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	NIOT/HVT/1331/2024-2025
	High Pressure Parallel Reactor System
	OTTB (Open Tender Two Bid)- (GeM)
	04.10.2024
	18.10.2024 at 11 AM (IST) through webex
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मा करना	 INR. 5,05,000 /- a) Scanned copy towards EMD to be uploaded in the GeM portal b) Original EMD should be submitted through courier/speed post or in person dropped at the tender box. The original EMD should reach NIOT well before the Closing date and time of the tender.
der	Tender documents can be downloaded from GeM Portal and NIOTwebsite www.niot.res.in till closing date and time of the Tender.
ना	The tender is being Two Bid system, Techno- commercial Bid and BOQ (Price Bid) should be uploaded separately and electronically through GeM Portal The price/cost should not be revealed along with the technical bid . In case, the price/cost is revealed the bid is considered as invalid and summarily rejected.
nanuals for e-	Bidders may download the help documents Helpdesk number 1800-419-3436 e-mail: helpdesk-gem@gov.in For any issues / clarifications relating to the tender(s) published kindly contact the respective Tender Inviting Authority.
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INTRODUCTION

National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) is the technical arm of the Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India and is involved in developing technology for utilizing ocean resources in an eco-friendly manner.

Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)

National institute of Ocean Technology invites E-bids for the **High Pressure Parallel Reactor System** as per Technical specifications attached in the special condition of the contract (SCC) (Annexure -I).

1. <u>Submission of bids</u>: Bidders are requested to submit their Bid/quotation in two parts containing Technical proposal as Part-1 and price bid (BOQ) as Part-2 should be submitted electronically through **GeM Portal** <u>https://gem.gov.in/</u>. The responsibility to ensure timely submission of bid lies with the bidder. Bids submitted through FAX or e-mail will not be considered. Bidders shall also attach scanned copies of all the requisite documents i.e. other certificates/documents specified in the tender documents. The bids are to be submitted (electronically) as per the bidding type indicated in the front page of the NIT. The bidders are advised to register with GeM portal. Bidders are advised to submit their quotationin two Parts, **no manual tender is acceptable**.

Part-1 should contain Techno-Commercial Bid and duly signed blank price bid (without indicating the cost). All documents to be submitted for tender to be uploaded in the portal only. **The price/cost should not to be revealed in the technical bid, if the price/ cost is revealed, the tender will be treated as invalid.** The bids are to be submitted as per the bidding type indicated in the front page of the NIT.

Part-2 should contain only the price bid indicating the cost. The Part-1(Technical bid) and Part-2 (Price bid) should be uploaded separately, indicating the Tender No, Tender date, Tender due date and time. Please note that to participate in the tender. If you are a regular supplier of NIOT it is requested to register your company with portal and to procure if not owned already.

2. <u>NIT</u>: NIT shall form part of the LOI/Contract.

3. Pre-Qualification criteria:

A) Technical:-

- **i.** Only reputed manufacturers with 10 years of experience in handling high pressure related equipment are requested to participate. Necessary proof should be attached.
- **ii.** Vendor should enclose the Purchase Order copies of 2 similar items supplied in the last 5 years ending 31.08.2024.

B) Financial :-

(i) The average annual financial turnover of 'The bidder' during the recent three financial year ending 31.3.2024 should be at least **76 Lakh**, for the purpose of assessing the financial

strength. The documents should, duly be authenticated by a Chartered Accountant/Cost Accountant in India or equivalent in relevant countries should be submitted.

(ii) The net worth of the Bidder firm should not be negative year ending 31.3.2024 and also should not have eroded by more than 30% (thirty percent) in last three years, year ending 31.08.2024.

(iii)

a) **'Doctrine of Substantial Compliance'**: The Pre-Qualification Bidding (PQB) and Pre-Qualification Criteria (PQC) are for short listing of sources who are competent to perform this contract to ensure best value for money from expenditure of Public Money.

This process is neither intended to bestow any entitlement upon nor to create any rights or privileges for the Bidders, by way of overly hair-splitting or viciously legalistic interpretations of these criteria, disregarding the very rationale of the PQB and PQC.

Keeping this caveat in view, interpretation by procuring entity would be based on common usage of terminologies and phrases in public procurement in accordance with the 'Doctrine of Substantial Compliance' and would be final.

b) Along with all the necessary documents/certificates required as per the tender conditions, The bidder should furnish a brief write-up, backed with adequate data, explaining his available capacity (both technical and financial), for manufacture and supply of the required goods/equipment, within the specified time of completion, after meeting all their current commitments.

c) Supporting documents submitted by the bidder must be certified as follows:

(i) All copy of supply/work order; respective completion certificate and contact details of clients; documents issued by the relevant Industries Department/National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC)/manufacturing license; annual report, etc., in support of experience, past performance and capacity/capability should be authenticated by the by the person authorized to sign the tender on behalf of the bidder. Original Documents must be submitted for inspection, if so demanded.

(ii) All financial standing data should be certified by certified accountants, for example, Chartered Accountants/Cost Accountants or equivalent in relevant countries; and Indian bidder or Indian counterparts of foreign bidders should furnish their Permanent Account Number (PAN).

4. <u>**Pre-bid meeting:**</u> Pre-bid meeting shall be held on **18.10.2024 at 11:00 AM** through (WEBEX) video conference to clarify queries from all potential bidders. Potential bidders are advised to send their queries sufficiently in advance by email to <u>hvt@niot.res.in</u>. The meeting link will be uploaded as a corrigendum. A Corrigendum will be issued based on pre-bid meeting clarifications and shall form part of the NIT.

INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS:

5. Either the Indian Agent on behalf of the Principal/OEM or Principal/OEM itself can bid but both cannot bid simultaneously for the same item/product in the same tender.

6. Quotation/Offer/Bid should preferably be made directly from the manufacturers. Either the agent on behalf of the foreign principal or the foreign principal directly could bid in a tender, but not both. Further, in cases where agents participate in a tender on behalf of one manufacturer, they should not be allowed to quote on behalf of another manufacturer along with the first manufacturer. Commissions and scope of services to/by the agents should be explicit and transparent in the bids/contracts.

7. <u>Security:</u> Any information /material/document uploaded along with this tender or after award of contract should not be disclosed or copied without written permissionfrom NIOT.

8. <u>**Contacting NIOT**</u>: No correspondence / discussion / visits whatsoever will be entertained on the subject unless specifically called by this office after opening the tender for clarifications in writing. Any violation of this will render the quotation invalid and the firm is liable to be removed from our approved vendor list. However, if bidder requires any clarification on the bid, the query may be mailed to the mail ID **hvt@niot.res.in**

9. <u>**Tender Opening:**</u> All the Bidders can participate in the e-tender opening with proper authorization letter from the respective Company.

10. <u>Default in Performance</u>: If any bidder is not successfully discharging their contract obligations against the awarded contract on them by NIOT within the agreed time limit, (OR) if there is any deficiency in performing such obligations, NIOT reserves the right to suspend such bidder from their participation in future tenders of NIOT for a period of one year. Even after revoking the suspension period the bidder's performance still continues to be the same without any improvement, NIOT reserves right to BAN such bidder permanently from participation in all the tenders of NIOT and organizations of MOES.</u>

11. <u>Goods</u>: Goods should be supplied only after receipt of duly signed Contract from NIOT.

12. <u>Letter of Indent Acceptance</u>: The successful bidder should accept the Letter of intent acceptance within 15 days from the date of receipt of **Letter of intent**, failing which it shall be presumed that the successful bidder is not interested, and the EMD submitted will be forfeited or action will be initiated as per the Bid securing Declaration .

13. <u>Signing of the Contract</u>: The successful bidder upon LOI acceptance a contract should be signed on INR. 100 Non-judicial stamp paper between NIOT and the successful bidder. In case the contract is signed by other than the Director of the Company, Power of Attorney and Board Resolution should be submitted. If the Director of the Company is signing the Contract, then the copy of the Memorandum of Article (MoA) to be submitted.

14. <u>Change of Name after award:</u> Request / intimations with regard to change of name of the contracting company or constitution of the contractor after the tender opening or award of contract shall not be allowed as a matter of right. The bidders/ contractors are required to submit all relevant documents with regard to change of name or /and change of constitution and the circumstances leading to such change beforehand. It shall be the discretion of NIOT to proceed with the contract after such changes and in case, NIOT decides to proceed with the

contract, it may require the contractor to execute further agreements with regard to execution/ implementation of the contract.

15. <u>One Bid per Bidder</u>: A firm shall submit only one bid either individually or as a partner of a joint venture or as a corrigendum, if a bidder submit more than one bid will result in rejection of all the bids.

BIDDING CONDITION

16. <u>**Deadline for Submission of Bids:**</u> Bids must be received by NIOT at the GeM portal specified in the Invitation for Bids cover page on or before the due date/ extended due date thereof.

17. Due date Extension. Corrigendum to NIT: Any corrigendum including due date extension for NIT, Pre-bid minutes of meeting will be notified in GeM portal and NIOT website. Hence bidders are requested to watch NIOT website/ GeM portal for such due date extension and corrigendum, if any.

18. <u>In case of the unscheduled holiday in Chennai</u> being declared on the prescribed closing / opening day of the tender, the next working day will be treated as the scheduled prescribed day of closing/opening day of the tender.

19. <u>**Unsolicited correspondences:**</u> NIOT will not entertain any unsolicited correspondence or queries on the status of offer against this tender. Bidder shall note that NIOT will not entertain any correspondence or queries on the status of the offers received against this Tender Invitation.

20. <u>Non-Receipt of Tender:</u> NIOT will not be responsible for the non-receipt of the tender due to any network problem.

21. <u>Submission of tender by a tenderer</u> implies that he has read the Notice Inviting Tender and has made himself aware of the scope and specifications of the work to be done; conditions and rates at which stores, tools and plant etc. will be issued to him by NIOT; local conditions and other factors bearing on the execution of the works.

22. <u>EMD/Bid security:</u> The EMD/Bid security (INR. 5,05,000/-) is mandatory as indicated in the cover page and should be submitted along with the technical bid for the value indicated in the front page of this tender document. The EMD/Bid security is mandatory requirement as indicated in the cover page and should be submitted along with the technical bid for the value indicated in the front page of this tender document. Bids without EMD will be summarily rejected.

The EMD /bid security may be accepted in the following form

(1) Insurance Surety Bonds,

(2) Account Payee Demand Draft (drawn in favour of" NIOT other Receipt Account", Chennai in INR or in equivalent foreign currency),

(3) Fixed Deposit Receipt,

(4) Banker's Cheque or Bank Guarantee from any of the Commercial Banks. (Bank Guarantee

as per prescribed format available in the NIOT web site at the link https://www.niot.res.in/index.php/vendor/login/.

