technical	Weighted	Actual	Financial	Financial	Total	Rank
	the	Score	Technical	Financial	Score	Score	score	
	bidder	secured	Score	Rate/	(Lowest	Weighted	(Col. D+	
			(Col. C*0.80)	Quote (in	Rate/	(Col. F*0.20)	Col. G)	
				%)	Quoted			
					Rate)* 100			
1							Highest	1
							score	
n.								

- g. If a Bidder quotes NIL charges / consideration, the bid shall be treated as unresponsive and will not be considered.
- h. Abnormally low financial bids will be handled as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India (https://doe.gov.in/sites/default/files/Predatory%20pricing%20-%20Abnormally%20Low%20Bids.pdf) and for predatory pricing and abnormally low bids evaluations. And, any conditional bid would be rejected.
- i. Errors & Rectification: If there is a discrepancy between Words and Figures, the **Figure** indicated in Words will prevail".

#### 9.5 Notification of Outcome

- a. DIC will notify the Consultant in writing or email as soon as practicable, about the outcome of the RFP evaluation process. DIC is not obliged to provide any reasons for any such acceptance or rejection. The decision of DIC shall be final, conclusive and binding on all the Bidders/parties directly or indirectly connected with the bidding process and the same shall not be questioned / challenged.
- b. DIC will award the Contract to the Best Value Bidder, finalized as per the financial bidding process mentioned above.

#### 9.6 Right to Accept/Reject Any or All Proposal(s)

DIC reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal, and to annul the tendering process / Public procurement process and reject all proposals at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders or any obligation to inform the affected bidder or bidders of the grounds for DIC action.

#### 9.7 Contract Finalization and Award

- a. The DIC shall reserve the right to negotiate with the bidder whose proposal has been ranked best value bid on the basis of Technical and Financial Evaluation to the proposed Project.
- b. After the DIC notifies the successful bidder that its proposal has been accepted, DIC shall enter into a contract, incorporating all clauses, pre-bid clarifications and the proposal of the bidder(s) between DIC and the successful bidder.
- c. Prior to the expiration of the validity period, DIC will notify the successful bidder in writing or through email, that its proposal has been accepted. The notification of award will constitute the formation of the contract. Upon the successful bidders' furnishing of Performance Bank Guarantee (**PBG**) of **Three Percent** of the **Total Work Order value**.

# 9.8 Failure to agree with the Terms and Conditions of the RFP

- a. Failure of the successful bidder(s) to agree with the Legal Agreement and Terms & Conditions of the RFP shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award, in which event DIC may award the contract to the next best value bidder or call for new proposals from the interested bidders at its own discretion
- b. In such a case, the DIC may penalize with the suspension for participation in future procurement processes for a period of up to one year.

# 9.9 Service Level Agreements (SLA) and Penalty

Service Levels	Measurement criteris	Applicable Penalty
Submission of Draft Report	Within defined timelines	Nil.
	Delay beyond 3 months	One Percent of Total Work Order Value for each delayed week
Submission of Final Report	Within defined timelines	Nil.
	Delay beyond 1 week of receiving the feedback on the draft report	One Percent of Total Work Order Value for each delayed week
Deployment of all the Core resources and Commencement of services for phase-II	Within 1 day from the completion of Phase-I	INR 10,000/- per day per person for the number of days and resources
Unauthorized absence of a Team Member from duty	Each instance	INR 10,000/- per day per person for the number of days and resources
<b>Replacement of resource</b> (non-performance, resignation, retirement, Death etc)	Within 15 days request by DIC	INR 10,000/- per day per person for the number of days and resources
Customer Satisfaction: Customer Satisfaction will be calculated on a scale of 1-10 with 10 being highest and 1 being lowest, across multiple parameters. Different parameters like, punctuality, attendance, initiative, quality of deliverables etc. would be used by the respective DIC officials to evaluate the resources deployed in their teams. Basis this evaluation, the penalty will be levied which could be 0.5% of the quarterly payment for the consultant. It is expected that a minimum score of 7 would be maintained by the consultants.	Customer satisfaction score- =7 and above Less than 7	Nil.  Two percent (2%) of the total work order value against each milestone of payment (please refer 10.7 (Payment Terms)

**Note:** The maximum SLA based penalties that can be levied under the contract shall be 20 per cent of the Work Order Value.

# 10 General Terms and Conditions

#### 10.1 Adherence to terms and conditions

The Bidders who wish to submit their responses to this RFP should note that they should abide (in true intent and spirit) by all the terms and conditions contained in the RFP. If the responses contain any extraneous conditions put in by the Bidders, such responses may be disqualified and may not be considered for the selection process.

# 10.2 Consultant's General Responsibilities

The Consultant shall, subject to the provisions of the assignment and with due care, execute the work and take all responsibility, including the supervision thereof and all other things, whether of a temporary or permanent nature, required in and for such execution.

The Consultant shall carry out and complete the work in accordance with prevailing good industry practices and using workmanship of the quality and standards there in specified, provided that where and to the extent some approval of the quality of the standards of workmanship is a matter of opinion, such quality and standards shall be to the satisfaction of DIC.

The Consultant should provide professional, objective and impartial advice at all times and hold DIC's interest paramount and should observe the highest standard of ethics, values, code of conduct, honesty and while executing the assignment.

## 10.3 Sufficiency of Tender

The Bidders shall be deemed to have satisfied itself as to the correctness and sufficiency of the rates and prices before agreeing to the Terms and Conditions. The rates quoted by the Bidders shall be adequate to complete the assignment according to the specification and conditions attached thereto. The Bidders should take into account all conditions and difficulties that may be encountered during the course of assignment and quote the amount, which shall include agreed professional fee/ contract amount without taxes, royalties and other duties and the value and all details of other facilities and services necessary for proper completion of the assignment, except such as may be otherwise provided in the contract document for completion of the assignment.

# 10.4 Execution of Service Level Agreement (SLA)/Non-Disclosure Agreement NDA

The selected Consultant will be required to execute the following within **30 days** from the date of intimation to the Consultant as stated in **clause 9.5** above:

- a. Service Level Agreement (SLA) which will include all the services and terms and conditions of the services to be extended as detailed here in and as may be prescribed or recommended by DIC; and
- b. Non-disclosure Agreement (NDA)
  - i. Payment of stamp duty would be as per laws applicable in the State in which the SLA and NDA is executed.
  - ii. The Consultant shall bear all costs and expenses for the execution, stamp duty and submission of the agreements. DIC shall not be responsible or liable for reimbursing / compensating these costs and expenses.

If the selected Consultant differs / does not agree on any conditions / terms of the contract, DIC shall have the right to appoint the next ranked Consultant without any obligation or without assigning any reasons to anyone and shall not be held liable for any losses or damages caused by such action.

Unless and until a formal SLA and NDA is executed, this Tender (RFP) together with the written acceptance of the Consultant thereof shall constitute binding Terms and Conditions between the Parties.

#### 10.5 Tenure

The Consultant will be appointed for a **9 months** from the date of appointment, which *inter-alia* shall include the period of successful implementation. However, this would be subject to satisfactory performance during periodic reviews which would be solely adjudged by DIC. In case the performance of the Consultant is deemed unsatisfactory, the contract will be terminated as per the provision of the "termination of contract" clause mentioned in this RFP.

# 10.6 No Commitment to Accept Lowest Financial Proposal by value

DIC shall be under no obligation to accept the lowest price bid or any other offer received in response to this RFP and shall be entitled to reject any or all offers including those received late or incomplete offers without assigning any reason whatsoever. DIC reserves the right to make any changes in the terms and conditions of purchase. DIC will not be obliged to meet and have discussions with any Consultant, and/or to listen to any representations unless there is change in the terms and conditions of purchase.

# 10.7 Payment terms

DIC will release the payment of the agreed Professional Fees to the selected Consultant after deduction of applicable taxes at source.

No upfront payment will be made by DIC to the Consultant.

If any of the items/ activities corresponding to which certain price as mentioned in the price Bid is quoted, are not taken up by DIC during the course of this assignment, DIC will not pay the professional fees quoted by the selected Consultant in the quotation against such activity/ item.

#	Milestone	Percentage of Payment
Ĭ	Submission of Inception Report	Five percent (5%) of total Work Order value
II	Submission and Acceptance Final Report	Twenty percent (20%) of total work order value
III	Completion of 5 months  (subject to submission of invoice along with: Report on attendance and performance with output document endorsed by Reporting Officer from DIC	Twenty percent (20%) of total Work Order value
IV	Completion of 7 months (subject to submission of invoice along with: Report on attendance and performance with output document endorsed by Reporting Officer from DIC	Twenty five percent (25%) of total Work Order value
V	Completion of 9 months (subject to submission of invoice along with: Report on attendance and performance with output document endorsed by Reporting Officer from DIC	Thirty percent (30%) of total Work Order value

# 10.8 Penalty

If the selected Consultant fails to complete the due performance of the contract in accordance with the specifications and conditions agreed during the final contract negotiation, DIC reserves the right to recover penalty @ 1.00% of the contract value per week or part thereof as Penalty for non-performance/ delayed performance.

