## 2.9 Price Basis

Price basis of the price quoted shall be on F.O.R (Free on Road) destination basis for site. Price mentioned in the quotation must be firm. Hence prices in Letter of Award shall be firm and not subject to escalation till the execution of the complete order and its subsequent amendments accepted by the bidder even though the completion / execution of the order may take longer time than the delivery period specified and accepted in the Letter of Award.

Statutory variation in applicable taxes & duties (other than excise duty) shall only be on account of Employer in case bidder has shown the rates of present taxes in their bid and other prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the Contract and not subject to variation on any account. Even in case prices asked in Bid price Schedule are quoted as inclusive of taxes, tax rates shall be shown separately. Bidders shall quote all prices in Indian Rupees only.

## 2.10 Period of Validity of Bid

Bids shall remain valid for a period of 90 days after the closing date prescribed by the CESL for the receipt of bids. A bid valid for a shorter period may be rejected by the CESL as being non responsive. In exceptional circumstances, the CESL may solicit the bidder's consent to an extension of the bid validity period. The request and response thereto shall be made in writing thro' letters/ e-mails. If the bidder accepts to prolong the period of validity, the bid security/EMD shall also be suitably extended. A bidder may refuse the request for Bid Validity Extension without forfeiting its bid security. A bidder granting the request will not be required nor permitted to modify its bid.

# 2.11 Format and Signing of Bid

The original copy of the bid, consisting of the documents listed in ITB sub-clause 1.1 shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by the bidder or a person or persons duly authorized to bind the bidder to the contract. The authorization shall be indicated by written power of attorney accompanying the bid and submitted as Attachment 3 to the bid under ITB sub-clause 2.5. All pages of the bid, except for un-amended printed literature, shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.

Any interlineations, erasures or overwriting shall only be valid if they are initialed by the signatory to the bid.

# 2.12 Contents of the RfP/Bid

The Bidder or consortium of bidders is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms & conditions and scope of work in the RfP/bid documents. Failure to furnish all information required or submission of an RfP/bid document not substantially responsive to the RfP/bid document in every respect will be at the bidder's risk and may result in the rejection of the RfP/bid.

# 2.13 Conflict of Interest

CESL's policy requires that a bidder participating in a procurement/contract process under CESL financed projects shall not have a conflict of interest. All bidders found to have a conflict of interest shall be ineligible for award of contract.

A. Bidder may be considered to have a conflict of interest in a bidding process if:

- a) it, or any of its affiliates, has been engaged by CESL to provide consulting services for the preparation or implementation of a project, and participates in a bidding to provide goods, works, or nonconsulting services resulting from or directly related to such consulting services. Or
- b) it submits more than one bid in a bidding process, either individually or as a partner in a joint venture, except for permitted alternative bids. This will result in the disqualification of all bids in which the bidder is involved. However, this does not limit the inclusion of a firm as a subcontractor in more than one bid and the participation of a bidder as a subcontractor in another bid in certain types of procurement/contract, if permitted by the CESL's bidding documents; or
- it (including its personnel or sub-contractors) has a business or family relationship with a member of a CESL's staff (or of the project implementing staff, or of a recipient of a part of the loan) who: are directly or indirectly involved in the preparation of the bidding documents or specifications of the contract, and/or the bid evaluation process of such contract; or would be involved in the implementation or supervision of such contract unless the authority inviting tenders shall be informed of the fact/ such relationship at the time of submission of the tender and the conflict stemming from such relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the CESL throughout the procurement process and execution of the contract. CESL may in its discretion reject the tender or rescind the contract. or
- d) it does not comply with any other conditions that may be specified in the Company's Standard Bidding Documents relevant to the specific procurement process.

# 2.14 Disclaimer

CESL and/or its officers, employees disclaim all liability from any loss or damage, whether foreseeable or not, suffered by any person acting on or refraining from acting because of any information including statements, information, forecasts,

estimates or projections contained in this document or conduct ancillary to it whether or not the loss or damage arises in connection with any omission, negligence, default, lack of care or misrepresentation on the part of CESL and/or any of its officers, employees.

## 2.15 Authorized Signatory (Bidder or Consortium of bidders)

The bidder or consortium of bidders as used in the RfP/bid document shall mean the one who has signed the bid/RfP document forms. The bidder or consortium of bidders should be the duly authorized representative of the bidder/consortium of bidders, for which a certificate of authority/power of attorney will be submitted along with the offer. This should clearly define the authority provided to the authorized representative. Complete offer, all certificates and documents (including reply to any clarifications sought and any subsequent correspondences) shall be furnished and signed on all pages by the authorized representative.

The power of attorney or authorization, or any other document consisting of adequate proof of the ability of the signatory to bind the bidder or consortium of bidders shall be annexed to the bid as attachment 3 in envelope 1. CESL may reject outright any proposal not supported by adequate proof of the signatory's authority.

## 2.16 Consortium related conditions

The bidder shall have the option to submit the proposal either alone or along with other partner companies. Prerequisites for bidder have been specified in qualifying requirement and other parts of the tender document. The lead partner shall be the sole point of contact for all purposes of the Contract. The lead partner will have the prime and sole responsibility for the execution of the scope of work. Any information/clarification submitted to the lead partner by CESL will mean that the same has been conveyed to all partners. However, the partner companies should not be involved in any major litigation that may have an impact of affecting or compromising the delivery of services as required under this contract. The bidder or any of the partner companies should not have been black-listed by any Central / State Government or Public Sector Undertakings. If at any stage of tendering process or during the currency of the contract, any suppression / falsification of such information is brought to the knowledge, CESL shall have the right to reject the proposal or terminate the contract, as the case may be, without any compensation to the tenderer & forfeiture of bid security/EMD/CPG.

#### 2.17 Contact details of the Bidder or Consortium of bidders

Bidder or Consortium of bidders who wants to receive CESL's response to queries should give their contact details to CESL. The Bidder or Consortium of bidders should send their contact details in writing at the CESL's contact address.

# 2.18 Inspection / Checking / Testing

All materials / Equipment manufactured by the bidder/consortium of bidders against the Letter of Award shall be subject to inspection, check and/or test by the CESL or his authorized representative at all stages and place, before, during and after the manufacture. All these tests shall be carried out in the as per technical specifications and bidder shall submit the relevant test reports. If upon delivery the material / equipment does not meet the specification, the materials / equipment shall be rejected and returned to the bidder for repairs / modification etc. or for replacement. In such cases all expenses including the to-and-fro freight, repacking charges, any other costs etc. shall be to the account of the bidder.

# 2.19 Removal of Rejected Goods and Replacement

If upon delivery, whether inspected and approved earlier or otherwise, the material/equipment is not in conformity with the specification, the same shall be rejected by CESL or duly authorized representative and notification to this effect will be issued to the bidder normally within 7 days from the date of receipt of the material at the work/site/office.

The bidder shall arrange removal of the rejected items within 15 days from the date of notification. In the event, the bidder fails to lift the materials within the said 15 days, CESL shall be at liberty to dispose off such rejected items in any manner as it may deemed fit. All expenses incurred on storage, disposal etc. shall be recoverable from the bidder.

## 2.20 Access to Bidders Premises

CESL and/or its authorized representative shall be provided access to bidder and/or his sub-bidder's premises, at any time during the pendency of the Order, for expediting, inspection, checking, etc. of work, if it is felt by CESL.

# 2.21 Taxes, Levies and Duties

Prices of items shall be quoted as per instruction contained in SCC. However, in general, prices shall be inclusive of sales tax, transportation, insurance, levies, service tax and any other duties payable including entry tax/octroy etc, (wherever applicable) on FOR destination/site basis. All taxes and duties shall be clearly indicated. Bidder is to arrange on its own to deliver the material at site. No road permit is provided by CESL.

