

National Skill Development Corporation



SELECTION OF AGENCY FOR PROCUREMENT, SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, COMMISSIONING OF INFRASTRUCTURE ITEMS INCLUDING IT-HARDWARE, SECURITY SYSTEMS, FURNITURE, HVAC EQUIPMENT

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Place of Submission of Proposals	https://nsdc.eproc.in/

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NATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS (“ITB”)

The bidder shall submit their proposal in accordance with terms and conditions of this RFP after reading the RFP document carefully and understanding the requirement of the RFP.

A. General Provisions

1. Definitions

- 1.1. “Affiliate(s)” means an individual or an entity that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the Bidder.
- 1.2. “Applicable Law” means the laws and any other instruments having the force of law in India.
- 1.3. “Client” means NSDC.
- 1.4. “Bidder” means a legally established professional consulting firm or an entity that may provide or provides the Services to the Client under the Contract.
- 1.5. “Contract” means a legally binding written agreement signed between the Client and the Bidder.
- 1.6. “Day” means a calendar day, unless otherwise specified as “Business Day”. A Business Day is any day that is an official working day of the Client. It excludes the Client’s official public holidays.
- 1.7. “Experts” means, collectively, Key Experts, Non-Key Experts, or any other personnel of the Bidder, Sub-Bidder or Joint Venture member(s).
- 1.8. “Government” means the government of India.
- 1.9. “in writing” means communicated in written form (e.g. by mail, e-mail, including, if distributed or received through the electronic-procurement system used by the Client) with proof of receipt.
- 1.10. “Joint Venture (JV)” means an association with or without a legal personality distinct from that of its members, of more than one Bidder where one member has the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the members of the JV, and where the members of the JV are jointly and severally liable to the Client for the performance of the Contract.
- 1.11. “Key Expert(s)” means an individual professional whose skills, qualifications, knowledge and experience are critical to the performance of the Services under the Contract and whose CV is taken into account in the technical evaluation of the Bidder’s proposal.
- 1.12. “Non-Key Expert(s)” means an individual professional provided by the Bidder or its Sub-Bidder and who is assigned to perform the Services or any part thereof under the Contract and whose CVs are not evaluated individually.
- 1.13. “Proposal” means the Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal of the Bidder.
- 1.14. “RFP” means the Request for Proposals to be prepared by the Client for the selection of Bidders, based on the SPD - RFP.
- 1.15. “SPD - RFP” means the Standard Procurement Document - Request for Proposals, which must be used by the Client as the basis for the preparation of the RFP.
- 1.16. “Services” means the work to be performed by the Bidder pursuant to the Contract.
- 1.17. “Sub-Bidder” means an entity to whom the Bidder intends to subcontract any part of the Services while the Bidder remains responsible to the Client during the whole performance of the Contract.

- 1.18. “Terms of Reference (TORs)” means the Terms of Reference that explains the objectives, scope of work, activities, and tasks to be performed, respective responsibilities of the Client and the Bidder, and expected results and deliverables of the assignment.

2. Introduction

- 2.1. National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), the client intends for **Selection of Agency for PROCUREMENT, SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, COMMISSIONING OF INFRASTRUCTURE ITEMS INCLUDING IT-HARDWARE, SECURITY SYSTEMS, FURNITURE, HVAC EQUIPMENT (hereinafter called “Bidders”)** as per **Annexure VI** of this RFP.
- 2.2. The Bidders with whom this RFP is shared, are invited to submit a Technical Proposal and a Financial Proposal against this RFP. The Proposal will be the basis for negotiating and ultimately signing the Contract with the selected Bidder.
- 2.3. The Bidders should familiarize themselves with the local conditions and take them into account in preparing their Proposals.
- 2.4. Pre-Proposal meeting will be held on date and time as specified in the important dates. Attending any such pre-proposal meeting is optional and is at the Bidder’s expense.
- 2.5. The Client will timely provide, at no cost to the Bidders, the inputs, relevant project data, and reports required for the preparation of the Bidder’s Proposal.
- 2.6. The information contained in this document or information provided subsequently to bidder(s) whether verbally or in documentary form by or on behalf of NSDC, is on the terms and conditions set out in this document and all other terms and conditions subject to which such information is provided. This document is not an agreement and is not an offer or invitation by NSDC to any parties other than the bidder(s) who are qualified to submit the bids (hereinafter individually and collectively referred to as —Bidder or —Bidders respectively). The purpose of this document is to provide the Bidders with information to assist the formulation of their proposals. This document does not claim to contain all the information each Bidder requires. Each Bidder may conduct its own independent investigations and analysis and is free to check the accuracy, reliability, and completeness of the information in this document. NSDC makes no representation or warranty and shall incur no liability under any law, statute, rules, or regulations as to the accuracy, reliability, or completeness of this document. The information contained in the document is selective and is subject to updating, expansion, revision, and amendment.
- 2.7. NSDC reserves the right of discretion to change, modify, reject, add to, or alter any or all of the provisions of this document and/or the bidding process, without assigning any reasons whatsoever. NSDC in its absolute discretion, but without being under any obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information in this document. NSDC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received in response to this document at any stage without assigning any reason whatsoever. The decision of NSDC shall be final, conclusive, and binding on all the parties.

3. Conflict of Interest

- 3.1. The Bidder is required to provide professional, objective, and impartial advice, always holding the Client's interests' paramount, strictly avoiding conflicts with other assignments or its own corporate interests and acting without any consideration for future work.
- 3.2. The Bidder has an obligation to disclose to the Client any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts its capacity to serve the best interests of its Client. Failure to disclose such situations may lead to the disqualification of the Bidder or the termination of its Contract and/or sanctions by NSDC.
- 3.3. Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, the Bidder shall not be hired under the circumstances set forth below:
 - 3.3.1. **Conflicting activities:** Conflict between consulting activities and procurement of goods, works or non-consulting services: a firm that has been engaged by the Client to provide goods, works, or non-consulting services for a project, or any of its Affiliates, shall be disqualified from providing consulting services resulting from or directly related to those goods, works, or non-consulting services. Conversely, a firm hired to provide consulting services for the preparation or implementation of a project, or any of its Affiliates, shall be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or works or non-consulting services resulting from or directly related to the consulting services for such preparation or implementation.
 - 3.3.2. **Conflicting assignments** Conflict among consulting assignments: a Bidder (including its Experts and Sub-Bidders) or any of its Affiliates shall not be hired for any assignment that, by its nature, may be in conflict with another assignment of the Bidder for the same or for another Client.
 - 3.3.3. **Conflicting relationships** Relationship with the Client's staff: a Bidder (including its Experts and Sub-Bidders) that has a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of NSDC who are directly or indirectly involved in any part of (i) the preparation of the Terms of Reference for the assignment, (ii) the selection process for the Contract, or (iii) the supervision of the Contract, may not be awarded a Contract, unless the conflict stemming from this relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to NSDC throughout the selection process and the execution of the Contract.

4. Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices:

The Client requires compliance with its policy regarding corrupt and fraudulent practices as set forth in **Annexure-V**. In further pursuance of this policy, Bidders shall permit and shall cause their agents, Experts, Sub-Bidders, subcontractors, services providers, or suppliers to permit NSDC to inspect all accounts, records, and other documents relating to the submission of the Proposal and contract performance (in case of an award), and to have them audited by auditors appointed by NSDC **Pre-Qualification Criteria**

Only those Bidders who qualify for the below **Pre-Qualification Criteria** will be evaluated for other technical parameters:

5. Pre-Qualification Criteria		
SN	Description	Documents/ Copies to be submitted
5.1.	The bidder should be a company / proprietorship registered in India under applicable laws. The Bidder should have valid PAN/GST registration.	▪ Certificate of Incorporation/Registration Certificate/partnership deed ▪ Registration for GST ▪ PAN
5.2.	The Bidder (Agency) must have a minimum average annual turnover of at least INR (25) Crores in the last three Financial Years i.e., FY 2023–24, FY 2024–25, and FY 2025–26. Note: In cases where audited financial statements for FY 2025–26 are not available at the time of RFP submission, provisional financial statements certified by a Practicing Chartered Accountant bearing a valid UDIN shall be accepted. Such provisional statements shall be replaced by audited financial statements within 180 days of submission or prior to execution of the Agreement, whichever is earlier. *Note- In case the final audited turnover for the year 2025-26 upon submission, AAT found below ₹25 Crore, the work awarded to the selected bidder shall be terminated and all awarded contract and Purchase Orders will stand as cancelled.	CA-certified Turnover Statement with UDIN; Audited Financial Statements
5.3.	The bidder should have minimum 5 years of experience as on the date of RFP issuance in IT infrastructure setup / smart classroom / lab setup / AR-VR lab.	Work Order/Contract Agreement/Completion Certificate from client (Clear Mentioned the scope of work on client letter head)
5.4.	The bidder shall have executed at least five (5) similar projects in the last five years, each with a minimum project value of ₹1 Crore, involving end-to-end implementation of IT/AR-VR/smart classroom or lab infrastructure projects.	Copies of work orders / contract agreements/ Completion certificates on client letter head clearly indicating the scope of work and value of contract & successful execution.
5.5.	The bidder shall submit a valid Manufacturer's Authorization Letter/ OEM Authorization Letter from the respective OEM separately (As per <u>Annexure VII</u>)	The OEM authorization letter must be: • Issued specifically for this RFP • On the OEM's official letterhead • Signed and stamped by an authorized signatory of the OEM

		The OEM agrees to provide warranty and technical support for the supplied products. Failure to submit valid OEM authorization letters for each item shall result in rejection of the bid at the pre-qualification stage.
5.6	The bidder shall submit a certificate from the respective Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) confirming that all items quoted in the bid, including equipment, products, components, parts, assemblies, sub-assemblies, accessories, and software are Brand new, Unused Unmodified, Not refurbished, Not reconditioned, Not duplicate or counterfeit, Not second-hand. The OEM certificate shall further certify that all quoted items are current models and are the latest commercially available versions in the market as on the date of bid submission, and are not end-of-life (EOL), end-of-sale (EOS), or obsolete products.	The certificate must be: - Issued on the OEM's official letterhead - Signed and stamped by an authorised OEM signatory - Specific to this RFP / Bid reference
5.7	A Board Resolution / authorization letter from the board of directors or Power of Attorney authorizing the Bid signing in favor of Bidder representative who would be signing all the pages of the bid.	Board Resolution / authorization letter from the Board of directors / or Power of Attorney
5.8	Blacklisting Declaration: - The Bidder (Agency) should never have been involved in any illegal activity or financial fraud. - The Bidder (Agency) and its affiliates should not have been blacklisted by any Government Agency / Public Sector Undertaking / Autonomous Bodies of Government / Reputed Corporates for breach of applicable laws or violation of regulatory provisions or breach of agreement.	Undertaking on letter head / self-declaration.

Note: Relevant legible certificates/documents in support of the fulfillment of each of the eligibility criteria must be submitted, otherwise bids will not be considered.

6. EVALUATION CRITERIA

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SN	Technical Evaluation Criteria	Maximum Marks
5.1.	Minimum required experience: 5 years (mandatory PQ condition) Marks allocation: 5–7 years: 4 marks 8–10 years: 7 marks - More than 10 years: 10 marks Documentary Proof Copies of work orders / contract agreements/Completion certificates	10 Marks
5.2.	Relevant Similar Work Orders Executed (IT infrastructure / Smart classroom / Lab setup / AR-VR) Number of Similar Projects Executed Technical Marks (each ₹1 Crore) 5 similar projects 10 Marks 7 similar projects 14 Marks 9 similar projects 17 Marks 10 or more similar projects 20 Marks Documentary Proof Copies of work orders / contract agreements/ Completion certificates on client letter head clearly indicating the scope of work and value of contract & successful execution.	20 Marks
5.3.	Financial Capacity (Average Annual Turnover) Average Annual Turnover (FY 2023–24, FY 2024–25, and FY 2025–26) Marks ₹25 Crores to < ₹50 Crores 4 Marks ₹50 Crores to < ₹100 Crores 7 Marks ₹100 Crores and above 10 Marks Documentary Proof CA-certified Turnover Statement with UDIN; Audited Financial Statements	10 Marks
5.4	The bidder shall have demonstrated experience of executing similar nature projects across multiple States and/or Union Territories (UTs) in India, for effective project delivery, implementation capability, and scalability. Execution of similar projects in 5 to 9 States / UTs 8 Marks Execution of similar projects in 10 to 14 States / UTs 12 Marks Execution of similar projects in 15 to 19 States / UTs 16 Marks Execution of similar projects in 20 or more States / UTs 20 Marks	20 Marks

5.4.	Scope Understanding, Implementation Methodology & Past Experience Understanding of Scope of Work – 10 Marks Implementation Methodology & Execution Plan – 15 Marks Relevant Past Experience & Project References – 15 Marks • The Bidder must submit Project Case Studies / Execution Reports (5 to 10 Slide) along with the Technical Proposal for review by the Technical Evaluation Committee. • NSDC reserves the right, if required, to call the bidders for presentation, through online and/or offline mode, as deemed appropriate by the Technical Evaluation Committee. Note* Self-certification without documentary proof shall not be considered	40 Marks
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*Minimum Technical Qualifying Marks: 70 out of 100

*Bidders scoring less than 70 marks shall be declared technically non-responsive, and their financial bids shall not be opened.

