

INVITATION FOR BID (IFB)
(LOCAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING)

1. The Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Company Limited Mumbai, herein after referred to as the 'Owner' (MSETCL) invites bids through SRM e-Tender in TWO bid system (Techno-commercial Bid & Price Bid) from eligible bidders in India having executed similar projects in transmission sector for Balance work of Construction of 132kV Babbleshwar-Rahuri line (29.60 km) on turnkey basis under Nashik zone, MSETCL Maharashtra.

2. **Scope of Work :-**

SRM e-Tender No. T-2528/MSETCL/CO/Projects/Pre-Tender (RFx No. 6000001355)

Name of work	Estimated Cost (in Rs.)	Completion period from date of site handing over
Balance work of Construction of 132kV Babbleshwar-Rahuri line (29.60 km) on turnkey basis under Nashik zone	Rs. 8,39,42,271.58 (Exclusive of GST)	06 Months (Excluding Monsoon i.e. 15/06 to 30/09)

NOTE: Bid Evaluation and Award of tender shall be carried out on **quoted price exclusive of GST.**

3. **QUALIFYING REQUIREMENT:**

In order to be qualified for award of Contract, the bidder will be required to satisfy the following minimum criteria, which will take precedence over any qualifying requirements that may be stated in the specifications or elsewhere in the bidding document. The bidder shall satisfy the following conditions:

3.1 **Technical Qualifying Criteria:**

- 3.1.1 (a) MSETCL invites bid through SRM e-Tender in two bid system from eligible bidders in India. The bidder should have, in last 5 years executed the work on turnkey basis including supply of material, erection, testing & commissioning as mentioned at (i) and (ii) below:

- (i) The bidder should be an approved vendor of MSETCL or PGCIL and have installed tower material manufacturing capacity of at least 10000 MT per year and should have fabricated and supplied at least 1000 MT of EHV transmission line towers cumulatively in last three years of voltage class equivalent or above than the voltage class as mentioned in scope of tender.

OR

The bidder not satisfying above condition shall furnish a legal enforceable Joint Deed of Undertaking duly notarized (Format Enclosed) from the manufacturer who satisfies such condition fully, to guarantee for quality & timely supply of tower material.

- (ii) The bidder should have constructed (including tower foundation, tower erection and stringing) at least S/C Tr. Line of route length at least 50% of route length mentioned in the scope of this tender in single order and of voltage class at least one step below than the voltage class as mentioned in scope of tender

3.1.1 (b) The bidder should submit the user's certificate in support of tower material supplies executed in last three years and end user's certificate for completed work issued by the concerned ordering authority indicating therein name of the line constructed, its voltage class, route length, configuration of conductor, date of completion and period taken for completion etc.

3.2 The owner reserves the right to accept / reject the Bid.

3.3 Statutory Qualifying Criteria:

3.3.1 The bidder or his associate should have a valid Govt. Electrical Contractor's License.

3.3.2 The lead bidder should be registered under GST. The Bidder shall submit the copy of GST returns of last 01 (One) year. The Bidder shall submit the Income Tax returns for the last 3 (Three) Financial years.

3.3.3 The lead bidder should be registered under P.F. Act.

Note: The original coloured scan copy should be uploaded as bid documents in support of Statutory Qualifying Criteria i.e. Statutory Licenses / Registration. The Attested/Notarized photocopies of the same will not be entertained.

3.4 Financial Qualifying Criteria:

3.4.1 The average annual turnover of the bidder during last three financial years should be not below than 60% of estimated cost.

3.4.2 The bidder should have a Net Worth (which is defined as "Equity share capital + Reserves– Revaluation reserves – Intangible assets – Miscellaneous expenditure to the extent not written off and carry forward losses") of not less than 25% (Twenty Five Percent) value of estimated cost of tender offered. The bidder should submit the statement of Net worth duly certified by Chartered Accountant for the last financial year.

Note: 1. The original coloured scan copy should be uploaded as bid documents in support of Financial Qualifying Criteria. The Attested/Notarized photocopies of the same will not be entertained.
2. The duly audited, verified & certified figures from Chartered Accountant will be considered for Annual Turnover & Net worth. The provisional certificates (if any) will not be entertained.

3.5 In Case of Consortium:

3.5.1 The principal (lead) bidder who desire to bid against this specification may submit the offer jointly with erection contractor /equipment manufacturer by entering into a legally valid agreement subject to fulfilment of following requirements.

- The bid, and in case of a successful bid, the Contract Agreement shall be signed so as to be

legally binding on both partners.

- Both partners of the consortium shall be jointly and severally liable for execution of the contract in accordance with the Contract terms.
- 3.5.2 One of the consortium partners should satisfy 100% technical qualifying criteria at 3.1 and subject to fulfilment of remaining qualifying criteria jointly by both the partners.
- 3.5.3 The number of partners in a consortium should not be more than two, including the lead partner.
- 3.5.4 The lead partner shall be authorized to be in charge and this authorization shall be evidenced by submitting a duly registered/ notarized power of attorney signed jointly by legally authorized signatories of both partners.
- 3.5.5 A copy of agreement entered into by the consortium partners as specified in enclosed format shall be submitted with the bid.
- 3.5.6 The bid document should have been purchased and submitted by the Lead Partner only.