For hiring of consultant/consultancy work also service tax shall be quoted exclusive of basic price. However, rates of such taxes consider while preparing the offer should invariably be mention in the offer so that any variation in taxes (except excise duty) can be paid as actual.

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# 2.22 Terms of Payment

The payment will be made by CESL to the bidder in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in section 4 of special conditions of contract of tender document/agreed upon during negotiation and reproduced in Letter of Award.

## 2.23 Delivery Schedule

Time will be the essence of order and no variation shall be permitted in the delivery time/delivery schedule mentioned in the order unless agreed by CESL without levy of LD. Tentative time schedule is enclosed in the RfP/ bid document. Delivery of the equipment/material described shall be deemed to constitute acceptance of this order and terms and conditions by the bidder at the price specified.

## 2.24 Source of Supply

The bidder shall ensure that the indigenous capacity is utilized to the fullest extent possible in execution of this order. Where the imports are unavoidable, all such items shall be imported by the bidder in time against his own import license without affecting the contractual delivery schedule.

# 2.25 Patent Indemnity

Royalties and fees for patents covering material/equipment or processes used in executing the work shall be to the account of the bidder. The bidder shall satisfy all demands that may be made at any time for such royalties and fees and he alone shall be liable for damages, infringement and shall keep CESL indemnified in that regard in the event of any equipment/ material or part there of supplied by the bidder is involved in any suit or other proceedings held to constitute infringement and its used is enjoyed, the bidder shall, at his own expenses, either procure for CESL the right to continue the use of such equipment/material replace it with a non-infringing material / equipment or modify it so it become non- infringing.

Tenderer shall agree to indemnify the CESL or/and hold it/them harmless from against all claims, liability, loss, damage or expense including counsel fees arising from or by reasons of an action or claimed trade mark patent or copyright infringement or any litigation based thereon with respect to any part of the quoted items and such obligation shall survive acceptance of and payment for the items.

# 2.26. Force Majeure

Bidder shall not be considered in default if delay in delivery occurs due to causes beyond his control such as acts of God, natural calamities, civil wars, strikes, fire, frost, floods, riot. Only those causes which have duration of more than 7 days shall be considered cause of force/ calendar majeure. A notification to this effect duly certified by local chamber of commerce/ statutory authorities shall be given by the bidder to CESL by registered/speed post letter. In the event of delay due to such causes, the delivery schedule will be extended for a length of time equal to the period of force majeure or at the option of CESL, the order may be cancelled. Such cancellation, would be without any liability whatsoever on the part of CESL. In the event of such cancellation, the bidder shall refund any amount advanced or paid to the bidder by CESL and deliver back any materials issued to him by the Purchaser and release facilities, if any provided by the Purchaser.

# 2.27 Limitation of Liability

Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, the Implementing Partner shall not be liable to the CESL, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the Implementing Partner to pay liquidated damages to the CESL andthe aggregate liability of the Implementing Partner to the CESL, whether under the Contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total Contract Price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to any obligation of the Implementing Partner to indemnify the CESL with respect to patent infringement or as specified in SCC.

## 2.28 Statutory Compliance/ Certification regarding Cyber Security Products

A certificate (in the format at Attachment-13 of Section-6) is to be submitted by the bidders that the items offered meet the definition of domestically manufactured/produced Cyber Security Products as per MeitY notification vide File no. 1(10)/2017-CLES dt. 02.07.18. The above certificate shall be on Company's letterhead and signed by Statutory Auditor or Cost Auditor of the Company

## C. Submission of Bids

# 3.1 Sealing and Marking of Bids

The Bidder shall seal the original copy of the bid in envelope duly marking the envelopes as "ORIGINAL BID". All envelopes must be super-scribed with name of work, RfP No., envelope no., content of envelope and date and bid opening date. The

envelopes shall then the sealed in an outer envelope which should also be super scribed with name of work, RfP/ bid document no./package no. and date and bid opening date.

### 3.2 Deadline for submission of bids

Bids must be received by the CESL at the address specified as under and the bids will be opened at the same address as per timings stated in IFB and as repeated below.

Deepak Mittal (Supply Chain Management), Convergence Energy Efficiency Limited, C/o 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Core 3 Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003 Email: dmittal@eesl.co.in

Date of submission of bids: As mentioned in Section I

Date of bid opening: As mentioned in Section I

Bids must be received at the address specified above but no later than the time and date stated as above. In the event of the specified date for submission of bids being declared a holiday for the CESL, the bids will be received up to the appointed time on the next working day.

The CESL may, at its discretion, extend this deadline for submission of bids by amending the bidding documents in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 1.3, in which case all rights and obligations of CESL and bidders will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

No bid may be withdrawn in the interval between the bid submission deadline and the expiration of the bid validity period specified in ITB Clause 2.10. Withdrawal of a bid during this interval may result in the bidder's forfeiture of its bid security, pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 2.4.

#### 3.3 Late Bids:

Any bid received by the CESL after the bid submission deadline prescribed by the CESL, pursuant to ITB Clause 3.1& 3.2, will be rejected and returned in unopened condition.

## D. Bid Opening and Evaluation

## 4.1 Bid Opening Process

The CESL will open all bids in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend the opening at the time, on the date and at the place specified in the NIT. Bidders' representatives shall sign a format as proof of their attendance. In the event of the specified date for the opening of bids being declared a holiday for the CESL, the bids will be opened at the appointed time on the next working day.

Bidders' names, bid prices, discounts, the presence or absence of requisite bid security and other such details as the CESL, at its discretion, may consider appropriate, will be announced at the opening. Late bids pursuant to ITB clause 3.2, and/or bids not accompanied by the "Certificate regarding acceptance of important conditions" as per Attachment-4 in a separate sealed envelope pursuant to ITB sub-clause 2.6, and/or bids not accompanied by requisite bid security in a separate sealed envelope pursuant to ITB clause 2.4, will be rejected and returned unopened to the bidder.

Bids that are not opened and read out at bid opening will not be considered for further evaluation, regardless of the circumstances.

The CESL will prepare minutes of the bid opening.

### 4.2 Clarification on Bids

During bid evaluation, the CESL may, at its discretion, ask the bidder for a clarification of its bid. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing, and no change in the price or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered or permitted. The address for communication will be same as ITB clause 1.2.

# 4.3 Preliminary Examination of Bids.

The CESL will examine the bids to determine whether they are complete, whether any computational errors have been made, whether required sureties have been furnished, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the bids are generally in order.

# 4.4. Arithmetical errors rectification process

Arithmetical errors will be rectified on the following basis. If there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price, which is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, or between sub totals and the total price, the unit or subtotal price shall prevail, and the total price shall be corrected. If there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words will prevail. If the Bidder does not accept the correction of errors, its bid will be rejected and the bid security will be forfeited in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 2.4.

The CESL may waive any minor informality, nonconformity or irregularity in a bid that does not constitute a material deviation, whether or not identified by the bidder in Attachment 4 to its bid, and that does not prejudice or affect the relative ranking of any bidder as a result of the technical and commercial evaluation, pursuant to ITB clauses 4.7 and 4.8.