(5) Online payment in an acceptable form.

If the EMD (scanned copy of the instrument of EMD) is not submitted along with Technocommercial (Part-I). The bid will be summarily rejected. The original EMD should be submitted (or) reach NIOT on or before closing date the time of the tender.

MSME Clause:

"Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) as defined in MSE Procurement Policy issued by Department of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME)" are exempt from submission of EMD (Bid security) and NSIC registered bidders are eligible for EMD exemptions . Bidders claiming exemption of EMD under this rule (170 of GFR) are however required to submit a signed bid securing declaration (format to be enclosed) along with the relevant and valid exemption certificate issue by the appropriate authorities, accepting that, if they withdraw or modify their Bids during the period of validity, or if they are awarded the contract and they fail to sign the contract, or to submit a performance security before the deadline defined in the NIT/LOI, such bidders will be suspended for the period of one year in participating in all tenders of NIOT .

MSME Conditions:

(a) The MSE's bidder who claim EMD request should submit the relevant documenttowards investment on equipment and machinery. As per NIT clause no 69 make in India as per the DPIIT order under Annexure 9, under MSE.

(b) The MSE's bidder to note and ensure that nature of service and goods/items manufactured mentioned in MSE's certificate matches with the nature of the service and goods/item to be supplied as per tender.

(c) Retail & Whole sale Traders: Any bidder who are retailer / Traders claim EMD / Bid security exemption shall refer Ministry OM 5/2(2)/2021-E/P&G/Policy dated 02.07.2021 & 5/2(1)2020/E-P&G/Policy dated 01.12.2020.

The MSME is classified as mentioned below; (Ref Ministry of MSME Notification dated 26.06.2020)

(i) **Micro Enterprises:** Where the investment in plant and machinery or equipment does not exceed 1 Crore rupees and turnover does not exceed 5 Crore rupees,

(ii) **Small Enterprises:** Where the investment in plant and machinery or equipment does not exceed 10 Crore rupees and turnover does not exceed 50 Crore rupees,

(iii) **Medium Enterprises:** Where the investment in plant and machinery or equipmentdoes not exceed 50 Crore rupees and turnover does not exceed 250 Crore rupees.

23. <u>Conditions for EMD / Bid Security</u>: EMD shall be returned / discharged to unsuccessful bidders within 15 days after the expiration of the period of bid validity or placement of LOI whichever is later. EMD may be forfeited:

a. If a bidder withdraws, modifies for provided unsolicited offer voluntarily revising the price in whatsoever aspect its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the bidder on the bid form or

b. In case of a successful bidder, fails to furnish order acceptance within 15 days of the LOI and / or fails to furnish Performance Security.

EMD for a successful bidder shall be adjusted against performance security payable if submitted in DD / refunded if / performance security is submitted.

24. <u>Bid Validity</u>: Bids shall remain valid and open for acceptance for a minimum period of **120 days** from the date of opening of Un-priced Techno-commercial bids when fully compliant tender is submitted by the bidder without any requirement for NIOT to seek additional documents towards evaluation of pre-qualification and/or in ensuring conformance to the specification/requirements of the tender. In the event of any delay in evaluation attributable to the vendor, bidder shall extend the tender by such a time taken by them in addition to above minimum tender validity period. A bid valid for shorter validity period will be considered as a conditional tender and treated as invalid tender.

25. <u>Bid validity extension</u>: While NIOT will finalize the tender within the bid validity sought as per this NIT, due to circumstances beyond the control of NIOT, prior to expiry of the original bid validity period, **NIOT may request the bidder for a specified extension of the bid validity without modifying RFP or Price.** The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing. A bidder agreeing to the request will extend the validity of his bid correspondingly. When bid validity is extended EMD BG also deemed to have been extended automatically for which necessary action would be taken by the bidder to submit the extended BG well before the expiry of the current validity of the BG.

26. <u>**Conditional offers:**</u> Conditional offer will not be accepted.

27. <u>Signing of bids</u>: Each page of the tender document shall be digitally signed by the bidder and should be uploaded along with all other documents.

28. <u>The broad configuration</u>: Specification of the proposed purchase /work is given. Bidders are required to keep their proposal strictly as per the specification prescribed.

29. <u>Acceptance of bids</u>: NIOT may accept or reject any/all tenders including the lowest tender without assigning any reasons whatsoever. NIOT also reserves its right to accept any tender in part or parts only with such conditions as it may prescribe. NIOT is not bound to accept the lowest tender. NIOT expects full technical compliance and expects full scope of integrated supply as per tender specification and do not accept partial tenders.

30. <u>The compliance sheet</u> with reference to the specifications should be furnished against each parameter while submitting the quotation, which is absolutely necessary. The tenderer shall submit technical & commercial compliance sheets and BOQ (price bid) separately along with their offer. **Tenders without compliance sheets will not be evaluated**. The Price bid should be unconditional.

31. <u>Canvassing</u>: Canvassing in any form by any bidder or by any other agency acting on behalf of the partner after submission of bid may disqualify the said partner. NIOT's decision in this regard shall befinal and binding on the partner.

32. <u>Award:</u> NIOT shall place the Letter of Intent and after the Letter of Intent is accepted by the successful bidder the contract will be signed between NIOT and the successful bidder.

33. <u>**Bid or modification**</u> to bids received after closing date and time shall not be considered. Such modified bid together with original bid will be summarily rejected. Modification to the bid after opening the bid will not be considered unless specifically requested for by NIOT and only in case if there is an absolute necessity to revise the technical specifications after opening of bid.

34. <u>**Unrealistic bids**</u> with either cost which is impossible to achieve or for bidders who show that they are completely inexperienced or have completely inappropriate equipment will be rejected.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE CONTRACT

35. Place of Quotation:

Local firms inside Chennai: Quotations should indicate the cost with free delivery upto NIOT. If quote is for Ex-Godown rate delivery charges should be indicated separately and explicitly. The word Extra[®] shall be avoided.

Firms outside Chennai: Quotations should be F.O.R, NIOT, Chennai. If F.O.R. consignment freight charges by passenger train / Road transport must be indicated. If EX- Godown, packing and forwarding and freight charges must be indicated separately. Goods should be supplied carriage paid and insured for Contractor godown to consignee warehouse Chennai.

36. <u>**Price:**</u> The price shall include but not limited to

a) Costs of goods/ services covered in this Contract.

b) Taxes and duties

c) Transportation and packing cost (Sea/Air worthy packing of internationally acceptable practices withstand transit and Transshipments by sea / air / road / rail)

d) Cost of handling, documentation, freight, insurance from Contractor's warehouse up to NIOT warehouse unloading, installation and commissioning of the equipment when part of Contractualobligation.

37. <u>**Discounts:**</u> Bidders are advised not to indicate separate discounts. Discounts, if any, should be duly considered and net rate should be quoted in the BOQ/Price Bid.

38. <u>GST</u> : GST will be paid as per HSN code as applicable.

Deductibles:

a) Deduction of Indian Income Tax Deduction at Source for the Indian bidders: TDS will be deducted as applicable for service portion at prevailing rates. Valid Permanent Account Number (PAN) is mandatory.

<u>b)</u> GST-TDS:

GST-TDS is deductible on supply of goods or Service in respect of Intra – State supplies at the rate of 2% (CGST @1% and SGST @ 1%) and also in case of Inter-State supplies @ the rate of 2% from the payment made or credited to the supplier of taxable Service.

<u>c</u>) **Deduction of Indian Income Tax Deduction at Source applicable to foreign bidders**: Deductible for all the services rendered for India as per Indian Income Tax Act and Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) between the bidder's Country and the Government of India. The tax deduction at source will be @10.40% as per Income Tax Tariff of India or the rate as contained in the DTAA whichever is less, on production of a copy of the Tax Residency Certificate or Tax Identification Number. In case the Tax Residency Certificate or Tax Identification Number is not furnished, the Tax deduction at source will be 20.8% as per Indian Income Tax Act. However, the applicable taxes at the time of actual utilization of service, etc. will be deducted.

39. <u>**Guaranteed time of delivery – specific performance of contract:**</u> The time of delivery is the essence of the LOI/contract and all the items as per the LOI/Contract should be delivered as per the specification and scope of supply as per NIT/LOI/Contract/SCC within a period of **40 weeks** from date of signing of the contract.

In the event of part supply, NIOT will withhold the entire payment until all the items/scope of the supply as per the LOI/Contract is supplied.

40. Extension of delivery period: If any item or the completion of systems / components is delayed for reasons of force majeure such as acts of God, Acts of Public enemy, acts of Government, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, illegal strikes and freight embargoes, the Contractor shall within 3 days from the date of such occurrence, will give a notice to NIOT in writing of his claim for extension of delivery period. NIOT on receipt of such notice may agree to extend the Contract delivery/completion date as may be reasonable but without prejudice to other terms and conditions of the LOI/contract. Unless the extended delivery period is agreed by NIOT in writing, contractor cannot claim the extension of delivery time as a matter of right. NIOT shall have the right to either cancel the LOI/Contract extend the LOI/Contract delivery period or levy LD as appropriate.

41. <u>Delay in Completion/Liquidated Damage (LD)</u>: If the Contractor shall fail to deliver the systems / components within the time specified in the LOI/Contract, NIOT will recover from the Contractor as liquidated damages a sum of **0.5%** of the LOI/Contract value of the undelivered items/systems /components for each calendar week of delay. The total liquidated damages will not exceed **5%** (Five percent) of the LOI/Contract value of the undelivered items/systems /components so delayed. Systems / components will be deemed to have been delivered only when all essential components parts are also delivered. If any essential components are not delivered in time, the entire system / components will be considered as delayed until such time the undelivered parts/components/systems are delivered.</u>

42. Insurance: The Goods supplied under the LOI/Contract shall be fully insured against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the NIT. If any such damage occurred, the goods shall be replaced within in the LOI/Contract price immediately without waiting for the insurance claim. The cost of insurance shall be in the scope of the contractor.

43. <u>**Risk Purchase:**</u> If the Contractor fails to deliver the stores or any installment thereof within the period fixed for such delivery or at any time repudiates the LOI/Contract before expiry of such period, NIOT is entitled to cancel the LOI/Contract and source the remaining items/components from any parties theitems/components which are not delivered, at the risk and cost of the defaulting Contractor. No payment shall be claimed for any part supplies made.

44. (a) Warranty:

The Contract warrants that the Goods supplied under this Contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models and those 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 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 should be minimum for the period of **minimum 12 months** from the date of receipt & acceptance of all items and (Installation of equipment at NIOT, Chennai) wherever applicable.