Notwithstanding whatsoever stated in para above, if the selected Consultant fails to adhere to the time schedule or fails to complete the due performance of the obligations under this RFP as per DIC's satisfaction, then DIC can repudiate the contract and recover 20.00% of the contract value as penalty from the selected Consultant.

#### **10.9 Taxes**

TDS will be deducted from the payments to the Consultant as per applicable laws. In lieu of that certificate will be provided by DIC to the Consultant.

# 10.10 Statutory authority obligations, notices, fees & charges

The Consultant shall comply with and give all notices required by any Act, any instrument, rule or order made under any Act, or any regulation or bye-law of any relevant authority which has any jurisdiction with regard to the assignment.

The Consultant would comply with all Applicable Laws as they relate to its performance under this Agreement. This Agreement shall be governed, interpreted by and construed in accordance with the substantive laws of India.

# 10.11 Applicable Law and Jurisdiction of Court

This RFP and the Contract with the selected Consultant shall be governed in accordance with the Laws of India and will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of Courts at Delhi. This clause may be read in conjunction with clause 10.20 (Arbitration)

# 10.12 Single Point of Contact

The selected Consultant should have a local office in Delhi and has to provide details of single point of contact viz. Name, designation, address, e-mail address, telephone/ mobile no. etc.

#### 10.13 Authorized Signatory

The selected Consultant shall indicate the authorized signatories who can discuss and correspond with DIC, with regard to the obligations under the contract. The selected Consultant shall submit at the time of signing the contract, a certified copy of the resolution of their Board, authenticated by Company Secretary/ Director, authorizing an official or officials of the company or a Power of Attorney copy to discuss, sign agreements/ contracts with DIC. The Consultant shall furnish proof of signature identification for above purposes as required by DIC.

# 10.14 Work Space and administrative requirements

The key persons identified by the selected Consultant for the programme should carry out their activities from DIC's Office located at Electronics Niketan, 6, CGO Complex, New Delhi or from any other suitable location as provided by DIC. The Consultant may indicate their administrative requirements (entry pass & sitting arrangement) to DIC well in advance. No charges would be applicable to the Consultant for the same. Computers / laptops, Internet dongle, other IT devices & accessories etc. for human resources deputed shall be arranged by the selected agency / bidder on its own.

# 10.15 Substitution of Programme Team Members

During the assignment, the substitution of key staff identified for the assignment will not be allowed unless such substitution becomes unavoidable to overcome the undue delay or that such changes are critical to meet the obligation. In such circumstances, the selected Consultant, as the case maybe, can do so only with the prior written concurrence of DIC and by providing the replacement staff of the same level of qualifications and competence. If DIC is not satisfied with the substitution, DIC reserves the right to terminate the contract and recover whatever payments (including past payments and payment made in advance) made by DIC to the selected Consultant during the course of the assignment pursuant to this RFP besides claiming an amount equal to the contract value as penalty. However, DIC reserves the unconditional right to insist the selected Consultant to replace any team member with another (with the qualifications and competence as required by DIC) during the course of assignment pursuant to this RFP.

# 10.16 Rights in Intellectual Property and Material

All the rights relating to the Trade Marks and Copy Rights in respect of work generated by the Consultant on behalf of DIC and paid for by DIC shall vest with DIC. Provided that DIC would reimburse the Consultant for any sums of money paid for the assignment / licensing of the copyright by way of fees, charges, or otherwise as provided by the guidelines, regulations, rules, or policies of any professional body or association, with prior approval from DIC.

In order to perform the services, the Consultant must obtain at its sole account, the necessary assignments, permits and authorizations from the title holder of the corresponding patents, models, trademarks, names or other protected rights and shall keep DIC harmless and indemnify DIC from and against claims, proceedings, damages, costs and expenses (including but not limited to legal costs) for and/ or on account of infringements of said patents, models, trademarks names or other protected rights.

All documents, report, information, data etc. collected and prepared by Consultant in connection with the scope of work submitted to DIC will be property of DIC. The Consultant shall not be entitled, either directly or indirectly, to make use of the documents and reports given by DIC for carrying out of any services with any third parties. Consultant shall not, without the prior written consent of DIC be entitled to publish studies or descriptive articles, with or without illustrations or data, in respect of or in connection with the performance of services

The pre-existing intellectual property of the Consultant used in deliverables shall remain vested with the Consultant. Anything developed during the course of the project shall be owned by DIC.

#### 10.17 Confidentiality

Information provided under this RFP and subsequent SLA (if the Consultant is selected) is confidential and neither Party shall at any time either during the association or at any time thereafter divulge either directly or indirectly to any person(s), firm or company, business entity, or other organization whatsoever, any Confidential Information that the Other Party may acquire during the course of such association or otherwise concerning the Other Party's business, property, contracts, trade secrets, clients or affairs.

"**Confidential Information**" means any and all information that is or has been received by the "Receiving Party "from the "Disclosing Party "and that:

- a. Relates to the Disclosing Party; and
- b. Is designated by the Disclosing Party as being confidential or is disclosed in circumstances where the Receiving Party would reasonably understand that the disclosed information would be confidential or

- c. Is prepared or performed by or on behalf of the Disclosing Party by its employees, officers, directors, agents, representatives or consultants.
- d. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Confidential Information shall mean and include any information, data, analysis, compilations, notes, extracts, materials, reports, specifications or other documents or materials that may be shared by DIC with the Consultant.
- e. "Confidential Materials" shall mean all tangible materials containing Confidential Information, including, without limitation, written or printed documents and computer disks or tapes whether machine or user readable.
- f. Information disclosed pursuant to this clause will be subject to confidentiality for the term of contract plus two years. However, where Confidential Information relates to DIC's data or data of DIC projects, including but not limited to DIC customers "or DIC employees" personal data or such other information as DIC is required by any law to protect for an indefinite period, such Confidential Information shall be protected by the receiving party for an indefinite period or until such time when the receiving party no longer has access to the Confidential Information and has returned or destroyed all Confidential Information in its possession.
- g. Nothing contained in this clause shall limit Consultant from providing similar services to any third parties or reusing the skills, know-how and experience gained by the employees in providing the services contemplated under this clause, provided further that the Consultant shall at no point use DIC's confidential information or Intellectual property.

The Parties will, at all times, maintain confidentiality regarding the contents of this RFP and subsequent Agreement and proprietary information including any business, technical or financial information that is, at the time of disclosure, designated in writing as confidential, or would be understood by the Parties, exercising reasonable business judgment, to be confidential.

The Parties will keep in confidence and not disclose to any third party any and all Confidential Information available to the Parties, whether such information is given in writing or, is oral or visual, and whether such writing is marked to indicate the claims of ownership and/or secrecy or otherwise. Except as otherwise provided in this RFP, the Parties shall not use, nor reproduce for use in any way, any Confidential Information. The Parties agrees to protect the Confidential Information of the other with at least the same standard of care and procedures used to protect its own Confidential Information of similar importance but at all times using at least a reasonable degree of care.

If the Consultant hires another person, with the prior written permission of DIC to assist it in the performance of its obligations under this RFP, or assigns any portion of its rights or delegates any portion of its responsibilities or obligations under this RFP and subsequent Agreement to another person, it shall cause its assignee or delegate to be bound to retain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information in the same manner as the Consultant is bound to maintain the confidentiality.

The Consultant shall, at all times regard, preserve, maintain and keep as secret and confidential all Confidential Information and Confidential Materials of DIC

- a. Disclose, transmit, reproduce or make available any such Confidential Information and materials to any person, firm, Company or any other entity other than its directors, partners, advisers, agents or employees, subcontractors and contractors who need to know the same for the purposes of maintaining and supporting the equipment provided as a part of the contract. The Receiving Party shall be responsible for ensuring that the usage and confidentiality by its directors, partners, advisers, agents or employees, subcontractors and contractors is in accordance with the terms and conditions and requirements of this RFP; or
- b. Unless otherwise agreed herein, use of any such Confidential Information and materials for its own benefit or the benefit of others or do anything prejudicial to the interests of DIC or its customers or their projects.