# 4.5. Preliminary Evaluation

Prior to the detailed evaluation, the CESL will determine whether each bid is of acceptable quality, is generally complete and is substantially responsive to the bidding documents. For purposes of this determination, a substantially responsive bid is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions and specifications of the bidding documents without material deviations, objections, conditionality's or reservations. A material deviation, objection, conditionality or reservation is one (i) that affects in any substantial way the scope, quality or performance of the contract; (ii) that limits in any substantial way, inconsistent with the bidding documents, the CESL's rights or the successful bidder's obligations under the contract; or (iii) whose rectification would unfairly affect the competitive position of other bidders who are presenting substantially responsive bids.

# 4.6. Acceptance of Important Condition

No deviation, whatsoever, is permitted by the CESL to the provisions relating to the following clauses (Important Conditions). Party is to submit the following as attachment 4 in envelope 1:

Governing Laws - Clause 7 of ITB

Settlement of Disputes - Clause 17 of ITB

Terms of payment - Clause 1.0 of SCC

Performance Security - Clause 5.9 of ITB

Taxes and Duties - Clause 8 of ITB

Completion Time Guarantee - Clause 9 of ITB

Defects Liability - Clause 10 of ITB

Functional Guarantee - Clause 11 of ITB

Patent Indemnity - Clause 2.25 of ITB

Limitations of Liability - Clause 2.27 of ITB

Statutory Compliance/ Certification regarding - Clause 2.28 of ITB

Cyber Security Products

Project information, Estimation, - As per Tables in price bid

Assumptions and conditions

for Evaluation

Bidders are required to furnish a certificate as per Attachment 4, indicating their compliance to the provisions of the above clauses in a separate sealed envelope. In case the certificate as per Attachment-4 duly signed and stamped by the bidder, is not furnished along with the bid in a separate sealed envelope, the bid shall be rejected and returned to the bidder without being opened

At the time of award of contract, if so desired by the CESL the bidder shall withdraw the deviations listed in attachment 5 at the cost of withdrawal stated by him, in his bid. In case the bidder does not withdraw the deviations proposed by him in attachment 5 to his bid, if any; at the cost of withdrawal stated in his bid, his bid will be rejected and security will be forfeited.

The CESL's determination of a bid's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the bid itself without recourse to extrinsic evidence. If a bid is not substantially responsive, it will be rejected by the CESL, and may not subsequently be made responsive by the bidder by correction of the nonconformity.

## 4.7. Technical Evaluation

The CESL will carry out a detailed evaluation of the bids previously determined to be substantially responsive in order to determine whether the technical aspects are in accordance with the requirements set forth in the bidding documents. In order to reach such a determination, the CESL will examine and compare the technical aspects of the bids on the basis of the information supplied by the bidders, taking into account the following factors:

- a) Overall completeness and compliance with the technical specifications and drawings; deviations from the technical specifications as identified in Attachment 5 to the bid; suitability of the facilities offered in relation to the environmental and climatic conditions prevailing at the site; and quality, function and operation of any process control concept included in the bid. The bid that does not meet minimum acceptable standards of completeness, consistency and detail will be rejected for non-responsiveness.
- b) Achievement of specified performance criteria by the facilities as per scope of work
- Type, quantity and long-term availability warranty spare parts and also mandatory and recommended spare parts and maintenance services
- d) Any other relevant factors, if any, listed in the tender document, or that the CESL deems necessary or prudent to take into consideration.

## 4.8. Commercial Evaluation

The comparison shall be of the FOR site price of domestically manufactured plant and equipment including type test charges, if any and mandatory spares, warranty spares plus applicable sales tax & duties as well duties and taxes paid/payable on components and raw materials incorporated or to be incorporated in the plant and equipment including mandatory spares/warranty spares plus the cost of loading, unloading, local transportation, insurance covers, installation and commissioning, civil work other services required under the contract including service tax and surcharge, if any plus any survey cost, monitoring and verification cost, distribution cost, scrap disposal cost, annual maintenance cost, any services as per scope of work, administrative charges and statuary agencies cost including service tax and surcharge, if any. The CESL's comparison will also include the costs resulting from application of the evaluation procedures described in ITB sub-clause 4.9. However, the price of recommended spare parts or optional spares or services, if asked in the bid, shall not be considered for evaluation of bids.

The CESL's evaluation of a bid will take into account, in addition to the bid prices indicated in price schedules in section 4 along with the corrections pursuant to ITB sub-clause 4.3, the following costs and factors that will be added to each bidder's bid price in the evaluation using pricing information available to the CESL, in the manner and to the extent indicated in ITB sub-clause 4.9 and in the technical specifications:

- a) The cost of all quantifiable deviations and omissions from the contractual and commercial conditions and the technical specifications as identified in Attachment 5 to the Bid.
- Compliance with the time schedule called for and evidenced as needed in a milestone schedule provided in the bid.
- c) The functional guarantees of the facilities offered as per scope of work.
- d) The extra cost of work, services, facilities etc, required to be provided by the CESL of third parties.

# 4.9. Evaluations of Deviations:

Pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 4.8, the following evaluation methods will be followed:

a) Technical and Commercial Deviations

The evaluation shall be based on the evaluated cost of fulfilling the contract in compliance with all commercial, contractual and technical obligations under this bidding document. In arriving at the evaluated cost, the price for withdrawal of deviations shown in Attachment 5 to the bid will be used if necessary. If such a price is not given in Attachment-5, the CESL will make its own assessment of the cost of such a deviation for the purpose of ensuring fair comparison of bids.

b) Time schedule (program of performance)

The plant and equipment covered by this bidding are required to be transported/shipped and installed, and the facilities are to be completed within the period as mentioned below.

Completion of all facilities/work: As per year/months in SSC.

The above date will be the effective date specified in the contract agreement. Bidders are required to base their prices on the time schedule or, where no time schedule is given, on the completion date(s) given above. No credit will be given for earlier completion.

The master network and the key milestone dates will be discussed with the successful bidder and agreed upon in pre-award discussion before issuance of Letter of Award. Engineering drawing and data submission schedule shall also be discussed and finalized before the issuance of Letter of Award.

After the Letter of Award, the contractor shall plan the sequence of work manufacture, supply, installation to meet the above stated dates of successful completion of facilities and shall ensure all work, manufacture, shop testing, inspection and shipment of the equipment in accordance with the required sequence.

#### c) Functional Guarantees of the facilities

Bidders shall state the functional guarantees (e.g. performance, efficiency, consumption) of the proposed facilities in response to the technical specifications. In case a minimum (or a maximum, as the case may be) level of functional guarantees is specified in the technical specifications for the bids to be considered responsive, bids offering plant and equipment with such functional guarantees less (or more) than the minimum (or maximum) specified shall be rejected.

d) Work, services, facilities etc., to be provided by the CESL

Where bids include the undertaking of work or the provision of services or facilities by the CESL in excess of the provisions allowed for in the bidding documents, the CESL shall assess the costs of such additional work, services and/or facilities during the duration of the contract. Such costs shall be added to the bid price for evaluation.

# 4.10. Illustrative Method of Evaluation

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1.	Quoted bid price without taxes and duties (After considering arithmetical errors)	Any Bid	der (INR)
i)	Ex works including Excise duty price including Type test Charges/Lab Test charges + inland transportation including inland Transit insurance etc. For equipment and spares		N1
ii)	Prices for dismantling and/or installation	N2	
iii)	Prices for additional Warranty, if any		N3
iv)	Total Price		N(N1+N2+N3)

# Taxes and Duties

i)	CST/VAT	T1
ii)	Service Tax	T2
iii)	Total	T(T1+T2)

3. Cost Compensation

) Technical Cost Compensation TCC ii) Commercial Cost Compensation CCC

iii) Total TCC+CCC

4. Adjustments for Functional Guarantees X

5. Final Evaluated Bid Price N+T+TCC+CCC+X

# 4.11. Contacting the Employer

Subject to ITB Clause 20, no Bidder shall contact the Employer on any matter relating to its bid, from the time of the opening of bids to the time the contract is awarded.

Information relating to the examination, evaluation and comparison of bids and recommendations for the award of contract shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until the award to the successful bidder has been announced. Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Employer in the Employer's bid evaluation, bid comparison or contract award decisions may result in rejection of the Bidder's bid.

#### E. Award of Contract

#### 5.1. Post qualification

In the absence of pre-qualification, the CESL will determine to its satisfaction whether the bidder selected as having submitted the lowest evaluated responsive bid/or bidder giving highest return to CESL, as the case may be, as mentioned in special condition of contract is qualified to satisfactorily perform the contract in terms of the qualifying requirements stipulated in IFB/NIT and section 3.

The determination will take into account the bidder's financial, technical and production capabilities, in particular its contract, work in hand, future commitments and current litigation. It will be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the bidder's qualifications submitted by the bidder in RfP forms in section IV to the bid, as well as such other information as the CESL deems necessary and appropriate.

An affirmative determination will be a prerequisite for award of the contract to the bidder. A negative determination will result in rejection of the bidder's bid, in which event the CESL will proceed to the next lowest evaluated bid/next bid giving highest return to CESL to make a similar determination of that bidder's capabilities to perform satisfactorily.

The capabilities of the vendors and subcontractors proposed in section 3, if permitted, to the bid to be used by the lowest evaluated bidder or bidder giving highest return to CESL as per SCC will also be evaluated for acceptability. Their participation should be confirmed with a letter of intent between the parties, as needed. Should a vendor or subcontractor be determined to be unacceptable, the bid will not be rejected, but the Bidder will be required to substitute an acceptable vendor or subcontractor without any change to the bid price.

The Employer reserves the right to assess the capacity and capability of the bidder/ his collaborator to satisfactory execute the contract. Such assessment shall include but not be limited to the evaluation of adequacy of facilities, services, resources, design / engineering capability and financial capability

#### 5.2. Award criteria

Subject to ITB Clause 5.5, the CESL will award the contract to the successful Bidder whose bid has been determined to be substantially responsive and to be the lowest evaluated technically acceptable bid or bid offering highest return to CESL as the case may be as per tender documents and special conditions of contract, further provided that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the contract satisfactorily.

Except for the deviations listed in Attachment-5, the bidder would be required to comply with all the requirements of bidding documents without any extra cost to CESL failing which his bid security will be forfeited. Further, the CESL may request the bidder to withdraw any or all of the deviations listed in Attachment – 5 to the winning bid, at the price shown for the deviation in Attachment 5 to the bid. In case the bidder does not withdraw the deviations proposed by him, if any, at the cost of withdrawal stated in the bid, his bid will be rejected and bid security forfeited.

The mode of contracting with the Successful Bidder will be as per stipulation briefly indicated below:

- (i) First Contract: For supply of plant and equipment.
- (ii) Second Contract: For providing all services i.e. inland transportation for delivery at site, inland transit insurance, unloading, storage, handling at site, installation (including civil. Structural steel work & allied work, if applicable) insurance covers other than inland transit insurance, erection, testing &commissioning, conducting Guarantee tests in respect of all the Goods supplied under the 'First Contract' and all other
- (iii) Services as specified in the Contract Documents.

The above Contracts will contain a cross-fall breach clause specifying that breach of one Contract will constitute breach of the other Contract which will confer a right on the Employer to terminate the other Contract also at the risk and the cost of the Contractor

# 5.3. Quantity Variation

The CESL reserves the right to vary the quantity of any of the spares and maintenance equipment upto +/- 20% and/or delete any items of spares altogether at the time of Award of Contract. Successful bidder, on whom award is made, is to supply this quantity variation at same price and terms and conditions of contract.

# 5.4. Additions / Alterations / Modifications

CESL reserves the right to make minor additions/alterations/modifications to the quantity of the items to the extent of +/- 20% in the Letter of Award. The bidder shall supply such quantities also at the same rate as originally agreed to and incorporated in the Letter of Award. However CESL may increase this quantity, if required.

# 5.5. CESL's right to accept any bid and to reject any or all bids

The CESL reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby assigning any reason thereof and incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or bidders or any obligation to inform the affected Bidder or bidders of the grounds for the CESL's action.

#### 5.6. Letter of Intent / Letter of Award

Prior to the expiration of the period of bid validity, the CESL will notify the successful bidder in writing by issuing Letter of Intent or Letter of Award either through telefax/ scanned e-mail or though registered/speed post/couriered letter, that its bid has been accepted. The letter of award will constitute the formation of the contract. In case, bidder does not return the duplicate copy of LOA with duly signed and acceptance within 10 days, then the LOA will be deemed to be accepted by the successful bidder, on whom award is made.

The bidder shall return duplicate copy of the LoI/LoA/contract and the other enclosed documents duly signed as a token of acceptance, within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order. Bidder is to make two original copies of contract containing Contract agreement at top, and then Letter of award, techno commercial offer, copy of price bid and copy of all tender documents are to be placed. Three more copies of the contract to be submitted by the bidder in addition to two original at bidder's own cost. Total five copies of contract including two originals copies are to be submitted. This is to be done on instructions of Contract deptt.

Upon the successful bidder's furnishing of the performance security pursuant to ITB Clause 5.9, the CESL will promptly notify each unsuccessful bidder and will discharge its bid security.

# 5.7. Cancellation

CESL reserves the rights to cancel the order in the part or in full by giving one week advance notice thereby if-

- The bidder fails to comply with any of the terms of the order.
- The bidder becomes bankrupt or goes in to liquidation.
- The bidder makes general assignment for the benefit of the creditors and any receiver is appointed for the
  property owned by the bidder.

#### 5.8. Modifications

This order constitutes an entire agreement between the parties hereto. Any modifications to this Order shall become binding only upon the same being confirmed in writing duly signed by both the parties.

Signing the Contract Agreement

At the same time as the CESL notifies the successful Bidder that its bid has been accepted, the CESL will send the bidder the contract agreement provided in the bidding documents, incorporating all agreements between the parties.

Within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of the contract agreement, the successful bidder shall sign and date the contract agreement and return it to the CESL. Contract agreement will contain agreement on stamp paper, bid documents and bidder's offer etc.

# 5.9. Performance security

Within twenty-eight (28) days after receipt of the letter of award, the successful bidder shall furnish the performance security for ten percent (10%) of the contract price or as specified in tender documents and in the form provided in the section "Forms and Procedures" of the bidding documents or in another form acceptable to the CESL.

In case Joint Deed(s) of Undertaking by the Contractor along with his associate(s)/collaborator(s) form part of the Contract, then, unconditional Bank Guarantee(s) from such associate(s)/collaborator(s) for amount(s) specified in Bid

Failure of the successful Bidder to comply with the requirements of ITB Clause 5.7 or Clause 5.8 shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the bid security, in which event the CESL may make the award to the next lowest evaluated bidder or call for new bids.

# 5.10. Corrupt or Fraudulent practices:

The CESL requires that bidders observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuance of this policy, the CESL: defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:

a. i) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and

ii) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the CESL, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission)

designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the CESL of the benefits of free and open competition;

- b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question;
- c) will declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a contract if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing, a contract of the CESL.

### 5.11 Ineligibility for Future Tenders

Notwithstanding the provisions specified in ITB sub clause 2.4 and ITB sub clause 5.7 and 5.8, if a bidder after having been issued and letter of award, either does not sign the contract agreement pursuant to ITB clause 5.7 or does not submit an acceptable performance security pursuant to ITB clause 5.9, such bidder may be considered ineligible for participating in future tenders of CESL for a period as may be decided by the CESL.

