



**Government of India
Ministry of External Affairs
Regional Passport Office, Kolkata**

E-NOTICE INVITING TENDER FOR “ Providing Housekeeping at Passport Seva Kendra, Agartala under Regional Passport Office, Kolkata, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

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The bid shall be submitted online only at Central Public Procurement Portal Website: <http://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> **Manual bids shall not be accepted.**

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MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
INVITATION OF BIDS FOR
SELECTION OF AGENCY FOR
PROVIDING HOUSEKEEPING SERVICES
AT
PASSPORT SEVA KENDRA, AGARTALA
UNDER
REGIONAL PASSPORT OFFICE, KOLKATA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION AND INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL

On behalf of the President of India, E-Tenders are invited under “Two Bid System”, i.e., Technical Bid (Pre-qualification) and Financial Bid from reputed, experienced and financially sound Facility Management/ Housekeeping companies for providing *Housekeeping Services* at Passport Seva Kendra, Agartala under *Regional Passport Office Kolkata/Ministry of External Affairs*.

Brief description of the Selection Process: Least Cost System (LCS)
Selection Process

Communications

Any queries relating to proposal may be addressed to:

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Regional Passport Office, Kolkata
Ministry of External Affairs (MEA),
4 Brabourne Road, 1st Floor,
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Email: rpo.kolkata@mea.gov.in

The official website of the MEA is: **www.passportindia.gov.in**

SECTION 2: INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

Submission of Proposals

The proposal must be submitted online on CPP Portal (<http://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app>).

Duly Signed documents relating to this proposal must be submitted online.

1. Validity of Proposal: 60 days, Regional Passport Office Kolkata/MEA reserves the right to reject a proposal valid for a period shorter than 60 days as non-responsive.

2. Right to Accept or Reject any Proposal

RPO Kolkata/MEA reserves the right to annul the Tendering process, or to accept or reject any or all the Proposals in whole or part at any time without assigning any reasons thereof and without incurring any liability to the affected Applicant(s) or any obligation to inform the affected Applicant (s) of the grounds for such decision.

3. Fraud & Corruption

It is required that the Applicants submitting Proposal and Agency selected through this Tender document must observe the highest standards of ethics during the process of selection and during the performance and execution of Contract.

For this purpose, definitions of the terms are set forth as follows:

- a. "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of *RPO Kolkata/MEA* or its personnel in Contract executions.
- b. "Fraudulent Practice" means a misrepresentation of facts, in order to influence a selection process or the execution of a contract, and includes collusive practice among Applicants (prior to or after Proposal submission) designed to establish Proposal prices at artificially high or non-competitive levels and to deprive *RPO Kolkata/MEA* of the benefits of free and open competition.
- c. "Unfair trade practice" means supply of services different from what is ordered on, or change in the Scope of Work.
- d. "Coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the selection process or execution of Contract.
- e. *RPO Kolkata/MEA* will reject a proposal for award, if it determines that the Applicants recommended for award, has been determined to having been engaged in corrupt, fraudulent or unfair trade practices.

f. *RPO Kolkata/MEA* will declare an Applicant ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, for awarding the Contract, if it at any time determines that Applicant has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent and unfair trade practice in competing for, or in executing the Contract.

4. Subletting/Canvassing

Applicant shall not assign or sublet the Contract or any substantial part thereof to any other agency, direct or indirect canvassing in any form on part of the Applicant or his representative will lead to disqualification.

5. Clarifications & amendments of Tender Notice

During the process of evaluation of Proposals, *RPO Kolkata/ MEA* may, at its discretion, ask Applicants for clarifications on their proposal. The Applicants are required to respond within the prescribed time-frame. *RPO Kolkata/MEA* may for any reason, modify the Tender document before the date of submission of proposal. The amendment(s) to the Tender document would be clearly spelt out and the Applicants may be given sufficient time to amend their proposal due to such modifications.

6. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD):

a) The Bidder shall furnish an Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) amounting to **Rs 5,000/- (2% of Rs. 2,50,000/-)** The EMD shall be in Indian Rupees and shall be in the form of Demand Draft from any of the Commercial Bank in favour of “Regional Passport Officer, Kolkata, payable at Kolkata”. The original hard copy of EMD of Rs.5000/- in the form of Demand Draft is also required to be submitted in a sealed envelope superscribed “Tender for Providing Housekeeping Services at Passport Seva Kendra, Agartala under Regional Passport Office, Kolkata, Ministry of External Affairs”, on or before the closing date and time of e-submission of online bids to Regional Passport Officer, Kolkata, Ministry of External Affairs, Regional Passport Office, Kolkata **(Tel No 033-22341212)**.

b) “Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) as defined in MSE Procurement Policy issued by Department of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) or are registered with the Central Purchase Organization or the Ministry of External Affairs are exempted from submission of EMD subject to their furnishing relevant documents to the effect”.

c) The earnest money of unsuccessful bidder, which shall not carry any interest, shall be refunded before 30th day after award of Contract. EMD of the successful Bidder will be released after the Bidder sign the agreement and furnishes the Performance Guarantee. Performance Guarantee shall be provided at the time of signing of contract. The EMD will be forfeited on account of one or more of the following reasons:

1) Bidder withdraws the Proposal during the bid validity period specified in Tender document.

2) Bidder does not respond to request for clarification of its proposal.

- 3) Bidder fails to provide required information during the evaluation process or is found to be non-responsive.
- 4) In case of a successful Bidder, if fails to sign the Agreement in time as per schedule; or fails to furnish the Performance Guarantee.
- 5) If the Bidder withdraws or amends, impairs or derogates the Tender in any respect within the period of validity.

7. Payment Terms

- a) The payment to agency will be made on monthly basis. No advance payment will be made to the agency.
- b) No price escalation, other than due to escalation, if any, in minimum wages as well as other statutory components such as ESI, EPF and Bonus, will be entertained by RPO, Kolkata/MEA during the period of the contract.
- c) RPO, Kolkata/MEA will be entitled to deduct in accordance with applicable law, Income Tax or withholding tax or other deductions (as the case may be), from any payments made to the Contractor, and the amount so deducted shall be deemed to be a payment made to the Contractor.

8. Term of Contract

The work contract initially will be assigned for a period of twelve months, (which will be extendable for a further period of 12 months at a time but not more than 36 months in total on year to year basis subject to satisfactory services of service provider at the sole discretion of the RPO, Kolkata/Ministry of External Affairs.

9. Tender Fee:

No fee for tender documents as it can be downloaded from the website www.passportindia.gov.in/ CPP Portal

8SECTION 3: SCOPE OF WORK

NUMBER OF HOUSE KEEPING STAFF REQUIRED- 01 (One) CLEANERS ONLY

(i) Sweeping/moping/dusting/Vacuum cleaning/cleaning of common areas, balconies, officer-rooms, toilets, lobbies, staircase, lifts, window panes, office furniture/equipment, entrance and exit areas and any other place within the premises as directed by the competent authorities from time to time including removal of waste material and discarded furniture. The cleaners should be provided with proper working Uniforms to be worn during the entire working time.

(ii) Office Rooms to be cleaned and dusting of furniture to be done daily in the morning. Daily removal of garbage/waste paper/packing material. Cleaning should be done in weekends / holidays, too, if required.

(iii) Vacuum cleaning of rooms twice a week and shampooing of carpets where required.

(iv) Lobbies to be cleaned twice a day.

(v) Corridors to be mopped twice a day.

(vi) Toilets to be cleaned twice a day.

(vii) Cleaning/clearing of Staircases and removal of discarded furniture, shifting of furniture in rooms whenever required.

(viii) Glass panes of rooms and staircases to be cleaned twice a week and **to be cleaned externally once a month.**

(ix) Brass polishing of sign boards/brass planters and railing of staircase to be done once a week.

(x) Daily collection and removal of all garbage (including waste collected as a result of construction/repair work carried out in the premises) and its disposal in a hygienic manner, including dumping at municipal designated garbage dustbin. Garbage trolley **and Garbage Collection bins** should be provided by the Bidder.

(xi) Cleaning of pantry twice a day.

(xii) Cleaning of vertical blinds.

(xiii) All the cleaning material including garbage bags, toilet roll, duster, soap, phenyl, phenyl balls, insect killer etc. shall be provided by the bidder.

