

COAL INDIA LIMITED
(A Government of India Enterprise)



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

FOR

**Design, Engineering, Supply and Procurement, Construction,
Erection, Testing, Commissioning, Operation and Maintenance of
Solar Photovoltaic Grid-Connected Power Plants of 3000 MW
capacities Anywhere in India**

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1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Coal India Limited (CIL), classified as a 'Maharatna' enterprise under the Ministry of Coal, Government of India, has its headquarters situated in Kolkata, West Bengal. It holds the title of the largest coal producer globally.
- 1.2 Across eight Indian states, CIL operates in 84 mining areas, managing a total of 313 active mines, consisting of 131 underground, 168 opencast, and 14 mixed mines.
- 1.3 CIL possesses twelve subsidiary companies namely Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL), Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL), Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), Western Coalfields Limited (WCL), South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL), Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL), Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL), Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Limited (CMPDIL), CIL Navikarniya Urja Limited (CNUL), CIL Solar PV Limited (CSPL), Coal India Africana Limitada (CIAL) and Bharat Coal Gasification and Chemicals Ltd (BCGCL).
- 1.4 CIL has five Joint Venture companies namely, Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Limited (HURL), Talcher Fertilizers Ltd. (TFL), CIL NTPC Urja Pvt. Ltd. (CNUPL), Coal Lignite Urja Vikas Private Limited (CLUVPL) and International Coal Venture Private Limited (ICVPL). CIL directly oversees the management of the mines in Assam, specifically North Eastern Coalfields (NEC).

2.0 Renewable Energy Project/s of CIL

- 2.1 CIL has planned to reach up to 9.5 GW Renewable Power capacity by 2029-30. Total 210 MW Capacity has been installed till date which comprises Rooftop and Ground Mounted Projects in CIL and its subsidiaries.
- 2.2 CIL shall develop the renewable energy projects in a phased wise manner. Initially it has planned to develop 2500 – 3000 MW of Solar Power capacity ("Solar Project") in India.
- 2.3 CIL is in the process of identifying suitable locations with respect to energy yield and proximity to ISTS network. These project shall be developed by engaging reputed and experienced leading sector EPC players.

3.0 Objective & Scope of Work

- 3.1 CIL is seeking interest of leading solar project EPC players for the development of Solar Power Projects in the potential states of India.
- 3.2 CIL is planning to solar power project of capacity 3000 MW in the regions having substantial solar power resources of potential states in India considering existing/committed transmission (ISTS & state), and recent state policy moves. Tentative locations can be in states like Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh etc.

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- 3.3 The Applicant has to submit the following details while submitting its EOI:

SL No	Description	Applicable Format
1	The scope will involve turnkey EPC of the entire plant including supply of solar PV modules along with land and BOS	Annexure 5

- 3.4 In addition to the above, the Applicant shall also furnish the tentative cost estimate for the scope along with breakup as per format stipulated in this document.
- 3.5 Based on the responses received from the Applicants, CIL will conduct a tendering process for selection of EPC-cum-O&M Contractor(s) for the said project. The selected Contractor will be expected to provide best-in-class technologies.
- 3.6 The Solar Power Plant should be designed for interconnection with the nearby ISTS network through Transmission cable/line.
- 3.7 Applicants can quote any capacity between 200 MW to 3000 MW based on their capabilities. The Minimum CUF of the proposed Solar capacities:

Type	Capacity (MW)	Minimum CUF
Solar	200-3000	25%

- 3.8 Suggestions on the draft NIT for the selection of contractor/s for EPC work of the Solar Power Projects are also invited. Applicants can submit their inputs/suggestions in the format attached at **Annexure 6**.
- 3.9 The provisions of the EOI shall be superseded by the provisions of NIT/Tender Documents and Contract Agreement after it is executed.
- 3.10 Based on the responses received from the Applicants, CIL may conduct a tendering process for selection of power procuring entity(s) for the said project.