The warranty certificate should be furnished in the prescribed format available on the NIOT website at the link <u>https://www.niot.res.in/index.php/vendor/login/</u> in the Contractor letterhead. If the Manufacturer **standard warranty is more than 12 months** the same shall be extended to NIOT without any restriction whatsoever. NIOT shall promptly notify the Contractor in writing of any claims arising under this warranty. Upon receipt of such notice, the Contractor shall, with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective Goods or parts thereof, without cost to NIOT other than, where applicable, the cost of inland delivery of the repaired or replaced Goods or parts from ex- works or ex-factory or ex-showroom to the final destination. If the Contractor, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within a reasonable period, NIOT 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 NIOT may have against the Contractor under the Contract. Also, such failure shall lead to suspension of vendor from participation as deem fit by NIOT.

(b) Defect Liability:

Any defect, or any other faults for plant components etc., which may appear against the set quality or performance characteristics within the Defects Liability period (DLP), of 12 months., any defects, arising in the opinion of the NIOT from materials or workmanship not in accordance with the contract, shall on demand which shall be made within the defects liability period, in writing by the NIOT and within such reasonable time as shall be stated therein specifying the work, materials or articles complained of notwithstanding that the same may have been passed or/and certified, paid for be amended and made good by the contractor. In case of default, NIOT may employ and pay other person or persons to amend and make good all such defects or other faults and all damages, losses and expenses consequent thereon or incidental there to. Contractor shall be made good and borne by the Contractor at the risk and cost of the contractor. And recoverable from the contractor by the NIOT or may be deducted by NIOT from any moneys due or that may become due to the contractor. Should any defective work have been done or materials supplied by the contractor or their associates the contractor shall be liable to make good the same in the same manner as if such work or materials had been subject to the provisions. Any delay in rectifying the defects within a maximum time of one month shall result in automatic extension of DLP within contract price to the extent of delay in rectification.

45. <u>Performance Security</u>:

The successful bidders should deposit **5%** of the LOI value as Performance Security within **two weeks** from the date of issue of LOI. The Performance security may be accepted in the following forms:

(1) Insurance Surety Bonds,

(2) Account Payee Demand Draft (drawn in favour of" The Director N.I.O.T", Chennai in INR or in equivalent foreign currency).

(3) Fixed Deposit Receipt from any Commercial Bank.

(4) Bank Guarantee from any of the Commercial Banks.

(5) Online payment in an acceptable form.

Performance security shall be forfeited in the event of breach of Contract by the Contractor in terms of the Contract If Performance Security is not paid within the specified time, NIOT reserves its right to cancel the Contract and forfeit the EMD /Bid security.

Bank Guarantee shall be as per prescribed format issued by a National /Commercial bank and valid for 60 days beyond the scheduled delivery / completion period as per Contract. This format can be downloaded from the link <u>https://www.niot.res.in/index.php/vendor/login.</u>

46. <u>**Performance Guarantee**/ **Warranty Bank Guarantee**: As per the MoFS guidelines **10% of the item value** to be retained towards warranty to ensure the performance of the equipment's/systems to avoid any defect due to material/ workmanship or any omission on the part of the Contract to rectify the same during the warranty period. If performance bank guarantee for 10% of the item value is submitted and valid till completion of the warranty period and acceptance then 100% payment will be released. The warranty Bank Guarantee will be discharged after completion of the warranty period.</u>

47. Payment:

- 1. **90%** Payment will be released within 30 days after receipt & acceptance of all items including installation of equipment and training and submission of training and installation report with original Invoice, other deliverables at NIOT as per the LOI/Contract. No advance payment will be made.
- 2. 10% will be released after completion of the warranty period (or) on submission of warranty bank guarantee, as per NIOT format for equivalent value, and then 100% payment will be released. (Refer Clause 46).

48. <u>Force Majeure</u>: For purposes of this Clause, "Force Majeure" means an event beyond the control of the Contractor and not involving the Contractor's fault or negligence and not foreseeable.Such events may include, but are not limited to, acts of NIOT either in its sovereign or Contractual capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes. If a Force Majeure situation arises, the Contractor shall promptly notify NIOT in writing of such conditions and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by NIOT in writing, the Contractor shall continue to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the Force Majeure event.

49. Arbitration/Disputes: In the event of any dispute, difference, interpretation or application relating to this agreement arises, the same shall be settled amicably by the parties. In case the dispute or differences could not be settled amicably, the same shall be referred for adjudication through Arbitration by an Arbitrator to be appointed by the Director, NIOT. The Indian Arbitration shall be concluded in accordance with the provisions of Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996 or any statutory modifications or reenactment thereof and the rules made there under and for the time being tin force shall apply to the arbitration proceedings. Venue of such arbitration shall be at Chennai in India. The language of arbitration proceedings shall be English. The Arbitration shall make a reasoned award (the "award"), which shall be final and binding on the parties. The cost of the arbitration shall be shared equally by the parties to the contract. However, expenses incurred by each party in connection with the preparation, presentation etc.,shall be borne by each party.

50. <u>Submission of Technical Document:</u> Specifications are basic essence of the product. The broad configuration / specification of the proposed purchase are given in NIT the Special Conditions of the contract (SCC). It must be ensured that the offers are strictly as per our specifications as mentioned in the Annexure – I of NIT (SCC). At the same time, it must also be kept in mind that merely copying our specifications in their quotation shall not make firms eligible for consideration. Technically unsuitable offers and offers not confirming to tender schedule shall be rejected.</u>

a. The bidder is required to provide their comments item-by-item on the compliance sheet provided in the Annexure – I of NIT (SCC). Wherever the specified parameter is required within a range, the calculated/ estimated value as per the vendor's design is to be provided in the "Remarks" column. Deviations/exceptions, if any, from the specifications to be recorded in the "Remarks" column.

b. Offer must contain all relevant technical details. Relevant preliminary drawings (if any) pertaining to the quoted designs, duly signed by the authorized official shall be sent along with the quotation. Wherever mentioned, documentary evidence has to be enclosed in the quotation. Any erasures / over writing shall be counter signed by the person who is signing the bid. Any interlineations, erasures or overwriting shall be valid only if the person or persons signing the bid sign them.

c. NIOT will not provide any test procedures. All relevant required tests as mentioned in the technical specification to conduct within the quoted price.

51. Fundamental Principle of Public Buying:

i) Any bidder from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to bid in this tender only if the bidder is registered with the Competent Authority.

ii) "Bidder" (including the term 'tenderer', 'consultant' or 'service provider' in certain contexts) means any person or firm or company, including any member of a consortium or joint venture (that is an association of several persons, or firms or companies), every artificial juridical person not falling in any of the descriptions of bidders stated hereinbefore, including any agency branch or office controlled by such person, participating in a procurement process.

iii) "Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India" for the purpose of this Order means: -

a. An entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or

b. A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or

c. An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated established or registered in

such a country; or

d. An entity whose beneficial owner is situated in such a country; or An India (or other) agent of such an entity; or

e. A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or

f. A consortium or joint venture where any member of the consortium or joint venture falls under any or the above.

iv) The beneficial owner for the purpose of (iii) above will be as under:

1. In case of a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has a controlling ownership interest or who exercises control through other means.

a. "Controlling ownership interest" means ownership of or entitlement to more than twentyfive percent of shares or capital or profits of the company;

b. "Control" shall include the right to appoint majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholders agreements or voting agreements

2. In case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s) who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership;

3. In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals;

4. Where no natural person is identified under (1) or (2) or (3) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official;

5. In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification

v). An agent is a person employed to do any act for another, or to represent another in dealings with third person

vi). The successful bidder(contractor) shall not be allowed to sub-contract works to any contractor from a country which shares a land border with India unless such contractor is registered with the competent authority.

52. <u>Assignment and Subcontracting:</u> The Contractor shall not assign the Contract or any part thereof, or any benefit or interest therein or hereunder, nor assume a fresh partner or partners nor dissolve the partnership at present subsisting between them in reference to this Contract without a formal written request and approval by NIOT. Also, the Contract shall not assign the Contract or any part thereof, or any benefit or interest therein or hereunder, nor assume a fresh partner or partners nor dissolve the partnership at present subsisting between them in reference to this Contract without a formal written request and approval by NIOT. Also, the contract shall not assign the Contract or any part thereof, or any benefit or interest therein or hereunder, nor assume a fresh partner or partners nor dissolve the partnership at present subsisting between them in reference to this Contract without a formal written request and approval by NIOT. Also, partnerships or third-party vendors during Tender should not be altered without a written approval.

53. <u>Eligible Bidders:</u> Bidders should not be associated, or have been associated in the past, directly or indirectly, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged by the Purchaser to provide consulting services for the preparation of the design, specifications, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the goods to be purchased under this Invitation of Bids.

The bidders who have been temporarily suspended or removed from the list of registered suppliers by the purchaser or banned from Ministry/country wide procurement shall be ineligible for participation in the bidding process.

54. <u>**Joint Venture, Consortium or Association:**</u> If the Supplier is in a joint venture, consortium, or association, all of the parties shall be jointly and severally liable to the Purchaser for the fulfillment of the provisions of the Contract and shall designate one party to act as a leader with authority to bind the joint venture, consortium, or association. The composition or the constitution of the joint venture, consortium, or association shall not be altered without the prior consent of the Purchaser.

55. <u>Amalgamation/Acquisition etc:</u>

In the event the Manufacturer/Supplier proposes for amalgamation, acquisition or sale its business to any firm during the Contract period, the Buyer/Successor of the Principal Company are liable for execution of the Contract and also fulfillment of Contractual obligations i.e. supply, installation, commissioning, warranty, maintenance/replacement of spares accessories etc. You may confirm this conditionwhile submitting the bid.

56. <u>Confidentiality</u>

i) Information relating to the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post qualification of bids, and recommendation of Contract award, shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until Award of the Contract. However, decisions taken during process of tender evaluation shall be hosted on e-wizard portal.

ii) Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Purchaser in the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post qualification of the bids or Contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its Bid.

57. <u>Authorization</u>: The bidder is qualified only when he is the original manufacturer or established dealer with original manufacturer's authorization letter to quote, sell and service the products offered as per the prescribed format in our web site along with agency agreement.

58. Cost of Bidding:

The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and "the Purchaser", will in no case be responsible or liable for these costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

61.1 Code of Integrity for Public Procurement

The purchaser requires that the bidders, suppliers and Contractors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such Contract. In pursuit of this policy, the following are defined:

(a) Corrupt practice

The offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in Contract execution.

(b) Fraudulent practice

A misrepresentation or omission of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a Contract.