SECTION 4: ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 1) The bidder may be a proprietary firm, Partnership firm, Limited Company, Corporate body legally constituted, empanelled registered with the appropriate authority for the purpose who possesses the required licences, registration as per established law. The said service provider must be in existence for a minimum period of 5 years as on 31st March, 2018 from the date of registration under the appropriate Act. The bidder shall provide a copy the registration certificate. Joint ventures/consortium are not allowed.
- 2) The bidder must give precise profile of its key clients along with satisfactory performance report from at least three of them for services provided to them. A complete list of clients including clients in Government sector may be provided along with site address and Contact Number of the officer concerned.
- 3) The bidder must have modern equipments, latest technical expertise for management of buildings and related facilities, as has been defined in 'brief scope of work'. Machinery, equipment, implements, material and consumables proposed to be used should be clearly indicated. List of equipments owned by the company is to be furnished with the technical bid.
- 4) The successful bidder shall provide performance guarantee of 10% of annual contract value within 10 days from the date of issue of award letter.
- 5) The employees of the bidder deployed at RPO Kolkata/MEA should have bank accounts and the company shall provide proof of payment of salary to each employee through their bank accounts. The bidder will have to ensure compliance of all mandatory labour laws/regulations laid down by the Central/State Government. This will include payment of minimum wages, PF / ESI (Employees' State Insurance and bonus). Providing other benefits like leave, Labour Welfare Fund, cost of uniform etc. to bidder's each employee will solely be the liability of the bidder only. **Companies/firms bidding nil management fee/Agency Charges will be out rightly rejected.** Bonus is mandatory component as per the labour regulations and should be included in the Financial Bid.
- 6) The bidders must have appropriate registration from service/sales Tax department and Income Tax Department (TAN/PAN). The bidder must possess all the licence in their own name. The bidder should give an undertaking that the staff to be deputed to Passport Seva Kendra, Agartala under the *RPO, Kolkata/MEA* premises would be police verified. Self attested copies of all relevant registration documents (ESI, PF, Service Tax, TAN) are to be submitted with the technical (Pre-qualification) Bid.
- 7) The relaxation of Norms for Start-ups Medium Enterprises regarding Prior Experience and Prior Turnover Criteria shall be admissible as per Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure O.M. no. F.20/2/2014-PPD (Pt.) dated 25th July, 2016 subject to meeting of quality and technical specifications in accordance with the relevant provisions of GFR, 2017.

8) Given below is the checklist of documents, which must be submitted by the bidders as part of their Technical bids. Bidders, who fail to submit any of the following documents, would be summarily rejected and their Financial bids shall not be opened by Tender Opening Committee.

CHECK-LIST OF DOCUMENTS FOR TECHNICAL BID FOR HOUSEKEEPING

Sl. No.	Particulars of documents	Enclosed	Page No. at which document is enclosed
1.	Earnest Money Deposit	Yes / No	
2.	In case the bidders fall under Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) as defined in MSE Procurement Policy issued by Department of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) or is registered with the Central Purchase Organization or the Ministry of External Affairs, then they are exempted from submission of EMD subject to their furnishing relevant documents to the effect.	Yes / No	
3.	Name, designation, address, contact details and Photo ID of the authorized person of the Agency to deal with	Yes	
4.	In case of partnership firm, name designation, address and contact details of the Directors/Partners	Yes	
5.	Self attested copy of the Certificate of Incorporation / Registration of the Agency	Yes	
6.	Self attested copy of valid License under Contract Labour (R&A) Act.	Yes	
7.	Self attested copy of Certificate of Registration with the Labour Department.	Yes	
8.	Self attested copy of Employee Provident Fund (EPF) Registration Number	Yes	
9.	Self attested copy of Employee State Insurance (ESI) Registration Number	Yes	
10.	Self attested copy of PAN Card and IT Return for the last three financial years.	Yes	
11.	Self attested copy of GST Registration Number	Yes	
12.	Any other document as required by the Regional Passport Office, <Name of Passport Office>	Yes	