Method of Selection & Award of Contract (LCS / L-1 Basis)

The selection of the successful bidder shall be carried out on a Least Cost Selection (LCS) / L-1 basis. The Technical Bids of all bidders shall be evaluated first, as per the Technical Evaluation and Marking Criteria defined in this RFP.

Only those bidders who score a minimum of seventy (70) marks or above out of one hundred (100) in the technical evaluation shall be considered technically qualified. The Financial Bids of only such technically qualified bidders shall be opened.

The bidder who quotes the lowest price (L-1) among the technically qualified bidders shall be declared as the successful bidder, subject to fulfilment of all terms and conditions of the RFP and approval by the competent authority.

5. Duration of Assignment:

The Bidder is expected to adhere to these timelines as stipulated below. Non-compliance with these timelines by the Bidder would lead to Liquidated Damages as stated in this RFP.

S. No.	Key Activities per institutions	Timelines
1	Execution of Agreement between NSDC and the Selected Bidder	Within 15 days of issuance of Letter of Intent (LoI)
2	Submission of approved Bill of Materials (BOM)/Quotations	Within 15 days of Agreement execution
3	NSDC review and written approval of BOM	Within 15 days of receipt of complete BOM from Bidder
4	Procurement, delivery, and receipt of Infrastructure Items at each designated centre location	Within 60 days of NSDC's written BOM approval

5	Installation, integration, and commissioning of all Infrastructure Items at each designated centre location	Within 30 days of equipment delivery at site
6	Submission of Commissioning Report, countersigned by NSDC, Host Institution, and Bidder, confirming Installation, integration, and commissioning of all Infrastructure Items	Within 7 days of commissioning completion

6. Delivery location:

S.no.	District	State
1	Kakinada	Andhra Pradesh
2	Anantapur	Andhra Pradesh
3	Guntur	Andhra Pradesh
4	Guntur	Andhra Pradesh
5	Guntur	Andhra Pradesh
6	Guwahati	Assam
7	Golaghat	Assam
8	Kamrup Metropolitan	Assam
9	Kamrup Metropolitan	Assam
10	Kamrup Metropolitan	Assam
11	Patna	Bihar
12	Patna	Bihar
13	Madhubani	Bihar
14	Gaya	Bihar
15	Bhagalpur	Bihar
16	Durg	Chhattisgarh
17	Raipur	Chhattisgarh
18	Raipur	Chhattisgarh
19	Raipur	Chhattisgarh
20	Durg	Chhattisgarh
21	North Goa	Goa
22	South Goa	Goa
23	South Goa	Goa
24	North Goa	Goa
25	South Goa	Goa
26	Ahmedabad	Gujarat
27	Rajkot	Gujarat
28	Ahmedabad	Gujarat
29	Mehsana	Gujarat
30	Gurugram	Haryana
31	Faridabad	Haryana
32	Sonapat	Haryana
33	Gurugram	Haryana
34	Kaithal	Haryana
35	Hamirpur	Himachal Pradesh
36	Solan	Himachal Pradesh
37	Solan	Himachal Pradesh

38	Kangra	Himachal Pradesh
39	Solan	Himachal Pradesh
40	Ranchi	Jharkhand
41	Ranchi	Jharkhand
42	Ranchi	Jharkhand
43	Ranchi	Jharkhand
44	Ranchi	Jharkhand
45	Belagavi	Karnataka
46	Bengaluru Urban	Karnataka
47	Bengaluru Urban	Karnataka
48	Bengaluru Urban	Karnataka
49	Bengaluru Urban	Karnataka
50	Thiruvananthapuram	Kerala
51	Ernakulam	Kerala
52	Thiruvananthapuram	Kerala
53	Ernakulam	Kerala
54	Ernakulam	Kerala
55	Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
56	Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
57	Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
58	Indore	Madhya Pradesh
59	Indore	Madhya Pradesh
60	Pune	Maharashtra
61	Pune	Maharashtra
62	Pune	Maharashtra
63	Nashik	Maharashtra
64	Khordha	Odisha
65	Khordha	Odisha
66	Khordha	Odisha
67	Khordha	Odisha
68	Khordha	Odisha
69	Mohali	Punjab
70	Jalandhar	Punjab
71	Patiala	Punjab
72	Mohali	Punjab
73	Mohali	Punjab
74	Kota	Rajasthan
75	Jaipur	Rajasthan
76	Jaipur	Rajasthan
77	Jaipur	Rajasthan
78	Jaipur	Rajasthan
79	Chengalpattu	Tamil Nadu
80	Chennai	Tamil Nadu
81	Chennai	Tamil Nadu
82	Chennai	Tamil Nadu
83	Hyderabad	Telangana
84	Medchal-Malkajgiri	Telangana
85	Medchal-Malkajgiri	Telangana

86	Warangal	Telangana
87	Medchal-Malkajgiri	Telangana
88	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
89	Gautam Buddha Nagar	Uttar Pradesh
90	Gautam Buddha Nagar	Uttar Pradesh
91	Gautam Buddha Nagar	Uttar Pradesh
92	Gautam Buddha Nagar	Uttar Pradesh
93	Nadia	West Bengal
94	Kolkata	West Bengal
95	Kolkata	West Bengal
96	Kolkata	West Bengal
97	Kolkata	West Bengal

Note* Please note that the location mentioned above is tentative and subject to change.

7. Incidental Services

The Bidder shall be required to perform the following services:

- 7.1. Supply, Installation, commissioning and Turnkey works, and Demonstration of the goods.
- 7.2. Providing required jigs and tools for assembly, minor civil works (turnkey work if required) for the completion of the installation.
- 7.3. Supplying required number of operation & maintenance manual for the goods.

8. Insurance

- 8.1. The tenderer shall decide for insuring the goods against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the following manner:
- 8.2. The tenderer shall be responsible till the entire stores/equipment's contracted for arrival in good condition at Free Delivery at Consignee's/destination site basis.
- 8.3. The transit risk in this respect shall be covered by the Supplier by getting the goods/equipment duly insured.
- 8.4. The insurance cover shall be obtained by the Supplier and should be valid till 3 months after the receipt of goods by the Consignee.

9. Liquidated Damage:

Milestone-Linked Table

1. Milestone-wise Liquidated Damages per institutions

Sl.	Milestone	Prescribed Timeline	LD for Delay	Maximum LD per Milestone
1	Execution of Agreement	Within 15 days of issuance of Letter of Intent (LoI)	0.25% of total Contract Value/PO Value per week or part thereof	2% of total Contract Value
2	Submission of approved Bill of Materials (BOM) / Quotations	Within 15 days of execution of Agreement	0.5% of total Contract Value/PO Value per week or part thereof	3% of total Contract Value
3	Procurement, delivery, and receipt of Infrastructure Items at	Within 60 days from NSDC's written approval of the BOM	0.5% of total Contract Value/PO Value per week or part thereof	5% of total Contract Value

	each designated centre location			
4	Installation, integration, and commissioning of Infrastructure Items at each designated centre location	Within 30 days from delivery of equipment at site	0.5% of total Contract Value/PO Value per week or part thereof	5% of total Contract Value
5	Submission of Commissioning Report duly countersigned by NSDC, Host Institution, and Selected Bidder	Within 7 days from completion of commissioning	0.25% of total Contract Value/PO Value per week or part thereof	2% of total Contract Value

Quality-Linked Liquidated Damages (LD)

1.	In addition to the timelines specified above, the Selected Bidder shall ensure that all Goods, Infrastructure Items, and Services delivered under the Contract strictly conform to the prescribed technical specifications, standards, and quality benchmarks as approved by NSDC.
2.	In the event of any deficiency in quality, including but not limited to sub-standard materials, deviation from approved specifications, improper installation, poor workmanship, or failure to meet performance requirements, the following provisions shall apply: • NSDC shall have the right to impose Quality-Linked Liquidated Damages (LD) at the rate of 0.5% of the total Contract Value/PO Value per instance of non-compliance, subject to a maximum of 5% of the total Contract Value/PO Value. • The Bidder shall be required to rectify, replace, or re-execute the deficient work/items at its own cost within the timeline specified by NSDC. Any delay in such rectification shall additionally attract timeline-based LD as applicable. • In cases of repeated or material quality failures, NSDC reserves the right to reject the deliverables, cancel the Work Order/Contract (in whole or in part), and/or invoke the Performance Security and/or Advance Payment Security, as applicable, in accordance with the provisions of the Contract. • The decision of NSDC regarding determination of quality deficiency and imposition of LD shall be final and binding.

10. Payment Terms:

- 10.1. All payments will be made to the Bidder in Indian Rupees only.
- 10.2. An advance payment equivalent to forty percent (40%) of the total Contract Value / Purchase Order (PO) Value shall be released to the Successful Bidder upon signing of the Agreement, subject to submission of an irrevocable and unconditional Advance Payment Bank Guarantee (APBG) of an equivalent amount.
- 10.3. An amount equal to thirty percent (30%) of the total contract value / PO Value shall be released upon successful supply/delivery of materials/equipment as per the approved scope of work and subject to verification and acceptance by the Institute or an authorized NSDC official.
- 10.4. The balance thirty percent (30%) of the total contract value / PO Value shall be released after successful installation, commissioning, and completion of the entire scope of work, and upon submission of a satisfactory completion report duly certified by the authorized NSDC official, along with inspection, testing, and final acceptance.

11. Deduction of Liquidated Damages (LD)

- 11.1. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, all payments shall be subject to deduction of applicable Liquidated Damages (LD), if any, as stipulated in the Contract/RFP, for delay, non-performance, or partial performance. Such LD shall be deducted from the respective invoice(s) or adjusted/recovered from the Performance Security, at the discretion of NSDC, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available under the Contract

12. Performance Security / Bank Guarantee:

- 12.1. Within the 10 days of Issuance of Purchase Order, the successful bidder must submit the performance bank guarantee for an amount of {5%} of the total contract value / P O value (including taxes) (Sole discretion of NSDC) to the Client's.
- 12.2. The performance bank guarantee shall be denominated in Indian Rupees only.
- 12.3. If the Successful Bidder fails to furnish the performance bank guarantee within 14 days, it shall be lawful for the Client at its discretion to annul the award and forfeit bid security / EMD, besides taking any other administrative punitive action like 'Removal from List of Registered Suppliers', debarring for 2 years to participate in any tender, etc.
- 12.4. The Performance bank guarantee shall be in the form of an unconditional bank guarantee issued by a nationalized/scheduled bank located in India acceptable to the Client, in the format provided by the Client (refer Schedule-V). Other banks' performance bank guarantee will not be accepted by the client.
- 12.5. The Performance bank guarantee shall remain valid up to 90 days after completion of all contractual obligations by the successful bidder, including the warranty obligations.

13. Modification in the Value / Scope of the contract

- 13.1. NSDC reserves the right to increase or decrease the project order/scope (no of resources) during the tenure of the contract as per the following.
 - 13.1.1. In case of decrease in project parameters, NSDC will give 15 days' written notice to the agency, the agency to ensure the required knowledge transfer and share other relevant documents of the project with the allocated team member of the agency.

14. Warranty:

- 14.1. The supplier warrants that all the goods are new, unused, and of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and material.
- 14.2. The warranty shall remain valid for twelve months (12 months Minimum) from the date of completion of installation, commission and training of delivered goods. A certificate duly signed by consignee and supplier's representative is the proof of completion of installation, commissioning and training of delivered goods.
- 14.3. In case of any issues in the delivered goods during warranty, supplier shall send a information/notice to the supplier. The supplier shall within a period of 3 days, with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, free of cost at the ultimate destination.
- 14.4. In case of replacement of defective parts during the warranty period, the warranty of corrected or replace material shall be extended to further 12 months from date of replacement.

15. Packing and Marking

- 15.1. The packing for the goods to be provided by the successful bidder should be strong and durable enough to withstand, without limitation, the entire journey during transit including trans-shipment (if any), rough handling, open storage etc. without any damage, deterioration etc. As and if necessary, the size, weights and volumes of the packing cases shall also take into consideration, the remoteness of the final destination of the goods and availability or otherwise of transport and handling facilities at all points during transit up to final destination as per the contract.

16. Inspection, Testing and Quality Control

- 16.1. The NSDC/Purchaser and/or its nominated representative(s) may, without any extra cost to the purchaser, inspect and/or test the ordered goods and the related services to confirm their conformity to the contract specifications and other quality control details incorporated in the contract. The purchaser shall inform the tenderer in advance, in writing, the NSDC/ Purchaser's programme for such inspection and, also the identity of the officials to be deputed for this purpose. The cost towards the transportation, boarding & lodging will be borne by the NSDC /Purchaser and/or its nominated representative(s) for the first visit. In case the goods are rejected in the first instance and the supplier requests for re-inspection, and if same is accepted by NSDC/ purchaser/consignee, all subsequent inspections shall be at the cost of the supplier. The expense will be to and fro Economy Airfare, Local Conveyance, Boarding and Lodging of the inspection team for the inspection period.
- 16.2. If during such inspections and tests the contracted goods, fail to conform to the required specifications and standards, the NSDC/ Purchaser's inspector may reject them and the tenderer shall either replace the rejected goods or make all alterations necessary to meet the specifications and standards, as required, free of cost to the NSDC/Purchaser and resubmit the same to the NSDC/ Purchaser's inspector for conducting the inspections and tests again.
- 16.3. In case the contract stipulates pre-dispatch inspection of the ordered goods at supplier's premises, the tenderer shall put up the goods for such inspection to the Tender Inviting Authority/Purchaser's inspector well ahead of the contractual delivery period, so that the purchaser's inspector is able to complete the inspection within the contractual delivery period.
- 16.4. The Technical Specification and Quality Control Requirements incorporated in the contract shall specify what inspections and tests are to be carried out and, also, where and how they are to be conducted. If such inspections and tests are conducted in the premises of the supplier or its sub-contractor(s), all reasonable facilities and assistance, including access to relevant drawings, design details and production data, shall be furnished by the supplier to the NSDC/Purchaser's inspector at no charge to the Tender Inviting Authority/Purchaser.
- 16.5. The NSDC /Purchaser's contractual right to inspect, test and, if necessary, reject the goods after the goods arrival at the final destination shall have no bearing of the fact that the goods have previously been inspected and cleared by NSDC/ Purchaser's inspector during pre-dispatch inspection mentioned above.