4.0 Information required to be submitted by the Applicants

- 4.1 The Applicant shall be an entity, where entity means a body corporate incorporated in India under the Companies Act, 2013 and its amendments thereof or any other relevant law in India, as applicable.
- 4.2 The Applicant entity should not be currently debarred or blacklisted by any of the Central or State Governments / Government Department / PSU / autonomous organizations / multilateral donor institutions. It should not have employed any public servant dismissed / removed or person convicted for an offence involving corruption or abetment of such offences. Director(s)/Owner(s)/Proprietor/Partner(s) of the Applicant entity should not have been convicted by any court of law for offences involving corrupt and fraudulent practices including moral turpitude in relation to business dealings with the Government of India or CIL or CIL's subsidiaries during the last five (5) years.
- 4.3 The Applicant shall furnish the following information in its EOI:

General Information about the Applicant:

- i) The information about the Applicant should be furnished as per format provided in Annexure-1.
- ii) Undertaking should be furnished as per format provided in Annexure-2.

Technical Information about the Applicant:

The Applicants has to submit the information regarding their EOI in the formats provided with REOI document. The Applicant shall furnish details of such experience in the format given in Annexure-3.

Financial Information about the Applicant:

The Applicant shall furnish the Annual Turnover and Net Worth during the last three financial years just preceding the financial year in which EOI has been submitted in the format given in Annexure-4.

Note: Financial data should be provided in Indian Rupees only.

5.0 Instructions to the Applicants

- 5.1 This section on 'Instructions to the Applicants' should be read in conjunction with the other parts of this Request for EOI (REOI) document. Although details presented in this section have been compiled with all reasonable care, it is Applicant's responsibility to satisfy itself that the information / documents are adequate and that there is no conflict between the stipulations contained in this section and other parts of this REOI document. No dispute or claims shall be entertained on this account. Preparation of the EOI is the responsibility of the Applicant and no relief or consideration can be given for errors and omissions.

Obtaining the REOI Documents:

- 5.2 A complete set of REOI Documents may be downloaded free of cost by any interested applicant from CIL's e-Tender Portal (<https://coalindiatenders.nic.in>).
- 5.3 This EOI is not transferable.
- 5.4 Applicants should download the complete REOI document, and read carefully before filling the details and uploading the requisite documents.

Requirements for participation in e-tenders

- 5.5 The Applicant will have to submit the EOI online at CIL's e-Tender Portal (<https://coalindiatenders.nic.in>). Offline submission will not be acceptable.
- 5.6 In order to submit the online EOI on CIL's e-Tender portal, the Applicant should meet the following requirements:
- a) Personal Computer connected with internet (for details, please visit the home page of CIL's e-Tender portal <https://coalindiatenders.nic.in>).
 - b) It will be the Applicant's responsibility to comply with the system requirement i.e. hardware, software and internet connectivity at Applicant's premises to access the e-Procurement portal. Under no circumstances, CIL shall be liable to the Applicants for any direct/indirect loss or damages incurred by them arising out of incorrect use of the e-Procurement portal or internet connectivity failures.

Online enrolment / registration with CIL's e-Procurement portal

- 5.7 The interested Applicant should enroll / register himself at the CIL's e-Tender Portal (<https://coalindiatenders.nic.in>) in order to participate in the EOI process.
- 5.8 Online enrolment/registration of the Applicants on the e-Tender portal is free of cost and one-time activity only. The registration should be in the name of the Applicant in its own style and name. Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) holder, who is registered on behalf of the Applicant for submitting the Applicant documents, under his digital signatures in the e-Tender portal must be Applicant's duly authorized person, with valid DSC as per clause below. It shall be the responsibility of the Applicants to ensure that they get registered with the CIL's e-Tender portal well in advance and download the Applicant document before the last date and time for the same.
- 5.9 Digital Signature Certificate (Class II or Class III) must be from any Certifying Authority

authorized by Controller of Certifying Authority, Government of India (CCA) and which can be traced up to the chain of trust to the root certificate of CCA.

Help for participating in e-tender

- 5.10 The detailed method for participating in the e-Tender is available on links “Help for Contractor” and “Bidders Manual Kit” in CIL’s e-Tender portal. The Applicants may also seek help from the help-desk on 24x7 Toll Free No. 0120- 4200462, 0120-4001002 and additional mobile nos. +91- 8826246593 and +919903079800. All queries will be answered in English / Hindi only.