(Signature of the bidder)
Name and address
Telephone/ Fax/Email
Stamp / Seal

SECTION 5: FINANCIAL BID

The Ministry shall open the financial bids of only those bidders who have been declared technically qualified by the Tender Evaluation Committee. The bidder must submit their financial bid in the prescribed format (BOQ.XXXX File) and no other format is acceptable. Bidders are required to download the BOQ File, open it and complete the unprotected cells with their respective financial quotes [the rate per unit for each item in both figures and words (with VAT)] and other details (such as name of the bidder). No other cells should be changed. Once the details have been completed, the bidder should save it and submit it online, without changing the file name. If the BOQ file is found to be modified by the bidder, the bid will be rejected. The bidders are strictly advised to refrain from by quoting unrealistic prices, at which they may not be able to provide services later.

The table below given is only for reference purpose. Financial Bid to be submitted online SEPARATELY in following format.

NAME OF THE WORK: PROVINDG HOUSEKEEPING SERVICES AT PASSPORT SEVA KENDRA, AGARTALA UNDER RPO, KOLKATA/ MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

PRICE SCHEDULE

(This BOQ template must not be modified/replaced by the bidder and the scanned copy of duly filled in BOQ should be uploaded in *.pdf format after filling the relevant columns, else the bid is liable to be rejected. Bidders are allowed to enter the Bidder Name and Values only)			
Name of the firm:			
SL No.	Particulars	Monthly Rate for one staff	Monthly Amount for total staff
Statutory components for Unskilled Workers			
1	Wages		
2	ESI		
3	EPF		
4	Bonus		
5	Total of above (A)		
Other component			
6	Uniform/other charges		
7	Material Cost		
8	Sundry/Overheads		
9	Management/Agency Fee		

10	Any Other Charges		
11	Total of above (B)		
12	Total of A & B = C		
13	GST on C		
14	Grand Total		

Wages should not be less than the minimum wages prescribed under the notification issued by the respective State Governments. Rates should be quoted per person per month inclusive of all statutory requirements as per the Minimum Wages Act of 1948. Revision of minimum wages as per Local State Government shall be incorporated in the rates as and when applicable.

i) Management/Agency fee must be quoted in amount only and not in percentage. **The bids having fee quoted in percentage or having “NIL” Management/agency fee shall be treated as unresponsive and will not be considered.**

ii) All Material/Goods/Machinery & Equipment required for keeping the premises spick and span shall be the responsibility of the bidder and their costs shall include the Price Bid.

iii) Payment will be made after deducting the applicable TDS.

Signature of the authorized signatory of the Tenderer with Seal of the firm/company

Name: _____

Mob No. _____ Date: _____

- Both technical and financial bid are to be submitted concurrently duly digitally signed on the Central Public Procurement Portal.
- The bidders shall have a valid digital signature certificate for participation in the online tender. The cost of digital signatures, if any, will be borne by respective bidder.
- Prospective bidders are accordingly advised to go through the instructions provided at Central Public Procurement Portal.

SECTION 6: GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

NOTE: Applicants/bidder should read these conditions carefully and comply strictly while submitting the Proposals

1. **Refund of EMD:** The EMD of unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded before 30th day of acceptance of the bid of the successful bidder. Successful bidder will have to execute an agreement with RPO, Kolkata/MEA on a Non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/-.

2. Penalty Clause:

a. Refusal or inability or delay by the successful bidder to provide services as per scope of work at the contracted rate may result in termination of the contract and forfeiting of performance guarantee as well as disqualification of the bidder from participating in future tenders.

b. Penalty will be charged @ 0.5% per day subject to maximum of 5% of monthly contract value, in case the services are not provided as per the scope of the work or the number of workers on duty on a particular day are found to be less than has been agreed to be provided by the Service Provider. Further, there will be deduction of proportionate wages from the monthly bill if the number of employees falls short during the respective month.

3. **Termination:** The RPO, Kolkata/MEA may terminate the Contract of the agency in case of the occurrence of any of the events specified below:

a. If the Agency becomes insolvent or goes into compulsory liquidation.

b. If the Agency, in the judgment of RPO, Kolkata/MEA has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing this Contract.

c. If the Agency submits to the RPO, Kolkata/MEA a false statement which has a material effect on the rights, obligations or interests of the RPO, Kolkata/MEA.

d. If the Agency places itself in position of conflict of interest or fails to disclose promptly any conflict of interest to the RPO, Kolkata/MEA.

e. If the Agency fails to provide the quality services as envisaged under this contract. In such an occurrence the RPO, Kolkata/MEA shall give a written prior notice of 15 days to the agency before terminating the Contract.

4. Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG)

The Successful bidder has to deposit Performance Guarantee, which will be a sum equivalent to 10% of the annual contract value in favour of "Regional Passport Officer, Kolkata in the form of Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR) / Demand Draft/Pay Order/Bank Guarantee from a Commercial Bank, before the commencement order is given and within 10 days of signing

of the agreement. The FDR/ Bank Gurantee shall have the validity for a period of 60 days beyond the date of completion of contract. In case, the contract is further extended beyond the initial period, the Performance Guarantee will have to be renewed accordingly.

The Performance Guarantee shall be refunded within 60 days of successful completion of the contract, provided there is no breach of contract. No interest shall be paid on the Performance Guarantee.

5. Forfeiture of PBG:

PBG in full or part may be forfeited in the following cases:

- a. When any terms and conditions of the Contract are breached.
- b. When the Agency fails to provide desired services satisfactorily.
- c. Notice of reasonable time will be given in case of forfeiture of PBG. The decision of *RPO, Kolkata/MEA* in this regard shall be final.
- d. If the agency requires an extension of time in completion of contractual service on account of occurrence of any hindrance, it shall apply in writing to the authority, which has placed the Work order for the same, immediately on occurrence of the hindrance but not after the stipulated time. The case will be examined and permission in writing will be necessary for the contractor.
- e. Service Delivery period may be extended with or without liquidated damages if the delay in the services is on account of hindrances beyond the control of the contractor.
- f. Any dispute settlement, difference or disagreement whatsoever, arising between the Contractor/Agency and *RPO, Kolkata/MEA*, out of or relating to the contract meaning, scope of work under this tender document or the validity or breach thereof, of Terms and Conditions or covering anything herein contained or arising out of this Tender document, shall be settled through mutual consultation. Where such dispute, difference or disagreement cannot be settled mutually or is not resolved by mutual consultation, either interested party may refer the dispute to sole Arbitrator, under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996. *Place of Arbitration shall be **Kolkata*** Language of Arbitration shall be English. Parties shall bear their own expenses, unless otherwise ordered by the Tribunal. The decision of sole Arbitrator shall be final and binding on both the parties.
- g. *The courts in Kolkata* shall have exclusive jurisdiction with respect to any legal dispute, difference or proceedings instituted by the Parties under this Tender document.
- h. The Agency shall be liable for forfeiture of its PBG or termination of contract for default if any, and to the extent that there is delay in performance or other failure to perform its obligations under the Contract is the result of an event of Force Majeure.

6. Force Majeure

a. For purposes of this clause, "Force Majeure" means an event beyond the control of the Contractor/Agency and not involving the Contractor's fault or negligence, and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but are not restricted to, acts of *RPO, Kolkata/MEA* in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, riot or commotion, earthquake, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.

b. If a Force Majeure situation arises, the Contractor/Agency shall promptly notify *RPO, Kolkata/MEA* in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by *RPO, Kolkata/MEA* in writing, the Consultant continues to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the Force Majeure event.

c. If, at any time, during the continuance of this contract, the performance in whole or in part by either party of any obligation under this contract is prevented or delayed by reasons of any war of hostility, acts of the public enemy, civil commotion, sabotage, fires, floods, explosions, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, lockouts or act of God (hereinafter referred to as events) provided notice of happenings of any such eventuality is given by either party to the other within 21 days from the date of occurrence thereof, neither party shall due to such event be entitled to terminate this contract nor shall either party have any claim for damages against other in respect of such non- performance or delay in performance, and services under the contract shall be resumed as soon as practicable after such an event come to an end or ceases to exist, and the decision of the *RPO, Kolkata/MEA* as to whether the services have been so resumed or not shall be final and conclusive. Further that if the performance in whole or part any obligation under this contract is prevented or delayed by reasons of any such event for a period exceeding 60 days, either party may, at its option, terminate the contract.