B. Preparation of Proposals

- 17. General Considerations:** In preparing the Proposal, the Bidder is expected to examine the RFP in detail. Material deficiencies in providing the information requested in the RFP may result in rejection of the Proposal.
- 18. Cost of Preparation of Proposal:** The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Proposal, and the Client shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the selection process. The Client is not bound to accept any proposal and reserves the right to annul the selection process at any time prior to selection, without thereby incurring any liability to the Bidder.
- 19. Language:** The Proposal, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Proposal exchanged between the Bidder and the Client, shall be written in "English".
- 20. Documents Comprising the Proposal:** The Proposal shall comprise the documents and forms listed in Annexures.
- 21. Only One Proposal:** The Bidder shall submit only one Proposal. If a Bidder submits or participates in more than one proposal, all such proposals shall be disqualified and rejected.
- 22. Proposal Validity:** Bidder's Proposal must remain valid up to 180 days after the Proposal submission deadline. During this period, the Bidder shall maintain its original Proposal without any change, including their availability. If it is established that any Bidder was not available at the time of Proposal submission or was included in the Proposal without his/her confirmation, such Proposal shall be disqualified and rejected for further evaluation.
- 22.1. **Extension of Validity Period:** The Client will make its best effort to complete the negotiations within the proposal's validity period. However, should the need arise, the Proposals' validity will automatically extend by 180 days more.
- 22.2. Extension of validity of the Proposals shall be done without any change in the original Proposal and with the confirmation of the availability of the staff.
- 23. Proposal / Bid Security: (Not Applicable)**
- 24. Sub-Contracting:** Subcontracting of some or whole of the service is not allowed.
- 25. Clarification and Amendment of RFP:** The Bidder may request clarification on any part of the RFP till the date as mentioned in the important dates of the RFP. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing, by email to the Client's email address: procurement@nsdcindia.org. The Client may respond in writing, by email, or will upload responses (including an explanation of the query but without identifying its source) to all Consultants. Should the Client deem it necessary to amend the RFP because of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure described below:
- 25.1. At any time before the proposal's submission deadline, the Client may amend the RFP by issuing an amendment in writing or by standard electronic means. The amendment shall be shared with the Bidders.
- 25.2. Any addendum/corrigendum issued shall form an integral part of the RFP document.
- 25.3. Bidders may regularly visit the NSDC website and <http://nsdc.eproc.in/> for any corrigendum/addendum, updated information with respect to RFP and matter incidental thereto.

- 25.4. If the amendment is substantial, or there is technical issue in submission of bids, the Client may extend the proposal submission deadline to give the Bidders reasonable time to take an amendment into account in their Proposals.
- 25.5. The Bidder may submit a modified Proposal or a modification to any part of it at any time prior to the proposal submission deadline. No modifications to the Proposal shall be accepted after the deadline.

26. Technical Proposal and Financial proposal Format and Content:

- 26.1. The pre-qualification criteria would be submitted as per Annexure-II of the RFP along with all documents mentioned in eligibility criteria.
- 26.2. The Technical Proposal shall be prepared using the format provided in **Annexure-I** and **III** of the RFP
- 26.3. The Financial Proposal shall be prepared using the format provided in the **Annexure-IV** (Financial Form) of the RFP. It shall list all costs associated with the assignment.
- 26.4. The Technical Proposals and Financial Proposals shall be filled up and shared.
- 26.5. Only those proposals which qualify on all parameters of Pre-Qualification Criteria will be considered for evaluation.
- 26.6. The Bidder is responsible for meeting all tax liabilities arising out of the Contract.
- 26.7. The Bidder shall express the price for its Services in INR.

C. Submission, Opening and Evaluation

22. Submission of Proposals:

The Bidder shall submit a signed and complete Proposal comprising the documents and forms in accordance with Annexures and other documents requirement given in the RFP. The Bidder shall submit Technical and Financial Proposal only on [E-proc portal - https://nsdc.eproc.in/](https://nsdc.eproc.in/)

- 22.1. Only one copy of the proposal can be uploaded. An authorized representative of the Bidder shall sign the original submission letters in the required format for the Technical Proposal and shall initial all pages. The authorization shall be in the form of a written power of attorney forming a part of the submitted proposal.
- 22.2. Any modifications, revisions, interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialed by the person signing the Proposal.
- 22.3. Bidders are advised to submit their Proposal strictly based in line with the terms and conditions contained in the RFP documents and without any deviations. Conditional Proposals shall be summarily rejected. However, proposals offered with better specifications/requirements than mentioned in the RFP, if any, may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Client.
- 22.4. Bidder shall submit the bid in time. The date and time of the e-Procurement server clock (also displayed on the dashboard of the consultants) shall be the reference time for deciding the closing time of the Proposal submission. Consultants are advised to ensure they submit their Proposal within the deadline of submission, taking the server clock as a reference, failing which the portal shall not accept the Proposal. No request on the account that the server clock was not showing the correct time and that a particular bidder could not submit their Proposal because of this shall be entertained. Failure or defects on the internet or heavy traffic at the server shall not be accepted as a reason for a complaint. The NSDC shall not be responsible for any failure, malfunction or breakdown

of the electronic system used during the e-Tender process. However, NSDC reserves the right to extend the bid submission date at its sole discretion.

23. Confidentiality: From the time the Proposals are opened to the time the contract is awarded, the Bidder should not contact the Client on any matter related to its Technical Proposal.

- 23.1. Information relating to the evaluation of Proposals and award recommendations shall not be disclosed to the Bidders who submitted the Proposals or to any other party not officially concerned with the process, until the selection.
- 23.2. Any attempt by Bidders or anyone on behalf of the Bidder to influence improperly the Client in the evaluation of the Proposals or selection decisions may result in the rejection of its Proposal.
- 23.3. Notwithstanding the above provisions, from the time of the Proposals' opening to the time of selection, if a Bidder wishes to contact the Client on any matter related to the selection process, it should do so only in writing.
- 23.4. This document is meant for specific use by the bidders interested in participating in the current tendering process. This document in its entirety is subject to Copyright Laws. NSDC expects the bidder or any person acting on behalf of the bidders to strictly adhere to the instructions given in the document and maintain confidentiality of information. The bidders shall be held responsible for any misuse of information contained in the document if such a circumstance is brought to the notice of NSDC. By downloading the document, the interested party is subject to confidentiality clauses.

24. Opening of Technical Proposals: The Client's evaluation committee shall conduct the opening of the Technical Proposals. Only those proposals which qualify on all parameters of Pre-Qualification Criteria will be considered for technical evaluation.

24. Evaluation of Technical Proposals: The Bidder meeting all parameters of Pre-Qualification Criteria will be evaluated as per the evaluation/marking and their technical capabilities as per the specification given below in **Annexure VI**. The Bidder has to submit technical compliance of the specifications along with the proposals.

25. Opening of Financial Proposals and evaluation.

- 25.1. After the technical evaluation is completed and approved by the Committee, the Client may notify those Bidders whose Proposals were considered non-responsive to the RFP or did not meet the minimum qualifying criteria and/or min technical specifications that their proposal cannot be considered further and their Financial Proposals will remain unopened after completing the selection process and Contract signing. The Client may simultaneously notify in writing those Bidders whose technical proposals achieved a minimum score.
- 25.2. The Financial Proposals shall be opened of those Bidders who qualified technically including eligibility criteria. These Financial Proposals shall then be opened, and the total prices recorded.
- 25.3. **Method of selection:** The selection of the successful bidder shall be carried out on a Least Cost Selection (LCS) / L-1 basis.
- 25.4. The Technical Bids of all bidders shall be evaluated first, as per the Marking Criteria defined in this RFP.

- 25.5. Only those bidders who score a minimum of seventy (70) marks or above out of one hundred (100) in the technical evaluation shall be considered technically qualified. The Financial Bids of only such technically qualified bidders shall be opened.
- 25.6. The bidder who quotes the lowest price (L-1) among the technically qualified bidders shall be declared as the successful bidder, subject to fulfilment of all terms and conditions of the RFP and approval by the competent authority.

26. Splitting of Contracts/ Parallel Contracts

- 26.1. As a general principle, the contract shall be awarded to the L-1 (Lowest Evaluated) bidder.
- 26.2. However, after due evaluation and processing, if it is established that the total quantity required to be procured is more than what the L-1 bidder alone is capable of supplying within the stipulated delivery period, and there was no explicit provision in the tender document for pre-declared quantity splitting, the Procuring Entity may, at its discretion, distribute the balance quantity among other technically qualified bidders.
- 26.3. Such distribution, if undertaken, shall be subject to the condition that the additional bidders agree to match the L-1 price, terms, and conditions.
- 26.4. NSDC reserves the right to invite price matching from other technically qualified bidders at the L-1 rate for the purpose of quantity distribution.
- 26.5. It is clarified that there shall be no guarantee of allocation of any minimum or defined quantity of work to such bidders, and the decision regarding the number of bidders, quantity allocation, and execution shall rest solely with NSDC, based on project requirements, delivery timelines, and overall interest of the project.
- 26.6. The decision of NSDC in this regard shall be final and binding, and no claim or representation shall be entertained on account of quantity allocation or non-allocation.

27. Negotiations and Award

- 27.1. The Bidder eligible for award of work will be issued an agreement/Purchase Order and will be requested for their review and signatures.
- 27.2. In case the bidder does not agree on terms of contract/PO, next ranked bidder will be approached.
- 27.3. The discussions are concluded with a review of the Contract, which then shall be initialed by the Client and the Bidder's authorized representative.
- 27.4. Abnormally low or high bids can be checked for accuracy and understanding with respective bidder/s.
- 27.5. NSDC reserves the right to award work to one or more Bidders for any specific assignment and the number will depend on requirement.
- 27.6. The decision of NSDC will be final and binding upon all Bidders.

28. Notice to proceed

- 28.1. NSDC will initially inform the successful bidder through an email enclosing the copy of the notice to proceed to start the work. The timeline will start from the date of notice to proceed.

29. Signing of the Contract

- 29.1. NSDC will share the draft copy of contract with the successful bidder after completion of the procurement process on the basis of the technical and financial evaluation, marks scored in technical evaluation, understanding of the capabilities of the service provider and negotiation (if any).

30. Issuance of Purchase Orders

- 30.1. NSDC will issue a Purchase Order at the earliest after submission of Vendor Registration form and other KYC documents (if required) by successful bidder subject to verification of the documents by NSDC.
- 30.2. Multiple Purchase Orders (POs) will be issued to selected bidders in accordance with NSDC requirements.
- 30.3. Based on service provider satisfactory performance, subsequent, POs will be issued for additional projects / assignments.
- 30.4. However, if service provider performance does not meet NSDC's expectations, no further POs will be issued, and contract can be terminated at the Client's discretion in writing by giving 30 days' notice to the Bidder.
- 30.5. The bidder in these 30 days will ensure that they share / transfer all the knowledge, deliverable, software, documents developed during the period for this project to the Client or an agency appointed by the Client.

Annexure -I

(Documents Comprising Technical Proposal) Form Tech-1 Technical Proposal Submission Form

{Location, Date}

To: [Name and address of Client]

Dear Sir:

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the services for [Insert title of assignment] in accordance with your Request for Proposal dated [Insert Date] and our Proposal. "We are hereby submitting our Proposal.

We hereby declare that:

- (a) All the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and we accept that any misinterpretation or misrepresentation contained in this Proposal may lead to our disqualification by the Client and/or may be sanctioned by the client.
- (b) Our Proposal shall be valid and remain binding upon us for the period of 180 days after the last date of submission.
- (c) We have no conflict of interest in accordance with ITB 3.
- (d) We meet the eligibility requirements as stated in ITB 5, and we confirm our understanding of our obligation to abide by the NSDC's policy regarding corrupt and fraudulent practices as per Annexure-V.
- (e) We, along with any of our sub-Bidders, subcontractors, suppliers, or service providers for any part of the selection, are not subject to, and not controlled by any entity or individual that is

subject to, a temporary suspension or a debarment imposed by a central government/ministry and or any state/s of India.

- (f) In competing for (and, if the award is made to us, in executing) the contract, we undertake to observe the laws against fraud and corruption, including bribery, in force as per Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988
- (g) Our Proposal is binding upon us and subject to any modifications.
- (h) We undertake to negotiate a contract if required by client in accordance with ITB clause 27.

We undertake, if our Proposal is accepted and the Contract is signed or letter of Intent/PO is issued, to initiate the Services related to the assignment no later than the date indicated in the contract/letter. We understand that the Client is not bound to accept any Proposal that the Client receives.