(c) Collusive practice

Means a scheme or arrangement between two or more bidders, with or without the knowledge of the purchaser, designed to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels.

(d) Coercive practice

Means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the procurement process or affect the execution of a Contract.

(e) Anticompetitive practice

Any collusion, bid rigging or anti-competitive arrangement, or any other practice coming under the purview of the Competition Act, 2002, between two or more bidders, with or without the knowledge of the purchaser, that may impair the transparency, fairness and the progress of the procurement process or to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels

(f) Conflict of interest

participation by a bidding firm or any of its affiliates that are either involved in the consultancy Contract to which this procurement is linked; or if they are part of more than one bid in the procurement; or if the bidding firm or their personnel have relationships or financial or business transactions with any official of purchaser who are directly or indirectly related to tender or execution process of Contract; or improper use of information obtained by the (prospective) bidder from the purchaser with an intent to gain unfair advantage in the procurement process or for personal gain

(g) Obstructive practice

materially impede the purchaser's investigation into allegations of one or more of the above mentioned prohibited practices either by deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering; or by concealing of evidence material to the investigation; or by making false statements to investigators and/or by threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or by impeding the purchaser's Entity's rights of audit or access to information

61.2. The Purchaser will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in competing for the Contract in question.

61.3. The bidders/suppliers should sign a declaration about abiding by the Code of Integrity for Public Procurement and submit it in the form as per Annexure-II along with bid documents. In case of any transgression of this code, the bidder is not only liable to be removed from the list of registered suppliers, but it would be liable for other punitive actions such as cancellation of Contract, banning and blacklisting or action by Competition Commission of India, and so on.

61.4. <u>Obligations for Proactive disclosures</u>

a) The Purchaser as well as bidders, suppliers, Contractors and consultants, are obliged under Code of Integrity for Public Procurement to sue-moto proactively declare any conflicts of interest (coming under the definition mentioned above – pre-existing or as and as soon as these arise at any stage) in any procurement process or execution of Contract. Failure to do so would amount to violation of this code of integrity.

b) The bidder must declare, whether asked or not in a bid document, any previous transgressions of such a code of integrity with any entity in any country during the last three years or of being debarred by any other Procuring Entity. Failure to do so would amount to violation of this code of integrity.

c) To encourage voluntary disclosures, such declarations would not mean automatic disqualification for the bidder making such declarations. The declared conflict of interest would be evaluated and mitigation steps, if possible, taken by the purchaser.

61.5. Punitive Provisions

Without prejudice to and in addition to the rights of the Purchaser to other penal provisions as per the bid documents or Contract, if the Purchaser comes to a conclusion that a (prospective) bidder/supplier, directly or through an agent, has violated this code of integrity in competing for the Contract or in executing a Contract, the purchaser may take appropriate measures including one or more of the following:

a) If his bids are under consideration in any procurement:

i. Forfeiture or encashment of bid security;

ii. Calling off of any pre-Contract negotiations; and

iii. Rejection and exclusion of the bidder from the procurement process.

b) If a Contract has already been awarded

i. Cancellation of the relevant Contract and recovery of compensation for loss incurred by the Purchaser;

ii. Forfeiture or encashment of any other security or bond relating to the procurement;

iii. Recovery of payments including advance payments, if any, made by the purchaser along with interest thereon at the prevailing rate.

c) Provisions in addition to above:

i. Removal from the list of registered suppliers and banning/debarment of the bidder from participation in future procurements of the purchaser for a period not less than one year;
ii. In case of anti-competitive practices, information for further processing may be filed under a signature of the Joint Secretary level officer, with the Competition Commission of India;
iii. Initiation of suitable disciplinary or criminal proceedings against any individual or staff found responsible.

59. <u>Amendment to Bidding Documents:</u>

In order to allow prospective bidders reasonable time to take the amendment into account while formulating their bids, the Purchaser, at its discretion, may extend the due date for the submission of bids and host the changes on the GEM portal through a corrigendum

60. Documents Establishing Goods' Eligibility and Conformity to Bidding Documents:

62.1. To establish the goods' eligibility, the documentary evidence of the goods and services eligibility shall consist of a statement on the country of origin of the goods and services offered which shall be confirmed by a certificate of origin at the time of shipment.

62.2. To establish the conformity of the goods and services to the specifications and schedule of requirements of the bidding document, the documentary evidence of conformity of the goods

and services to the bidding documents may be in the form of literature, drawings and data, and shall consist of :

a) A detailed description of the essential technical and performance characteristics of the goods;

b) A list giving full particulars, including available sources and current prices, of spare parts, special tools, etc., necessary for the proper and continuing functioning of the goods during the warranty period following commencement of the use of the goods by the Purchaser in the Price-bid; and

c) An item-by-item commentary on the Purchaser's Technical Specifications demonstrating substantial responsiveness of the goods and services to those specifications or a statement of deviations and exceptions to the provisions of the Technical Specifications.

62.3. For purposes of the commentary to be furnished pursuant to above, the Bidder shall note that standards for workmanship, material and equipment, designated by the Purchaser in its Technical Specifications are intended to be descriptive only and not restrictive. The Bidder may substitute these in its bid, provided that it demonstrates to the Purchaser's satisfaction that the substitutions ensure substantial equivalence to those designated in the Technical Specifications.

61. <u>Contacting the Purchaser</u>

a) No Bidder shall contact the Purchaser on any matter relating to its bid, from the time of the bidopening to the time the Contract is awarded.

b) Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Purchaser in its decisions on bid evaluation, bidcomparison or Contract award may result in rejection of the Bidder's bid.

Post qualification

c) In the absence of pre-qualification, the Purchaser will determine to its satisfaction whether the bidder that is selected as having submitted the lowest evaluated responsive bid is qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily, in accordance with the criteria listed in the SCC of the NIT.

d) The determination will take into account the Eligibility& Qualification criteria listed in the SCC of the NIT and it will be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the bidder's qualifications submitted by the bidder, as well as such other information as the Purchaser deems necessary and appropriate.

e) 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.

62. Bidder's right to question rejection

A Bidder shall have the right to be heard in case he feels that a proper procurement process is not being followed and/or his tender has been rejected wrongly. Only a directly affected bidder can represent in this regard as under:

64.1 Only a bidder who has participated in the concerned procurement process i.e. prequalification, bidder registration or bidding, as the case may be, can make such representation.

64.2 In case pre-qualification bid has been evaluated before the bidding of Technical bids, an application for review in relation to the technical bid may be filed only by a bidder who has qualified in prequalification bid.

64.3 In case technical bid has been evaluated before the opening of the financial bid, an application for review in relation to the financial bid may be filed only by a bidder whose technical bid is found to be acceptable.

64.4 In case a Bidder feels aggrieved by the decision of the purchaser, he may then send his representation in writing to the Purchaser's address as indicated in special conditions of Contract (SCC) within 05 working days from the date of communication of the purchaser intimating the rejection for reconsideration of the decision by the purchaser.

64.5 Following decisions of the purchaser in accordance with the provision of internal guidelines shall not be subject to review:

(a) Determination of the need for procurement;

(b) Selection of the mode of procurement or bidding system;

(c) Choice of selection procedure;

(d) Provisions limiting participation of bidders in the procurement process;

(e) The decision to enter into negotiations with the L1 bidder;

(f) Cancellation of the procurement process except where it is intended to subsequently retender the same requirements;

(g) Issues related to ambiguity in Contract terms may not be taken up after a Contract has been signed, all such issues should be highlighted before consummation of the Contract by the vendor/contractor; and

(h) Complaints against specifications except under the premise that they are either vague or too specific so as to limit competition may be permissible.

63. Termination of contract by NIOT:

(i) Termination of the contract due to breach of contract by the contractor

- (ii) Termination of contract due to default,
- (iii) Termination of the contract due to insolvency,
- (iv) Termination of the contract for convenience.

If the termination of the contract happens due to the above factors, [(i), (ii) &(iv)] initially the written notice will be issued within 30 days to settle the issue on mutually agreed terms with mutual consent.

64. <u>Indemnities</u>: The Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless NIOT and its Director, officers and employees, from and against any and all suits, losses, liabilities, damages, claims, settlements, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, based on orarising, directly or indirectly, from:

i. breach of this Agreement by the Contractor

ii. Not performing the Scope of Work or any other obligation under this Agreement or Tender in accordance with the provisions and schedules of this Agreement or the Tender

iii. Violation or contravention of any Legislation on the part of the Contractor

iv. Any negligence or wilful misconduct of Contractor, which violates any provision of this Agreement

v. Infringement of any intellectual property belonging to any third party by the Contractor

vi. Any breach of an agreement or misunderstanding between Contractor and any and all ThirdParties due to which a liability arises on NIOT.

vii. Any claim that any representations or warranties contained herein are not true or Any breachthereof

viii. Any loss or damage caused by the Contractor to NIOT, its personnel or property

ix. Any loss or damage caused by the Contractor to any and all Third Parties for which a claim against NIOT has arisen

x. Breach, expiry, cancellation, revocation or invalidity of any and all licenses, permits, authorizations and registrations which the Contractor is required to obtain, keep valid and comply with under any Legislation in order to perform its obligations hereunder

xi. Any obligation of the Contractor performed by NIOT under this Agreement or under any Legislation.

65. Conflict of Interest

(1) An Applicant shall not have a conflict of interest that may affect the Selection Process or the Consultancy (the "Conflict of Interest"). Any Applicantfound to have a Conflict of Interest shall be disqualified. In the event of disqualification, the NIOT/ Authority shall forfeit and appropriate the Bid Security as mutually agreed genuine pre-estimated compensation and damages payable to the NIOT/Authority for, *interalia*, the time, cost and effort of the NIOT/Authority including consideration of such Applicant's Proposal, without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the NIOT / Authority here under or otherwise.