In maintaining confidentiality hereunder the Consultant on receiving the Confidential Information and materials agrees and warrants that it shall:

- a. Take at least the same degree of care in safeguarding such Confidential Information and materials as it takes for its own confidential information of like importance and such degree of care shall be at least, that which is reasonably calculated to prevent such inadvertent disclosure.
- b. Keep the Confidential Information and Confidential Materials and any copies there of secure and in such a way so as to prevent unauthorized access by any third party
- c. Limit access to such Confidential Information and materials to those of its directors, partners, advisers, agents or employees, sub-contractors and contractors who are directly involved in the consideration/evaluation of the Confidential Information and bind each of its directors, partners, advisers, agents or employees, sub-contractors and contractors so involved to protect the Confidential Information and materials in the manner prescribed in this document.
- d. Upon discovery of any unauthorized disclosure or suspected unauthorized disclosure of Confidential Information, promptly inform DIC of such disclosure in writing and immediately return other Disclosing Party all such Information and materials, in whatsoever form, including any and all copies thereof
- e. The Consultant who receives the Confidential Information and materials agrees that on receipt of a written demand from the Disclosing Party;
  - i. Immediately return all written Confidential Information, Confidential materials and all copies thereof provided to, or produced by it or its advisers, as the case may be, which is in the Receiving Party's possession or under its custody and control
  - ii. To the extent practicable, immediately destroy all analyses, compilations, notes, studies, memoranda or other documents prepared by it or its advisers
  - iii. to the extent that the same contain, reflect or derive from Confidential Information relating to the Disclosing Party
  - iv. So far as it is practicable to do so immediately expunge any Confidential Information relating to the Disclosing Party or its projects from any computer, word processor or other device in its possession or under its custody and control

- v. To the extent practicable, immediately furnish a certificate signed by its director or other responsible representative confirming that to the best of his/ her knowledge, information and belief, having made all proper enquiries the requirements of this paragraph have been fully complied with
- vi. The rights in and to the data/ information residing at DIC's premises, including at the Disaster Recovery Centre even in the event of disputes shall at all times solely vest with DIC
- f. This shall not be applicable and shall impose no obligation on the receiving party with respect to any portion of Confidential Information which:
  - i. Was at the time received or which thereafter becomes, through no act or failure on the part of the receiving party, generally known or available to the public;
  - ii. Is known to the receiving party at the time of receiving such information as evidenced by documentation then right-fully in the possession of the receiving party;
  - iii. Is furnished by others to the receiving party without restriction of disclosure;
  - iv. Is there after rightfully furnished to the receiving party by a third party without restriction by that third party on disclosure;
  - v. Has been disclosed pursuant to the requirements of law or by any court of competent jurisdiction, the rules and regulations of any recognized stock exchange or any enquiry or investigation by any governmental, statutory or regulatory body which is lawfully entitled to require any such disclosure provided that, so far as it is lawful and practical to do so prior to such disclosure, the Consultant shall promptly notify DIC of such requirement with a view to providing DIC an opportunity to obtain a protective order or to contest the disclosure or otherwise agree to the timing and content of such disclosure
  - vi. Was independently developed by the receiving party without the help of the Confidential Information.

On termination of the RFP and subsequent agreement, each Party must immediately return to the other Party or delete or destroy all Confidential Information of the other Party and all notes and memoranda (including copies of them) containing Confidential Information of the other party in its possession or control save for that training materials and documentation that has been provided to DIC which is contemplated for continued realization of the benefit of the services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Consultant may retain a copy of such information (but which shall not include customer data and Confidential Information) as may be necessary for archival purpose. Where Confidential Information relates to DIC's data or data of DIC customers, including but not limited to the "DIC Clients or Projects" or the "DIC employees" personal data or such other information as DIC is required by any law to protect for an indefinite period, such Confidential Information shall be protected by the receiving party for an indefinite period or until such time when the receiving party no longer has access to the Confidential Information and has returned or destroyed all Confidential Information in its possession.

The Confidential Information and materials and all copies thereof, in whatsoever form shall at all times remain the property of DIC and its disclosure under the contract shall not confer on the Consultant any rights whatsoever beyond those contained in the contract.

Without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which a Party may have, the Parties acknowledge and agree that damages would not be an adequate remedy for any breach of the clause and the remedies of injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief are appropriate for any threatened or actual breach of any such provision and no proof of special damages shall be necessary for the enforcement of the rights under this Clause. Further, breach of this Clause shall be treated as "Material Breach" for the purpose of the contract.

The confidentiality obligations shall survive the expiry or termination of the agreement between the Consultant and DIC.

DIC shall use the deliverables only for internal use as per the agreement. Disclosure to third parties shall be after removing consultant's reference, except when the information is required for submission to statutory / regulatory authorities or its promoters.

### 10.18 Indemnification

The Consultant appointed under this RFP hereby absolutely, irrevocably and unconditionally indemnify and undertake to keep DIC and /or its directors, officers, employees, agents, and representatives indemnified and hold harmless for all time from and against all charges, costs, losses, claims, demands, damages, liabilities, obligations, suits, judgments, penalties, proceedings, prosecutions, litigations, or actions, financial or otherwise; at law or equity, including the expenses of defending any claim of liability by any third party, and from and against all actual damages sustained, whatsoever, whether past, or current suffered or incurred by DIC and or its directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives due to reason of any third party claim arising out of –

- DIC's authorized/ bonafide use of the Services provided by Consultant under this RFP; and/ or
- An act or omission of the Consultant, including its employees, agents, subcontractors in the performance of the obligations of the Consultant under this RFP; and/or
- Claims made by employees or subcontractors or subcontractors' employees (appointed with the written permission of DIC), who are deployed by the Consultant, for rendering the service to DIC; and/or
- Breach of any of the term of this RFP or breach of any representation or false representation or inaccurate statement or assurance or covenant or warranty of the Consultant under this RFP; and/or
- Any or all the Services infringing any patent, trademarks, copyrights or such other Intellectual Property Rights; and/ or
- Breach of confidentiality obligations contained in this RFP; and/or
- Negligence or gross misconduct attributable to the Consultant or its employees
- The total liability of the selected Consultant under this clause and contract shall not exceed the total contract value. The Indemnification shall survive the expiry or termination of the agreement between the Consultant and DIC.

### 10.19 Termination

In the event of non-performance of the Consultant as decided by DIC or any disputes or differences arising between the Parties hereto on any matter / provision set out in this RFP and subsequent Service Agreement for the selected Consultant, the Parties shall try to resolve the matter amicably inter se. The defaulting Party shall be given notice of 30 days to alter the situation and resolve the dispute or reverse the damage caused in any way.

In the event the defaulting Party does not comply with its obligations, on the termination of the notice period, the other Party shall be at liberty to terminate the Agreement, without further notice, and shall additionally have the right to claim any further rights available under the law, including without limitation, the right to damages.

Upon termination of the Agreement, the Consultant would promptly hand over to DIC all deliverable items, including work-in-progress, all "as is where is" condition subject to the mutual settlement of all money due and payable to them being paid. During the period of notification of termination, the Consultant shall complete pending assignments and DIC shall agree to settle the dues in respect of completed assignments, except if specifically instructed by DIC to act otherwise. In such case, the payment due to the Consultant would be determined on the basis of the last completed milestone as per the programme schedule.

DIC would also have the right to terminate such SLA with one month's notice without assigning any reason.

DIC reserves the right to cancel the contract of the selected Consultant and recover expenditure incurred by DIC in any of the following circumstances:

- a. The Consultant becomes insolvent or goes into liquidation voluntarily or otherwise.
- b. An attachment is levied or continues to be levied for a period of 7 days upon effects of the bid.
- c. The progress regarding execution of the contract, made by the selected Consultant is found to be unsatisfactory.
- d. If deductions on account of Penalty exceeds more than 20% of the total contract price.
- e. If the selected Consultant fails to complete the due performance of the contract in accordance with the agreed terms and conditions.
- f. If the selected Consultant gets merged/ taken over by another firm.
- g. Breach of terms of Contract by the Consultant which in the opinion of DIC is material.

### 10.20 Arbitration

Without prejudice to the right of DIC to terminate the RFP/Contract and pursue other remedies under RFP/Contract, if a dispute, controversy or claim arises out of or relates to the contract, or breach, termination or invalidity thereof, and if such dispute, controversy or claim cannot be settled and resolved by the Parties through discussion and negotiation, then the Parties shall refer such dispute to sole Arbitrator appointed with the mutual consent of DIC and the Consultant. The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in English and a written order shall be prepared. The venue of the Arbitration shall be Delhi. The Arbitration shall be held in accordance with the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996. The arbitration award shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the Parties and judgment may be entered thereon, upon the application of either Party to a court of competent jurisdiction. Each Party shall bear the cost of preparing and presenting its case, and the cost of arbitration, including fees and expenses of the arbitrators, shall be shared equally by the Parties unless the award otherwise provides. The decision of the Arbitrator shall be final and binding upon the Parties.

### 10.21 Publicity

Any publicity by the Consultant in which the name and logo of DIC is to be used should be done only with the explicit prior written permission of DIC.

### 10.22 Notices and other Communication

If a notice has to be sent to either of the Parties following the signing of the contract, it has to be in writing and shall be sent personally or by certified or registered post with acknowledgement due or courier or email duly transmitted, facsimile/ fax transmission (with hard copy to follow for email/fax), addressed to the other party at the addresses, email and fax number given in the contract.

Notices shall be deemed given upon receipt, except that notices sent by registered post in a correctly addressed envelope shall be deemed to be delivered within 5 working days (excluding Sundays and public holidays) after the date of mailing dispatch and in case the communication is made by facsimile transmission or email, on business date immediately after the date of successful facsimile/ email transmission (that is, the sender has a hard copy of a confirmation page evidencing that the facsimile was completed in full to the correct fax number or email sent to correct email address). Any Party may change the address, email address and fax number to which notices are to be sent to it, by providing written notice to the other Party in one of the manners provided in this section.

