



**INDRADHANUSH GAS GRID LIMITED**  
(Joint Venture of IOCL, ONGC, GAIL, OIL and NRL)  
GUWAHATI, ASSAM

**REPLY TO PRE BID QUERIES**

**FOR**

**LAYING & CONSTRUCTION OF STEEL GAS PIPELINE AND  
TERMINALS ALONG WITH ASSOCIATED FACILITIES FOR  
SECTION-3, 5 & 9 OF NORTH EAST GAS GRID (NEGG)  
PROJECT**

**OPEN DOMESTIC COMPETITIVE BIDDING**

**Tender no.: 05/51/23UU/IGGL/001-i-2**

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1		Section-II	Annual Turnover	<p>In the minimum Annual Turnover Criteria you have asked for last three year preceding financial years.</p> <p>As a prudent Contractor we hereby propose you to kindly consider last five years for minimum Annual Turnover criteria.</p>	Tender Conditions Prevail.
2		Page No.17 of 891, BEC Clause G	Authentication of documents to be submitted in support of BEC	<p>Considering COVID-19, we request IGGL/MECON to accept self-certified documents pertaining to BEC, etc. alongwith bid alongwith an undertaking from the bidder that authenticated documents from TPI will be submitted by bidder, on whom order/contract is placed, after normalization of situation.</p> <p>This provision was given in tender for Section 1 &amp; 2 which are finalised by IGGL / MECON recently .</p>	Tender Conditions Prevail.
3		Page No.5 of 891, IFB Clause 2(F)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	<p>The Government of India, in recent past, has received many representations from many commercial entities and contractors that on account of slowdown in economy due to the COVID pandemic, there is acute financial crunch which in turn is affecting timely execution of the contracts. The rippling effect of this slowdown has also affected the ability of contractors to bid in upcoming tenders which will reduce competition eventually. Requests are being received from various commercial entities and contractors for reduction / relaxations in quantum of Security Deposits like EMDs, PBGs and Additional BGs asked in the Government contracts. Keeping in the various requests made by commercial entities and contractors, Procurement Policy Division of Department of Expenditure under Ministry of Finance has issued various Memorandums to relax the tender conditions w.r.t. EMD, PBG and Addl. BG asked in the Government contracts.</p> <p>In line with the changes proposed vide these Memorandums we wish to submit the following for your consideration:</p> <p>Procurement Policy Division under Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance Vide their Office Memorandum No. F.9/4/2020-PPD dated 12.11.2020 (Subject: Bid Security / Earnest Money Deposit) clause 4.0 have reiterated that notwithstanding anything contained in Rule 171 of GFRs 2017 or any other Rule or any provision contained in the Procurement Manuals, no provisions regarding Bid Security should be kept in the Bid Documents in future and only provision for "Bid Security Declaration" should be kept in the Bid Documents. (Copy of OM is attached for ready reference)</p> <p>We request M/s IGGL / MECON to kindly delete the requirement of submission of EMD.</p>	Please refer Corrigendum 1



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4		Page No.85 of 891, ITB & BDS Clause & 38	CPS / SD	<p>The Government of India, in recent past, has received many representations from many commercial entities and contractors that on account of slowdown in economy due to the COVID pandemic, there is acute financial crunch which in turn is affecting timely execution of the contracts. The rippling effect of this slowdown has also affected the ability of contractors to bid in upcoming tenders which will reduce competition eventually. Requests are being received from various commercial entities and contractors for reduction / relaxations in quantum of Security Deposits like EMDs, PBGs and Additional BGs asked in the Government contracts. Keeping in the various requests made by commercial entities and contractors, Procurement Policy Division of Department of Expenditure under Ministry of Finance has issued various Memorandums to relax the tender conditions w.r.t. EMD, PBG and Adtl. BG asked in the Government contracts.</p> <p>In line with the changes proposed vide these Memorandums we wish to submit the following for your consideration:</p> <p>Procurement Policy Division under Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance Vide their Office Memorandum No. F.9/4/2020-PPD dated 12.11.2020 (Subject: Performance Security) clause 3.0 has decided to reduce Performance Security from existing 5-10% to 3% of the value of the contract for all existing contracts. Further vide clause 5.0 of the same memorandum it is decided that in all contracts where Performance Security has been reduced to 3% in view of above stipulations, the reduced percentage of Performance Security shall continue for the entire duration of the contract and there should be no subsequent increase of Performance Security even beyond 31.12.2021.</p> <p>Similarly, in all contracts entered into with the reduced percentage of Performance</p>	Please refer Corrigendum 1
5			SOR SEC-3	<p>Following cells of SOR of Section-3 is locked (the cursor is not going there)  Sheet of Mainline-SEC-3 : Sl. No. 20.1.1, 20.1.2, 20.1.3, 20.1.4  Sheet of Arch-SEC-3 : Sl. No. AR-32.1.1, 32.2  Sheet of Electrical SEC-3 : No cells for Total value in figures</p>	Please refer Corrigendum 1
6			Mainline SOR Sec-5&9	<p>SOR Item no. 1  Hard Rock quantity confirmation</p> <p>Excavation to all depths in all types of soil (including soft / hard rock) , including control blasting etc. Rock quantity is required to load cost of hard rock excavation to this item</p>	Refer Pipeline Route Survey details enclosed in the bid document.
7			Mainline SOR Sec-5&9	<p>SOR Item 5  Crossings by HDD in Hard rock areas</p> <p>There will be huge difference in cost of HDD in normal soil and hard rock. Crossings by HDD in Hard rock not mentioned separately.</p>	Contractor to refer the survey reports and quote accordingly. Tender Conditions prevail.



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8				Forest Permission status is requested.	Status for Forest Permissions will be intimated at the time of execution to the successful bidder.