3.6 Other Mandatory Documents for Valid Bid:

- a. Original colour scan copy of duly signed/sealed schedules given in Book-I (GTC).
- b. Bid Security Deposit (BSD) for an amount equal to 1% (one percent) of the estimated cost of tender in the form of Bank Guarantee from Scheduled/Nationalized Bank in the prescribed format annexed in the tender specifications, along with the offer. The validity of Bank Guarantee should at least be for six (6) months from the originally scheduled date of techno-commercial bid opening. The Bank Guarantee should be payable at Mumbai only. The Stamp Duty should be paid as applicable in Maharashtra.
Note: Any bid not accompanied by the requisite bid security shall be rejected as non-responsive in accordance with provisions of the bidding document.
- c. Bidder shall refer the order from Ministry of Finance issued on subject of insertion of Rule 144 (xi) in the General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 dated 23/07/2020 and amendment dtd. 23.02.2023 and accordingly bidders has to do registration with Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT). However, eligible bidder should submit the aforesaid registration documents and if not applicable, the Undertaking is to be submitted along with the bid.
Note: In case if above registration is NOT applicable, the bidder must submit the undertaking accordingly.
- d. **Bidder shall submit an undertaking for supply of HPC conductor that the material will be supplied from approved vendors of MSETCL as required for the scope of work, meeting the technical requirements as specified in Book-II Tech spec.**

4. General Points:-

- 1. The prices to be quoted against this IFB shall be in Indian Rupees only.
- 2. A complete set of documents can be downloaded by the bidder from MSETCL's SRM e-Tendering website <https://srmetender.mahatransco.in> The cost of bidding documents should be

paid online before the date of bid submission and the screen shot of successful payment transaction shall be uploaded with bid documents being submitted by the bidder.

3. The tender is invited on an Item Rate Basis. Bidders are requested to Download the BOQ (Bill of Quantities) Excel file(s) from tender documents and submit their offers item-wise for all portions, including Supply, ETC (Erection, Testing, and Commissioning), and Civil works. Bidder must upload the price breakup for each item in provided excel sheet, in the Price Bid Documents Section in the SRM System. The tender will be treated as an Indivisible Composite Works Contract in its entirety.
4. The Contract shall be awarded on quoted price exclusive of GST. 100% GST payment shall be made against invoice submission. All other provisions of the tender remain in full force and effect, other than any provision that conflicts with the terms and spirit of this tender, which shall be deemed to be amended appropriately in order to be consistent with clause.
5. The bidder shall adhere to the insurance policies as referred in the Tender Book-I (GTC) to secure and maintain comprehensive insurance as may be necessary and for all such amounts to protect his interests and the interest of the Owner, against all risks. Any loss or damage to the equipment, during supply, handling, transporting, storage and erection, till such time the plant is taken over by the Owner shall be to the account of the Contractor.
6. The price variation will be applicable as per IEEMA provisions. Price variation shall be given on **Bidders quoted Ex-works price**. All other provisions of the tender shall remain in full force and effect, except any provision that conflicts with the terms and spirit of this clause, which shall be deemed amended appropriately to ensure consistency with this clause.
7. In case of any variation in statutory taxes/duties/levy or any new existing tax/duty/levy is revoked by the Government, the same shall be passed through either side. In certain cases production of valid documentary proof may be brought for.
8. The circular for Clarification on Price Variation calculations & Direct Online Payment of Land (RoW)/Crop/Tree Compensation to land owners/farmers from MSETCL account is applicable. (Please refer circular no. 2079 dtd. 22.03.2022 & circular no. 2645 dtd. 08.04.2022 attached in tender documents).
9. All the statutory charges/fees for obtaining NOCs from various government department, forest clearances, police protection & TILR charges etc. will be reimbursed to the contractor by owner on submission of document evidence.
10. The bidder shall adhere to the insurance policies as referred in the Tender Book-I (GTC) to secure and maintain comprehensive insurance as may be necessary and for all such amounts to protect his interests and the interest of the Owner, against all risks. Any loss or damage to the equipment, during supply, handling, transporting, storage and erection, till such time the plant is taken over by the Owner shall be to the account of the Contractor.
11. The quantities for supply, ETC and Civil items are tentative and may vary. Actual materials and quantities to be supplied are to be worked out on detailed engineering. Any **"extra item"** that may be essential and required for completion of project, the bidder shall supply the same along-

with its ETC and required civil work. The rate of extra item(s) shall be calculated based on latest available purchase order in last two years with MSETCL/SoR OR through budgetary offer.

12. The bidders are requested to submit their financial documents (Turnover & Net-worth certificate) duly audited, verified & certified figures from Chartered Accountant and same should be generated with UDIN number. So, the same can be verified on <http://udin.icai.org>.
13. Interested bidders may obtain further information, if needed, on our Website <https://srmetender.mahatransco.in> or from the Office of, the Chief Engineer (Projects), Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd; 5th floor, Plot No. C-19, 'E'-Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai 400051. Tel No. 2659 5000 (Extn. No. 5163) Fax No. (022) 26598587/26598590.
14. The new bidders are requested to complete the contractor registrations for SRM e-Tendering with MSETCL as per the procedure prior to the date of submission of the tender documents. The bids of only registered main/lead bidders will be entertained.