(2) The NIOT/Authority requires that the Consultant provides professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold the NIOT/Authority's interests paramount, avoid conflicts with other assignments or its own interests, and act without any consideration for future work. The Consultant shall not accept or engage in any assignment that would be in conflict with its prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place it in a position of not being able to carry out the assignment in the best interests of the NIOT / Authority

(i)An Applicant shall be deemed to have a Conflict of Interest affecting the Selection Process, if the applicant, its consortium member the "Member") or Associate (or any constituent thereof)and any other Applicant, its consortium member or Associate(or any constituent thereof) have common controlling shareholders or other ownership interest; provided that this disqualification shall not apply in cases where the direct or indirect shareholding or ownership interest of an Applicant, its Member or Associate (or any shareholder thereof having a shareholding of more than 5 percent of the paid up and subscribed share capital of such Applicant, Member or Associate, as the case may be) in the other Applicant, its consortium member or Associate is less than 5% (five percent) of the subscribed and paid up equity share Capital thereof; provided further that this disqualification shall not apply to any owner ship by a bank, insurance company, pension fund or a public financial institution referred to in section 4A of the Companies Act, 1956. For the purposes of this Clause13.1(c)(i), in direct shareholding held through one or more intermediate persons shall be computed as follows:(aa) where any intermediary is controlled by a person through management control or otherwise, the entire shareholding held by such controlled intermediary in any other person (the "Subject Person")shall be taken into account for computing the shareholding of such controlling person in the Subject Person; and (bb) subject always to sub-clause (aa)above, where a person does not exercise control over an intermediary, which has shareholding in the Subject Person, the computation of in direct shareholding of such person in the Subject Person shall be undertaken on a proportionate basis; provided, however, that no such shareholding shall be reckoned under this sub- clause (bb) if the shareholding of such person in the intermediary is lessthan26%(twenty six percent) of the subscribed and paid up equity shareholding of such intermediary; or

(ii) A constituent of such Applicant is also a constituent of another Applicant; or

(iii) Such Applicant or its Associate receives or has received any direct or indirect subsidy or grant from any other Applicant or its Associate; or

(iv) Such Applicant as the same legal representative for purposes of this Application as any other Applicant; or

(v) Such Applicant has a relationship with another Applicant, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to each other's 'information about, or to influence the Application of either or each of the other Applicant; or

(vi)There is a conflict among this and other consulting assignments of the Applicant (including its personnel and Sub-consultant) and any subsidiaries or entities controlled by such Applicant or having common controlling shareholders. The duties of the Consultant will depend on the circumstances of each case. While providing consultancy services to the NIOT/ Authority for this particular assignment, the Consultant shall not take up any assignment that by its nature will result in conflict with the present assignment; or

(vii) A firm which has been engaged by the NIOT/Authority to provide goods or works or Services for a project, and its Associates, will be disqualified from providing consulting services for the same project, conversely, a firm hired to provide consulting services for the preparation or implementation of a project, and its Members or Associates, will be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or works or services related to the same project.

66. Clarifications:

Applicants requiring any clarification on the RFP may send their query by email to <u>hvt@niot.res.in</u>before the tender closing date. The Authority will post the reply to all such queries on the NIC CPP Portal and NIOT Website. All bidders shall visit official NIC CPP portal before uploading of their bid to take note of the changes / corrigendum issued.

The authority reserves the right not to respond to any questions or provide any clarifications, in its sole discretion, and nothing in this RFP shall be construed as obliging the Authority to respond to any question or to provide any clarification.

67. Preference to Make in India

Make in India-Price Preference-MSME Price preference to Local suppliers as per Make in India procurement policy of Govt of India shall refer the order DPIIT Order No. P-45021/2/2017- PP (BE-II) dated 16th September 2020 issued by Ministry of Commerce (Govt. of India)

Definitions of terms applicable to Make in India procurement policy of Govt. of India:a) 'Local content ' means the amount of value added in India which shall be the total value of the item procured (excluding net domestic indirect taxes) minus the value of imported content in the item (including all customs duties) as a proportion of the total value, in percent.

b) 'Class-I Local supplier' means a supplier provider whose product offered for procurement meetsthe local content of 50% and above.

c) 'Class-II Local supplier' means a supplier provider whose product offered for procurement meets the local content of 20% and above but less than 50%.

d) 'Non-Local supplier' means a supplier provider whose product offered for procurement meets the local content of less than 20%.

e) 'L1' means the lowest tender or lowest bid or the lowest quotation received in this tender, bidding process or other procurement solicitation as adjudged in the evaluation process as per thetender or other procurement solicitation.

f) 'Margin of purchase preference ' means the maximum extent to which the price quoted by a local supplier may be above the L1 for the purpose of purchase preference.

I. Purchase preference: -

a) Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is from a Class-I local supplier, the contract for full quantity will be awarded to L1.

b) If L1 bid is not from a Class-I local supplier, 50% of the order quantity shall be awarded to L1. Thereafter, the lowest bidder among the Class-I local suppliers, will be invited to match the L1 price for the remaining 50% quantity subject to the local supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference, and contract for that quantity shall be awarded to such Class-I local supplier subject to matching the L1 price. In case such lowest eligible Class-I local supplier fails to match the L1 price or accepts less than the offered quantity, the next higher Class-I local supplier within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price for remaining quantity and so on, and contract shall be awarded accordingly. In case some quantity is still left uncovered on local suppliers, then such balance quantity may also be ordered on the L1bidder.

c) In the procurements of goods or works, which are covered by para 3(b) or reference order and which are not divisible in nature, and in procurement of services where the bid is evaluated on price alone, the 'Class-I local supplier' shall get purchase preference over 'Class-II local supplier'as well as 'Non-local supplier', as per following procedure:

(i) Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is from a Class-I local supplier, the contract will be awarded to L1.

(ii) If L1 is not from a Class-I local supplier, the lowest bidder among the Class-I local suppliers, will be invited to match the L1 price subject to local supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference, and the contract shall be awarded to such Class-I local supplier subject to matching the L1 price.

(iii) In case such lowest eligible Class-I local supplier fails to match the L1 price, the Class-I local supplier with the next higher bid within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price and so on and contract shall be awarded accordingly. In case none of the Class-I local suppliers within the margin of purchase preference matches the L1 price, then the contract may be awarded to the L1 bidder.

(iv) Only Class-II Local suppliers are not eligible to get price preference in any procurement undertaken by procuring entities.

II. Applicability in tenders where contract is to be awarded to multiple bidders: -

In tenders where contract is awarded to multiple bidder's subject to matching of L 1 rates or otherwise, the 'Class-I local supplier' shall get purchase preference over 'Class-II local supplier' as well as 'Non-local supplier', as per following procedure:

a) In case there is sufficient local capacity and competition for the item to be procured, as notified by the nodal Ministry, only Class I local suppliers shall be eligible to bid. As such, the multiple suppliers, who would be awarded the contract, should be all and only 'Class I Local suppliers'.

b) In other cases, 'Class II local suppliers' and 'Non-local suppliers' may also participate in the bidding process along with 'Class I Local suppliers' as per provisions of this Order. c) If 'Class I Local suppliers' qualify for award of contract for at least 50% of the tendered quantity in any tender, the contract may be awarded to all the qualified bidders as per award criteria stipulated in the bid documents. However, in case 'Class I Local suppliers' do not qualify for award of contract for at least 50% of the tendered quantity, purchase preference should be given to the 'Class I local supplier' over 'Class II local suppliers' / 'Non local suppliers' provided that their quoted rate falls within 20% margin of purchase preference of the highest quoted bidder considered for award of contract for at least 50% of the tendered purchase preference of the highest quoted bidder considered for award of contract for at least 50% of the tendered purchase preference of the highest quoted bidder considered for award of contract for at least 50% of the tendered purchase preference of the highest quoted bidder considered for award of contract for at least 50% of the tendered quantity.

c) First purchase preference has to be given to the lowest quoting 'Class-I local supplier', whose quoted rates fall within 20% margin of purchase preference, subject to its meeting the prescribed criteria for award of contract as also the constraint of maximum quantity that can be sourcedfrom any single supplier. If the lowest quoting 'Class-I local supplier', does not qualify for purchase preference because of aforesaid constraints or does not accept the offered quantity, an

opportunity may be given to next higher 'Class-I local supplier', falling within 20% margin of purchase preference, and so on.

d) To avoid any ambiguity during bid evaluation process, the procuring entities may stipulate its own tender specific criteria for award of contract amongst different bidders including the procedure for purchase preference to 'Class-I local supplier' within the broad policy guidelines stipulated in sub-paras above.

III. Minimum local content:-

The 'local content' requirement to categorize a supplier as 'Class-I local supplier' is minimum 50%. For 'Class-II local supplier', the 'local content' requirement is minimum 20%. Nodal Ministry/ Department may prescribe only a higher percentage of minimum local content requirement to categorize a supplier as 'Class-I local supplier'! 'Class-II local supplier'. For the items, for which Nodal Ministry! Department has not prescribed higher minimum local content notification underthe Order, it shall be 50% and 20% for 'Class-I local supplier'! 'Class-II loca

IV. Verification of Local content:-

a. The 'Class-I local supplier'! 'Class-II local supplier' at the time of tender, bidding or solicitation shall be required to indicate percentage of local content and provide self-certification that the item offered meets the local content requirement for 'Class-I local

supplier'! 'Class-II local supplier', as the case may be. They shall also give details of the location(s) at which the local value addition is made.

b. In cases of procurement for a value in excess of Rs . 10 crores, the 'Class-I local supplier'! 'Class-II local supplier' shall be required to provide a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in the case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant (in respect of suppliers other than companies) giving the percentage of local content.

c. False declarations will be in breach of the Code of Integrity under Rule 175(1)(i)(h) of the General Financial Rules for which a bidder or its successors can be debarred for up to two years as per Rule 151 (iii) of the General Financial Rules along with such other actions as may be permissible under law.

V. Manufacture under license/ technology collaboration agreements with phased indigenization:-

While notifying the minimum local content, Nodal Ministries may make special provisions for exempting suppliers from meeting the stipulated local content if the product is being manufactured in India under a license from a foreign manufacturer who holds intellectual property rights and where there is a technology collaboration agreement / transfer of technology agreement for indigenous manufacture of a product developed abroad with clear phasing of increase in local content.

VI. Classification of MSE'S:-

i) **Micro Enterprises**: Where the investment in plant and machinery or equipment does not exceed 1 crore rupees and turnover does not exceed 5 crore rupees,

(ii) **Small Enterprises**: Where the investment in plant and machinery or equipment does not exceed 10 crore rupees and turnover does not exceed 50 crore rupees,

(iii) **Medium Enterprises**: Where the investment in plant and machinery or equipment does not exceed 50 crore rupees and turnover does not exceed 250 crore rupees

(iv) **Retail & Whole sale traders**: Any bidder who are retailer/ Traders claim EMD/ Bid security exemption shall refer Ministry OM 5/2(2)/2021-E/P&G/Policy dtd 02.07.2021 & 5/2(1)2020/E- P&G/Policy dtd 01.12.2020.

VII. Price Preference to MSEs: -

a) Among the qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1, If L1 is class 1 local supplier the contract will be awarded to L1.

b) In tender, participating Micro and Small Enterprises quoting price within price band of L1 + 15% shall also be allowed to supply a portion of requirement by bringing down their price to L1price in a situation where L1 price is from someone other than a Micro and Small Enterprise and such Micro and Small Enterprise shall be allowed to supply up to 25 percent of the total tendered value, The 25(twenty five)% quantity is to be distributed proportionally among these bidders, in case there are more than one MSME's within such price band.

c) In case the tendered quantity of goods cannot be split/ divided MSE quoted price within the band L1+15% may be awarded for full complete supply of total tendered value to MSE.

d) MSEs participating in the tender must submit valid & authorized copy of certificate of registration with any one of the above agencies. In case of bidders submitting DIC registration

certificate shall attach original notarized copy of the DIC certificate.

e) The MSE's Bidder to note and ensure that nature of services and goods/items manufactured mentioned in MSE's certificate matches with the nature of the services and goods /items to be supplied as per Tender.

f) The registration certificate issued from any one of the above agencies must be valid as on Bid closing date of the tender. Bidder shall ensure validity of registration certificate in case bid closing date is extended.

g) The MSEs who have applied for registration or renewal of registration with any of the above agencies / bodies, but have not obtained the valid certificate as on close date of the tender, are not eligible for EMD exemption / preference.

h) Where any aggregator has been appointed by the Ministry of MSE, themselves quote on behalf of some MSE units, such offers will be considered as offer from MSE units and all such facilities would be extended to these aggregators also.

<u>Commercial Terms Compliance sheet (To be filled by the bidder)</u>

S. No	Particulars	Yes	No	Page Ref
1	Whether EMD for INR. 5,05,000 /- scanned and uploaded along with the technical document?			
2	Whether every page of the tender document is digitally signed and uploaded in the GeM portal along with the other documents.			
3	Whether Taxes and duties are shown separately in the quote. (Registration numbers for claiming the same to be strictly indicated and the copy of the certificates enclosed)			
4	Whether accepted to submit the LOI acceptance within 15 days from the date of receipt of the LOI?			
5	Whether submission of 5% of the contract value as Performance/warranty Security is acceptable?			
6	Whether submission of 10% of the supply value as Performance warranty Bank Guarantee is acceptable?			
7	Whether quote is valid for 120 days from the date of tender opening or time specified in the tender document whichever is later?			
8	Whether payment terms of the tender is complied with?			
9	Whether quoted price is FOR NIOT Chennai?			
	Whether the tender is fully complying with tender specification/ Adjustment if no, list out deviations very clearly along with the appropriate reason for the deviation?			
11	Whether item-wise price is quoted as per price bid and quoted price is realistic?			
12	Whether liquidated damage as specified in the NIT accepted unconditionally?			
13	Whether the delivery period of 40 weeks is acceptable as per the tender.			
14	Whether the warranty period (minimum 12 months) is acceptable as per the tender.			
15	Bidder is responsible for all performance benchmarks and the quote should contain an undertaking certifying the same.			
16	Whether integrity pact is signed by authority signatory and uploaded.			
17	Whether Past track record of quality and service is enclosed?			
18	In case of Dual Bid whether unpriced/blank commercial bid (Part-B) is enclosed in part – A (Technical Bid)?			
19	Whether list of deliverables attached and comply as per tender?			

Price bid format:

Price Not to be revealed by the bidder

(Quoted prices should be inclusive of all)

SI. No	Description of Item	Qty	Rate per unit	Amount
1.	Automated High Pressure vessel & Software control	1 (No.)		
2.	Fixed head assembly in high pressure reactor	1(No.)		
3.	Rear panel assembly in high pressure reactor	1(No.)		
4.	Circulating bath	1(No.)		
5.	High Pressure reactors(200 bar)	4(Nos.)		
6.	Magnetic drives for high pressure reactor	4(Nos.)		
7.	Spare O-ring for High pressure reactor	8(No.)		
8.	Gas Manifold	1(No.)		
9.	Pressure Transducer	1(No.)		
10.	Turbidity Measurement	4(No.)		
11.	Training &installation	Lumpsum		
	Total amount for F O R, NIOT Chennai			
	(Including GST)			
	(Total Value in words			
	only)			

Note: The basic price should be inclusive of all including GST and FOR NIOT, Chennai as per clause no. 36.

Section II Technical Compliance Sheet (To be filled by the bidder)				
SI. No	Description	Specification	Compliance (Yes/ No)	Remarks
1	Automate High pressure with Software control and Automation	 4 zones, with independent heating/cooling. Zone temperature is measured/controlled. Zone will accommodate a range of vessels up to a maximum of 500ml in volume in 316SS with 200bar Pressure rated. All reactors should be independently controlled from dedicated software with separate plan window for each reactor with multiple termination conditions which allows higher safety level through Automation. Temperature & pressure safety termination through software for multiple safety conditions. Heating and cooling rates can be independently reaction position at rates of between 0.02°C/minute and 5°C/minute. Temperature resolution in each reaction position measured to 0.1°C. Unit operating temperature range between -20C to 150°C. Overall Difference in temperature control between 10 rpm and 1000 rpm in each reactor. Automated venting and controlling of pressure through software. Expandable and full integrated electronics. Overhead motors: Effective independent overhead stirring speed control between 10 rpm and 1000 rpm		

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		Latest Windows PC with Monitor:	
		Includes Automation software&	
		latest OS to monitor & control the	
		Automated high pressure reactor	
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		and all associated items includes	
		Reactor Temperature, Chiller,	
		Turbidity probe &Overhead	
		Motor.	
2	Fixed Head	Fixed head assembly to allow	
-	Assembly	removal of reactors without	
	Assembly	removal of head unit.	
		Fixed heating/cooling jacket.	
		Frame designed to allow flexible	
		use of different vessel sizes and	
		types with easy switching if	
		necessary but also simple removal	
		and replacement after cleaning.	
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3	Rear panel assembly	For the high pressure line &	
	behind the reactors	valves to control individual	
	to accommodate gas	pressure for individual reactors.	
	manifold		
4	Chiller	Huber Unistat 405 or equallent	
		model with suitable oil pipes and	
		fittings for temperature control	
		(Temperature range -40 °C to 220	
		°C).	
		/	
		Silicon Oil for the chiller 20 L.	
		Chiller control and safety	
		termination / watchdog	
		temperature through software.	
5	High Pressure	4 no of M75 500 mL reactor in	
-	reactors (200bar)	Stainless Steel rated to 200 bar	
		and M75 lid and Pressure Gauge	
		5	
		(0-200 bar), Thermowell and	
		thermocouple, 2-way Ball Valve	
		(manual vent or purging),	
		Pressure Relief Valve, Perlast O-	
		Ring and 'C' Spanner	
		Digital pressure transducers for	
		individual pressure measurement	
		1	
		and Thermocouple /Pt-100	
		sensors for temperature	
		measurement in each reactor.	
		Reactor pressure venting &	
		controlling trough software with	
		Solenoid valve.	
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6	Magnetic drives for High Pressure reactor motors	Mag drives Stainless Steel with 200bar plus stirrer shaft & impeller 4 no's (1 for each reactor)	
7	Pressure Transducers & Solenoid Valves	Pressure Transducer, Solenoid valve Electronics & Software for 4 reactors.The Manifold, Solenoid valve & Pressure Transducer will be able to provide gas uptake calculations through software in real time Dedicated Solenoid valve for Venting the pressure through software.	
8	Spare O rings for reactors	Additional spare O rings for each HP reactors	
9	Turbidity Measurement	4 HEL reflectance turbidity probes in SS 316 & complete with cables connectors etc. Turbidity monitored through the software allowing easy access to measure solubility curves and MSZW till 50 bar pressure.	

Annexure _I

Technical Specification

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SI. No	Description	Specification	
1	Automate High pressure with Software control and Automation	 4 zones, with independent heating/cooling. Zone temperature is measured/controlled. Zone will accommodate a range of vessels up to a maximum of 500ml in volume in 316SS with 200bar Pressure rated. All reactors should be independently controlled from dedicated software with separate plan window for each reactor with multiple termination conditions which allows higher safety level through Automation. Temperature & pressuresafety termination through software for multiple safety conditions. Heating and cooling rates can be independently reaction position at rates of between 0.02°C/minute and 5°C/minute. Temperature resolution in each reaction position measured to 0.1°C. Unit operating temperature range between -20C to 150°C. Overall Difference in temperature control between reactors is 100°C. Effective independent overhead stirring speed control between 10 rpm and 1000 rpm in each reactor. Automated venting and controlling of pressure through software. Expandable and full integrated electronics. Overhead motors: Effective independent overhead stirring speed control between 10 rpm should be controlled and monitored by software. Latest Windows PC with Monitor: Includes Automation software& latest OS to monitor & control the Automated high pressure reactor and all associated items includes Reactor Temperature, Chiller, Turbidity probe &Overhead Motor. 	
2	Fixed Head Assembly	 Fixed head assembly to allow removal of reactors without removal of head unit. Fixed heating/cooling jacket. Frame designed to allow flexible use of different vessel sizes and types with easy switching if necessary but also simple removal and replacement after cleaning. 	
3	Rear panel assembly behind the reactors to accommodate gas manifold	For the high pressure line & valves to control individual pressure for individual reactors.	
4	Chiller	Huber Unistat 405 or equallent modelwith suitable oil pipes andfittings for temperature control(Temperature range -40 °Cto 220 °C).(Temperature range -40 °C	

		Silicon Oil for the chiller 20 L. Chiller control and safety termination / watchdog temperature through software.	
5	High Pressure reactors (200bar)	4 no of M75 500 mL reactor in Stainless Steel rated to 200 bar and M75 lid and Pressure Gauge (0-200 bar), Thermowell and thermocouple, 2-way Ball Valve (manual vent or purging), Pressure Relief Valve, Perlast O-Ring and 'C' Spanner Digital pressure transducers for individual pressure measurement and Thermocouple /Pt-100 sensors for temperature measurement in each reactor. Reactor pressure venting & controlling trough software with Solenoid valve.	
6	Magnetic drives for High Pressure reactor motors	Mag drives Stainless Steel with 200bar plus stirrer shaft & impeller 4 no's (1 for each reactor)	
7	Pressure Transducers & Solenoid Valves	Pressure Transducer, Solenoid valve Electronics & Software for 4 reactors.The Manifold, Solenoid valve & Pressure Transducer will be able to provide gas uptake calculations through software in real time Dedicated Solenoid valve for Venting the pressure through software.	
8	Spare O rings for reactors	Additional spare O rings for each HP reactors	
9	Turbidity Measurement	4 HEL reflectance turbidity probes in SS 316 & complete with cables connectors etc. Turbidity monitored through the software allowing easy access to measure solubility curves and MSZW till 50 bar pressure.	

Annexure –II

Bid Securing Declaration Form

Date: E-Tender No: E-Tender Title: To, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OCEAN TECHNOLOGYVELACHERY TAMBARAM MAIN ROAD, NARAYANAPURAM, CHENNAI 600 100

<u>I</u>/We. The undersigned, declare that:

I/We understand that, according to your conditions, bids must be supported by a bid Securing Declaration.

I/We accept that I/We may be disqualified from bidding for any contract with you for a period of one year from the date of notification if I am/ We are in a breach of any obligation under the bid conditions, because I/We

- a) Have withdrawn/modified /amended impairs or derogates from the tender, my /our Bid during the period of bid validity specified in the form of Bid: or
- b) Having been notified of the acceptance of our Bid by the purchaser during the period of bid validity (i) fail or reuse to execute the contract, if required, or (ii) fail or refuse to furnish the performance Security, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

I/We understand this Bid Securing Declaration shall cease to be valid if I am/we are not the successfulBidder, upon the earlier of (i) the receipt of your notification of the name of the successful Bidder: Signed: (Insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown)

In the capacity of (insert legal capacity of person signing the Bid

Security Declaration) Name: (insert complete name of person signing the

Bid Security Declaration)

Duly authorized to sign the bid for an on behalf of (insert complete name of Sole bidder/ Joint Venture

/Leader of Consortium)

Dated on_____day of_____(insert date

of signing)Corporate Seal (where appropriate)

(Note: In case of a Joint Venture, the Bid Security Declaration must be in the name of all partners to the Joint Venture that submits the bid)

(Note: In case of a Consortium, the Bid Security Declaration to be signed by consortium lead partners thatsubmits the bid)

ANNEXURE - III

MANUFACTURERS' AUTHORIZATION FORM

The Bidder shall require the Manufacturer to fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions indicated. This letter of authorization should be on the letterhead of the Manufacturer and should be signed by aperson with the proper authority to sign documents that are binding on the Manufacturer.] Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Bid Submission]Tender No. : [insert number from Invitation For Bids]

To : [insert complete name and address of Purchaser]

WHEREAS

We [insert complete name of Manufacturer], who are official manufacturers of [insert type of goods manufactured], having factories at [insert full address of Manufacturer's factories], do hereby authorize[insert complete name of Bidder]to submit a bid the purpose of which is to provide the following Goods, manufactured by us [insert name and or brief description of the Goods], and to subsequently negotiate and sign the Contract.

We hereby extend our full guarantee and warranty in accordance with Clause 40 of the NIT, GeneralConditions of Contract, with respect to the Goods offered by the above firm. Signed: [insert signature(s) of authorized representative(s) of the Manufacturer] Name: [insert complete name(s) of authorized representative(s) of the Manufacturer]Title: [insert title] Duly authorized to sign this Authorization on behalf of: [insert complete name of Bidder]

Dated on _____day of _____, [insert date of signing] *(Not required in case the bidder itself is the manufacturer)

ANNEXURE-IV

PERFORMANCE STATEMENT FORM

Details of similar equipment / systems supplied & installed during past 3 years in India & Abroad Name of the Firm _______Order Placed by (full address of Purchaser) Order Number and date: Description and Quantity of Ordered: Equipment Value of Order: Date of Completion of deliver as Per Contract: Date of actual Completion of Delivery: Remarks Indicating reasons for late delivery, if any: Has the Equipment Been installed/ Working Satisfactory (Attach a Certificate from The purchaser / Consignee) Name of Contact Person along with Telephone No., FAX No. and e-mail address

Signature and Seal of the manufacturer/Bidder

Place : Date :

Annexure – V

Format for declaration by the Bidder for Code of Integrity & conflict of interest (On the Letter Head of the Bidder)

No:_____Date_____ To,

(Name & address of the Purchaser)

Sir,

With reference to your Tender No.______dated_____I/We hereby declare that we shall abide by the Code of Integrity for Public Procurement as mentioned under the Clause number 55 (a) of NIT of your Tender document and have no conflict of interest.

It is certified that we are not associated, or have been associated in the past, directly or indirectly, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged by the Purchaser to provide consulting services for the preparation of the design, specifications, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the goods to be purchased under this Invitation of Bids / Tender. The details of any previous transgressions of the code of integrity with any entity in any country during the last three years or of being debarred by any other Procuring Entity are as under:

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We undertake that we shall be liable for any punitive action in case of transgression/ contravention of this code.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Signature

(Name of the Authorized Signatory)

Company Seal

ANNEXURE-VI

Certificate of Local Content (To be enclosed along with Technical Bid)

Tender No	
We M/s	(Name of Bidder) hereby certify that we meet the
minimum Local content for the Goods and services	s offered vide our offer/bid No.
dated	as specified below:

• Class-I Local Supplier with local content of 50% and above

OR

• Class-II Local Supplier with local content of 20% and above but less than 50%

(Tick appropriate category of Local Supplier)

We are not claiming the services such as transportation, insurance, installation, commissioning, training, after sales service (warranty or AMC/CMC support), consultancy and custom clearance including custom duty as local value addition.

We are aware that the false declarations will be in breach of the Code of Integrity under Rule 175(1)(i)(h) of the General Financial Rules (Govt of India) for which we or our successors can be debarred for up to two years as per Rule 151 (iii) of the General Finance Rules along with such other actions as may be permissible under law.

Signed: [insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown]

In the capacity of [insert legal capacity of person signing the Bid Submission Form]

Name: [insert complete name of person signing the Bid Submission Form]

Duly authorized to sign the bid for and on behalf of: [insert complete name of Bidder]

Dated on ______ day of ______, ____ [insert date of signing]

ANNEXURE-VII Certificate of Price break up of Local Content(To be enclosed along with Price Bid)

• Class-I Local Supplier with local content of 50% and above

OR

• Class-II Local Supplier with local content of 20% and above but less than 50%

(Tick appropriate category of Local Supplier)

Minimum Local content is ______% as per Price break up given below: Component of cost Imported product Domestic value addition to product In Foreign Currency US\$ or specify In Rupees Exchange Rate @ 1 US\$ = Rs In Rupees Location of value addition Goods i Material ii Equipment iii Total Quoted Price = (X + Y) X = Y = % Local Content = (YXY) x 100

We are not claiming the services such as transportation, insurance, installation, commissioning, training, after sales service (warranty or AMC/CMC support), consultancy and custom clearance including custom duty as local value addition. These costs should not be included in Y above.

We are aware that the false declarations will be in breach of the Code of Integrity under Rule 175(1)(i)(h) of the General Financial Rules (Govt of India) for which we or our successors can be debarred for up to two years as per Rule 151 (iii) of the General Finance Rules along with such other actions as may be permissible under law.

Signed: [insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown]

In the capacity of [insert legal capacity of person signing the Bid Submission Form]

Name: [insert complete name of person signing the Bid Submission Form]

Duly authorized to sign the bid for and on behalf of: [insert complete name of Bidder]

Dated on	day of	, [inser	t date of signing]
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ANNEXURE-VIII

Self-Certification

With reference to Clause No. 1.1.3 of this tender and GoI Ministry of Finance Order No.: F. No. 6/18/2019-PPD dated 23rd July, 2020 on "Restrictions under Rule 144 (xi) of the General Financial Rules (GFRs)" & OM No. F. No. 18/37/2020-PPD dated 8thFebruary, 2021;

It is certified that

We are not a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India. OR

We are a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India, however, we are eligible to bid in any procurement whether of goods or services as we are registered with the Competent Authority as specified in Ministry of Finance (GoI) Order No. 6/18/2019 – PPD dated 23rd July 2020. Copy of valid registration is attached.

Tick as applicable

Place: Date: Authorised Signatory Name: Company Seal

ANNEXURE IX

Self-Certification under preference to Make in India order Certificate

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We also understand false declarations will be in breach of the code of integrity under rule 175(1)(i)(h) of the General Financial Rules for which a bidder or its successors can be debarred for upto two years as per Rule 151(iii) of the General Financial Rules along with such other actions as may be permissible under law.

Signature of vendor with stamp

PRE CONTRACT INTEGRITY PACT

<u>General</u>

This pre-bid pre-contract Agreement (hereinafter called the Integrity Pact) is made on

WHEREAS the Bidder is a private company/public company/Government undertaking/partnership/registered export agency, constituted in accordance with the relevant law in the matter and the BUYER is a Ministry/Department of the Government of India/PSU performing its functions on behalf of the President of India.

NOW THEREFORE,

To avoid all forms of corruption by following a system that is fair, transparent and free from any influence/prejudices dealings prior to, during and subsequent to the currency of the contract to be entered into with a view to:-

Enabling the BUYER to obtain the desired said stores/equipment at a competitive price in conformity with the defined specifications by avoiding the high cost and the distortionary impact of corruption on public procurement, and

Enabling BIDDERs to abstain from bribing or indulging in any corrupt practice in order to secure the contract by providing assurance to them that their competitors will also abstain from bribing and other corrupt practices and the BUYER will commit to prevent corruption, in any form, by its officials by following transparent procedures.

The parties hereto hereby agree to enter into this Integrity Pact and agree as follows:

Commitments of the BUYER

1. The BUYER undertakes that no official of the BUYER, connected directly or indirectly with the contract, will demand, take a promise for or accept, directly or through intermediaries, any bribe, consideration, gift, reward, favour or any material or

immaterial benefit or any other advantages from the BIDDER, either for themselves or for any person, organization or third party related to the contract in exchange for an advantage in the bidding process, bid evaluation, contracting or implementation process related to the contract.

The BUYYER will, during the pre-contract stage, treat all BIDDERs alike, and will provide to all BIDDERs the same information and will no t provide any such information to any particular BIDDER which could afford an advantage to that particular BIDDER in comparison to other BIDDERs

All the officials of the BUYER will report to the appropriate Government office any attempted or completed breaches of the above commitments as well as any substantial suspicion of such a breach.

2. In case any such preceding misconduct on the part of such official(s) is reported by the BIDDER to the BUYER will full and verifiable facts and the same is prima facie found to be correct by the BUYER, necessary disciplinary proceedings, or any other action as deemed fit, including criminal proceedings may be initiated by the BUYER and such a person shall be debarred from further dealings related to the contract process. In such a case while anenquiry is being conducted by the BUYER the proceedings under the contract would not be stalled.

Commitments of BIDDERs

3. The BIDDER commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corrupt practices, unfair means and illegal activities during any stage of its bid or during any pre-contract or post-contract stage in order to secure the contract or in furtherance to secure it and in particular commititself to the following:-

The BIDDER will not offer directly or through intermediaries, any bribe, gift, consideration, reward favour, any material or immaterial benefit or other advantage, commission, fees, brokerage or inducement to any official of the BUYER, connected directly or indirectly with the biding process, or to any person, organization or third party related to the contract in exchange for any advantage in the bidding, evaluation, contracting and implementation of the contract.