We remain,

Yours sincerely,

Authorized Signature {In full and initials}: _____

Name and Title of Signatory: _____

Name of Bidder: _____

Address: _____

Contact information (phone and e-mail): _____

Annexure-II I. General Information

SN	Particulars	Details (Enclose supporting documents, wherever required)
1.	Name of the Bidder	
2.	Registered Address	
3.	Concerned person's Name and Designation	
4.	Mobile no	
5.	Email ID	

II. Information as per Pre-Qualification Criteria to be furnished (Reference Clause 5):

SN	Particulars	Details (Enclose supporting documents)
1.	Bidder's Date of	

	Incorporation/ Registration	
2.	Annual Turnover: FY 2023–24, FY 2024–25, and FY 2025–26	
3.	Relevant Experience:	
4.	Blacklisting Declaration	
5.	Other Declarations as required	

Annexure-III Information as per technical evaluation criteria to be furnished:

1) Relevant Experience	
Assignment No:1	
Name of Client:	
Brief of Services/Product Provided:	
Location and Country:	
Name of Project:	
Year:	
Project Duration:	
Project Value In INR:	
Email id and contact detail of client	
Assignment No:2	
Name of Client:	
Brief of Services/Product Provided:	
Location and Country:	
Name of Project:	
Year:	
Project Duration:	
Project Value In INR:	

Email id and contact detail of client	
<i>Add more details if required</i>	
2) Details of Project along with Work order	
Assignment	
Name of Client:	
Brief of Services/Product Provided:	
Location and Country:	
Name of Project:	
Year:	
Project Duration:	
Project Value In INR:	
Email id and contact detail of client	

Financial Bid Formats

Form :As per Annexure VI

The Bidder is required to submit their financial proposal in the table mentioned below but not with the technical proposals.

Financial Break up:

S.no	Description of Product	UOM	Quantity (A)	Rate (Without GST) (B)	Total Rate (excl. GST) (C=A*B)
Section A1 Workstation					
1	Processor (CPU)	Nos.	90		
2	Motherboard	Nos.	90		
3	RAM (Memory)	Nos.	90		
4	Storage (NVMe SSD)	Nos.	90		
5	Monitor	Nos.	90		
6	Keyboard	Nos.	90		
7	Mouse	Nos.	90		
8	Graphics Card (GPU)	Nos.	90		
9	Cabinet (Chassis)	Nos.	90		
10	SMPS (Power Supply)	Nos.	90		
11	Operating System	Nos.	90		
12	Thermal Paste	Nos.	90		
13	Internal Cabling & Assembly	Nos.	90		
14	Printer	Nos.	1		
A2 Furniture					
1	Supply of wooden computer table (as per technical specification)	Nos.	45		
2	Supply of wooden podium (as per technical specification)	Nos.	5		
3	Supply of P Type Visitor chair	Nos.	90		
4	Staff room workstation	Nos.	5		
5	Supply of 3 spoke revolving office chairs with netted backrest and high grade soft cushion and stainless-steel structure Staff room	Nos.	10		

6	Supply of wooden storage	Nos.	2		
7	3-Seater SS Coated Chair	Nos.	2		
A3 CCTV					
1	2MP Dome Camera	Nos.	20		
2	2MP Fixed Focal Network Dome Camera for people counting & face recognition	Nos.	19		
3	16 Channel 1U Network Video Recorder with provision of 30 days storage	Nos.	3		
4	PoE Switch	Nos.	9		
5	9U Rack	Nos.	6		
6	Ultra-narrow bezel 21" or more FHD Monitor	Nos.	1		
7	PVC pipe 25mm dia ISI marked (Medium)	Nos	550		
8	Biometric	Nos.	8		
9	D-Link Cat 6 UTP cable with Pipe & casing extra(mtr)	Nos.	75		
10	Ahuja PA Mixer amplifier 30 wats with usb	Nos.	8		
11	19" 1U 24 Port Patch Panel	Nos.	6		
12	Biometric & em lock 30watts	Nos.	2		
A4 Headset					
1	Ahuja 15w Ceiling Mount Speakers	Nos.	16		
2	Ahuja ABW	Nos.	8		
3	Essl Exit Switch	Nos.	1		
4	Ahuja PA Mixer Amplifier 30Watts with USB	Nos.	7		
5	Ahuja ABW 400UL collar and head set	Nos.	6		
A4 Air-Conditioner					
1	2 TR Hi wall Mount Split type Air -Conditioners	Nos.	18		
2	Standard installation of split AC	Nos.	18		
3	Outdoor stand for split AC	Nos.	18		
4	Syscom /Four's/N guard/Shine 3KVA/4KVA/5KVA Stabilizer	Nos.	18		
5	Copper	Per Mtr.	As per actual		
6	Communication cable	Per Mtr.	As per actual		

7	Drain pipe	Per Mtr.	As per actual		
A5 Smart Board & Wi-Fi					
1	Smart Board (As per technical specification)	Nos.	8		
2	High Configuration WI-FI (As per technical specification)	Nos.	8		
Total Amount for Section A					

1. The above price includes cost of supply, installation, commissioning and delivery charges (or All the Out of Pocket (OOP) expenses shall be borne by the bidder itself) as per RFP.
2. NSDC reserves the right to increase / decrease the number of locations or quantity at the same cost on the same terms and conditions of the RFP.
3. Charges towards Packing & Forwarding, Inland Transportation, Insurance (local transportation and storage) would be borne by the Supplier from Supplier warehouse to the consignee site, Loading/Unloading and other local costs incidental to delivery of the goods to their final destination as per Consignee List mentioned in the RFP shall also be borne by the Supplier.
4. L-1 will be calculated on the total cost of all the items as mentioned above.

It should be kept in mind that all actions towards award of Contract and its implementation on the ground have to be fair, consistent, transparent and based on highest standard of ethics. Similarly, Bidders/suppliers/contractors/Bidders associated in the procurement of Goods, Works & Consultancy, are expected to observe the highest standard of ethics during procurement and execution of contracts. In pursuance to above:

- a) Proposal for award may be rejected, if it determines that the Bidder, recommended for award, and/or its employees, sub-contractors, sub-Bidder, sub-vendors, agents have engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the Contract in question;
- b) Portion of the funds allocated to a contract may be cancelled, in full or in part, if it is determined that corrupt or fraudulent practices were engaged by contractor/Bidder and/or its employees, subcontractors/sub-Bidders, sub-vendors, agents for getting the Contract or during the execution of a Contract.
- c) A firm may be declared as ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a Contract, if it, at any time, determines that the firm has been engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.
- d) For the purpose of above provision, the terms, "Corrupt Practice" and "Fraudulent Practice", mean following:

"Corrupt practice" means offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting anything of value to influence the action of NSDC's official(s) in the procurement process or in the contract execution; and

"Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract and includes collusive practices among Bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid/proposal prices at artificial, non- competitive levels.

"Anti-competitive practice" means 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 Procuring Entity, that may impair the transparency, fairness and the progress of the procurement process or to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels;

"Coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, persons or their property to influence their participation in the procurement process or affect the execution of a contract;

"Conflict of interest" means 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 Procuring Entity 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 Procuring Entity with an intent to gain unfair advantage in the procurement process or for personal gain; and

"Obstructive practice" means materially impede the Procuring Entity'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 Procuring Entity's rights of audit or access to information;

Specifications for Items

Sl. No.	Workstation			Qty Per Centre
	Component	Specification/Description	Make/Brand	
1	Processor (CPU)	Intel Core i7-12700F, 12th Gen, LGA1700, 12 Cores (8P+4E) / 20 Threads, 2.1GHz Base / 4.9GHz Turbo, 25MB Cache, 65W TDP	Intel (Original Boxed)	90
2	Motherboard	Gigabyte H610M H DDR4, LGA1700, mATX, Intel H610 Chipset, DDR4, 1x M.2 NVMe PCIe 3.0 x4, PCIe 4.0 x16, USB 3.2 Gen1, GbE LAN, HDMI + VGA	Gigabyte	90
3	RAM (Memory)	16GB DDR4 3200MHz, Dual Channel (2 x 8GB), Non-ECC Unbuffered, CL22	Crucial / Adata	90
4	Storage (NVMe SSD)	512GB M.2 NVMe PCIe 3.0 SSD, 2280 Form Factor, Read: ~2400 MB/s, Write: ~1900 MB/s	Crucial P3 / Adata Legend 710	90
5	Monitor	Dell 22-inch LED Monitor (E2225H or equivalent), 1920x1080 Full HD, 60Hz, VGA + DisplayPort, Anti-Glare, VESA Mountable	Dell	90
6	Keyboard	Dell Wired USB Standard Keyboard, Full-size, Spill-resistant	Dell	90
7	Mouse	Dell Wired USB Optical Mouse, 1000 DPI, Scroll Wheel	Dell	90
8	Graphics Card (GPU)	Nvidia GeForce GT 730 4GB DDR3 / DDR5, PCIe x16, VGA + HDMI Output, Low Profile Compatible	Asus / Zotac / MSI	90
9	Cabinet (Chassis)	Mid Tower ATX Cabinet, Steel Body, Mesh Front Panel, 1x 120mm Fan included, Dust Filter, USB 3.0 Front Port	PowerX	90
10	SMPS (Power Supply)	450W 80+ Bronze Certified SMPS, ATX Form Factor, PFC, OVP / OCP / SCP Protection, 3-year warranty	PowerX	90
11	Operating System	Microsoft Windows 11 Professional, 64-bit, OEM License, Genuine COA, Supports TPM 2.0	Microsoft (OEM)	90
12	Thermal Paste	High-performance thermal compound applied between CPU and cooler	Cooler Master / Arctic	90
13	Internal Cabling & Assembly	All internal cables (SATA, ATX 24-pin, CPU 8-pin, PCIe), assembly labour, cable management	As applicable	90
14	Printer	Epson EcoTank L3210 A4 All-in-One Ink Tank Printer		1

Sl. No.	Furniture	
	Specification/Description	Qty Per Centre
1	Supply of wooden computer table of the dimension 8ft in width, 2ft in length, and 2.5ft in height with a dedicated compartment for keyboard and CPU installation along with provision for Electrical & Networking set up Finish Type in Table Under structure (Metal)- Power coated Type of Material of Lamination in Tabletop- Laminate Material of table top Edge- PVC Edge Banding Material Type of Table Top -Particle Board Material of Table Under structure Mild Steel with Particle Board Material Of CPU shelf- Wooden    	45
2	Supply of wooden podium with provisions for conferencing and mike connections with a wooden footrest Wooden Podium size:-3'X2'X2.5' using of material 18mm PLPB board (TESA make) with 2mm edge beading all round with provision mike hole	5

3	Supply of P Type Visitor chair with highest quality thick soft cushion seating and cushioned backrest along with top grade fiber armrest Specification(Pipe structure , gauge, Crome, metal, SS) Using of material 1" round CR pipe 16 gauge with seat and back using 12mm ply board with moulded cushion with fabric with PU hard handle with frame duly powder coated.	90
4	Staff room workstation Using of material MS frame for 18-gauge sheet with inside supporting marker board and pin up board with top using 25mm PLPB board (TESA) make with 2mm edge beading with frame duly powder coating	5
6	Supply of 3 spoke revolving office chairs with netted backrest and high grade soft cushion and stainless-steel structure Staff room	10
7	Supply of wooden storage of the dimension 8 ft in width, 8 ft in length, and with a dedicated compartment for sliding glass door installation along with accessories, Wooden storage size: -8'X8'X20"D using of material 18mm PLPB board (TESA MAKE) with 2mm edge beading with glass door	2
8	3-Seater SS Coated Chair	2

Sl. No.	CCTV	
	Specification/Description	Qty Per Centre
1	2MP Dome Camera	20
2	2MP Fixed Focal Network Dome Camera for people counting & face recognition	19
3	16 Channel 1U Network Video Recorder with provision of 30 days storage	3
4	PoE Switch	9
5	9U Rack	6
7	Ultra-narrow bezel 21" or more FHD Monitor	1
8	PVC pipe 25mm dia ISI marked (Medium)	550
9	Biometric	8
10	D-Link Cat 6 UTP cable with Pipe & casing extra(mtr)	75

11	Ahuja PA Mixer amplifier 30 wats with usb	8
12	19" 1U 24 Port Patch Panel	6
13	Biometric & em lock 30watts	2

Sl. No.	Head Set	
	Specification/Description	Qty Per Centre
1	Ahuja 15w Ceiling Mount Speakers	16
2	Ahuja ABW	8
3	Essl Exit Switch	1
4	Ahuja PA Mixer Amplifier 30Watts with USB	7
5	Ahuja ABW 400UL collar and head set	6

Sl. No.	Air-Conditioner	
	Specification/Description	Qty Per Centre
1	2 TR Hi wall Mount Split type Air -Conditioners	18
2	Standard installation of split AC	18
3	Outdoor stand for split AC	18
4	Syscom /Four's/N guard/Shine 3KVA/4KVA/5KVA Stabilizer	18
5	Copper	180
6	Communication cable	180
7	Drain pipe	180
8	Plug top	18
9	Form 1pieces	180
10	Wrapping tape	14
11	Corecutting	18

Sl. No.	Smart Board & Wi-Fi	
	Specification/Description	Qty Per Centre

1	Smart Board LOGIC DISPLAY 083 /LT-1R75 bx with WiFi with LDM303/LGF-S-5586N23 logic floor trolley stand	8
2	High Configuration WI-FI NETGEAR WAX 610	8

Sl. No.	Artificial Intelligence Lab	
	Specification/Description	Qty Per Centre
1	Artificial Intelligence Lab - Intel Server under Intel Unnati Data Centric Labs in Emerging Technologies	1

Following details shall be provided along with the compliance to specifications **Proposed Model**
(Fact sheet should be attached along with the technical bid):

- **Model Name/Number:** [Insert placeholder for the model name or number]
- **Description:** A brief overview of the proposed model and its intended use.