7. Governing Laws and Disputes

This shall be construed and governed by the Laws of the India and the parties hereby submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Kolkata Courts of Law.

8. Submission of Affidavit:

Interested Agency has to submit an Affidavit on Non Judicial Stamp Paper of Rs. 10/-. Specimen copy is attached at Annexure 'A'.

SECTION 7: INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE BID SUBMISSION

a) Instructions for Online Bid Submission:

The bidders are required to submit soft copies of their bids electronically on the CPP Portal, using valid Digital Signature Certificates. The instructions given below are meant to assist the bidders in registering on the CPP Portal, prepare their bids in accordance with the requirements and submitting their bids online on the CPP Portal. More information useful for submitting online bids on the CPP Portal may be obtained at: <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app>.

b) REGISTRATION

- 1) Bidders are required to enrol on the e-Procurement module of the Central Public Procurement Portal (URL: <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app>) by clicking on the link “**Online bidder Enrolment**” on the CPP Portal which is free of charge.
- 2) As part of the enrolment process, the bidders will be required to choose a unique username and assign a password for their accounts.
- 3) Bidders are advised to register their valid email address and mobile numbers as part of the registration process. These would be used for any communication from the CPP Portal.
- 4) Upon enrolment, the bidders will be required to register their valid Digital Signature Certificate (Class II or Class III Certificates with signing key usage) issued by any Certifying Authority recognized by CCA India (e.g. Sify / TCS / nCode / eMudhra etc.), with their profile.
- 5) Only one valid DSC should be registered by a bidder. Please note that the bidders are responsible to ensure that they do not lend their DSC's to others which may lead to misuse.
- 6) Bidder then logs in to the site through the secured log-in by entering their user ID / password and the password of the DSC / e-Token.

c) SEARCHING FOR TENDER DOCUMENTS

- 1) There are various search options built in the CPP Portal, to facilitate bidders to search active tenders by several parameters. These parameters could include Tender ID, Organization Name, Location, Date, Value, etc. There is also an option of advanced search for tenders, wherein the bidders may combine a number of search parameters such as Organization Name, Form of Contract, Location, Date, Other keywords etc. to search for a tender published on the CPP Portal.
- 2) Once the bidders have selected the tenders they are interested in, they may download the required documents / tender schedules. These tenders can be moved to the respective 'My Tenders' folder. This would enable the CPP Portal to intimate the bidders through SMS / email in case there is any corrigendum issued to the tender document.
- 3) The bidder should make a note of the unique Tender ID assigned to each tender, in case they want to obtain any clarification / help from the

Helpdesk.

d) PREPARATION OF BIDS

- 1) Bidder should take into account any corrigendum published on the tender document before submitting their bids.
- 2) Bidders are requested to go through the tender advertisement and the tender document carefully to understand the documents required to be submitted as part of the bid. Please note the number of covers in which the bid documents have to be submitted, the number of documents - including the names and content of each of the document that need to be submitted. Any deviations from these may lead to rejection of the bid.
- 3) Bidder, in advance, should get ready the bid documents to be submitted as indicated in the tender document / schedule and generally, they can be in PDF / XLS / RAR / DWF/JPG formats. Bid documents may be scanned with 100 dpi with black and white option which helps in reducing size of the scanned document.
- 4) To avoid the time and effort required in uploading the same set of standard documents which are required to be submitted as a part of every bid, a provision of uploading such standard documents (e.g. PAN card copy, annual reports, auditor certificates etc.) has been provided to the bidders. Bidders can use “My Space” or “Other Important Documents” area available to them to upload such documents. These documents may be directly submitted from the “My Space” area while submitting a bid, and need not be uploaded again and again. This will lead to a reduction in the time required for bid submission process.