The BIDDER further undertakes that it has not given, offered or promised to give, directly or indirectly any bribe, gift, consideration, reward favour, any material or immaterial benefit or any other advantage, commission, fees, brokerage or inducement to any official of the BUYER, or otherwise in procuring the Contract or forbearing to do or having done any act in relation to the obtaining or execution of the contract or any other contract with the Government for showingor forbearing to show favour or disfavor to any person in relation to the contract or any other contract with the Government.

BIDDERs shall disclose the name and address of agents and representatives and Indian BIDDERs shall disclose their foreign principles or associates.

BIDDERs shall disclose the payments to be made by them to agents/brokers or any other intermediary in connection with this bid/contract.

The BIDDER further confirms and declares to the BUYER that the BIDDER is the original manufacturer / integrator / authorized government sponsored export entity of the defect stores and has not engaged any individual or firm or company whether Indian or foreign to intercede, facilitate or in any way to recommend to the BUYER or any of its functionaries whether officially or unofficially to the award of the contract to the BIDDER, nor has any amount been paid, promised or intended to by paid to any such individual, firm or company in respect of any such intercession, facilitation or recommendation.

The BIDDER, either while presenting the bid or during pre contract negotiations or before signing the contract, shall disclose any payments he has made, is committed to or intends to make to officials of the BUYER or their family members, agents, brokers or any other intermediaries in correction with the contract and the details of services agreed upon for such payments.

The BIDDER will not collude with other parties interested in the contract to impair the transparency, fairness and progress of the bidding process, bid evaluation, contracting and implementation of the contract.

The BIDDER will not accept any advantage in exchange for any corrupt practice, unfair means and illegal activities.

The BIDDER shall not use improperly, for purposes of competition or personal gain, or pass on to others, any information provided by the BUYER as part of thebusiness relationship, regarding plans, technical proposals and business details, including information contained in any electronic data carrier. The BIDDER also undertakes to exercise due and adequate care lest any such information is divulged.

The BIDDER commits to refrain from giving any complaint directly or through any other manner without supporting it with full and verifiable facts.

The BIDDER shall not instigate or cause to instigate any third person to commit any of the actions mentioned above.

If the BIDDER or any employee of the BIDDER or any person acting on behalf of the BIDDER, either directly or indirectly, is a relative of any of the officers of the BUYER, or alternatively, if any relative of an officer of the BUYER has financial interest/stake in the BIDDER's firm, the same shall be disclosed by the BIDDER at the time of filling oftender.

The term 'relative' for this purpose would be as defined in Section 6 of the Companies ACT 1956.

The Bidder shall not lend to or borrow any money from or enter into any monetary dealings or transactions, directly or indirectly, with any employee of the BUYER.

4. Previous Transgression

The BIDDER declares that no previous transgression occurred in the last three years immediately before signing of this Integrity Pact, with any other company in any country in respect of any corrupt practices envisaged hereunder or with any Public Sector Enterprise in India or any Government

Department in India that could justify BIDDER's exclusion from the tender process.

The BIDDER agrees that if it makes incorrect statement on this subject, BIDDER can disqualified from the tender process or the contract, if already awarded, can be terminated for such reason.

5. Earnest Money (Security Deposit)

While submitting commercial bid, the BIDDER shall deposit an amount **INR. 5,05,000** /- as Earnest Money/Security Deposit, with the buyer as per the following instruments:

- i) A confirmed guarantee by an Indian Nationalized bank, promising payment of the guaranteed sum to the BUYER on demand within three working days without any demur whatsoever and without seeking any reasons whatsoever. The demand for payment by the BUYER shall be treated as conclusive proof ofpayments.
- ii) Any other mode or through any other instrument (to be specified in the RFP)

The Earnest Money/Security Deposit shall be valid up to a period of five years or the complete conclusion of the contractual obligations to the complete satisfaction of both the BIDDER and the BUYER, including warranty period, whichever is later. In case of the bidder a clause would also be incorporated in theArticle pertaining to Performance Bond in the Purchase Contract that theprovisions of Sanctions for Violation shall be applicable for forfeiture of Performance Bond in case of a decision by the BUYER to forfeit the same without assigning any reason for imposing sanction for violation of this pact.

No interest shall be payable by the BUYER to the BIDDER on Earnest Money/Security Deposit for the period of its currency.

6. Sanctions for Violations

Any breach of the aforesaid provisions by the BIDDER or any one employed by it or acting on its behalf (whether with or without the knowledge of the BIDDER) shall entitle the BUYER to take all or any one of the following actions, wherever required: -

- i) To immediately call off the pre-contract negotiations without assigning any reason or giving any compensation to the BIDDER. However, the proceedings with the other BIDDER(s) would continue.
- ii) The Earnest Money Deposit (in pre-contract stage) and/or Security Deposit/ Performance Bond (after the contract is signed) shall stand forfeited either fully or partially, as decided by the BUYER and the BUYER shall not be required to assign any reason therefore.
- iii) To immediately cancel the contract, if already signed, without giving any compensation to the BIDDER.
- iv) To recover all sums already paid by the BUYER, and in case of an Indian BIDDER with interest thereon at 2% higher than the prevailing Prime Lending Rate of State Bank of India, while in case of a BIDDER from a country other than India with interest thereon at 2% higher than the LIBOR. If any outstanding payment is due to the BIDDER from the BUYER in connection with any other contract for any other stores, such outstanding payment could also be utilized to recover the aforesaid sum and interest.
- v) To encash the advance bank guarantee and performance bond/warranty bond, if furnished by the BIDDER, in order to recover the payments, already made by the BUYER, along with interest.
- vi) To cancel all or any other Contracts with the BIDDER. The BIDDER shall be liable to pay compensation for any loss or damage to the BUYER resulting from such cancellation/ rescission and the BUYER shall be entitled to deduct the amount so payable from the money(s) due to the BIDDER.
- vii) To debar the BIDDER from participating in future bidding processes of the Government of India for a minimum period of Five years, which may be further extended at the discretion of the BUYER.
- viii) To recover all sums paid in violation of this Pact by BIDDER(s) to any middleman or agent or broker with a view to securing the contract.
- ix) In cases where irrevocable Letters of Credit have been received in respectof any contract signed by the BUYER with the BIDDER, the same shall not be opened.
- x) Forfeiture of Performance Bond in case of a decision by the BUYER to forfeit the same without assigning any reason for imposing sanction for violation of this pact.

The BUYER will be entitled to take all or any of the actions mentioned at para 6.1(i) to (x) of this Pact also on the Commission by the BIDDER or any one employed by it or acting on its behalf (whether with or without the knowledge of the BIDDER) of an offence as defined in Chapter IX of the Indian Penal code, 1860 or Prevention of Corruption ACT, 1988 or any other statute enacted for prevention of corruption.

The decision of the BUYER to the effect that a breach of the provisions of this Pact has been committed by the BIDDER shall be final and conclusive on the BIDDER. However, the BIDDER can approach the Independent Monitor(s) appointed for the purposes of this Pact.

7. Fall Clause

The BIDDER undertakes that it has not supplied/is not supplying similar product/systems or subsystems at a price lower than that offered in the presentbid in respect of any other Ministry/Department of the Government of India or PSU and if it is found at any stage that similar product/systems or sub systems was supplied by the BIDDER to any other Ministry/Department of the Government of India or PSU at a lower price, then that very price, with due allowance for elapsed time, will be applicable to the present case and the difference in the cost would be refunded by the BIDDER to the BUYER, if the contract has already been concluded.

8. Independent Monitors

The BUYER has appointed Independent Monitors (hereinafter referred to as Monitors) for this Pact in consultation with the Central Vigilance Commission

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E-mail: <u>msgpkj@gmail.com</u> Mobile: 9313498388 Address: A-402, Shree Ganesh Apartments, Plot No. 12B, Sector-7, Dwarka, New Delhi 110075 The task of the Monitors shall be to review independently and objectively, whether and to what extent the parties comply with the obligations under this pact. The Monitors shall not be subject to instructions by the representatives of the parties and perform their functions neutrally and independently.

But the parties accept that the Monitors have the right to access all the documents relating to the project/procurement, including minutes of meetings.

As soon as the Monitor notices, or has reason to believe, a violation of this pact, he will so inform the Authority designated by BUYER.

The BIDDER(s) accepts that the Monitor has the right to access without restriction to all Project documentation of the BUYER including that provided by the BIDDER. The BIDDER will also grant the Monitor, upon his request and demonstration of a valid interest, unrestricted and unconditional access to his project documentation. The same is applicable to Subbidders. The Monitor shall be under contractual obligation to treat the information and documents of the BIDDER/Subbidder(s) with confidentiality.

The BUYER will provide to the Monitor sufficient information about all meetings among the parties related to the Project provided such meetings could have an impact on the contractual relations between the parties. The parties will offer to the Monitor the option to participate in such meetings.

The Monitor will submit a written report to the designated Authority of BUYER/Secretary in the Department/within 8 to 10 weeks from the date of reference or intimation to him by the BUYER/BIDDER and, should the occasion arise, submit proposals for correcting problematic situations.

9. Facilitation of Investigation

In case of any allegation of violation of any provisions of this Pact or payment of commission, the BUYER or its agencies shall be entitled to examine all the documents including the Books of Accounts of the BIDDER and the BIDDER shall provide necessary information and documents in English and shall extend all possible help for the purpose of such examination.

10. Law and Place of Jurisdiction

This Pact is subject to Indian Law. The place of performance and jurisdiction is the seat of the BUYER.

11. Other Legal Actions

The actions stipulated in this Integrity Pact are without prejudice to any other legal action that may follow in accordance with the provisions of the extant law in force relating to any civil or criminal proceedings.

12. <u>Validity</u>

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The validity of this Integrity pact shall be from date of its signing and extend upto 5 years or the complete execution of the contract to the satisfaction of both the BUYER and the BIDDER/Seller, including warranty period, whichever is later. In case BIDDER is unsuccessful, this Integrity Pact shall expire after six months from the date of the signing of the contract.

Should one or several provisions of this pact turn out to be invalid; the remainder of this act shall remain valid. In this case, the parties will strive to come to an agreement to their original intentions.

13. The parties hereby sign this Integrity Pact at_____NIOT Chennai on

THEDIRECTOR		BIDDER
National Institute of Ocean Technology	M/s	
Ministry of Earth Sciences		
Witness		Witness
1.	1.	
	2.	