Successful bidder is to submit interchangeability certificate for its product supplied for replacement during warranty and maintenance period and even when it is purchased from open market. In case due to change in technology, the supplied product is not available during warranty/ maintenance period than the improved version of product can be used in warranty/ maintenance period with same or improved technical parameters or the combination thereof after written communication of Engineer in Charge at same cost& terms and conditions. Successful Bidder, on whom letter of award has been placed, has also to confirm that the prices of improved version of product is not lesser than the original product or its parts in comparison.

Note: Special Terms and Conditions will prevail upon the instruction to Bidders.

# 6.0 Liquidated Damages

In case of any delay in the execution of the order beyond the stipulated time schedule including any extension permitted in writing, CESL reserves the right to recover from the bidder a sum equivalent to 0.5% of the value of the delayed equipment installation/unexecuted portion of work for each week of delay and part thereof subject to a maximum of 5% of the total value of the contract.

Alternatively, CESL reserves the right to purchase and distribute equipment/ material from elsewhere at the sole risk at the cost of successful bidder/contractor and recover all such extra cost incurred by CESL in procuring the material from resources available including EMD/Bid Security/encashment of Bank Guarantee or any other sources etc. Further, if any extra cost is incurred by CESL due to delay in work completion by the party beyond the completion time as per P.O./L.O.A., the same shall also be recovered from party's invoice/EMD/BGs etc.

Alternatively, CESL may cancel the order completely or partly without prejudice to his right under the alternatives mentioned above.

# 7.0 Governing Law

The Contract shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with laws in force in India. The Courts of Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction in all matters arising under the Contract.

# 8.0 Tax and Duties

- 8.1 Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Contract, the Implementing Partner shall bear and pay all taxes, duties, levies and charges assessed on the Implementing Partner, its Sub Implementing Partners or their employees by all municipal, state or national government authorities in connection with the Facilities in and outside of the country where the Site is located.
- 8.2 Notwithstanding above Sub-Clause 8.1 above, the CESL shall bear and promptly reimburse all customs and import duties, if imposed in future, on the Plant and Equipment including Type Test and mandatory spares supplied from abroad and specified in Price Schedule (and on spare parts to be supplied from abroad and specified in Schedule, when awarded) and that are to be incorporated into the Facilities, by the law of the country where the Site is located. However, if the plant and equipment are shipped in Shipper's containers, then the custom duty levied on the cost of empty containers shall be borne and paid/reimbursed by the Implementing Partner. The CESL shall also bear and pay/reimburse to the Implementing Partner/Assignee of Foreign Implementing Partner (if applicable) Sales Tax (but not the surcharge in lieu of Sales Tax), Local Tax including Entry Tax / Octroi (if applicable) in respect of direct transactions between the CESL and the Implementing Partner, if imposed on the Plant and Equipment including Type Test and Mandatory Spares manufactured within the CESL's country and specified in Price (and also on locally supplied spares quoted when awarded) to be incorporated in the Facilities, by the law of country where the site is located. For this purpose, the Ex-works price if quoted in foreign currency and so incorporated in the contract, shall be converted to Indian Rupees as per the TT buying exchange rates established by State Bank of India prevailing on the actual date of Ex-works (India) dispatch.

All taxes, duties and levies on works contract, if any, shall be to the Implementing Partner's account and no separate claim in this regard will be entertained by the CESL.

- 8.3 If any tax exemptions, reductions, allowances or privileges is available to the Implementing Partner in the country where the Site is located, the CESL shall use its best endeavors to enable the Implementing Partner to benefit from any such tax savings to the maximum allowable extent.
- 8.4 For the purpose of the Contract, it is agreed that the Contract Price specified in Contract Price and Terms of Payment of the Contract Agreement is based on the taxes, duties, levies and charges prevailing at the date seven (7) days prior to the last date of bid submission in the country where the Site is located (hereinafter called "Tax" in this Sub-Clause 8.4). If any rates of Tax are increased or de-creased, a new Tax is introduced, an existing Tax is abolished, or any change in interpretation or application of any Tax occurs in the course of the performance of Contract, which was or will be assessed on the Implementing Partner in connection with performance of the Contract, an equitable adjustment of the Contract Price shall be made to fully take into account any such change by addition to the Contract Price or deduction there-from. However, these adjustments would be restricted to direct transactions between the CESL and the Contractor/assignee of Foreign Implementing Partner (if applicable). These adjustments shall not be applicable on procurement of raw materials, intermediary components etc. by the Implementing Partner/assignee and also not applicable on the bought out items dispatched directly from sub-vendor's works to site.

## 9.0 Completion Time Guarantee:

If the Successful bidder, on whom award is made/Implementing Partner/Consultant fails to attain Completion of the Facilities or any part thereof within the Time for Completion or any extension thereof under ITB Clause 2.23, the Successful bidder, on whom award is made/Implementing Partner/Consultant shall pay to the CESL liquidated damages in the amount computed at the rates specified in the SCC. The aggregate amount of such liquidated damages shall in no event exceed the amount specified as "Maximum" in the SCC. Once the "Maximum" is reached, the CESL may consider termination of the Contract.

Such payment shall completely satisfy the Successful bidder, on whom award is made/Implementing Partner/Consultant obligation to attain Completion of the Facilities or the relevant part thereof within the Time for Completion or any extension thereof under ITB Clause 2.23. The Implementing Partner shall have no further liability whatsoever to the CESL in respect thereof.

However, the payment of liquidated damages shall not in any way relieve the Successful bidder, on whom award is made/Implementing Partner/Consultant from any of its obligations to complete the Facilities or from any other obligations and liabilities of the Implementing Partner under the Contract.

# 10.0 Defect Liability

- 10.1 The Successful bidder, on whom award is made/Implementing Partner/Consultant warrants that the Facilities or any part thereof shall be free from defects in the design, engineering, materials and workmanship of the Plant and Equipment supplied and of the work executed, wherever applicable.
- 10.2 The Defect Liability Period shall be eighteen (18) months from the date of Completion of the Facilities (or any part thereof) or twelve (12) months from the date of Operational Acceptance of the Facilities (or any part thereof), whichever first occurs, unless specified otherwise in the SCC.

If during the Defect Liability Period any defect should be found in the design, engineering, materials and workmanship of the Plant and Equipment supplied or of the work executed by the Implementing Partner, the Implementing Partner shall promptly, in consultation and agreement with the CESL regarding appropriate remedying of the defects, and at its cost, repair, replace or otherwise make good (as the Implementing Partner shall, at its discretion, determine) such defect as well as any damage to the Facilities caused by such defect. The Implementing Partner shall not be responsible for the repair, replacement or making good of any defector of any damage to the Facilities arising out of or resulting from any of the following causes:

- improper operation or maintenance of the Facilities by the CESL
- operation of the Facilities outside specifications provided in the Contract.
- Normal wear and tear.
- 10.3 The CESL shall give the Successful bidder, on whom award is made/Implementing Partner a notice stating the nature of any such defect together with all available evidence thereof, promptly following the discovery thereof. The CESL shall afford all reasonable opportunity for the Implementing Partner to inspect any such defect.
- 10.4 The CESL shall afford the Implementing Partner all necessary access to the Facilities and the Site to enable the Implementing Partner to perform its obligations.

The Implementing Partner may, with the consent of the CESL, remove from the Site any Plant and Equipment or any part of the Facilities that are defective if the nature of the defect, and/or any damage to the Facilities caused by the defect, is such that repairs cannot be expeditiously carried out at the Site.