e) SUBMISSION OF BIDS

- 1) Bidder should log into the site well in advance for bid submission so that they can upload the bid in time i.e. on or before the bid submission time. Bidder will be responsible for any delay due to other issues.
- 2) The bidder has to digitally sign and upload the required bid documents one by one as indicated in the tender document.
- 3) Bidder has to select the payment option as “offline” to pay the tender fee/EMD as applicable and enter details of the instrument.
- 4) Bidder should prepare the EMD as per the instructions specified in the tender document. The original should be posted/couriered/given in person to the concerned official, latest by the last date of bid submission or as specified in the tender documents. The details of the DD/any other accepted instrument, physically sent, should tally with the details available in the scanned copy and the data entered during bid submission time. Otherwise the uploaded bid will be rejected.
- 5) Bidders are requested to note that they should necessarily submit their financial bids in the format provided and no other format is acceptable. If the price bid has been given as a standard BoQ format with the tender document, then the same is to be downloaded and to be filled by all the bidders. Bidders are required to download the BoQ file, open it and complete the white coloured (unprotected) cells with their respective financial quotes and other details (such as name of the bidder). No other cells should be

changed. Once the details have been completed, the bidder should save it and submit it online, without changing the file name. If the BoQ file is found to be modified by the bidder, the bid will be rejected.

6) The server time (which is displayed on the bidders' dashboard) will be considered as the standard time for referencing the deadlines for submission of the bids by the bidders, opening of bids etc. The bidders should follow this time during bid submission.

7) All the documents being submitted by the bidders would be encrypted using PKI encryption techniques to ensure the secrecy of the data. The data entered cannot be viewed by unauthorized persons until the time of bid opening.

The confidentiality of the bids is maintained using the secured Socket Layer 128 bit encryption technology. Data storage encryption of sensitive fields is done. Any bid document that is uploaded to the server is subjected to symmetric encryption using a system generated symmetric key. Further this key is subjected to asymmetric encryption using buyers/bid openers public keys. Overall, the uploaded tender documents become readable only after the tender opening by the authorized bid openers.

8) The uploaded tender documents become readable only after the tender opening by the authorized bid openers.

9) Upon the successful and timely submission of bids (ie after Clicking "Freeze Bid Submission" in the portal), the portal will give a successful bid submission message & a bid summary will be displayed with the bid no. and the date & time of submission of the bid with all other relevant details.

10) The bid summary has to be printed and kept as an acknowledgement of the submission of the bid. This acknowledgement may be used as an entry pass for any bid opening meetings.

f) ASSISTANCE TO BIDDERS

1) Any queries relating to the tender document and the terms and conditions contained therein should be addressed to the Tender Inviting Authority for a tender or the relevant contact person indicated in the tender.

2) Any queries relating to the process of online bid submission or queries relating to CPP Portal in general may be directed to the 24x7 CPP Portal Helpdesk. The contact number for the helpdesk is 1800 3070 2232.

(ON NON-JUDICIAL STAMP PAPER OF RS. 10/-)

AFFIDAVIT

I/we _____ Partner(s)/legal Attorney/Proprietor(s)/Accredited Representative(s) of M/s _____

_____solemnly declare that:

2. I/we are submitting tender for Housekeeping & Pest Control Services against _____ Tender _____ Notice No. _____ dated _____.
3. I/we or our partners do not have any relative working in *RPO Kolkata* or in any other offices of Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.
4. All information furnished by me/us in respect of fulfilment of eligibility criteria and information given in this tender is complete, correct and true. All documents/credentials submitted along with this tender are genuine, true and valid.
5. My/our bid shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the last date fixed for the bid submission in accordance with the Bidding Documents and shall be binding upon us and maybe accepted at any time before the expiry of the period.
6. If my/our bid is accepted, we commit to submit a Performance Security Deposit in accordance with the Bidding Documents.
7. The Price-Bid submitted by me/us is "WITHOUT ANY CONDITION".
8. If any information or document submitted is found to be false/incorrect, *RPO,...../MEA* may cancel my/our Tender and can take any action as deemed fit including termination of the contract, forfeiture of all dues including Earnest Money (EMD) and blacklisting of my/our firm and all partners of the firm etc.
9. I/we also declare that the Government of India or any other Government body has not issued any show-cause notice or declared us ineligible or blacklisted us on charges of engaging in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices or any failure/lapses of serious nature.
10. I/we also accept all the terms and conditions of this bidding document and undertake to abide by them; including the condition that *RPO,...../MEA* is not bound lowest bid.

(Signature of the Tenderer with Seal)

Seal of Notary

Date: