

Statement of the Replies /Clarifications to the Comments /queries raised by the intending Consultants/ institutions.

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01	<p>With reference to the above cited e-tender Notice where under the Department of Irrigation and Flood Control, Kashmir has sought bids for Consultancy Services for conducting surveys, studies related to EIA/EMP, formulation of Comprehensive FM plan and preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for flood management of River Jhelum & its tributaries, following few facts are submitted for your perusal and consideration:-</p> <p>a) That the proposed infrastructure project comes under the Schedule 1 of the 2006 EIA notification and cannot be undertaken without obtaining environmental clearance from the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Govt. of India. The clearance is given on the basis of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) to be prepared by an organization accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Education and Training (NABET), New Delhi in accordance with the guidelines issued from time to time by the Government of India.</p> <p>b) That the above referred Tender Notice does not make any mention of the accreditation as a mandatory eligibility criterion for firms intending to undertake the EIA and EMP of the proposed flood infrastructure development project. As per the Ministry's guidelines, EIA/EMP prepared by any non-accredited organization is not valid and bound to be rejected.</p> <p>c) That EIA and EMP is carried out for PFR (Preliminary Feasibility report/DPR (Detailed Project Report) with prior permission from MOEF especially for category A projects before finalizing the broad contours of the project activity. Therefore, asking for the expression of interest for carrying EIA/EMP without any PFR/DPR is not appropriate.</p> <p>d) That, in the entire state of Jammu and Kashmir, Centre of Research for Development (CORD), University of Kashmir is the only NABET accredited organization authorized to undertake EIA/EMP of the schedule 1 water infrastructure projects. The organization has sector-wise accredited Functional Area Experts (FAEs) in the fields of hydrology, geology, environment, ecology, soil conservation, biodiversity, socio-economics and all other required expertise as outlined under the EIA guidelines. CORD has till date carried out EIA/EMP studies for several water and urban infrastructure projects in the</p>	<p>The points submitted vide aforesaid reference for the considerations are replied as under for your information and this department shall look forward for your active participation.</p> <p>The e-NIT for the consultancy has been invited from the reputed and resourceful firms/Consultants for a complete assignment, which includes the EIA/EMP to be submitted to the Central water commission, MoWR, GOI. The project includes the assignment to identify the works for which EIA/EMP will be required and the consultant / Firm shall be responsible for getting the terms of references from the concern ministry i.e. MoEF, GOI as required to get the necessary clearance. The clearance cannot be granted from the MoEF, unless same is carried though the recognized consultants of QCI /NABET, which is a pre-requisite in getting the environmental clearances for such Projects, thus requires no further clarifications.</p> <p>The exemption for the security despite /EMD is not confirmed. However the department shall look for your active participation for the complete assignment of consultancy as advertised and not for a part.</p>

<p>State of Jammu and Kashmir, including Uri Hydroelectric Power Project, Bursar Hydroelectric Power project, Mughal Road Project, Pahalgam Development Authority project, Gulmarg Development authority project, Nimoo-Bazgo H.E. project, NHPC , Ladakh, Mughal Road Project, J&K Govt., Kishenganga HE Project NHPC, Gurez, Lassipora Industrial Growth Centre, Pulwama, Makhdoom Sahib ropeway Project Sonmarg Development Authority project, Yusmarg Development Area project, Wular lake conservation project etc.</p> <p>e) Being an autonomous State organization, the University of Kashmir is not required to provide any guarantee or security money while submitting the offers on competitive basis for undertaking EIA-EMP of any infrastructure development project.</p> <p>In view of the above facts, it is requested that the referred e-Tender Notice may be modified:-</p> <p>a) To restrict the preparation of EIA/EMP of the proposed flood infrastructure development only to NABET accredited organization as is mandated for the schedule 1 projects under the existing EIA notification</p> <p>b) To permit the University of Kashmir to offer the financial bid exempting it from the payment of security deposit/earnest money.</p> <p>c) That the University of Kashmir through CORD is ready to offer the consultancy services EIA/EMP of the project once the PFR/DPR for the project is finalized.</p>	
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The clarifications are issued & uploaded on the e-procurement portal

<http://www.jktenders.gov.in> & also on departmental web site "http://www.ifckashmir.com".

The department shall look forward for your active participation.

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1. Chief Engineer, Kashmir Irrigation & F.C. Department for information. This is in reference to the discussions held on 16-01-2016.
2. Superintending Engineer, Hydraulic Circle Srinagar for information and record.
3. office file