### 10.23 Written Notice of change in name, form or control of either Party

The Consultant shall provide DIC with prompt 30 days prior written notice of any proposed change in Consultant's name, ownership, or form of organization. The Consultant shall also provide DIC with prompt written notice and in any event within a period of 30 days of the occurrence of any event, which could jeopardize or materially impact its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement in a timely manner.

#### 10.24 Violation of Terms

DIC shall be entitled to an injunction, restraining order, right for recovery, suit for specific performance or such other equitable relief as a court of competent jurisdiction may deem necessary or appropriate to restrain the Consultant from committing any violation or enforce the performance of the covenants, obligations and representations contained in this RFP. These injunctive remedies are cumulative and are in addition to any other rights and remedies DIC may have at law or inequity, including without limitation a right for recovery of any amounts and related costs and a right for damages.

### 10.25 Limitation of Liability

Save and except as provided in "Terms of Compensation" and "Termination" herein, neither Party shall be liable to the other for any lost revenue, lost profits or other incidental or consequential damages based on any breach or default under this Agreement.

The Consultant's aggregate liability in connection with obligations undertaken as a part of the RFP regardless of the form or nature of the action giving rise to such liability (whether in contract, to otherwise), shall be at actual and limited to the Contracted Value under the applicable statement of work.

DIC shall not be held liable for and is absolved of any responsibility or claim/ litigation arising out of the use of any third party software or modules supplied by Consultant as part of procurement under the RFP. It is expressly agreed between the Parties that for any event giving rise to a claim, DIC shall have the right to make a claim (including claims for indemnification under the procurement in this RFP) against the Consultant.

### 10.26 Survival

Any provision of the Contract/ this RFP (if any) which, either expressly or by implication, survive the termination or expiry of the Contract, shall be complied with by the Parties in the same manner as if the Contract/ RFP is valid, subsisting and in full force and effect.

In the event of the Termination of the Agreement (with the selected Bidder) in whole or in part, the Clauses titled "Compensation", "Rights in Intellectual Property and Material", "Indemnification", "Confidentiality", and "Limitation of Liability" shall survive and continue in effect and shall ensure to the benefit of and be binding upon both the Parties, their successors and assigns.

### 10.27 Severability

Each of the above restrictions is separate and severable from the other. Any provision, which is invalid or unenforceable, shall be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity or unenforceability, without affecting in any way the remaining provisions hereof.

### 10.28 No Agency

The Service(s) of the successful Bidder herein shall not be construed as any agency of DIC and there shall be no principal agency relationship between DIC and the successful Bidder in this regard.

### 10.29 Corrupt and Fraudulent practices

As per Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) directives, it is required that Consultants/Suppliers/ Contractors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts in pursuance of this policy:

- a. "Corrupt Practice" means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of values to influence the action of an official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
- b. "Fraudulent Practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of contract to the detriment of DIC and includes collusive practice among consultants (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non- competitive levels and to deprive DIC of the benefits of free and open competition.

DIC reserves the right to reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Consultant recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question. DIC reserves the right to declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time as per DIC's discretion, to be awarded a contract if at any time it determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.

### 10.30 Adherence to Standards

The selected Consultant should adhere to all the applicable laws of land and rules, regulations and guidelines prescribed by various regulatory, statutory and Government authorities.

DIC reserves the right to conduct an audit/ ongoing audit of the consulting services provided by the selected Consultant. DIC reserves the right to ascertain information from other institutions to which the Consultants have rendered their services for execution of similar programmes.

### 10.31 Conflict of interest

The Consultant shall strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments/jobs or their own corporate interest and shall disclose to DIC all actual and potential conflicts of interest that exist, arise or may arise in the course of performing the services after it becomes aware of that conflict.

### 10.32 Sub Contracts

Neither the contract nor any rights granted under the contract with DIC can be sold, leased, assigned, or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, by the selected Consultant without advance written consent of DIC. Any such sale, lease, assignment or otherwise transfer shall be void and be of no effect. The selected Bidder shall not subcontract or permit anyone other than its personnel to perform any of the work, service or other performance required of the selected Bidder under the contract. Formation of consortium or association of consultants and engaging sub consultants is not allowed and such proposals will be disqualified at the evaluation stage itself.

### 10.33 Non-solicitation

The selected Consultant, during the term of the contract and for a period of one year thereafter shall not without the express prior written consent of DIC, directly or indirectly:

- a. Recruit, hire appoint or engage or attempt to recruit, hire, appoint or engage or discuss employment with or otherwise utilize the services of any person who has been an employee or associate or engaged in any capacity, by DIC in rendering services in relation to the contract; or
- b. Induce any person who shall have been an employee or associate of DIC at any time to terminate his/ her relationship with DIC.

### 10.34 No Employer Employee Relationship

The selected Consultant or any of its holding/subsidiary/joint-venture/ affiliate/ group/ client companies or any of their employees/ officers/ staff/ personnel/ representatives/ agents shall not, under any circumstances, be deemed to have any employer-employee relationship with DIC or any of its employees/ officers/ staff/ representatives/personnel/agents.

### 10.35 Vicarious Liability

The selected Consultant shall be the principal employer of the employees, agents, contractors, sub- contractors etc., engaged by the selected Consultant and shall be vicariously liable for all the acts, deeds, matters or things, whether the same is within the scope of power or outside the scope of power, vested under the contract. No right of any employment in DIC shall accrue or arise, by virtue of engagement of employees, agents, contractors, subcontractors etc. by the selected Consultant, for any assignment under the contract. All remuneration, claims, wages dues etc. of such employees, agents, contractors, sub- contractors etc. of the selected Consultant shall be paid by the selected Consultant alone and DIC shall not have any direct or indirect liability or obligation, to pay any charges, claims or wages of any of the selected Consultant's employees, agents, contractors, subcontractors etc. The selected Consultant shall agree to hold DIC, its successors, assigns and administrators fully indemnified, and harmless against loss or liability, claims, actions or proceedings, if any, whatsoever nature that may arise or caused to DIC through the action of selected Consultant's employees, agents, contractors, subcontractors etc.

### 10.36 Other Conditions

It is clarified, as and by way of abundant caution that DIC will have all ownership and / or license rights on all the ideas, concepts, proposals, etc. developed by the Consultant during the course of this assignment as specified in the RFP and paid for by DIC.

DIC reserves the right to negotiate any aspect of proposal with any Consultant and negotiate with more than one Consultant at a time after the RFP closes to improve upon or clarify any response or bid proposal.

DIC reserves the right to ask some or all consultants for clarification of their offer to assist in the scrutiny, evaluation and comparison of offers and based on this, disqualify the Consultant whose clarification is found not suitable for the proposed project.

DIC reserves the right to share the information/clarifications provided in response to RFP by any Consultant, with any other Consultant(s)/others, in any form.

### 10.37 Representations and Warranties

The Bidder hereby represents and warrants as of the date hereof, which representations and warranties shall survive the term and termination hereof, the following:

- a. Bidder has been in existence in India since April 01, 2016 and has the requisite qualifications, skills, experience and expertise in providing the service(s), the technical know-how and the financial wherewithal, the power and the authority to enter into the Contract and provide the service(s) sought by DIC.
- b. That the Bidder is not involved in any major litigation and no litigation or investigation is threatened against the Bidder. That the existing or threatened litigations or investigations do not have an impact of affecting or compromising the performance and delivery of service(s) under the RFP/Contract.

- c. That the representations made by the Bidder in its bid are and shall continue to remain true and fulfill all the requirements as are necessary for executing the duties, obligations and responsibilities as laid down in the Contract and RFP and unless DIC specifies to the contrary, the Bidder shall be bound by all the terms of the bid. The Bidder has not suppressed any information, which is within the knowledge of the Bidder.
- d. That the Bidder meets the requisite eligibility criteria as set out hereinabove and has the requisite professional skills, personnel and resources/authorizations that are necessary for providing / rendering all such service(s) as are necessary to perform its obligations under the bid and this Contract
- e. That the Bidder shall ensure that all assets including but not limited to softwares, licenses, databases, documents, etc. developed, procured, deployed and created during the term of the Contract are duly maintained and suitably updated, upgraded, replaced with regard to contemporary and statutory requirements.
- f. That the Bidder shall use such assets of DIC as DIC may permit for the sole purpose of execution of its obligations under the terms of the bid, or the Contract. The Bidder shall however, have no claim to any right, title, lien or other interest in any such property, and any possession of property for any duration whatsoever shall not create any right in equity or otherwise, merely by fact of such use or possession during or after the term hereof.
- g. That the Bidder shall procure all the necessary permissions and requisite authorities approvals, consents, no objections and licenses for use of various software and any copyrighted process/product free from all claims, titles, interests and liens thereon, and shall keep DIC, its directors, officers, employees, representatives, consultants and agents indemnified in relation thereto.
- h. That all the representations and warranties as have been made by the Bidder with respect to its bid and the Contract, are true and accurate, and shall continue to remain true and accurate through the term of the Contract.
- i. That the execution of the service(s) herein is and shall be strictly in accordance and in compliance with all applicable laws, as amended from time to time, the regulatory framework governing the same and the good industry practice.
- j. That there are (a) no legal proceedings pending or threatened against Bidder or its team which adversely affect/may affect performance under the Contract; and (b) no inquiries or investigations have been threatened, commenced or pending against the Bidder or its team members by any statutory or regulatory or investigative agencies.
- k. That the Bidder has the corporate power / power to execute, deliver and perform the terms and provisions of the Contract and has taken all necessary corporate action / action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance by it of the Contract.
- 1. That all the conditions precedent under the Contract have been complied.

- m. That neither the execution and delivery by the Bidder of the Contract nor the Bidder's compliance with or performance of the terms and provisions of the Contract (i) will contravene any provision of any applicable laws or any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental authority binding on the Bidder (ii) will conflict or be inconsistent with or result in any breach of any or the terms, covenants, conditions, provisions or stipulations of, or constitute a default under any agreement, contract or instrument to which the Bidder is a party or by which it or any of its property or assets is bound or to which it may be subject or (iii) will violate any provision of the Constitutional Documents (if applicable) of the Bidder.
- n. That the Bidder certifies that all registrations, recordings, filings and notarizations of the contract and all payments of any tax or duty, including without limitation stamp duty, registration charges or similar amounts which are required to be effected or made by the Bidder which is necessary to ensure the legality, validity, enforceability or admissibility in evidence of the Contract have been made by him/her/it.
- o. That the Bidder confirms that there has not and shall not occur any execution, amendment or modification of any agreement/contract without the prior written consent of DIC, which may directly or indirectly have a bearing on the Contract or service(s).
- p. That the Bidder owns, has license to use or otherwise has the right to use, free of any pending or threatened liens or other security or other interests all Intellectual Property Rights, which are required or desirable for the service(s) and the Bidder does not, in carrying on its business and operations, infringe any Intellectual Property Rights of any person. None of the Intellectual Property or Intellectual Property Rights owned or enjoyed by the Bidder or which the Bidder is licensed to use, which are material in the context of the Bidder's business and operations are being infringed nor, there is any infringement or threatened infringement of those Intellectual Property or Intellectual Property Rights licensed or provided to the Bidder by any person. All Intellectual Property Rights (owned by the Bidder or which the Bidder is licensed to use) are valid and subsisting. All actions (including registration, payment of all registration and renewal fees) required to maintain the same in full force and effect have been taken thereon and shall keep DIC, its directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives and consultants indemnified in relation thereto.

### 10.38 Relationship between the Parties:

Nothing in the Contract constitutes any fiduciary relationship between DIC and successful Bidder/its team or any relationship of employer - employee, principal and agent, or partnership, between DIC and the successful Bidder.

No Party has any authority to bind the other Party in any manner whatsoever, except as agreed under the terms of the Contract.

DIC has no obligation to the successful Bidder except as agreed under the terms of the Contract. All employees/personnel/ representatives/agents etc., engaged by the successful Bidder for performing its obligations under the Contract/RFP shall be in sole employment of the successful Bidder and the successful Bidder shall be solely responsible for their salaries, wages, statutory payments etc. Under no circumstances, shall DIC be liable for any payment or claim or compensation (including but not limited to any compensation on account of any injury / death / termination) of any nature to the employees/personnel/representatives/agent etc. of the successful Bidder.

The successful Bidder shall disclose to DIC in writing, all actual and potential conflicts of interest that exist, arise or may arise (either for the successful Bidder or its team/agents/representatives/personnel etc.) in the course of performing the services as soon as practical after it becomes aware of that conflict.

The successful Bidder shall not make or permit to be made a public announcement or media release about any aspect of the Contract unless DIC first gives the successful Bidder its prior written consent.

### 10.39 Force Majeure

### **Definition**

- i. For the purposes of this engagement, "Force Majeure" means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of a Party, is not foreseeable, is unavoidable and not brought about by or at the instance of the Party claiming to be affected by such events and which has caused the non-performance or delay in performance, and which makes a Party's performance of its obligations hereunder impossible or so impractical as reasonably to be considered impossible in the circumstances, and includes, but is not limited to, war, riots, civil disorder, earthquake, fire, explosion, storm, flood or other extreme adverse weather conditions, strikes, lockouts or other industrial action (except where such strikes, lockouts or other industrial action are within the power of the Party invoking Force Majeure to prevent), confiscation or any other action by Government agencies.
- ii. Force Majeure shall not include:
  - a. any event which is caused by the negligence or intentional action of a Party or by or of such Party's agents or employees, nor
  - b. any event which a diligent Party could reasonably have been expected both to take into account at the time of the conclusion of this Engagement, and avoid or overcome in the carrying out of its obligations hereunder.
- iii. Force Majeure shall not include insufficiency of funds or inability to make any payment required hereunder.

## **Annexure 1: Bid Security Declaration**

To, Administration, Digital India Corporation (DIC), Electronics Niketan, 6 CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003

Whereas <<Name of the Bidder>> (hereinafter called 'the Bidder') has submitted the bid for submission of RFP # <<RFP Number for <<Name of the assignment>> (hereinafter called "the Bid") to DIC (hereinafter called 'the Purchaser').

I/We, hereby, accept that I/We will not withdraw or modify our bid during the bid validity period (180 days from submission date). I/We understand that on violation of this declaration, I/We may be penalized with suspension for participation in future for a period of up to one year.

(Authorized Signatory/ies of the Bidding Agency) Seal: Date:

# Annexure 2: Checklist for Submission of Response to RFP

Below table summarizes the list of mandatory documents to be submitted mandatorily with Prequalification.

	Docu	ments to be submitted	Yes/No	Ref. Page No.
I	EMD-	-Bid Security Declaration (as per <b>Annexure 1</b> )	Yes/No	
		rtaking regarding agreement of all terms of RFP (as per	Yes/No	
		xure 3)	,	
7.	Tender submitted in Three bid in addition to Bid Security			-
]	Decla	ration	,	
. (	Subm	nitted documents in pre-qualification/Eligibility criteria		
(	refer	Section -6 and relevant Annexure for more details		
	i.	Copy of Certificate of Registration/ Incorporation/	Yes/No	
		Constitutional Document		
	ii.	Copy of PAN	Yes/No	
	iii.	Copy of Tax Registration	Yes/No	
	iv.	Number of Full time professionals		
	iv.	The Bidder must have a minimum of 3 years'	Yes/No	
		experience in providing Management Consulting		
		services to Organizations with more than 100		
		employees. –Document attached per Annexure 5 & 6		
	v.	The Bidder, in the last 3 years, should have	Yes/No	
		undertaken at least one Management Consultancy		
		Project on a Long Term basis (i.e. at least for 9 Months		
		or more) for organizational restructuring of an		
		organization with more than 100 resources. The		
		assignment should have covered organizational		
		restructuring, planning, HR policies and Branding-		
-		Document attached per Annexure 5 & 6	77 /37	
	vi.	The Bidder should have in-house capability to take up	Yes/No	
		assignment on their own and not through any		
		associates. Joint and collative Bids will not be		
- 1	vii.	accepted. –As per annexure 3	Voc /No	+
	V11.	The Bidder should have average positive profit in the	Yes/No	
		last three consecutive financial years (2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20). Attached document Certified (by		
		Statutory Auditor) copies of audited Balance sheet and		
		Profit & Loss Account for past 3 years		
	/iii.	The Bidder must have earned a fee of at least Rs. 50	Yes/No	
ľ	/ 111.	Crores (Rupees Fifty Crores Only) from Management	103/110	
		Consultancy services during each of the three previous		
		financial years i.e. (2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20).		
		Attached document suitable certification by Statutory		
		Auditors.		
f	ix.	The Bidder should not be owned or controlled by any	Yes/No	
		Director or Employee (or Relatives) of DIC. Document		
		attached per Annexure 8		
ľ	X.	The Bidder should not have been penalized or found	Yes/No	
		guilty in any court of law and the consultant shall not	,	

	Documents to be submitted	Yes/No	Ref. Page No.
	have been blacklisted / debarred by any Central Government Ministry/State Government/ any other regulatory authority / and not involved in any major litigation that may have impact or compromise the delivery of services required during last three years i.e. April 2017-March 2020 and April 2020 onwards till date. Document attached per Annexure 9.  xi. The company / firm and director / partners have not	Yes/No	
	defaulted to any Government entity within the jurisdiction of India. Document attached per Annexure 7	,	
5	Bid signed and stamped by authorized signatory on all pages	Yes/No	
6	Technical Proposal/Bid –as per Annexure 5, 6 & 13	Yes/No	NA
7	Financial Proposal/Bid - as per Annexure 12	Yes/No	NA

Note: All documents including annexure must be properly marked, signed and sealed and placed in the above mentioned order.

We have not masked any document in the proposal document.

SIGNATURE -Authorized Signatory

Date:

Full name and designation and, contact details (Seal of organization)

## Annexure 3 - Undertaking regarding agreement of all terms of RFP

To,

Administration,
Digital India Corporation
Electronics Niketan
6, CGO Complex Lodhi Road
New Delhi – 110003

Dear Sir,

1) Having examined the RFP including all Annexures, Forms and Appendices, the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we, the undersigned qualify the eligibility criteria and offer to provide the services as mentioned in the "Request for Proposal" and the other schedules of requirements and services for DIC in conformity with this RFP.

Sr	Particulars	Details
No		
1	Name of Bidder	
2	Registered Address	
3	Website address	
4	Nature of entity (partnership/ private/ public etc)	
5	Name of Partners / Directors	
6	Date of Incorporation	
7	Details of authorized contact	
	person	
8	Name	
9	Designation	
10	Telephone nos	
11	Mobile no	
12	Email Address	
13	Fax no	

- 2) We confirm that the corrigendum(s) issued from time to time by DIC have also been taken into consideration, while submitting this undertaking letter.
- 3) We confirm that we have the in-house capabilities to complete the assignment mentioned under this RFP on our own and not through any associate.
- 4) We confirm that we have the technical capabilities to deliver all the requirements of the above mentioned RFP.
- 5) We hereby certify that we have provided all the information requested by DIC in the format requested for. The information provided is correct and true to the best of our knowledge. In case at any stage, it is found that the information given by us is false / not correct or in a different format, DIC shall have the absolute right to take any action as deemed fit without any prior intimation to us.

- 6) We agree to abide by the terms of this Tender from the date fixed for receiving the same or agreed extended period and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiry of the period.
- 7) If our Proposal is accepted, we undertake to complete and deliver the whole of the works comprised in the RFP; comply with the delivery schedule as mentioned in the RFP and agree to abide by the General Terms and Conditions.
- 8) We agree to abide by this Financial Proposal for 180 days from the date of the submission of proposal and our Offer shall remain binding on us and may be accepted by DIC any time before expiry of the offer.
- 9) Unless and until a formal Agreement is executed, this Tender together with our written acceptance thereof shall constitute binding Terms and Conditions between DIC and us.
- 10) We understand that the Request for Proposal (RFP) does not commit DIC to reimburse the Bidder for any costs incurred in submission of this proposal. All statements in this RFP and any pre-contract negotiations, understandings and agreements resulting from this RFP are preliminary; consequently, DIC has no obligation to us until a written contract is executed.
- 11) We agree that DIC is not bound to accept the lowest or any Bid DIC may receive.
- 12) We understand that DIC has the right, without assigning reasons thereof, to
  - i) Reject, amend, and modify any condition contained in the RFP.
  - ii) Terminate this RFP.
  - iii) Negotiate with one or more Participants.
  - iv) Not award the assignment to any of the Participants and / or recommence the entire process.
  - v) Contract with one or more Participants for any reasons whatsoever.
  - vi) Modify the requirements and terms of this RFP and request revised proposals from some or all of the Participants.

### Signature of Authorized Person of Bidder

# Full Name& Designation of Authorized Person Date:

Seal of Bidder

# Annexure 4 - Eligibility/Pre-qualification Bid

Sr.	Details	Supporting Documents	Page No.
No		to be submitted	
1	Date of registration/incorporation	Attached -Certificate of	
		Incorporation/	
		Constitutional	
	m D:11	Documents	
2	The Bidder must have a minimum of 3	Relevant details of the	
	years' experience in providing	engagement for past 3	
	Management Consulting services to	years with client	
	Organizations with more than 100	certificates. (Annexure	
2	employees.	5 & 6)	
3	The Bidder, in the last 3 years, should	Relevant details of	
	have undertaken at least one	engagement(s)	
	Management Consultancy Project on a	undertaken in the last	
	Long Term basis (i.e. at least for 9	three years with Client	
	Months or more) for organizational	Certificates. (Annexure	
	restructuring of an organization with more than 100 resources. The	5 & 6)	
	assignment should have covered		
	organizational restructuring, planning,		
	HR policies and Branding.		
4	The Bidder should have in-house	Undertaking Letter	
4	capability to take up assignment on their	(Annexure 3)	
	own and not through any associates.	(Annexure 3)	
	Joint and collative Bids will not be		
	accepted.		
5	The Bidder should have average positive	Certified (by Statutory	
	profit in the last three consecutive	Auditor) copies of	
	financial years (2017-18, 2018-19 and	audited Balance sheet	
	2019-20). The profitability at Profit Before	and Profit & Loss	
	Tax levels would be considered for	Account for past 3	
	evaluation.	years	
6	The Bidder must have earned a fee of at	Suitable certification by	
	least Rs. 50 Crores (Rupees Fifty Crores	Statutory Auditors. In	
	Only) from Management Consultancy	case the Bidder	
	services during <b>each</b> of the three previous	provides other services	
	financial years i.e. (2017-18, 2018-19 and	also, the fee from	
	2019-20)	management	
		consultancy services	
	Fee from services other than management	only will be considered.	
	consultancy viz. relating to accounting,		
	audit and taxation, etc. will not be	Relevant certificate	
	included.	from Statutory/ Tax	
		Auditors will be	
		required.	
7	The Bidder should not be owned or	Self-Declaration by the	
	controlled by any Director or Employee (or	Bidder on Company's	
	Relatives) of DIC.	letter head	

Sr. No	Details	Supporting Documents to be submitted	Page No.
		(Annexure 8)	
8	The Bidder should not have been penalized or found guilty in any court of law and the consultant shall not have been blacklisted / debarred by any Central Government Ministry/State Government/ any other regulatory authority / and not involved in any major litigation that may have impact or compromise the delivery of services required during last three years i.e. April 2017-March 2020 and April 2020 onwards till date.	Self- Certification by the Bidder on Bidder's letter head to be provided. However, DIC would have the right to independently verify the same.  (Annexure 9)	
9	The company / firm and director / partners have not defaulted to any Government entity within the jurisdiction of India.	Self- declaration as per the format (Annexure 7)	
10	Ownership and nature of entity	Public, partnership, subsidiary etc.	
11	Income Tax returns for past three years.	IT Returns	
12	Board resolution (in case of company) or Power of Attorney authorizing the authorized signatory to sign on behalf of the Bidder.	Board resolution (in case of company) or Power of Attorney	
13	Proof of address of registered office.	Electricity / Phone Bills / Self Declaration by Authorized Signatory on Bidder's Letter Head	

# **Annexure 5 – Format for Relevant Engagements**

Please use the format below to provide information for which your firm was legally contracted for carrying out consulting assignment.

(Use separate sheet for each client)

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Completion Letter / Reference Letter / email (Format given in **Annexure 5**) from relevant Senior Executive of the client to be attached for each engagement reference mentioned

<u> </u>
Signature of Authorised Person of Bidder
Full Name& Designation of Authorised Person
Date:

Seal of Bidder

# Annexure 6 – Format for Reference Letter / email from Client

(On letterhead duly stamped and signed / of	ficial email id of the client)
	Date:
TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY	CONCERN
This is to certify that the following (Name of the by us for management consulting services for (Caption undertaken) for a period of	
months/ years from <u>(Start date)</u> to	(End Date) .
	Nome
	Name: Designation
	:

# Annexure 7- Declaration: No default on any project in jurisdiction of India

(On letterhead of the consultant duly stamped and signed)

### **DECLARATION-CUM-CERTIFICATE**

### TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that (Name of Bidder) has not defaulted under any of the contracts which we have entered with any other organziation within the jurisdiction of India.

Name: Designation: Date:

# Annexure 8 – Declaration: No Ownership or Control of DIC Employees (or relatives)

(On letterhead of the Bidder duly stamped and signed)

### **DECLARATION-CUM-CERTIFICATE**

### TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that <u>(Name of</u> any Director or Employee (or Re		or controlled by
	Nam Desi Date	gnation:

# Annexure 9 – Declaration: Not penalized or Found Guilty in any Court of Law

(On letterhead of the Bidder duly stamped and signed)

### **DECLARATION-CUM-CERTIFICATE**

### TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that the (consulting firm penalized or found guilty in any court of law and the (blacklisted / debarred by any Central Government Many other regulatory authority /during last three year and April 2020 onwards till date.	(firm/ company) has not been inistry / State Government /
Further, this is to certify thatd criminal, taxation and other cases pending against_tl affecting or compromising the delivery of services requi	hat may have any impact
	Name: Designation: Date:

# Annexure 10 - Declaration: Number of Full Time professionals

(On letterhead of the consultant duly stamped and signed)

### **DECLARATION-CUM-CERTIFICATE**

### TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that	(Name of consulting firm)	hasfull
time professional staff eng	aged exclusively in manager	nent consulting services
in India as on January 0	1, 2021.	
	I	Name:
	I	Designation:
	I	Date:

### Annexure 11 - Technical Bid

The Consultant should submit the Approach, Methodology and work plan in one integrated document. The submission should highlight Consultant's analysis of the current issues before DIC and likely solutions to address these. It should highlight the proposed approach and methodology for delivery of the assignment proposed given the understanding of DIC.

The approach and work plan should clearly highlight the implementation roadmap. It must also include the plan for transfer of knowledge and capability building for the employees of DIC with clearly defined timelines, milestones and deliverables.

- 1. **List of Relevant Experiences of the Bidder** with the documentary evidences be attached- Refer **Section 9.3**, **Annexure 4 and Annexure 5** for providing details and documentary evidence.
- 2. Approach & Methodology (Not More than 12 page)
  - i. Understanding of the Requirement
  - ii. Situation Analysis and Problem Identification
  - iii. Operational Plans
  - iv. Expected measurable outcomes
  - v. Handholding mechanism till all milestones are achieved
- 3. Timeline with deliverables (Gantt Chart) -
  - 1. Phase-1 (3 months)
  - 2. Phase-2 (6 months)
- 4. Risks and Mitigation Measures (Not more than 1 page)
- 5. Team Composition-

### List of resources

Sr	Name	Proposed designation	Total experience	Roles & Responsibilities

**NOTE:** Also refer Annexure 9.3 and Annexure 13 – Format for CV for providing resource details and their CVs.

6. Any other important feature the Bidder wish to indicate (Maximum 2 pages)

# **Annexure 12 – Financial Bid format**

S. No	Items	All-inclusi (INR	
•		In figures	In words
1.	Total Cost for Consultancy for 9 months (all inclusive)		

Signature of Authorized Person of Bidding firm/ company
Full Name & Designation of Authorized Person
Name of the Bidding firm/ company
Date:

# **Annexure 13 - Format for CV**

<b>Proposed Position for the Project</b>	
Name of Resource:	
Date of Birth:	dd/mm/yyyy
Country of Citizenship/Residence	
Countries where the resource has	
worked	
Areas of expertise relevant to the	
RFP	
Overall experience (In Total Years)	
Experience in eGovernance (In	
Total Years)	
<b>Experience in HR</b> (In Total Years)	
Experience in Capacity	
Building/Change Management (In	
Total Years)	
Experience in Project	
<b>Management</b> (In Total Years)	

### Education:

Degree Obtained	University/Institution	Year Obtained

### Employment record relevant to the assignment: -

Period	Employing organization & resource title / position. Contact information for references	Country	Client Type (Government /PSU/Corporate	Summary of activities performed relevant to the Assignment

### Language Skills:

Languages:	Language	Speaking	Reading	Writing

### Adequacy for the Assignment:

Detailed Tasks	Reference to Prior Work/Assignments that Best Illustrates	
Assigned on	Capability to Handle the Assigned Tasks	
Consultant's Team		
of Experts		
{List all deliverables/tasks in which the Expert will be involved)	Note: Those CVs that do not provide the following critical information may be considered non relevant.  a. Experience in handling similar projects/assignment b. Working with State/Central government/PSUs on relevant projects  e. Implementing relevant projects.  Name of Assignment: Year: Location: Client: Main project features: Position Held: Activities Performed:  Name of Assignment: Year: Location: Client: Main project features: Position Held: Activities Performed:	

Resource contact inform	nation : (e-mail
phone	

### Certification:

I the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this CV correctly describes myself, my qualifications and my experience and I am available to undertake the assignment in case of an award. I understand that any misstatement or misrepresentation described herein may lead to my disqualification or dismissal by DIC.

Name of Resource:	Signature:
Date:	DD/MM/2021
Representative of the Bidder	Signature:
Date:	DD/MM/2021

### **Annexure 14 –Integrity Pact**

### **INTEGRITY PACT**

To,

Administration,
Digital India Corporation
Electronics Niketan
6, CGO Complex Lodhi Road
New Delhi – 110003

Subject: Submission of Tender for the work.....

Dear Sir,

I/We acknowledge that DIC is committed to follow the principle of transparency, equity and competitiveness as enumerated in the Integrity Agreement enclosed with the tender/bid document.

I/We agree that the Request for Proposal (RFP) is an invitation to offer made on the condition that I/We will sign the enclosed integrity Agreement, which is an integral part of tender documents, failing which I/We will stand disqualified from the tendering process. I/We acknowledge that THE MAKING OF THE BID SHALL BE REGARDED AS AN

UNCONDITIONAL AND ABSOLUTE ACCEPTANCE of this condition of the RFP.

I/We confirm acceptance and compliance with the Integrity Agreement in letter and spirit and further agree that execution of the said Integrity Agreement shall be separate and distinct from the main contract, which will come into existence, when tender/bid is finally accepted by DIC. I/We acknowledge and accept the duration of the Integrity Agreement, which shall be in the line with Article 6 of the enclosed Integrity Agreement.

I/We acknowledge that in the event of my/our failure to sign and accept the Integrity Agreement, while submitting the tender/bid, DIC shall have unqualified, absolute and unfettered right to disqualify the tenderer/Bidder and reject the tender/bid in accordance with the terms and conditions of the tender/bid.

Yours faithfully

(Duly authorized signatory of the Bidder)

To be signed by the Bidder and same signatory competent / authorized to sign the relevant contract on behalf of DIC.

### INTEGRITY AGREEMENT

This Integrity Agreement is made a	tda	y of20
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### BETWEEN

DIC, a not for profit Company set up by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Govt. of India, under Section 8 of Companies Act and having its registered office at Electronics Niketan, Lodhi Road, New Delhi in the State of Delhi (Hereinafter referred as "DIC", which expression shall unless repugnant to the meaning or context hereof include its successors and assigns)

# AND (Name and Address of the Firm/ Company Through (Details of duly Authorized signatory)

(Hereinafter referred to as the "Bidder/Contractor", which expression shall, unless repugnant to the meaning or context here of include, its successors and permitted assigns)

DIC/DIC and the Bidder/Contractor are collectively referred to as "parties" and individually referred to as "party".

### Preamble

AND WHEREAS DIC values full compliance with all relevant laws of the land, rules, regulations, economic use of resources and of fairness/transparency in its relation with its Bidder(s) and Contractor(s).

AND WHEREAS to meet the purpose aforesaid both the parties have agreed to enter into this Integrity Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "Integrity Pact" or "Pact"), the terms and conditions of which shall also be read as integral part and parcel of the Tender/Bid documents and Contract between the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of mutual covenants contained in this Pact, the parties hereby agree as follows and this Pact witnesses as under:

### **Article 1: Commitment of the DIC**

1) DIC commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption and to Observe the following principles:

- (a) No employee of DIC, personally or through any of his/her family members, will in connection with the Tender, or the execution of the Contract, demand, take a promise for or accept, for self or third person, any material or immaterial benefit which the person is not legally entitled to.
- (b) DIC will, during the Tender process, treat all Bidder(s) with equity and reason. DIC will, in particular, before and during the Tender process, provide to all Bidder(s) the same information and will not provide to any Bidder(s) confidential / additional information through which the Bidder(s) could obtain an advantage in relation to the Tender process or the Contract execution.
- (c) DIC shall endeavour to exclude from the Tender process any person, whose conduct in the past has been of biased nature.
- 2) If any information comes to the notice of DIC on the conduct of any of its employees which is a criminal offence under the Indian Penal code (IPC)/Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (PC Act) or is in violation of the principles herein mentioned or if there be a substantive suspicion in this regard, DIC will inform the Chief Vigilance Officer and in addition can also initiate disciplinary actions as per its internal laid down policies and procedures.

### Article 2: Commitment of the Bidder(s)/Contractor(s)

- 1) It is required that each Bidder/Contractor (including their respective officers, employees and agents) adhere to the highest ethical standards, and forthwith report DIC about all suspected fraudulent act or corruption or coercion or collusion of any person connected with the tender process which it has knowledge or becomes aware any time, during the tendering process and throughout the negotiation or award of a contract.
- 2) The Bidder/Contractor commits himself/itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption. He/it commits himself/itself to observe the following principles during his/its participation in the Tender process and during execution of the Contract:
- a) The Bidder/Contractor shall not, directly or through any other person or firm, offer, promise or give to any of DIC's employees involved in the Tender process or execution of the Contract or to any third person any material or other benefit which he/she is not legally entitled to, in order to obtain in exchange any advantage of any kind whatsoever during the Tender process or during the execution of the Contract.
- b) The Bidder/Contractor shall not enter with other Bidder(s) into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contracts, submission or non-submission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to cartelize in the bidding process.

- c) The Bidder/Contractor will not commit any offence under the relevant IPC/PC Act. Further the Bidder/Contract will not use improperly, (for the purpose of competition or personal gain), or pass on to others, any information or documents provided by DIC as part of the business relationship, regarding plans, technical proposals and business details, including information contained or transmitted electronically.
- d) The Bidder/Contractor of foreign origin shall disclose the names and addresses of agents/ representatives in India, if any. Similarly Bidder/Contractor of Indian Nationality shall disclose names and addresses of foreign agents/representatives, if any. Either the Indian agent on behalf of the foreign principal or the foreign principal directly could bid in a tender but not both. Further, in cases where an agent participate in a tender on behalf of one bidder, he shall not be allowed to quote on behalf of another bidder along with the first bidder.
- e) The Bidder/Contractor will, when presenting his/its bid, disclose any and all payments he/it has made, is committed to or intends to make to agents, brokers or any other intermediaries in connection with the award of the Contract.
- 3) The Bidder/Contractor will not instigate third persons to commit offences outlined above or be an accessory to such offences.
- 4) The Bidder/Contractor will not, directly or through any other person or firm indulge in fraudulent practice means a willful misrepresentation or omission of facts or submission of fake/forged documents in order to induce public official to act in reliance thereof, with the purpose of obtaining unjust advantage by or causing damage to justified interest of others and/or to influence the process to the detriment to the interests of DIC.
- 5) The Bidder/Contractor will not, directly or through any other person or firm use Coercive Practices against DIC and/or other bidder(s)/contractor(s). Coerce practices mean the act of obtaining something, compelling an action or influencing a decision through intimidation, threat or the use of force directly or indirectly, where potential or actual injury may befall upon a person, his/ her reputation or property to influence their participation in the tendering process.