Product Catalog:

- **Comprehensive Catalog:** The bidder should include a complete catalog showcasing the range of products related to the proposed model. The catalog should contain:
 - High-quality images of each product.
 - Detailed specifications, including dimensions, weight, materials, and performance criteria.
 - Compliance certifications and standards met by each product.
 - Configurations and options available.

Detailed Specifications:

- For each product listed in the catalog, please provide the following:
 - **Technical Specifications:** All relevant technical details that highlight the product's capabilities.
 - **Features and Benefits:** Key features that differentiate the product from competitors and the associated benefits.
 - **Compatibility Information:** Any details on compatibility with existing systems or equipment.

Above mentioned tabular containing material/Items is for one Lab and consolidated bid shall be submitted for 97 Labs.

Note: The Bidder must pass the eligibility criteria and meet the technical specification criteria to be considered as technically qualified.

Annexure VII – Manufacturer Authorization Form

To,
National Skill Development Corporation
Kaushal Bhavan, New Moti bagh,
New Delhi
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Dear Sir,

Ref. Your RFP document No _____ dated _____

We, _____ (Name of the Manufacturer / OEM),
having our registered office and manufacturing facilities at _____, and being
a proven and reputed manufacturer of _____
(name and description of goods as per the RFP),
do hereby authorize:

M/s _____ (Name and complete address of the Authorized Distributor /
Dealer / System Integrator)

to participate in the bid, submit the tender, negotiate, sign contracts, and execute the supply against
the Procuring Entity's requirement as specified in the above-referred RFP document for the products
manufactured by us.

We further confirm that no other firm, supplier, or individual, except
M/s _____, is authorized by us to submit the tender, process the same
further, or enter into any contractual agreement against the said RFP for the goods manufactured by
us.

We hereby undertake and confirm that:

- We shall provide full OEM support, technical backing, and product support for the goods supplied against this RFP through our authorized representative.
- We shall be responsible for the satisfactory execution of the contract awarded to our authorized distributor/dealer/system integrator.
- Spare parts and accessories required for the supplied equipment shall be available for the entire expected lifecycle/rated life of the equipment, as per OEM standards.

We further confirm that **the prices quoted by our authorized representative shall not exceed the prices that we would have quoted directly** for the same items against this RFP.

For and on behalf of the Manufacturer (OEM):

Authorized Signatory Name

Designation

Company Name

Signature & Stamp

Date

Place

**DRAFT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
NATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
AND
[<Write name of selected Service Provider>]**

This Agreement (“Agreement”) is made on [Write date of signing of agreement], between:

National Skill Development Corporation, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, and having its registered office at 5th & 6th Floor, Kaushal Bhawan, New Moti Bagh, New Delhi – 110023 (hereinafter referred to as “NSDC” which expression shall, unless it be repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, be deemed to mean and include its successors-in-interest and assigns);

and

[...Write name of selected vendor.....], a [company/joint venture/society/trust-] incorporated under the [name of the act under which service provider is incorporated], and having its registered office at [,,,write registered office address of the Service Provider.....] (hereinafter referred to as “Service Provider” whose expression shall, unless it be repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, be deemed to mean and successors-in-interest and permitted assigns).

NSDC and Service Provider shall hereinafter be individually referred to as “Party” and collectively as “Parties”.

WHEREAS

- (A) NSDC is a non-profit company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 (“Act”) and has the license under section 25 of the said Act (corresponding to section 8 of the Companies Act 2013) and established as a public private partnership with the object of developing unskilled and semi-skilled labour force into productive and skilled labour and to establish, manage, run and support institutes and polytechnics for achieving this objective (“Business”).
- (B) NSDC has through a request for proposal dated {DD-MM-YYYY}, (“RFP”) to be read along with corrigendum issued with the RFP, if any, has called for proposals/bids to provide services as enumerated in Schedule I (“Services”) to this Agreement.
- (C) The Services Provider submitted a bid response dated DD-MM-YYYY (“Bid Response”) pursuant to the RFP where the Services Provider has represented to NSDC that it is an experienced, and fully qualified and capable of providing the Services.
- (D) Pursuant to the evaluation of the Bid Response by NSDC, NSDC has selected the Service Provider to provide the Services under this Agreement on such terms and conditions hereinbelow.

IT IS AGREED BETWEEN THE PARTIES AS FOLLOWS

1. Definition and Interpretation

- 1.1. In this Agreement, including in the Recitals hereof, the following words, expressions and abbreviations shall have the following meanings, unless the context otherwise requires.
 - a) “Agreement” means this Agreement and each of the Schedules, Purchase Order and other attachments that may be agreed by both the Parties in writing.

- b) “Applicable Law” shall mean any statute, law, regulation, ordinance, rule, judgment, notification, rule of common law, Order, decree, bye-law, government approval, directive, guideline, requirement or other governmental restriction, or any similar form of decision of, or determination by, or any interpretation, policy or administration, having the force of law of any of the foregoing, by any Authority having jurisdiction over the matter in question, whether in effect as of the date of this Agreement or thereafter.
- c) “Authority” shall mean any national, state, provincial, local or similar government, governmental, regulatory or administrative authority, branch, agency, any statutory body or commission or any non-governmental regulatory or administrative authority, body or other organization to the extent that the rules, regulations and standards, requirements, procedures or Orders of such authority, body or other organization that have the force of Applicable Law or any court, tribunal, arbitral or judicial body, or any stock exchange of the India or any other country.
- d) “Confidential Information” includes the contents of this Agreement and all content created pursuant to this Agreement. It also includes, with respect to NSDC and the Service Provider any information or trade secrets, schedules, business plans including, without limitation, commercial information, financial projections, client information, technical data, developments, intellectual property, ideas, know-how, marketing materials, business information, accounting and financial information, credit information, various types of lists and databases, administrative and/or organizational matters of a confidential/secret nature in whatever form which is acquired by, or disclosed to, either Party pursuant to this Agreement, but excluding information which at the time it is so acquired or disclosed, is already in the public domain or becomes so other than by reason of any breach or non-performance by the receiving Party of any of the provisions of this Agreement and includes any tangible or intangible non-public information that is marked or otherwise designated as ‘confidential’, ‘proprietary’, ‘restricted’, or with a similar designation by the disclosing Party at the time of its disclosure to the receiving Party, or is otherwise reasonably understood to be confidential by the circumstances surrounding its disclosure.
- e) “Deliverables” shall mean materials that are originated and / or prepared for NSDC by Service Provider (either independently or jointly with NSDC or third parties) and delivered / to be delivered to NSDC during the course of Service Provider’s performance under this Agreement. Deliverables shall be comprised of Custom Components and/or Service Provider’s material;
- f) “Force Majeure” means an act of God, war, civil disturbance, strike, lockout, act of terrorism, flood, fire, explosion or legislation or restriction by any government or other authority, or any other similar circumstance beyond the control of any Party, which has the effect of wholly or partially suspending the obligations hereunder, of the Party concerned during the continuance and to the extent of such prevention, interruption or hindrance.
- g) “Intellectual Property” or “Intellectual Property Rights” shall mean any and all trademarks and services marks (whether or not registered), copyrights, design rights (whether or not registered), moral rights, patents, performance rights, database rights, Internet, WAP and other new media rights, names, logos and codes, publicity rights, and any and all other intellectual property and proprietary rights of any nature whatsoever that subsist, or may subsist, or be capable of registration, in each case whether in relation to the Services or otherwise, and which exist, or may exist, in any jurisdiction anywhere in the World.
- h) “Order” shall mean any order, injunction, judgment, decree, ruling, writ, assessment or award of a court, arbitration body or panel or other Authority.

- i) “Purchase Order” means the document issued by NSDC to the Service Provider that explains the objectives, scope of work, activities, and tasks to be performed, respective responsibilities of NSDC and the Service Provider, and expected results and deliverables of the respective assignment / project.

1.2. Interpretation

- a) Heading and bold typeface are only for convenience and shall be ignored for the purpose of interpretation.
- b) Terms may be defined in clause 1 above, or elsewhere in the text of this Agreement and, unless otherwise indicated, shall have such meaning throughout this Agreement.
- c) Reference to this Agreement shall be deemed to include any amendments or modifications to this Agreement, as the case may be.
- d) References to the singular will include the plural
- e) References to the word “include” shall be construed without limitation.

2. **Appointment of Service Provider**

- 2.1. NSDC hereby engages the Service Provider on non exclusive basis to provide the Services as stated in Schedule I, in accordance with this Agreement. The Service Provider, in consideration for the payment as stated in Schedule II, hereby accepts the engagement.
- 2.2. During the Term of this Agreement, Service Provider shall keep NSDC informed about any material change (internal or external) which may impact the Service Provider’s obligation in any manner.
- 2.3. It is hereby clarified that the Service Provider shall be considered as finally engaged to provide the Services under this Agreement only upon receipt of the electronic performance security by NSDC in accordance with other terms of this Agreement.
- 2.4. Further, for avoidance of doubt, the Service Provider and all its employees, sub-contractor or any associated persons as the case may be, shall never be deemed to be employee(s), sub-contractor(s), agent(s), partner(s) etc. of NSDC for any purpose whatsoever.
- 2.5. Sub-Contracting
 - 2.5.1 The Service Provider shall not sub-contract without the prior written approval of NSDC. Provided that the Service Provider unequivocally agrees that any approved sub-contractor will be required to execute a written agreement with the Service Provider which shall extend all relevant obligations of the Service Provider under this Agreement to the sub-contractor. However, at all times, the Service Provider shall also remain completely responsible for ensuring the satisfactory performance of all subcontracted services.
 - 2.5.2 Notwithstanding any such appointment of sub-contractor, the Service Provider shall remain completely liable and retain overall responsibility and liability towards performance of obligations under this Agreement and shall at all times be liable and responsible for all acts and omissions of its sub-contractor(s).

3. **Consideration and Payment Terms**

- 3.1. The Parties acknowledge and agree that the detailed financials and the corresponding terms and conditions are fully described in **Schedule II** of this Agreement.
- 3.2. NSDC will have the right to audit books and records of Service Provider for the purpose of verifying: (a) the proper performance by Service Provider of its obligations under this Agreement;

and (b) the amounts and costs payable by or to be paid by NSDC. NSDC may, on reasonable notice, conduct an audit of books and records of Service Provider by authorized representatives of its own, or by any public accounting firm selected by NSDC, during normal business hours at any reasonable time or times during the term of this Agreement and within a period of seven (7) years thereafter.

4. SERVICE PROVIDER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 4.1. The Service Provider shall execute and complete the Services with due care and diligence, and in such manner as may be required and specified under this Agreement.
- 4.2. The Service Provider confirms that it has entered into this Agreement on the basis of a proper examination of the data and information provided by NSDC. The Service Provider acknowledges that any failure to acquaint itself with all such data and information shall not relieve its responsibility for properly estimating the difficulty or cost of successfully performing the obligations in relation to the Services contemplated herein.
- 4.3. The Service Provider shall acquire in its name all applicable Approvals required for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and comply with terms and conditions thereof while execution of its obligations.
- 4.4. The Service Provider unequivocally undertakes to comply with all applicable laws in force including but not limited to the provisions of the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023. The Service Provider shall indemnify and hold harmless NSDC from and against any and all liabilities, damages, claims, fines, penalties, expenses etc. of whatever nature arising or resulting from the violation of such applicable laws by the Service Provider or its personnel, including the sub-contractor(s) and their personnel.
- 4.5. The Service Provider shall:
 - (i) diligently carry out the Services in an ethical manner and in good faith;
 - (ii) comply with the NSDC's requirements relating to the Services;
 - (iii) not do anything during its dealings with any third party in relation to this Agreement, which may adversely affect or injure the goodwill of NSDC and/or bring NSDC disrepute;
 - (iv) not make any untrue or misleading statement in relation to NSDC at any time in terms of this Agreement;
 - (v) adhere to specific delivery timelines of NSDC and ensure that its performance meet the specifications/ requirements as specified in the agreed scope of work.
- 4.6. The Service Provider agrees that Service Provider shall be solely liable to NSDC for any loss that NSDC may suffer as a result of any act or omission, breach of this Agreement, theft, fraud, breach of confidentiality or other criminal act of the Service Provider or any of its employees, workers, sub-contractor(s) or personnel whatsoever. Further, Service Provider shall be responsible for all compliances related to its employees, sub-contractor(s) and their employees.
- 4.7. The Service Provider shall execute all such separate mutually agreed agreements such as the confidentiality and non-disclosure contract etc. which may be required by NSDC in pursuance of this Agreement.
- 4.8. The Service Provider agrees to be bound by the terms & conditions of the RFP which by their very nature, would apply to Service Provider for providing the Services under this Agreement, and which forms an integral part of this Agreement. Further, unless specified otherwise, in case of any inconsistency between the provision(s) of this Agreement and terms & conditions of the RFP, the provision(s) of this Agreement shall prevail.

5. Term

Notwithstanding the date hereof, this Agreement shall commence on the [] (“Effective Date”) and shall be valid for a period of _____ (____) years/months and shall come to an end on []. The term can be extended or reduced depending upon performance of the service provider and requirement of NSDC. Term may be extended only by mutual written agreement of the Parties.

6. Termination

6.1. NSDC may terminate this Agreement immediately in the event that:

- a) Service Provider has committed a breach of any of the terms and conditions, the covenants, representations and warranties or obligations stipulated in this Agreement which cannot be remedied.
- b) Service Provider fails to provide the Services or has underperformed in providing the Services under this Agreement.
- c) Any information given by the Service Provider is incorrect or misleading, or a representation, warranty, undertaking or statement made hereunder is incorrect or misleading in any respect;
- d) Service Provider has committed a material or repeated breach of any of its obligations hereunder and has failed to remedy such breach (if the same is capable of remedy) within thirty (30) days of being required by written notice so to do;
- e) Service Provider goes into liquidation or bankruptcy (whether compulsory or voluntary) or an administrator or receiver is appointed over the whole or any part of that Service Provider’s assets or if the Service Provider enters into any arrangement for the benefit of or compounds with its creditors generally or threatens to do any of these things or any judgment is made against that Service Provider or any similar occurrence under any jurisdiction affects that Service Provider; or
- f) Service Provider ceases or threatens to cease to carry on business or is removed from the relevant register of companies, where applicable.

6.2. NSDC may terminate this Agreement, without assigning any reason by giving written notice of 30 (thirty) days.

6.3. NSDC may terminate this Agreement immediately if NSDC determines that the Service Provider and/or its employees, sub-contractors, sub-consultant, sub- vendors, agents have engaged in Corrupt or Fraudulent practices in executing this Agreement. The terms “corrupt” and “fraudulent” are defined in Schedule III to this Agreement.

6.4. NSDC’s right to terminate this Agreement shall be without prejudice to the other rights and remedies it may have under Applicable Law.

6.5. This Agreement may also be terminated prior to the completion of its term by the mutual consent of both the Parties in writing.

7. Consequences of Expiry / Termination

7.1. Upon termination or expiry of this Agreement, any rights or authority granted by NSDC to the Service Provider under this Agreement shall terminate with immediate effect.

7.2. Within 7 business days after termination or expiry, upon the request of NSDC, Service Provider will return or destroy, at the option of NSDC, all Confidential Information of NSDC and all materials relating to work in progress of the Services.

- 7.3. Upon termination or expiry of this Agreement, NSDC shall pay Service Provider for all Services rendered validly and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, provided that such Services are not in dispute. This shall include a pro rata portion for Deliverables in progress prior to the date of termination in accordance with Schedule II.
- 7.4. The accrued rights of the Parties as at termination, or the continuation after termination of any provision expressly stated to survive or implicitly surviving termination, shall not be affected or prejudiced in any manner.
- 7.5. Upon termination of the Agreement by NSDC, the Service Provider shall provide all necessary support in handing over the project to new incumbent identified by NSDC, handover all relevant documentations like installation documents, any other document prepared as part of the project, provide team support during the handover period and ensure a seamless and smooth transition. The project transfer completion certificate will be provided to the Service Provider only after receiving sign-off from the new incumbent.

8. Service Provider's Representation and Warranties

The Service Provider represents and warrants that:

- 8.1. It validly exists under Laws, and has the power and authority to carry on its business in India, and provide the Services under this Agreement;
- 8.2. It has the power to enter into this Agreement and comply with its obligations under the Agreement;
- 8.3. It has full capacity and all Approvals, necessary permissions, consents and licences to enter into and to perform its obligations under this Agreement to provide the Services;
- 8.4. The execution of this Agreement by the Service Provider does not contravene the provisions of any applicable law or regulation or agreement or document to which it may be or may have been a party;
- 8.5. The Service Provider shall not, in rendering of its obligations under this Agreement utilise any development, innovation, improvement or trade secret in which it does not have a proprietary interest, or other necessary rights for such utilisation.
- 8.6. Upon execution of this Agreement by the Service Provider, this Agreement shall be legally binding on the Service Provider and shall be legally enforceable against it.
- 8.7. The Service Provider or any of its partner, employee or sub-contractor involved in the provision of Services under this Agreement, have not been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a criminal offence, including one involving fraud, corruption, or moral turpitude, or is subject to any government/ legal investigation for such offences.
- 8.8. This Agreement is being executed by a duly authorised representative of the Service Provider.
- 8.9. The Service Provider shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations governing the rendering of Services and shall maintain and keep up-to-date any registration with regulatory bodies and authorities required to render the Services under this Agreement and provide proof of such approvals and registrations to NSDC as and when required by NSDC.
- 8.10. The Service Provider warrants that its Services will be performed in a good and diligent manner. The Service Provider agrees to re-perform any Services not in compliance with this warranty brought to its attention by NSDC. Additionally, Service Provider warrants that its Deliverables are original content and shall conform to their relevant specifications. Service Provider agrees to correct any such Deliverables not in compliance with this warranty brought to its attention by NSDC.

9. Performance Guarantee:

- 9.1. Within ten (10) working days from the date of execution of this Agreement by both Parties, the Service Provider shall furnish to NSDC an electronic performance security equivalent to five percent (5%) of the Agreement value/PO Value, amounting to Rupees [●] only (INR [●]). The electronic performance security shall be denominated in Indian Rupees and shall be provided in the form of an unconditional and irrevocable bank guarantee issued by a nationalized/scheduled bank located in India, acceptable to NSDC, and in the format prescribed by NSDC (as set out in Schedule V) (the “Performance Bank Guarantee” or “PBG”).
- 9.2. The PBG shall remain valid throughout the Term of the Agreement and for a further period of three (3) months or ninety (90) days, following the expiry or termination (whichever is earlier) of the Agreement, unless earlier encashed by NSDC in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- 9.3. In the event the Term of the Agreement is extended for any reason whatsoever or any additional PO is issued during the term of this Agreement, the Service Provider shall ensure that the validity of the PBG is correspondingly extended so as to remain valid throughout the extended Term or additional PO amount for a further period of three (3) months / ninety (90) days thereafter, on the same terms and conditions.
- 9.4. In the event NSDC terminates this Agreement in accordance with sub-clauses 6.1 or 6.3, NSDC shall be entitled to forfeit and encash the PBG, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available under this Agreement or applicable law.

10. Personnel

- 10.1. The Service Provider shall deploy personnel for providing the Service only after they have been screened, to ensure that they meet the minimum quality standards. The title agreed job description, minimum qualification and estimated period of engagement to carry out the Services of each consultants, key expert shall be described in Schedule IV. (“Key Experts”).
- 10.2. The Service Provider shall immediately terminate and replace a Key Expert who has: (a) breached any terms and conditions of this Agreement; or (b) has committed a data breach or (c) is in anyway not in compliance with Applicable Law.
- 10.3. NSDC shall have the right to interview any of the Key Experts engaged by the Service Provider to ensure they are duly qualified to provision the Services.
- 10.4. In the event that any of the Key Experts resign or cease to provide their services due to reasons beyond the control of the Service Provider, the Service Provider shall immediately replace such Key Experts, with equally competent resources, and ensure that a complete knowledge transfer, and all other processes required to maintain business continuity.
- 10.5. In the event that any Key Experts fails to meet the reasonable expectations of NSDC, NSDC may request a replacement, and the Service Provider shall promptly replace, with a suitable and equivalent replacement.
- 10.6. Substitution of Key Experts
- i. If any of the Key Experts become unavailable, the Service Provider shall provide a written adequate justification and evidence satisfactory to NSDC together with the substitution request. In such case, a replaced Key Expert shall have equal or better qualifications and experience than those of the originally proposed Key Expert.

- ii. Service Provider cannot change the Key Experts as submitted in response to the bid, except in case of resignation, medical incapacity death or any other unanticipated circumstances from the project start date unless there is written approval of the VP- IT & Digital, NSDC.
- iii. The Key Experts have to be full-time on this project and at the location mentioned as per the terms and conditions of the Agreement . This clause is non-negotiable and penalties to an extent of 50% of the fee for the Key Expert may be levied for the entire balance period of the Agreement for such change request, unless an acceptable replacement is provided within 15 days of such change request. For any change request of Key Expert, the substitute has to be an individual with similar / better experience & qualifications and accepted in writing by VP- IT & Digital, NSDC.
- iv. If NSDC finds that any of the personnel have committed serious misconduct or have been charged with having committed a criminal action, or have reasonably caused to be dissatisfied with the performance of any of the personnel, then the Service Provider shall, at the NSDC's written request specifying the grounds thereof, provide as a replacement a person with qualifications and experience acceptable to the NSDC.
- v. If the Service Provider fails to provide a replacement of any Key Expert with equal or better qualifications, or if the provided reasons for the replacement or justification are unacceptable to NSDC, such proposal will be rejected.
- vi. Sub-Contracting
 - a. Sub-Contracting of Key Experts is not allowed, and all the resources should be on the payroll of the Technical Consultant.
 - b. Service Provider to provide a Self-Certificate from its Head – HR or Authorized Signatory that the resources deployed on the Project is on the Payroll of the Technical Consultant, at the start of the project. This Certificate needs to be provided annually.

11. Compliance with Laws

The Service Provider shall at all times during his performance of the Services under this Agreement comply with all the applicable laws and shall be solely liable for any non-compliance with such applicable laws and shall at all times indemnify and hold NSDC, its employees, directors harmless and indemnified against any liabilities arising out of any non-compliance of the applicable laws by the Service Provider.

12. Intellectual Property Rights

- 12.1. The Service Provider agrees not to use or misuse or register as the owner, licensee, or cause to be registered, nor assist any other person or entity in misusing or in registering as the owner or causing to be registered, in any part of the world, any trademark, trade name, service mark, copyrights, insignias, symbols, know-how, trade dress, slogans and logos, photographs and images currently used and to be used in the future (including emblems, services and rights in the distinctive design and signs, or combinations thereof) and all similar proprietary rights belonging to NSDC or associated with NSDC's work / Services ("Intellectual Property").
- 12.2. Service Provider understands that the data and information are collected and compiled for NSDC in order to meet its business requirements. The information collected for this assignment as well as provided by Service Provider to NSDC are the sole and absolute property of NSDC. Service Provider understands and appreciates that the formats prepared and the data submitted by Service Provider to NSDC therefore constitute trade secrets. Service Provider therefore

understands and acknowledges that the property including formats, data and information collected by its personnel in terms hereof are the sole and absolute property of NSDC.

- 12.3. Service Provider hereby agrees and undertakes that it has no interest whatsoever in the information collected by it and the formats created and shall not use the same for any purposes whatsoever other than as set out in this Agreement.
- 12.4. The Service Provider hereby represents and warrants that none of its activity, software, documentation etc. used under this Agreement and / or provided to NSDC does or will infringe any Intellectual Property Rights held by any third party and that it has all necessary rights or at its sole expense shall have secured in writing all transfers of rights and other consents necessary to make the assignments, licenses, and other transfers of Intellectual Property Rights for NSDC to own or exercise all Intellectual Property Rights as provided in this Agreement. The Service Provider further represents and warrants that it has secured / shall secure all necessary written agreements, consents, and transfers of rights from its employees and other persons or entities whose services are used for providing Services.
- 12.5. Service Provider, subject to Clause 12.6 below and to any restrictions applicable to any third-party materials embodied in the Deliverables, hereby grants to NSDC a perpetual and exclusive rights to use, copy and prepare derivative works of the Deliverables, for purposes of publication and / or NSDC's internal business (which includes any business associated with any Ministry of India) only. All other intellectual property rights in the Deliverables shall remain with and/or are assigned to NSDC.
- 12.6. NSDC shall have or obtain no rights in any Service Provider Knowledge Base other than (a) to use the same on a non exclusive and non transferable basis and otherwise as authorized by Service Provider, (b) to the extent the Service Provider Knowledge Base is incorporated into a Deliverable, to use it on a non exclusive and non transferable basis as part of the Deliverable for purposes of NSDC's internal business objective (which includes any business associated with any Ministry of India), or (c) pursuant to Service Provider's standard licence for such Service Provider Knowledge Base or, in the case of Service Provider Knowledge Base owned by third parties, pursuant to terms acceptable to the applicable third party and as intimated to NSDC by Service Provider. If any Service Provider Knowledge Base is made available to NSDC under (a) above, it will be made available in an "AS IS" condition and without express or implied warranties of any kind; and any Service Provider Knowledge Base made available under (c) above shall be subject only to applicable terms of the applicable licence.
- 12.7. The Parties shall cooperate with each other and execute such other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the objectives of this Clause 12.
- 12.8. Service Provider shall be free to use its general knowledge, skills and experience, and any ideas, concepts, know-how, and techniques (which does not contain any information, data, input etc. of the Services or any reference of this) that are acquired or used in the course of providing the Services.
- 12.9. This Clause 12 shall survive the termination or expiry of this Agreement.

13. Indemnification

- 13.1. Without limiting any other rights which NSDC may have under this Agreement and under law, the Service Provider shall indemnify, defend, hold harmless and keep indemnified NSDC, its associates, partners or its directors or its employees from and against any claim or loss including without limitation, fines, penalties, fees, damage, costs (including legal fees and expenses)

liability (whether criminal or civil) suffered and/or incurred by NSDC, its affiliates or its directors or its employees arising from or in connection with the performance of the Services by the Service Provider under this Agreement or due to any breach of the terms and condition of this Agreement including any covenants, obligations and representations and warranties of the Service Provider, or with any applicable laws and regulations governing the performance of the Services by the Service Provider under this Agreement. The provisions of this Clause 13 shall survive the termination or expiry of this Agreement.