Contents of the EOI

- 5.11 The language for submission of EOI shall be English.
- 5.12 The enclosed attachments shall be filled in completely and wherever not applicable it should be written as “Not Applicable”. Applicants should furnish the required information and desist from writing “shall be furnished later” or submitting the blank form.
- 5.13 In case the Applicant intends to give additional information for which specified space in the given attachment is not sufficient, it can be furnished by additional sheets.
- 5.14 All the pages of the EOI and attachments should be signed and corrections and over writings should be countersigned by the authorized signatory.
- 5.15 The Applicant should submit an undertaking as per Format provided in Annexure-2.
- 5.16 CIL at any time reserves the right to cross check and confirm the information / details furnished by the Applicant.
- 5.17 All costs incurred by Applicant for preparing and submitting the EOI, in providing clarification or any other expenses whatsoever shall be borne by Applicants themselves, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the EOI process.

Online Submission of EOIs

- 5.18 The Applicant will submit his EOI online at CIL e-Tender Portal (<https://coalindiatenders.nic.in>) after carefully examining the documents.
- 5.19 Applicants to ensure that all uploaded documents are duly signed by the Applicant as per the format provided and must be digitally certified.
- 5.20 Applicants to further ensure that documents uploaded by them can be downloaded properly by CIL. CIL shall not be responsible for corrupted files, if any, uploaded online. Further file related to particular Attachment/Schedule including their annexures, if any, shall be given name of that Attachment/Schedule only.
- 5.21 EOIs shall be hosted/ uploaded on the system as per timelines and the schedule specified on the tender notification.

Deadline for Submission of EOIs

- 5.22 EOIs must be submitted online no later than the time and date stated in this REOI document.
- 5.23 CIL may, at its discretion, extend this deadline for submission of EOIs by amending the REOI documents, in which case all rights and obligations of CIL and Applicants

will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

Clarifications sought by the Applicant:

- 5.24 The Applicant can seek clarifications on any matter pertaining to this REOI document by submitting its queries online on the e-Tender portal or through email within the timeline specified in this REOI document.
- 5.25 CIL will upload its reply to the clarifications on the e-Tender portal.

Amendment to REOI Documents:

- 5.26 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of EOIs, CIL may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative, or in response to a clarification requested by any Applicant, amend the REOI document.
- 5.27 The amendments will be uploaded on the e-Tender portal by CIL. It will be assumed that the amended information have been taken into account by the Applicant in its EOI.
- 5.28 In order to afford prospective Applicants reasonable time in which to take the amendment into account in preparing their response, CIL may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of EOIs.
- 5.29 Applicants are advised to check regularly CIL e-Tender Portal for updates.

Opening of EOIs:

- 5.30 The EOIs will be decrypted on-line and will be opened by CIL on the pre-scheduled date and time specified in this REOI Document.
- 5.31 Applicant's attendance during the EOI opening in CIL Premises is not envisaged.

Schedule:

- 5.32 Timeline associated with the EOI is shown below. CIL reserves the right to amend the EOI process and amend the schedule at any stage.

Event	Date / Time
Issuance of REOI document by CIL	As per Portal
Last Date and Time for downloading the REOI document by the Applicants	
Last Date and Time for submission of queries / request for clarifications by the Applicants	
Last Date and Time for receipt of EOIs by CIL	

Right to Accept or Reject EOI:

- 5.33 Notwithstanding anything contained in this REOI document, CIL reserves the right to accept or reject any EOI or annul the process or reject all EOIs at any time without any liability or any obligation for such acceptance, rejection or annulment without assigning any reasons.

5.34 Address for Communication and Submission:

Tender inviting authority	Contact Person(s)/Tender Dealing Officer(s)
Sudarsan Bora GM (E&M)/Solar Solar Dept. Coal India Limited gmsolar.cil@coalindia.in	1. Jitendra Kr. Singh Sr. Manager (E&M) Solar Dept. singh.jitendra@coalindia.in 2. Rajnesh Meena Deputy Manager (E&M) Solar Dept. rajnesh.meena@coalindia.in
For any Portal related queries please call at 24 x 7 Help Desk Number- 0120-4001 002, 0120-4001 005, 0120-4493 395 Email: support-eproc@nic.com	

Corrupt or Fraudulent Practices:

5.35 CIL requires that Applicants observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of the contracts. In pursuance of this policy, CIL:

- a) Defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - 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 Employer, and includes collusive practice among Applicants (prior to or after submission of EOI) and to deprive CIL of the benefits of free and open competition;
- b) will reject an EOI if it determines that the Applicant has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices;
- c) will declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, for any subsequent shortlisting/ tendering process if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices.