### **Article 3: Consequences of Breach**

Without prejudice to any rights that may be available to DIC under law or the Contract or its established policies and laid down procedures, DIC shall have the following rights in case of breach of this Integrity Pact by the Bidder(s)/Contractor(s) and the Bidder/Contractor accepts and undertakes to respect and uphold DIC's absolute right:

- 1) If the Bidder/Contractor, either before award or during execution of Contract has committed a transgression through a violation of Article 2 above or in any other form, such as to put his reliability or credibility in question, DIC at its discretion, is entitled to disqualify the Bidder/Contractor from the Tender process or terminate/determine the Contract, if already executed or exclude the Bidder/Contractor from future contract award processes after giving 14 days notice to the contractor. The imposition and duration of the exclusion will be determined by the severity of transgression and determined by DIC
- . Such exclusion may be forever or for a limited period as decided by DIC.

- 2) Forfeiture of EMD/Performance Guarantee/Security Deposit: If DIC has disqualified the Bidder(s) from the Tender process prior to the award of the Contract or terminated/determined the Contract or has accrued the right to terminate/determine the Contract according to Article 3(1), DIC apart from exercising any legal rights that may have accrued to DIC, may in its considered opinion forfeit the entire amount of Earnest Money Deposit, Performance Guarantee and Security Deposit of the Bidder/Contractor.
- 3) Criminal Liability: If any act/omission or conduct of a Bidder or contractor conduct of a Bidder or Contractor, or of an employee or a representative or an associate of a Bidder or Contractor which constitutes corruption within the meaning of IPC/PC Act brought to the notice of DIC , or if DIC has substantive suspicion in this regard, DIC shall be at liberty to inform the same to law enforcing agencies for further investigation.

### **Article 4: Previous Transgression**

- 1) The Bidder declares that no previous transgressions occurred in the last 5 years with any other Company in any country confirming to the anticorruption approach or with Central Government or State Government or any other Central/State Public Sector Enterprises in India that could justify his exclusion from the Tender process.
- 2) If the Bidder makes incorrect statement on this subject, he can be disqualified from the Tender process or the contract, if already awarded, can be terminated for such reason. Principal/owner will be entitled to exclude the contractor from future tender/contract award processes for a period not exceeding three years.
- 3) Without prejudice to any other legal rights or remedies available to DIC under the relevant clauses of the tender document.

### Article 5: Equal Treatment of all Bidders/Contractors/Subcontractors

- 1) The Bidder/Contractor shall be responsible for any violation(s) of the principles laid down in this agreement/Pact.
- 2) DIC will enter into Pacts on identical terms as this one with all Bidders and Contractors.
- 3) DIC will disqualify Bidders, who do not submit, the duly signed Pact, along with the Tender or violate its provisions at any stage of the Tender process, from the Tender process.

### **Article 6- Duration of the Pact**

This Pact begins when both the parties have legally signed it. It expires for the Contractor/ Vendor 12 months after the completion of work under the contract or till the continuation of defect liability period, till the Contract has been awarded. If any claim is made/lodged during the time, the same shall be binding and continue to be valid despite the lapse of this Pacts as specified above, unless it is discharged/determined by the Competent Authority, DIC.

### **Article 7- Other Provisions**

- 1) This Pact is subject to Indian Law, place of performance and jurisdiction is place where office of DIC, who has floated the Tender, is located.
- 2) Changes and supplements need to be made in writing.
- 3) If the Contractor is a partnership, this Pact must be signed by all the partners. In case of a Company/LLP, the Pact must be signed by a representative duly authorized by board resolution.
- 4) Should one or several provisions of this Pact turn out to be invalid; the remainder of this Pact remains valid. In this case, the parties will strive to come to an agreement to their original intensions.
- 5) It is agreed term and condition that any dispute or difference arising between the parties with regard to the terms of this Integrity Agreement / Pact, any action taken by DIC in accordance with this Integrity Agreement/ Pact or interpretation thereof shall not be subject to arbitration.

### **Article 8- LEGAL AND PRIOR RIGHTS**

All rights and remedies of the parties hereto shall be in addition to all the other legal rights and remedies belonging to such parties under the Contract and/or law and the same shall be deemed to be cumulative and not alternative to such legal rights and remedies aforesaid. For the sake of brevity, both the Parties agree that this Integrity Pact will have precedence over the Tender/Contact documents with regard any of the provisions covered under this Integrity Pact.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the parties have signed and executed this Integrity Pact at

Dated:
Place:
2. (signature, name and address)
1. (signature, name and address)
(For and on behalf of DIC)
the place and date first above mentioned in the presence of following witnesses:

# **Annexure 15 - Performance Bank Guarantee Format**

Bank Guarantee No. :	Date :
To,	
Re.: Bank Guarantee for PER	RFORMANCE
	, (hereinafter referred to as the "
	shall unless repugnant to the context include its successors
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of the Furchase Order price, in a	ine form set out by the
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	(hereinafter
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favour of thewhich I	
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NOW THIS WITNESSETH AS	FULLUWS:

In consideration of the said Purchase Order, we Bank do hereby unconditionally and irrevocably on behalf of

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undertake to pay the	, merely on demand and without any
protest, demur an amount of Rs.	/- (RupeesOnly) towards
failure of Warranty and/or Guarantee and/or defi	iciency in (Purchase Order) undertaken by
as may be claimed l	by the
The right of the, to recover from I	OIC any amount not exceeding Rs/-
(Rupees Only) under this guaran	
reason of the fact that the dispute or disputes have	•
	lity or the proceedings are pending before
any Tribunal/Arbitrators/Court, with regard thereto	or in connection therewith.
DIC further agrees that the guarantee herein cont	rained shall remain in full force and effect
during the period that would be taken for the Per	
that it shall continue during its currency to be enfor	
or by virtue of the said Purchase Order have been	
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the terms and conditions of the said Purchase Ord	der have been fulfilled by the said Supplier
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before <b>Expiry Date</b> we shall be relieved	and discharged from all liability under this
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hereunder to vary any of the terms and condition	
time of Performance by from time to time or to pos	
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forbear or enforce any of the terms and condition	is relating to the Purchase Order and DIC
shall not be relieved, discharged or released fro	_
variations, or extension or postponement being gra	
act or omission on the part of the or any inde	
	y such matter or thing whatsoever which
under the law relating to sureties would but for this	
DIC also agrees that, at its option sh	nall be entitled to act as if DIC are the
debtors in respect of all claims	principal hereby guaranteed by DIC as
against the	aforesaid and the

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which DIC as
Guarantor and/or themay be entitled to.
Subject to the maximum limit of the Bank's liability as aforesaid i.e. Rs/-(Rupees
Only) Bank Guarantee No.: . Date: this guarantee
Only) Bank Guarantee No.:, Date : this guarantee will cover all, claim or claims from time to time arising out of or in relation to the said Purchase Order and in respect of which the, demand or notice is made on DIC on or before the date of expiry of this guarantee.
This guarantee and the powers and provisions herein contained are in addition to and not by way of limitation of or substitution for any other guarantee or guarantees thereto for given to the
(whether jointly with other or severally) and now existing uncancelled and that this guarantee is not intended to and shall not revoke or limit such guarantee or guarantees.
This guarantee shall not be affected by any change, substitution, alteration or modification in the constitution of the or DIC nor shall it be affected by any change in the, constitution
or by any amalgamation or absorption or reconstruction thereof or therewith but will ensure for and be available to and enforceable by the absorbing or amalgamated reconstructed, or concern.
It shall not be necessary for the, to proceed against the before proceeding against DIC and the guarantee herein contained shall be enforceable against DIC notwithstanding any security which the, may have obtained or obtain from the at any time not exceeding the validity period of the guarantee or when proceedings are taken against DIC hereunder be outstanding or realised.
DIC lastly undertakes not to revoke this guarantee during its currency except with the previous consent of the
, in writing.
Notwithstanding anything contained hereinabove the liability under this guarantee is restricted to a sum not exceeding Rs/- (Rupees_Only) The guarantee shall remain valid till <b>Expiry date</b>
Unless a demand under this guarantee is received by DIC on or before <b>(One Year)</b> , all the rights of the, under this guarantee shall be forfeited and DIC shall be released and discharged from all liabilities hereunder irrespective of whether or not the original Bank Guarantee is returned to us
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