- 13.2. Neither Party shall be liable for any consequential, incidental, special, indirect, exemplary or punitive damages, or damages for any loss of profits, revenue or business, regardless of the nature of the claim, even if the other Party has been notified of the possibility of such damages.
- 13.3. The above limitations of liability and exclusions from liability set forth in this Clause 13 shall not apply (i) in cases of gross negligence or wilful misconduct; or (ii) to any liability arising out of fraudulent conduct or (iii) to statutory liability.

14. Use of Confidential Information

- 14.1. During the course of performance of the Services under this Agreement, the Service Provider may have access to information which could be confidential and proprietary information of NSDC as well as of its associates, affiliates, partners or its clients, including but not limited to business plans, financial information, mechanisms, business related functions, activities and services, computer lists, knowledge of customer needs and preferences, trade secrets, business strategies, marketing strategies, methods of operation, tax records, markets, data or other proprietary information relating to products, processes, know-how, designs, formulas, developmental or experimental work, computer programs, data bases, other original works of authorship, other valuable information, personally identifiable information, confidential information and trade related information relating to the activities of NSDC or its associates and partners (collectively the "Confidential Information"). Any Confidential Information shall be considered confidential regardless of whether or not it is expressly marked as being confidential or proprietary and regardless of the form in which such information is communicated to the Service Provider, whether it be oral, in writing or by any other form or mode of communication (including, but not limited to electronic or magnetic recordings and e-mail communications).
- 14.2. The Service Provider agrees and undertakes not to disclose or disseminate (or cause to be disclosed or disseminated), whether directly or indirectly, Confidential Information to any third party, without the express prior written authorization by NSDC. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, it is understood that Confidential Information may be disclosed by the Service Provider only for the purpose of complying with its contractual obligations under this Agreement. In any event, the Service Provider shall ensure that any person to whom Confidential Information is communicated by the Service Provider, must abide by the terms of this Clause 14 as if they were themselves a party to it.
- 14.3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Service Provider may disclose Confidential Information, while safeguarding to the greatest extent possible the confidential nature of the Confidential Information, to its legal advisors, tax consultants and accountants or other member firms of Service Provider or Service Provider's information technology vendors for the purpose of performance of its obligations under this Agreement only and not for any other purpose or for carrying out internal, support, administrative, support, financial purposes, risk management or other quality checks for the Service Provider after obtaining prior written permission from NSDC.

- 14.4. The Service Provider undertakes not to use (and to take reasonable efforts to cause any person to whom it has communicated Confidential Information not to use) Confidential Information, except in accordance with this Agreement. More generally, nothing in this Agreement related to the disclosure of Confidential Information shall be interpreted as a licence, implicit or explicit, to use the Confidential Information in any manner other than as contemplated herein or, more generally, for the purpose for which it was disclosed.
- 14.5. The Service Provider shall, in particular, take all reasonable measures, which are appropriate to safeguard the Confidential Information. The Service Provider shall immediately inform NSDC in writing of any unauthorized use or disclosure of Confidential Information of which it may become aware and it shall assist NSDC in ending such unauthorized use or disclosure.
- 14.6. All Confidential Information (including, but not limited to, documents, drawings, sketches and electronic or magnetic recordings and e-mail communications) on which Confidential Information appears or is recorded shall remain the NSDC's property. Accordingly, except for the purpose of sharing Confidential Information with persons to whom disclosure is permitted, the Service Provider unequivocally undertakes not to make any copies of Confidential Information without the NSDC's prior written consent and it shall immediately, at NSDC's first request (i) return to NSDC or destroy all copies of such Confidential Information it may be holding; and (ii) confirm in writing to NSDC that any such media containing Confidential Information in any form has been returned to NSDC or completely destroyed so that the Confidential Information is no longer readily recoverable. Provided however, that the Service Provider may retain such copies of such Confidential Information that may be required by it for its legal and regulatory purposes.
- 14.7. At NSDC's request, the Service Provider shall provide NSDC with a detailed list of any person(s) to whom Confidential Information has been disclosed/ communicated by it.
- 14.8. It is understood that Confidential Information shall not include any information which:
- (i) has entered the public domain prior to its disclosure or subsequently, provided in the latter case that such entry was not due to the Service Provider's action or inaction, or due to the action or inaction of any third party to whom it may have communicated Confidential Information;
 - (ii) was received from a third party in a lawful and unrestricted manner without violation of the terms hereof or of the terms of a similar agreement; and
 - (iii) was known to the Service Provider at the time of its disclosure, the burden of proof in such case being placed on the Service Provider.
- 14.9. In the event the Service Provider is required, under any law or by a court order, to disclose any Confidential Information, it may make only such disclosure while safeguarding to the greatest extent possible the confidential nature of the Confidential Information that would satisfy the requirement of such law or such court order, as the case may be, and nothing more. It is further agreed that before making any such disclosure, the Service Provider shall consult NSDC to the extent legally permissible and reasonably practicable in the circumstances.
- 14.10. The Service Provider recognizes that the protection of Confidential Information is essential to NSDC and that any unauthorized disclosure of Confidential Information is likely to cause NSDC significant harm and prejudice. Accordingly, without prejudice to any other recourse available to NSDC (including injunctive or interlocutory relief), the Service Provider acknowledges, agrees and undertakes that in the event of a breach of any terms of this Clause 14 caused by it or any third party to whom such Confidential Information has been disclosed, the Service Provider shall hold NSDC harmless and fully indemnified which NSDC may have suffered as a result of such disclosure.

- 14.11. The Service Provider shall comply with all applicable laws in force including laws relating to privacy and data protection.
- 14.12. The provisions of this Clause 14 shall survive the expiry or termination of this Agreement.

15. Force Majeure

- 15.1. Neither party will be liable for any loss or damage resulting from delay or failure to perform any of its contractual obligations within the time specified as a result of causes beyond its control ("Force Majeure"). Force Majeure may include, by way of example but not limitation, those circumstances beyond the control of the affected party such as acts of God, the public enemy, acts of government, or any department or agency thereof, as well as fire, flood, earthquakes, pandemic, epidemics, quarantines, riots, wars, civil insurrections, freight embargoes, labour disputes, localized conflicts, accidents, and unusually severe weather.
- 15.2. In the event of a Force Majeure, the affected party will be excused from performance during the existence of the Force Majeure provided the affected party informs the other party about such Force Majeure event immediately but not later than 7 days of its occurrence, and the date of performance of the work will be extended for a period of time equal to the impact of the delay on the schedule. When a Force Majeure occurs, the affected party shall notify the other party in writing of the existence of the Force Majeure (the "Force Majeure Notice"), and both parties will attempt to mitigate the effect of the Force Majeure as much as possible. If such Force Majeure shall continue for more than 30 (thirty) days from the date of the Force Majeure Notice, both parties shall have the right, upon written notice to the other party, to terminate this Agreement.
- 15.3. The above is without prejudice to the rights already accrued to the parties as a result of their performance or failure to perform, either in whole or in part pursuant to their obligations under the Agreement, prior to the occurrence of events of Force Majeure.
- 15.4. NSDC shall not have any obligation to make any further payments to the Service Provider under this Agreement in the event of a Force Majeure except for Services already rendered under this Agreement.

16. Governing Law, Dispute Resolution and Jurisdiction

- 16.1. All or any dispute, controversy, claim or disagreement arising out of or touching upon or in relation to the terms of this Agreement or its termination, breach, invalidity, including the interpretation and validity thereof and the respective rights and obligations of the Parties hereof, that cannot be amicably resolved by mutual discussion within 30 (thirty) calendar days, shall be settled as per the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 which shall be final and binding arbitration. The proceedings of the arbitration shall be in accordance with the Rules of Arbitration of the Indian Dispute Resolution Centre ("IDRC") which rules are deemed to be incorporated by reference in this clause and the award made in pursuance thereof shall be binding on the Parties. The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in English language and seat of arbitration shall be New Delhi.
- 16.2. During the pendency of any dispute resolution exercise whether by negotiations or otherwise, the Parties shall be bound by the terms of this Agreement and shall continue to perform their respective obligations not under dispute under this Agreement.
- 16.3. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of India.
- 16.4. Subject to Clause 16.1, all disputes arising from this Agreement between the Parties shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Courts at Delhi/New Delhi only.

17. COMPLIANCE WITH ANTI-CORRUPTION LAWS

- 17.1 The Service Provider represents and warrants that it is familiar with the anti-corruption laws in India including but not limited to the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (“PCA”), Indian Penal Code, 1860 (“IPC”) and any other anti-corruption laws and their respective purposes, including its prohibition against bribery, corrupt payment, offer, promise, or authorization of any payment or transfer of anything of value, directly or indirectly, to any government official or employee (including employees of government-owned or controlled companies or public international organizations) or to any political party, party official, or candidate for public office.
- 17.2 The Service Provider irrevocably, unequivocally and explicitly undertakes, assures and agrees to:
- (i) observe the highest standards of ethics during rendering of the Services and undertakes to take all measures necessary to prevent “corrupt practices” at all times during the discharge of its obligations under this Agreement;
“corrupt practices” shall mean and include, but not be limited to, offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the actions of any person connected with the rendering of the Services, offering of employment to, or employing, or engaging in any manner whatsoever, directly or indirectly, any governmental official, etc.;
 - (ii) neither directly nor indirectly, pay, offer, give, or promise to pay or give, any portion of monies or anything of value received from NSDC to a public official or any person in violation of any applicable laws relating to anti-corruption or anti-bribery;
 - (iii) comply with all the applicable laws of India relating to anti-corruption or anti-bribery, including but not limited to PCA and IPC.
- 17.3 It is explicitly agreed, acknowledged and undertaken by the Service Provider that it is an independent Service Provider fully and solely responsible for its own actions and is not, and shall not hold itself out as, an employee, agent, partner or joint venture party of or with, or attorney of NSDC. The Service Provider undertakes that it shall not make or sign or purport to make or sign any contracts or other instruments in the name of NSDC, make any commitment for the account of, assume or create express or implied obligations of any kind on behalf of, or in any respect bind NSDC. In no event shall NSDC be held liable or accountable for any obligations incurred by the Service Provider due to a breach of this clause 17.3 by the Service Provider.
- 17.4 The Service Provider undertakes and agrees, at all times, to comply with all legal, fiscal and commercial obligations, which are required of the Service Provider in its capacity as an independent Service Provider.
- 17.5 The Service Provider shall indemnify and hold harmless NSDC for the amount of any actual loss which may be suffered by NSDC and any penalty imposed on NSDC by the competent authorities as a result of Service Provider's breach of the anti-corruption laws under Clause 17 hereof.
- 17.6 The Service Provider explicitly and irrevocably agrees that NSDC shall have the absolute right to immediately terminate this Agreement without incurring any liability, on Service Provider's breach of any provision of this Clause 17.

18. INFORMATION SECURITY, COMPLIANCE AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF SERVICE PROVIDER

NSDC, in its sole discretion and at the request of Service Provider, may provide access of its Information Technology assets, information etc. e.g. e-mail (hereinafter collectively referred to as “NSDC’s Information”) to Service Provider. In addition to Service Provider’s obligations provided

elsewhere under this Agreement and any Applicable Law, Service Provider agrees and undertakes to comply the following obligations:

18.1 Process for authorization and removal of authorization for use of NSDC's information and related assets:

- (1) Service Provider shall remove its personnel's authorization to access NSDC's Information and related assets upon such personnel's termination of employment, resignation, or other separation from service with Service Provider. Service Provider shall also inform NSDC within 3 days about such terminations/change of employment. Service Provider shall also remove its personnel's authorization if the personnel is found to have violated Service Provider' confidentiality or security policies.
- (2) Service Provider shall take all necessary steps to ensure that upon termination/resignation/separation etc. of its personnel, such personnel's access to NSDC's Information and related assets is terminated, including but not limited to:
 - i) Disabling the personnel's login credentials.
 - ii) Deleting the personnel's access permissions.
 - iii) Returning any physical media and information asset containing NSDC's Information to Service Provider.
- (3) Service Provider shall be liable to NSDC for any damages caused by the its failure to remove its personnel's authorization to access NSDC's Information and related assets in accordance with this clause.
- (4) In case electronic communication medium is provided to Service Provider by NSDC, Service Provider agrees and undertakes to adhere to NSDC's electronic communication usage policy.

18.2 Training and awareness requirement related to information security

- (1) Service Provider shall provide all of its employees who have access to the NSDC's Information with training and awareness on information security. The training shall be provided at least once per year, and more frequently as needed.
- (2) NSDC may terminate the Agreement if Service Provider fails to provide training and awareness on information security to its employees. NSDC may also seek damages from Service Provider for any losses caused by the Service Provider' failure to provide training and awareness on information security.

18.3 Assigning a point of contact by Service Provider who will notify NSDC in case of any security incidents/breach.

Service Provider shall designate a point of contact (POC) who will be responsible for notifying NSDC of any security incidents or breaches. The POC shall be available 24/7 and should be able to communicate with NSDC in a timely manner.

18.4 Background Verification Checks regarding Service Provider users-

- (1) Background Verification Checks – Service Provider shall conduct background verification checks on all its personnel who will have access to NSDC's Information and related assets. The background verification checks should include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - (a) Criminal background check.
 - (b) Employment verification.
 - (c) Education verification.