5.36 Applicant or bidder means the entity participating or intending to participate in this process Request for EOI, as the case may be, shall respectively be referred as Applicant or Bidder.

5.37 Applicable Law and Jurisdiction: This EOI document shall be construed in accordance with the applicable laws of India. The Courts at Kolkata shall have exclusive jurisdiction in any proceedings arising out of this document.

6.0 List of Formats

- Covering Letter
- **Annexure-1:** General information of the Applicant
- **Annexure-2:** Format for Undertaking
- **Annexure-3:** Details of Applicant's experience
- **Annexure-4:** Financial information of the Applicant
- **Annexure-5:** Cost Estimate for the scope of work along with breakup
- **Annexure-6:** Suggestions on Draft NIT for the selection of EPC for Solar Project

Covering Letter

(On Applicant's letterhead)

Ref.:

Date:

Place:

To,

General Manager (E&M)/Solar
Coal India Limited
Coal Bhawan
Premise No-04 MAR,
Plot No-AF-III, Action Area-1A,
Newtown, Rajarhat, Kolkata-700156
PBX: 033 7110-4349
Email: - gmsolar.cil@coalindia.in

Subject: EOI for "Complete EPC Package (Incl. Land and Connectivity) of ISTS-Connected Solar Project with Nominal Capacity of 3000 MW Anywhere In India"

Eoi Reference: XXXX dated Xx-XX-2023

eTender ID: XX

Dear Sir,

We hereby, submit our EOI for "**Complete EPC Package (Incl. Land and Connectivity) of ISTS-Connected Solar Energy Project with Nominal Capacity of 3000 MW anywhere In India**" in accordance to the Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) Document No..... of Coal India Ltd. (CIL), hereinafter, referred to as REOI Document.

We hereby confirm the following:

The EOI is being submitted by _____ (Name of the Applicant Entity) who is the Applicant in accordance with the conditions stipulated in the REOI Document.

We _____ (Name of the Applicant Entity), as the Applicant, would be responsible for completion and performance of the anticipated Scope of Work.

We hereby submitting details in accordance with the conditions stipulated in the REOI Document.

We have examined in detail and have understood, and abide by, all the terms and conditions stipulated in the REOI Document and in any subsequent communication sent by CIL. Our EOI is consistent with all the requirements of submission as stated in the REOI Document or in any of the subsequent communications from CIL.

The information submitted in our EOI is complete, is strictly as per the requirements as stipulated in the REOI Document and is correct to the best of our knowledge and understanding.

Signed for and on behalf of

(Sign. & Seal of Authorized Signatory)

Enclosures – As per the list of documents given below:

Sl. No.	Formats as per REOI Document	Description	Documents Submitted
1.	Annexure-1	General information of the Applicant	Yes/No
2.	Annexure-2	Format for Undertaking	Yes/No
3.	Annexure-3	Details of Applicant's experience	Yes/No
4.	Annexure-4	Financial information of the Applicant	Yes/No
5.	Annexure-5	Cost Estimate for the scope of work along with breakup	Yes/No
6.	Annexure-6	Inputs on draft NIT	

Annexure-1: General information of the Applicant

(On Applicant's letterhead)

1	Applicant Entity Details	
1.1	Full Legal Name of Applicant's entity	
1.2	Legal Status of the Applicant's entity	Public Ltd. Co. / Pvt. Ltd. Co. / Partnership / Proprietorship / Any other status as applicable
1.3	CIN	
1.4	Registration No.	
1.5	Year of Registration	
1.6	Registered Office Address	
1.7	Telephone Number	
1.8	Fax Number	
1.9	e-mail Address	
1.10	PAN	
1.11	Principal Place of Business	
1.12	GSTIN	
2	Details of Personnel authorized for signing EOI	
2.1	Name	
2.2	Designation	
2.3	Address	
2.4	Mobile Number	
2.5	e-mail ID	
3	Details of Contact Person for Participation in Tenders post EOI	
3.1	Name	
3.2	Designation	
3.3	Address	
3.4	Mobile Number	
3.5	e-mail ID	

(Sign. & Seal of Authorized Signatory)

Note: CIL reserves the right to seek additional documentary evidence from applicants in support of their respective statements.

The applicant may use additional page to furnish details if the space provided in this form is inadequate.