10.5 If the repair, replacement or making good is of such a character that it may affect the efficiency of the Facilities or any part thereof, the CESL may give to the Implementing Partner a notice requiring that tests of the defective part of the Facilities shall be made by the Implementing Partner immediately upon completion of such remedial work, whereupon the Implementing Partner shall carry out such tests.

If such part fails the tests, the Implementing Partner shall carry out further repair, replacement or making good (as the case may be) until that part of the Facilities passes such tests. The tests in character shall in any case be not less than what has already been agreed by the CESL and the Implementing Partner for the original equipment/part of the Facilities.

- 10.6 If the Implementing Partner fails to commence the work necessary to remedy such defect or any damage to the Facilities caused by such defect within a reasonable time (which shall in no event be considered to be less than fifteen (15) days), the CESL may, following notice to the Implementing Partner, proceed to do such work, and the reasonable costs incurred by the CESL in connection therewith shall be paid to the CESL by the Implementing Partner or may be deducted by the CESL from any monies due to the Implementing Partner or claimed under the Performance Security.
- 10.7 If the Facilities or any part thereof cannot be used by reason of such defect and/or making good of such defect, the Defect Liability Period of the Facilities or such part, as the case may be, shall be extended by a period equal to the period during which the Facilities or such part cannot be used by the CESL because of any of the aforesaid reasons. Upon correction of the defects in the Facilities or any part thereof by repair/ replacement, such repair/replacement shall have the Defect Liability Period extended by a period of twelve (12) month from the time such replacement/ repair of the Facilities or any part thereof.
- 10.8 In addition, the Implementing Partner shall also provide an extended warranty for any such component of the Facilities and during the period of time as may be specified in the SCC. Such obligation shall be in addition to the defect liability specified under ITB Clause 10.2 or as specified in SCC.

## 11.0 Functional Guarantees

- 11.1 The Implementing Partner guarantees that during the Guarantee Test, the Facilities and all parts thereof shall attain the Functional Guarantees as specified in the Contract Agreement, subject to and upon the conditions therein specified.
- 11.2 If, for reasons attributable to the Implementing Partner, the guaranteed level of the Functional Guarantees specified in the Contract Agreement are not met either in whole or in part, the Implementing Partner shall, within a mutually agreed time, at its cost and expense make such changes, modifications and/or additions to the Plant or any part thereof as may be necessary to meet such Guarantees. The Implementing Partner shall notify the CESL upon completion of the necessary changes, modifications and/or additions, and shall seek the CESL's consent to repeat the Guarantee Test. If the specified Functional Guarantees are not established even during the repeat of the Guarantee Test, the CESL may at its option, either
  - Reject the Equipment and recover the payments already made, or
  - Terminate the Contract and recover the payments already made, or
  - Accept the equipment after levy of liquidated damages in accordance with the provisions specified in the Contract Agreement.

# 12.0 Inspections and Tests

- 12.1. Inspection of Goods: The Employer or its representative shall have the right to inspect and/or to test the Goods to confirm their conformity to the Contract specifications at no extra cost to the Employer. (SCC and the Technical Specifications shall specify what inspections and tests the Employer requires and where they are to be conducted). The Employer shall notify the Contractor in writing in a timely manner of the identity of any representatives retained for these purposes.
- 12.2 The inspections and tests may be conducted on the premises of the Contractor or its subcontractor(s), at point of delivery and/or at the Goods final destination. If conducted on the premises of the Contractor or its subcontractor(s), all reasonable Works and assistance, including access to drawings and production data shall be furnished to the inspectors at no cost to the Employer.
- 12.3 Should any inspected or tested Goods fail to conform to the specifications, the Employer may reject and the Contractor shall either replace the rejected Goods or make alterations necessary to meet specification requirements free of cost to the Employer.
- 12.4 The Employer's right to inspect, test and, where necessary, reject the Goods after the arrival at Site shall in no way be limited or waived by reason of the Goods having previously been inspected, tested and passed by the Employer or its Representative prior to the Goods shipment.
- 12.5 Nothing in GCC Clause 6 shall in any way release the Contractor from any warranty or other obligations under this Contract.
- 12.5 Manuals and Drawings
- 12.6 Before the Goods and Services are taken over by the Employer, the Contractor shall supply operation and maintenance manuals together with drawings of the goods and equipment. These shall be in such detail as will enable the Employer to operate, maintain, adjust and repair all parts of the equipment as stated in the specifications.

- 12.7 The manuals and drawings shall be in the English ruling language and in such form and numbers as stated in the contract.
- 12.8 Unless and otherwise agreed, the goods and equipment shall not be considered to be completed for the purpose of taking over until such manuals and drawings have been supplied to the Employer.
- 12.9 It shall be the obligation of the Contractor to train and familiarize the designated person by the Employer in regard to the operation manual and drawings.

## 13.0 Insurance

The Goods supplied under the Contract shall be fully insured in Indian Rupees against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery. For delivery of goods at site, the insurance shall be obtained by the Contractor, for an amount not less than the Contract Price of the goods from "warehouse to warehouse" (final destinations) on "All Risks" basis including War risks and strikes.

# 14.0 Transportation, Demurrage Wharfage, Etc.

Contractor is required under the Contract to transport the Goods to place of destination defined as Site. Transport to such place of destination in India including insurance, as shall be specified in the Contract, shall be arranged by the Contractor, and the related cost shall be included in the Contract Price.

Successful bidder, on whom letter of award is placed, is to ensure all safety guidelines, rules and regulations, labour laws etc. Successful bidder indemnify CESL for any accident, injury met by its labour, employee or any other person working for him. Any compensation sought by its labour, employee or any other person working for him shall be paid by successful bidder as per settlement solely. CESL has no role to play in this matter

## 15.0 Warranty

- 15.1 The Contractor warrants that the Goods supplied under this Contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the Contract. The Contractor further warrants that all Goods supplied under this Contract shall have no defect arising from design, materials or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the Employer's Specifications) or from any act or omission of the Contractor, that may develop under normal use of the supplied Goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
- This warranty of all the Works shall remain valid for 2 year after the Commissioning. The Contractor shall, 15.2 in addition, comply with the performance specified for and/or guarantees under Contract. If attributable the reasons to the Contractor, guarantees attained whole in part, the these are not in or Contractor shall:
- 15.3 make such changes, modifications, and/or additions to the Goods or any part thereof as may be necessary in order to attain the contractual guarantees specified in the Contract at its own cost and expense and to carry out further performance tests in accordance with SCC Clause 2; OR
- 15.4 pay liquidated damages to the Employer with respect to the failure to meet the contractual guarantees.
- 15.5. The Employer shall notify the Contractor in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
- 15.6 Upon receipt of such notice, the Contractor shall, within the period of 15 days and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective Goods or parts thereof, free of cost at the ultimate destination. The Contractor shall take over the replaced parts/goods at the time of their replacement. No claim whatsoever shall lie on the Employer for the replaced parts/goods thereafter. In the event of any correction of defects or replacement of defective material during the Warranty period, the Warranty for the corrected or replaced material shall be extended to a further period.
- 15.7 If the Contractor, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within 15 days, the Employer may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the Contractor's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the Employer may have against the Contractor under the Contract. The performance guarantee and liquidated damaged be entitled to be recovered without prejudice to other rights of the Employer.