The cost of the background verification checks shall be borne by Service Provider.

- (2) Results of Background Verification Checks- The results of the background verification checks shall be made available to NSDC. NSDC shall have the right to refuse to authorize access to NSDC's Information and related assets to any Service Provider' personnel whose background verification check results are not satisfactory to NSDC.
- (3) Effect of Refusal to Authorize Access - If NSDC refuses to authorize access to NSDC's Information and related assets to a user of Service Provider, Service Provider shall immediately remove the user's authorization to access such information and assets.

18.5 BCP Plan

Business Continuity Plan: Service Provider shall have a business continuity plan in place in the event of a disaster or other event that disrupts the Service Provider's ability to provide services to NSDC. The business continuity plan should include provisions for the restoration of services to NSDC in a timely manner.

18.6 Right to Audit

NSDC shall have the right to conduct Audit on Service Provider' compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

18.7 Penalties

If Service Provider breaches any of the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, Service Provider shall be liable for a penalty as levied by NSDC which shall not be less than the amount of loss, fine, penalty, liability etc. suffered by NSDC and / or the aggregate of the amounts provided in one or more applicable laws.

19. Miscellaneous

19.1. Entire Agreement: This Agreement, the Schedules and recitals hereto (which are hereby expressly incorporated herein by reference) constitutes the entire understanding between the Parties, and supersedes all other discussions and understanding between the Parties.

19.2. No Benefits: Since the Service Provider is being appointed by NSDC to perform the Services under this Agreement as an independent Service Provider and not as an employee of NSDC, no benefits as applicable to the employees of NSDC under the policies of NSDC or applicable labour laws or applicable shops and establishment act or any other applicable employment related law(s) shall be available to the Service Provider or to its employees, and the Service Provider hereby agrees and undertakes not to claim such employment benefits from NSDC. Owing to the nature of the engagement, the Service Provider unequivocally and unambiguously agrees, acknowledges and undertakes that it shall have no claim for employment related benefits against NSDC for vacation, vacation pay, sick leave, retirement benefits, workmen's compensation, health and disability benefits or employee benefits of any kind.

19.3. Assignment:

- (a) The Service Provider shall not, without the express prior written consent of NSDC, assign to any third party, the Agreement or any part thereof, or any right, benefit, obligation or interest therein or thereunder.
- (b) NSDC shall be entitled to assign the Agreement or any part thereof, or any right, benefit or interest therein or there under, to any third party without the prior written consent of the Service Provider. Upon such assignment, the Service Provider shall fulfil and perform all its obligations to such assignee, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, as if such assignee were NSDC herein and shall execute all documents required in this behalf by NSDC.

- 19.4. Amendments: The terms and condition of this Agreement shall not be changed or modified except by written amendment mutually agreed between NSDC and the Service Provider.
- 19.5. Waiver: The failure of either NSDC or the Service Provider to enforce, in any one or more instances, performance of any of the terms, covenants or conditions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or a relinquishment of any right or claim granted or arising hereunder or of the future performance of any such term, covenant, or condition, and such failure shall in no way affect the validity of this Agreement or the rights and obligations of NSDC and the Service Provider hereto. NSDC and the Service Provider acknowledge that a waiver of any term or provision hereof may only be given by a written instrument executed by each of NSDC and the Service Provider, as the case may be, hereto.
- 19.6. Delays or Omissions: No delay or omission to exercise any right, power or remedy accruing to any Party, upon any breach or default of any Party hereto under this Agreement, shall impair any such right, power or remedy of any Party nor shall it be construed to be a waiver of any such breach or default, or an acquiescence therein, or of any similar breach or default thereafter occurring; nor shall any waiver of any other breach or default theretofore or thereafter occurring. Any waiver, permit, consent or approval of any kind or character on the part of any Party of any breach of default under this Agreement or any waiver on the part of any Party of any provisions or conditions of this Agreement, must be in writing and shall be effective only to the extent specifically set forth in such writing. All remedies, either under this Agreement, or by law or otherwise afforded to any Party shall be cumulative and not alternative.
- 19.7. Relationship:
- (a) Nothing contained herein shall be construed as creating a partnership or a joint venture or a principal - agent or an employer-employee relationship between the Parties. The Service Provider shall always remain an independent Service Provider during the term of this Agreement and shall always solely remain liable to NSDC or any third party for all its acts and omissions to act during the course of providing the Services under this Agreement. The Service Provider is an independent Service Provider and nothing in this Agreement should be construed as constituting an employment relationship between the Service Provider and NSDC. The Service Provider unequivocally, unambiguously, irrevocably and explicitly acknowledges that this Agreement is not subject to any employment law(s) or related statute(s). This sub-clause 19.7(a) shall survive the termination or expiry of this Agreement.
- (b) The Service Provider acknowledges and accepts that this is a non-exclusive agreement and NSDC reserves the right to carry out or cause to be carried out the Services at any time and at its sole discretion using any other source.
- 19.8. Notices: Except as may be otherwise provided herein, all notices, requests, waivers and other communications ("Notices") shall be deemed to be delivered as provided herein: (a) if delivered to the addressee ("Receiving Party") by hand: upon the Notice being acknowledged by written receipt by the Receiving Party; (b) if sent by facsimile: upon the receipt of transmission report confirming transmission; (c) if sent via an overnight courier: upon receipt (evidenced by proof of delivery). The Notices shall be addressed to the Parties at the contact details provided below. Each Party shall promptly inform the other Parties of any change to its contact details.

To NSDC:

5th & 6th Floor, Kaushal Bhawan,
New Moti Bagh, New Delhi - 110023

To Service Provider:

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- 19.9. **Publicity:** The Service Provider shall not, during or after the expiry / termination of this Agreement, print or distribute cards, flyers, brochures and any printed, promotional or publicity material items (including in any proposal or representation made to its client or prospective client) publicly or privately bearing the name of NSDC or any of its associate entities (including any Ministry of India) without the prior written consent of NSDC.
- 19.10. **Legal Expenses:** In the event that any transaction in which the Service Provider is involved and which results in dispute, litigation or legal expense involving NSDC, the Service Provider shall co-operate fully with NSDC. It is NSDC's policy to avoid litigation wherever possible and NSDC reserves the right to determine whether or not any litigation actions should be taken, defended, compromised or settled and the terms and conditions of any compromise or settlement.
- 19.11. **Severability:** Any provision of this Agreement which is prohibited, unenforceable or is declared or found to be illegal, unenforceable or void in any jurisdiction shall (i) as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Agreement, and (ii) not affect the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction. If any such invalidity substantially affects or alters the commercial basis of this Agreement, NSDC and the Service Provider shall negotiate in good faith to amend and modify the provisions and terms of this Agreement as may be necessary or desirable in the circumstances to achieve, as closely as possible, the same economic or commercial effect as the original provisions and terms of this Agreement.
- 19.12. **Survival:** The provisions of Clauses and such other provisions of this Agreement, which are by their nature, intended to survive the termination of this Agreement, shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

The Parties hereto have duly executed this Agreement as of the date and year hereinabove first written.

For National Skill Development Corporation

Sign: _____

Name:

Title: For <Name of Service Provider>[]

Sign: _____

Name:

Title:

SCHEDULE I
SERVICES

SCHEDULE -II
Payment Details

Schedule -III

Fraudulent or Corrupt Practices

It should be kept in mind that all actions towards award of Contract and its implementation on the ground have to be fair, consistent, transparent and based on highest standard of ethics. Similarly, Bidders/suppliers/contractors/Bidders associated in the procurement of Goods, Works & Consultancy, are expected to observe the highest standard of ethics during procurement and execution of contracts. In pursuance to above:

- a. Proposal for award may be rejected, if it determines that the Bidder, recommended for award, and/or its employees, sub-contractors, sub-Bidder, sub- vendors, agents have engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the Contract in question;
- b. Portion of the funds allocated to a contract may be cancelled, in full or in part, if it is determined that corrupt or fraudulent practices were engaged by contractor/Bidder and/or its employees, subcontractors/sub-Bidders, sub-vendors, agents for getting the Contract or during the execution of a Contract.
- c. A firm may be declared as ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a Contract, if it, at any time, determines that the firm has been engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.
- d. For the purpose of above provision, the terms, "Corrupt Practice" and "Fraudulent Practice", mean following:

"Corrupt practice" means offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting anything of value to influence the action of NSDC's official(s) in the procurement process or in the contract execution; and

"Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract and includes collusive practices among Bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid/proposal prices at artificial, non- competitive levels.

"Anti-competitive practice" means 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 Procuring Entity, that may impair the transparency, fairness and the progress of the procurement process or to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels;

"Coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, persons or their property to influence their participation in the procurement process or affect the execution of a contract;

"Conflict of interest" means 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 Procuring Entity 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 Procuring Entity with an intent to gain unfair advantage in the procurement process or for personal gain; and

"Obstructive practice" means materially impede the Procuring Entity'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 Procuring Entity's rights of audit or access to information

Schedule IV

Key Experts with Names(Not applicable to this RFP)

Schedule V

Performance Security - Bank Guarantee

[Guarantor letterhead or SWIFT identifier code]

Performance Guarantee No.....[insert guarantee reference number]

Date.....[insert date of issue of the guarantee]

To: _____ [name of Purchaser]

_____ [address of Purchaser]

WHEREAS _____ [name and address of Supplier1] (hereinafter called "the Applicant") has undertaken, in pursuance of Agreement dated _____ under RFP no. _____ dated _____ to provide services as mentioned therein [brief description of Goods and related Services] (hereinafter called "the Agreement");

AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you in the said Agreement that the Applicant shall furnish you with a Bank Guarantee by a recognized bank for the sum specified therein as security for compliance with its obligations in accordance with the Agreement;

AND WHEREAS we have agreed to give the Applicant such a Bank Guarantee; NOW THEREFORE we hereby affirm that we are the Guarantor and responsible to you, on behalf of the Applicant, up to a total of _____ [amount of guarantee2] _____ [in words], and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand and without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of _____ [amount of guarantee] as aforesaid without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your demand for the sum specified therein. Except for the documents herein specified, no other documents or other action shall be required, notwithstanding any applicable law or regulation.

We hereby waive the necessity of your demanding the said debt from the Applicant before presenting us with the demand.

We further agree that no change or addition to or other modification of the terms of the Agreement or of the Goods and related Services to be supplied thereunder or of any of the Agreement documents which may be made between you and the Applicant shall in any way release us from any liability under this Guarantee, and we hereby waive notice of any such change, addition or modification.

This Guarantee shall be valid until i.e, 90 days following the Completion date of the Agreement/PO Value including any warranty obligations , and any demand for payment under it must be received by us at this office on or before that date.

No action, event, or condition that by any applicable law should operate to discharge us from liability hereunder shall have any effect, and we hereby waive any right we may have to apply such law, so

that in all respects our liability hereunder shall be irrevocable and, except as stated herein, unconditional in all respects.

Signature and seal of the guarantor _____

Name of Bank _____

Address _____

Date _____

Note: All italicized text (including footnotes) is for use in preparing this form and shall be deleted from the final product.

Platform Support for Tender Preparation:

1. **C1 India Private Limited:** Service provider to provide the e-Tendering Software and facilitate the process of e-tendering on Application Service Provider (ASP) model.
2. **NSDC e-Procurement Portal:** An e-tendering portal of National Skill Development Corporation ("NSDC") introduced for the process of e-tendering which can be accessed on <https://nsdc.eproc.in>. Pre-requisites:
 - a) It is mandatory for all the bidders to have Class-III Digital Signature Certificate (With Both DSC Components, i.e. Signing & Encryption) from any of the licensed Certifying Agency under CCA, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India to participate in e-tendering portal of NSDC. Bidders can see the list of licensed CA's from the link www.cca.gov.in
 - b) C1 India Pvt. Ltd. also facilitate Class III Digital Signature Certificate (With Both DSC Components, i.e. Signing & Encryption) to the bidders. Bidder may contact C1 India Pvt. Ltd. at mobile no. +91-7291981138 for DSC related queries or can email at vikas.kumar@c1india.com.
 - c) To participate in the online bidding, it is mandatory for the Applicants to get themselves registered with the NSDC e-Tendering Portal (<https://nsdc.eproc.in>)
 - d) System Requirement/ Registration Manuals/ Bid Submission Manuals are available at the NSDC eTendering Portal (<https://nsdc.eproc.in>)
 - e) For helpdesk, please contact Help Desk Nos. +91-124-4302033 / 36 / 37
 - f) Participant are requested to email their issues to procurement@nsdcindia.org and helpdesk at nsdcsupport@c1india.com. This will help serving the participant better.

Note: The subject line must be mentioned in mail heading **"Empanelment of agencies to onboarding Tech partners for support Implementation of Health Intervention Pilot under the Skill Impact Bond"**.
 - g) The amendments/ clarifications to the tender, if any, will be posted on the NSDC eTendering Portal (<https://nsdc.eproc.in>)
 - h) The Bidder may modify or withdraw their bid after submission prior to the Bid Due Date. No Bid shall be modified or withdrawn by the Bidder after the Bid Due Date and Time.
 - i) It is highly recommended that the bidders should not wait till the last date of bid submission to avoid complications like internet connectivity issue, network problems, system crash down, power failure, browser compatibility issue, system compatibility issue, improper digital signature certificate problem etc. In view of this context, neither M/s National Skill Development Corporation nor M/s. C1 India Pvt. Ltd will be responsible for such eventualities.