5. Additional Instructions for Price Bid Submission:-

The MSETCL tender is invited on an Item Rate Basis. Bidders are requested to submit their offers item-wise for all portions, including Supply, ETC (Erection, Testing, and Commissioning), and Civil works following instructions below-

1. **Download the BOQ Excel File:**
 - Download the BOQ (Bill of Quantities) Excel file(s) for all parts (viz. Supply, ETC & Civil).
 - **Important:** Price bids must be submitted in the Excel file(s) attached in the RFx. Do NOT create a new file. Any mistake (intentionally or unintentionally) in submitting the price bid may lead to disqualification.
2. **Review the BOQ:**
 - Carefully review the BOQ. Each item will be listed with a detailed description, quantity, and unit of measurement.
3. **Filling the BOQ Excel Sheet:**
 - Fill in the Ex-Works Price (including Labour Cess) column for each item.
 - Ensure that your pricing excludes GST only, as the contract will be evaluated and awarded based on the quoted price exclusive of GST.
4. **BoQ Excel Sheet Guidelines:**
 - Only fill in the cells designated as editable. The rest of the cells are locked and must not be modified.
 - Enter the required data in the editable cells only, ensuring that all items are accounted for, and prices are entered for each item.
 - **Important:** None of the price fields should be left blank or set to zero. If the price for any item is left blank or set to zero, it will be considered as free to MSETCL, and the bidder must still execute and provide that item.
5. **Uploading the BOQ Excel File:**
 - After filling in all the required data, save the Excel sheet without altering any locked cells or creating new files.
 - Upload the completed BOQ Excel file in the Price Bid Section ONLY. Refer to the sample screenshot attached in the tender documents for guidance.

6. **Compliance:**

- Any manipulation or non-compliance with these guidelines may lead to the disqualification of the bid. Ensure that the instructions are followed meticulously to avoid disqualification.

7. **Final Check:**

- Before submitting, double-check the filled Excel sheet to ensure all prices are entered, and no mandatory fields are left blank or set to zero.
- Verify that no modifications have been made to locked cells and that the file format remains unchanged.

8. **Submission:**

- Submit the filled Excel sheet in the designated section (Price Bid) of the SRM System as instructed.
- The Price Bid quoted in the SRM system should match the price bid uploaded in the Excel format. For bid evaluation and award purposes, the price quoted in the SRM RFX will be considered.
- In case of a discrepancy between the price quoted in the SRM RFX and the uploaded Excel file, the bidder must submit an Excel file of the price bid matching the quoted price in the SRM RFX within 03 (Three) days from the date of price bid opening. Non-compliance may lead to rejection of the bid and further processing as per MSETCL policy.
- Convert the completed Excel file into a PDF document. Ensure that the prices in the PDF match those in the Excel file. **Submit this PDF, duly stamped, along with the Excel file in price bid section only.** This PDF shall be treated as a price break-up.

9. **Instructions to Refrain from Quoting Imbalanced Rates:**

- **Balanced Pricing Requirement:** Bidders must ensure that their quoted prices for Supply, ETC, and Civil works are balanced and reflect realistic market rates. Imbalanced pricing, where one part of the work is significantly under/over quoted compared to the others, is not acceptable.
- **No Cross-Subsidization:** Bidders should not artificially lower the price of one component while inflating the price of another component. Each part of the bid must have transparent and justifiable pricing based on its own basis.
- **Proportionality Check:** The prices for Supply, ETC, and Civil works should be in reasonable proportion to each other, reflecting the actual costs involved in each portion. MSETCL reserves the right to assess and conduct a detailed analysis of the submitted bids to verify the consistency and appropriateness of the quoted rates and MSETCL will have discretion to reject bids that show significant discrepancies between these components.

NOTE: MSETCL reserves the right to check the price bid file(s) after the opening of the price bids and may reject any bid that has not followed the above instructions. MSETCL also reserves the right to request clarification on pricing details. Adherence to these guidelines is crucial for the successful bid submission.

6.0 Bidders are requested to note the dates for purchase, submission, and opening of bid documents as below:

a)	Starting Date of downloading	29.05.2025
b)	Price of bid document	Rs. 25,000/- + Taxes
c)	Last date and time for submission of bid	19.06.2025 at 13.00 Hrs.
d)	Last date for submission of Queries	03.06.2025 at 15.00 Hrs.
e)	Date and time for opening of techno- commercial bid	19.06.2025 at 15.00 Hrs.
f)	Date and time for opening of price bid of qualified bidders	Will be informed later

Kindly note that, the Pre-Bid Queries received after last date of submission of queries will not be entertained. Submit your queries on ee13prj@mahatransco.in only. In case the due date for sale, receipt and/or opening of bids happens to be a holiday, the next working day shall be the corresponding due date.

Chief Engineer (Projects)