## 16.0. Termination for Default

- 16.1 The Employer may, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the Contractor, terminate the Contract in whole or part:
- 16.2 if the Contractor fails to deliver any or all of the Goods and complete the Work within the period(s) specified in the Contractor within any extension thereof granted by the Employer pursuant to GCC Clause 20; or
- if the Contractor fails to perform any other obligation(s)/duties under the Contract.
- 16.4 If the Contractor, in the judgment of the Employer has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.
- 16.5 In the event the Employer terminates the Contract in whole or in part, pursuant to GCC Clause 22.1, the Employer may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, Goods or Services similar to those undelivered,

and the Contractor shall be liable to the Employer for any excess costs for such similar Goods or Services. However, the Contractor shall continue the performance of the Contract to the extent not terminated.

### 17.0. Settlement of Disputes

## 17.1 Adjudicator

- 17.1.1 If any dispute of any kind whatsoever shall arise between the CESL and the Implementing Partner in connection with or arising out of the Contract, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, any question regarding its existence, validity or termination, or the execution of the Facilities—whether during the progress of the Facilities or after their completion and whether before or after the termination, abandonment or breach of the Contract—the parties shall seek to resolve any such dispute or difference by mutual consultation. If the parties fail to resolve such a dispute or difference by mutual consultation, then the dispute shall be referred in writing by either party to the Adjudicator, with a copy to the other party.
- 17.1.2 The Adjudicator shall give its decision in writing to both parties within twenty-eight (28) days of a dispute being referred to it. If the Adjudicator has done so, and no notice of intention to commence arbitration has been given by either the CESL or the Implementing Partner within fifty-six (56) days of such reference, the decision shall become final and binding upon the CESL and the Implementing Partner. Any decision that has become final and binding shall be implemented by the parties forthwith.
- 17.1.3 Should the Adjudicator resign or die, or should the CESL and the Implementing Partner agree that the Adjudicator is not fulfilling its functions in accordance with the provisions of the Contract; another retired Judge of High Court/Supreme Court of India shall be jointly appointed by the CESL and the Implementing Partner as adjudicator under the Contract. Failing agreement between the two within twenty eight (28) days, the new retired judge of High Court/Supreme Court of India shall be appointed as the Adjudicator under the Contract at the request of either party by the Appointing Authority specified in the SCC. The adjudicator shall be paid fee plus reasonable expenditures incurred in the execution of its duties as adjudicator under the contract. This cost shall be divided equally between the CESL and the Implementing Partner.

## 17.2 Arbitration

- 17.2.1 If either the CESL or the Implementing Partner is dissatisfied with the Adjudicator's decision, or if the Adjudicator fails to give a decision within twenty-eight (28) days of a dispute being referred to it, then either the CESL or the Implementing Partner may, within fifty-six (56) days of such reference, give notice to the other party, with a copy for information to the Adjudicator, of its intention to commence arbitration, as hereinafter provided, as to the matter in dispute, and no arbitration in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given.
- 17.2.2 Any dispute in respect of which a notice of intention to commence arbitration has been given, in accordance with Sub-Clause 17.2.1, shall be finally settled by arbitration. Arbitration may be commenced prior to or after completion of the Facilities.
- 17.2.3 Any dispute submitted by a party to arbitration shall be heard by an arbitration panel composed of three arbitrators, in accordance with the provisions set forth below.
- 17.2.4 The CESL and the Implementing Partner shall each appoint one arbitrator, and these two arbitrators shall jointly appoint a third arbitrator, who shall chair the arbitration panel. If the two arbitrators do not succeed in appointing a third arbitrator within twenty-eight (28) days after the latter of the two arbitrators has been appointed, the third arbitrator shall, at the request of either party, be appointed by the Appointing Authority for arbitrator designated in the SCC.
- 17.2.5 If one party fails to appoint its arbitrator within forty-two (42) days after the other party has named its arbitrator, the party which has named an arbitrator may request the Appointing Authority to appoint the second arbitrator.
- 17.2.6 If for any reason an arbitrator is unable to perform its function, the mandate of the Arbitrator shall terminate in accordance with the provisions of applicable laws as mentioned in ITB Clause 7 (Governing Law) and a substitute shall be appointed in the same manner as the original arbitrator.
- 17.2.7 Arbitration proceedings shall be conducted (i) in accordance with the rules of procedure designated in the SCC, (ii) in the place designated in the SCC, and (iii) in the language in which this Con-tract has been executed.
- 17.2.8 The decision of a majority of the arbitrators (or of the third arbitrator chairing the arbitration, if there is no such majority) shall be final and binding and shall be enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction as decree of the court. The parties thereby waive any objections to or claims of immunity from such enforcement.
- 17.2.9 The arbitrator(s) shall give reasoned award.
- 17.3 Notwithstanding any reference to the Adjudicator or arbitration herein,

- the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the Contract unless they
  otherwise agree
- the CESL shall pay the Implementing Partner any monies due to the Implementing Partner.

## 18.0 MSME Bidder

Are you registered as MICRO, SMALL or MEDIUM Enterprise under MSMED Act 2006? If YES.

A) Please indicate relevant category with copy

of documentary proof issued by the concerned authorities:

B) Does your firm fall under MSE's owned by SC/ST

Entrepreneurs. If so, enclose a copy of documentary evidence:

IN ADDITION TO ABOVE FOLLOWING WILL ALSO BE APPLICABLE FOR CONSULTANCY/PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONTRACT SERVICES.

#### 19.0 THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANCY SERVICES

The Employer (CESL) is obliged, at its own expense, to make the necessary provision for the performance of those services by third parties commissioned by it, as described in Special Conditions of Contract

## **20.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES**

- 20.1 The Consultant shall deliver the Services in full and on time.
- 20.2 The Services to be performed by the Consultant encompass all the part services described and explained in Special Conditions of Contract, Terms of Reference plus Tender Documents and The Consultant's bid. Furthermore, the Consultant must deliver all the standard and special services as defined intender RfP.
- 20.3 The Consultant shall work together with third parties wherever commissioned by the Employer. The Employer is not responsible for these third parties or their performance, when the work is assigned to consultant to co-ordinate with them. In addition, the Consultant must comprehensively coordinate their services with its own services, as far as possible.

## 20.1 STANDARD AND SPECIAL SERVICES

- 20.1.1 In addition to the Services specified explicitly in the Contract, the Consultant shall also perform all other services, if necessary, that are not listed under the contractual services, but are customarily required in order to properly discharge the contractual obligations ("standard services"). The standard services shall be fully compensated through the Agreed Remuneration in the contract.
- 20.1.2 "Special Services" are services that are not included under the contractual or standard services, but must necessarily be delivered by the Consultant in order to properly perform its duties under the Contract, because the external circumstances of service delivery have changed unexpectedly, or because the Employer has suspended the Services *Force Majeure* or because the Employer, with the prior consent of CESL, requires services that were not included in the invitation to tender but are necessary.

No extra cost is payable to fulfill the standard and / or special services.

## 20.2 DUE DILIGENCE

20.2.1 Except where otherwise stipulated in this Contract, or otherwise legally stipulated within the country or within another legal system (including the legal system in the Consultant's jurisdiction) by provisions that impose higher demands than this Contract, when performing its obligations under this Contract the Consultant shall exercise due diligence and provide the Services in compliance with professional practice and to the recognized quality standards, in accordance with current scientific and generally accepted engineering standards. The Consultant must document its work, the progress of the Project and the decisions it takes in an appropriate form that is acceptable to the Employer, bearing in mind the requirements of tender/RfP/Letter of Award.

#### 20.3 REPORTING

20.3.1 The Consultant shall inform the Employer promptly of all extraordinary circumstances that arise *during the performance of the services and of all* matters requiring CESL approval. The consultant is to make reports as defined in scope of work and submit the same as per timelines defined in the contract.