Annexure-2: Format for Undertaking

(TO BE SUBMITTED ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD)

I _____, the Authorized signatory of _____ (mention name of the Applicant Entity and its complete address) do here by solemnly affirm and declare as under:-

1. That our Firm / Company i.e. _____ (mention name of the Applicant Entity) has applied in response to the invitation of EOI for Complete EPC Package (Incl. Land and Connectivity) of ISTS-Connected Solar Energy Project with Nominal Capacity of 3000 MW anywhere In India
2. That our Firm / Company i.e. _____ (mention name of the Applicant Entity) is eligible to submit the aforesaid EOI as it not is under liquidation, court receivership or similar proceedings.
3. That all the information, documents and declarations submitted in/with our EOI are correct to the best of our knowledge and understanding.
4. That if any information, document or declaration submitted in/with our EOI, is found to be incorrect at a later date, we indemnify CIL against any loss due to this and CIL may take any action as deemed fit.
5. We hereby declare the following:
 - a) We have not been Banned/Blacklisted as on date of submission of bid by any of the Central or State Governments in India / Government Department in India / Indian PSU / autonomous organizations in India / multilateral donor institutions.
 - b) We have not employed any public servant dismissed/removed or person convicted for an offence involving corruption or abetment of such offences.
 - c) Our Director(s)/Owner(s)/Proprietor/Partner(s) have not been convicted by any court of law for offences involving corrupt and fraudulent practices including moral turpitude in relation to business dealings with Government of India or CIL or CIL's subsidiaries during the last five (5) years.
6. We further declare as under:

That if any information / data furnished by us is found to be incorrect or false or misleading at any point of time, it would render us liable to be debarred from any subsequent tendering / taking up of work in CIL, and CIL shall have the full right to take any action as per applicable laws.

Signed for and on behalf of

(Sign. & Seal of Authorized Signatory)

Date:

Place:

Annexure-3: Details of Experience

(On Applicant's letterhead)

Details of the EPC works for Solar Power power project(s) executed by the Applicant:

Sl. No.	Project name	Capacity (MW _{AC})	Location of installation	Client / Customer Name and Address	Date of award	Date of commissioning	Current status of project (e.g. under construction, successful operation)	Applicant's Scope of work in the project (e.g. EPC, O&M)
1								
2								
3								
	Add rows for more no. of projects							
Total Capacity								

(Copies of work orders should also be attached)

(Sign. & Seal of Authorized Signatory)

Place:

Date:

Annexure-4: Financial information of the Applicant

(On Applicant's letterhead)

Financial Year	Annual Turnover (INR Crore)	Net Worth (INR Crore)

(Sign. & Seal of Authorized Signatory)

Place:

Date:

Annexure-5: Cost Estimate for the scope of work along with breakup

Scope of work: Turnkey EPC including supply of WTG

SL. No.	Particulars	Details
a)	Proposed EPC capacity to opt out of total 3000 MW Solar Power Project (MW _{AC}) MW
b)	Proposed CUF %
c)	Land Location	
d)	Area Acres
e)	Detail of Nearest ISTS Detail regarding Location Distance, spare connectivity
f)	Proposed Commissioning Timeline (If EPC awarded) Months

Sl. No.	Item	Cost Estimate excluding GST for the project capacity mentioned above (Rs. Crore)	Cost Estimate including GST for the project capacity mentioned above (Rs. Crore)	Remarks (if any)
1	Supply of PV Modules Note: The modules shall be sourced only from parties listed under ALMM as published by MNRE			
2	Land			
3	Supply of Balance of System including all equipment, materials, accessories etc. and any other item as required for successful completion of the Project (apart from Sr.no.1)			

Sl. No.	Item	Cost Estimate excluding GST for the project capacity mentioned above (Rs. Crore)	Cost Estimate including GST for the project capacity mentioned above (Rs. Crore)	Remarks (if any)
4	General works including survey, land development, design & engineering, foundation works, construction, erection, electro-mechanical works, testing, commissioning, evacuation infrastructure till pooling substation in respect of the entire Project and inclusive of all preliminary and pre-operative expenses, expenses related to statutory approvals and clearances up to the Performance Guarantee (PG) Test			
5	Total EPC Cost (sum of 1 to 4)			
6	Annual O&M Cost			

Annexure-6: Suggestions/Inputs on Draft NIT

EPC /Applicant Name :					
S.No	Clause No	Page No	Existing Clause	Clarifications /Proposed Amendment	Remarks/Justifications