# 20.4 STAFFING

- 20.4.1 The Consultant shall employ the staff specified in bid [Staffing Schedule] to implement performance of the Services. The list of designated key staff and any changes to it shall require the prior written approval of the Employer.
- 20.4.2 The Employer may require the Consultant to terminate the contract of, or replace, any staff member who fails to meet the requirements as per contract. Any such demand must be submitted in writing to the Consultant stating the reasons for it.
- 20.4.3 If staff employed by the Consultant need to be replaced, the Consultant shall ensure that the staff member in question is replaced promptly by an individual who possesses at least equivalent qualifications.

- 20.4.4 If any one of the Consultant's staff falls ill for more than one month and this jeopardizes the performance of this Contract by the Consultant, the Consultant shall replace this staff member with another staff member who possesses at least equivalent qualifications.
- 20.4.5 Staff shall only be replaced after prior approval by the Employer, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld. The exchange, replacement, or planned dispensation of replacement (as exception to existing rules) of key staff specified by name shall require the prior approval of CESL.
- 20.4.6 If the Consultant must terminate the contract of, or replace, any staff during the Contract period, the costs thus accrued shall be borne by the Consultant, except where staff are removed or replaced at the Employer's request. In this case, the Employer shall meet the costs of replacing the staff member, unless the staff member in question does not meet the requirements.

# 20.5 CONTACT PERSON OF THE CONSULTANT

- 20.5.1 The Consultant shall appoint for the exercise of all rights and obligations arising from this Contract a natural person as its contact person for the Employer under this Contract.
- 20.5.2 The Consultant shall specify and provide respective contact data to the Employer for an individual at the Consultant's place of business who can be reached at any time in cases of emergency or crisis as well as a deputy of the Consultant. The Consultant shall notify the Employer without delay of any change of elected person or their contact data.

## 21.0 INDEPENDENCE OF THE CONSULTANT

21.1 The Consultant undertakes that neither the Consultant nor any enterprise associated with the Consultant shall bid for the Project as manufacturer, supplier, or building contractor. This prohibition also applies to any bidding for any further consulting services, insofar as such consulting services might lead to a restriction of competition or a conflict of interests. Any violation of this stipulation may lead to the immediate cancellation of this Contract and require the reimbursement of any and all costs incurred by the Employer up to the time of such violation as well as compensation for any and all losses and damages incurred by the Employer as a result of such cancellation.

# 22.0 COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION

- 22.1.1 The Consultant shall begin performing the Services on the prescribed date on which execution of the Contract shall take place, but not earlier than and without undue delay after the Contract has come into force. The Consultant shall deliver the Services in accordance with the time schedule in the bid [Time Schedule for the Performance of the Services defined in SCC], and shall complete the Services within the Completion Period, subject to any further extensions to this Contract accorded by employer.
- 22.1.2 In relation to optional services (if any), the Consultant shall commence delivery of the optional services not earlier than upon receipt of notification from the Employer,
- 22.1.3 Any change to the time schedule [Time Schedule for the Performance of the Services] due to a reasonable request by either party shall be mutually agreed upon in writing.

### 23.0 FORCE MAJEURE

In addition to Force Majeure defined in clause 2.26, following will also be applicable for consultancy work.

- 23.1 In the event of Force Majeure, the contractual obligations, as far as affected by such event, shall be suspended for as long as performance remains impossible due to the Force Majeure, provided that one party to the Contract receives notification of the Force Majeure event from the other party within two weeks after its occurrence and both the parties agree for that to be a force majeure. Any and all liability of the Consultant for damages arising due to its absence caused by the Force Majeure is excluded.
- 23.2 In the event of Force Majeure, the Consultant shall be entitled to an extension of the Contract equal to the delay caused by such Force Majeure. If the performance of the Services is rendered permanently impossible by the Force Majeure, both parties to this Contract shall be entitled to terminate the Contract on mutual agreement basis only.
- 23.3 In case of suspension or termination of the Contract due to Force Majeure, the Services performed up to the time of the Force Majeure and all necessary expenditure (which is evidenced) of the Consultant arising from the discontinuing of the Services shall be invoiced on the basis of contractual prices subject to employer agreement with the work. Neither party shall make any further claims.

# 24.0 SUSPENSIONS OR TERMINATION

- 24.1 The Employer may fully or partially suspend the Services or terminate this Contract after serving written notice of at least 30 days. In this event, the Consultant must immediately take all measures necessary to ensure that the Services are discontinued and the expenditure minimized. The Consultant shall hand over all reports, drafts and documents to be drawn up by the date in question to the Employer. In case of termination Force majeure shall apply mutatis mutandis.
- 24.2 If the Consultant fails to meet its contractual obligations without sufficient reason; in accordance with the Contract; or on time, the Employer may serve a notice upon the Consultant and request it to duly perform its Services. If the Consultant

fails to remedy the performance deficit within a period of 21 days of having been called upon to do so by the Employer, the Employer shall be entitled, after this period has elapsed, to terminate the Contract by written notice.

24.3 If the termination of the Contract is due to a default on the part of the Consultant, the Consultant shall be entitled to demand the Agreed Remuneration for the Services performed until the date of termination but not yet remunerated. The Employer shall be entitled to demand compensation for the direct damages caused by the default.

## 25.0 REMUNERATION OF THE CONSULTANT

The Consultant shall receive the remuneration agreed in the Special Conditions and bid price schedule for performing the Services owed under this Contract, subject to the conditions listed therein and the conditions below.

#### 26.0 TERMS OF PAYMENT

Except where otherwise agreed in the Special Conditions, the Employer shall pay the Consultant's remuneration as follows:

- (a) Advance payment, due within 30 days of award of Contract upon presentation of an invoice against equivalent advance bank guarantee, if mentioned in SCC.
- (b) Payments based on deliverables as per tender/SCC or as agreed upon in amendments.
- (c) The final payment shall be made after the Services have been performed in full and confirmation had been provided by the Employer to that Consultant.

#### 27.0 METHOD OF PAYMENT

Payment shall be made according to the conditions set out in the Special Conditions or as agreed upon.

## 28.0 INSURANCE AGAINST LIABILITY AND DAMAGES

The Consultant is advised to take out insurance for the period of the Contract, on the terms specified in the Special Conditions, including, but not limited to, the following:

- a) Professional liability insurance;
- b) Personal liability insurance;
- Equipment insurance covering loss of or physical damage to all equipment acquired, used, provided
  or paid for by the Employer within the context of this Contract; and
- d) Motor vehicle third party liability insurance and motor vehicle comprehensive insurance for the vehicles acquired in connection with this Contract.

CESL will not be responsible in case any accident/ mis-happenings with consultant employee or contract person and for any equipment damage or theft occurs and in no case CESL shall pay for it.

In case of any contradiction in ITB and SCC, then SCC will prevail.

# LIST OF ACRONYMS

EMD: Earnest Money Deposit

EoI: Expression of Interest

SCC: Special Conditions of Contract

INR: Indian Rupees

IST: Indian Standard Time

LED: Light Emitting Diodes

LoI: Letter of Intent

LoA: Letter of Acceptance

MoU: Memorandum of Understanding

MoP: Ministry of Power

RECL: Rural Electrification Corporation Ltd

CESL: Energy Efficiency Services Ltd

CESL: Convergence Energy Services Ltd

O&M: Operation & Maintenance

RfP: Request for Proposal R&M: Repair & Maintenance

SD: Security Deposit

CPG: Contract Performance Guarantee

FTL: Fluorescent Tube Light SVL: Sodium Vapor Lamp