Name of the package Construction of 765/400 kV ICT & 765 kV Bays including SPR Rooms, common facilities for the augmentation portion of 765/400/220kV Koppal-II PS under "System strengthening at Koppal-II and Gadag-II for integration of RE generation projects" under SR-II.

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Annexure-C (BDS)

Conditions for participation for e-Reverse Auction at PRANIT Portal (http://etender.powergrid.in)

POWERGRID propose to conduct e-Reverse Auction **as per ITB Clause 29** for Construction of 765/400 kV ICT & 765 kV Bays including SPR Rooms, common facilities for the augmentation portion of 765/400/220kV Koppal-II PS under "System strengthening at Koppal-II and Gadag-II for integration of RE generation projects" under SR-II..

1. **Bidders are required to go through the guidelines given below and submit their acceptance to the same.**

2. e-Reverse Auction (RA) will be conducted by **POWERGRID** at PRANIT Portal, on pre-specified date and time (***which shall be intimated to all the successful bidders through e-Reverse Auction Notice / e-mail***), while the bidders shall quote from their own offices/ place of their choice. Internet connectivity shall be ensured by the respective agencies themselves.

3. **POWERGRID** shall arrange to demonstrate/ train (if not trained earlier) bidders' nominated person(s), without any cost. They will also explain all the Rules related to e-Reverse Auction/ Business Rules Document to be adopted along with bid manual. Bidders are required to give their compliance to it before start of bid process to POWERGRID. **Further, shortlisted Bidders at their own discretion may ask for additional training to use the e-RA platform well in advance before start of the e-RA event by contacting POWERGRID at any suitable time. All such additional trainings shall also be free of cost**.

4. The start bid price (SBP) for e-Reverse Auction is mentioned under items tab of the related Auction on the portal. System shall automatically submit corrected bid prices derived from the original price bid of respective bidders as their first bid. Bidders can view the corrected bid prices at Corrected Bid Price Summary Link of related Auction in their login at PRANIT Portal (https://etender.powergrid.in).

5. Procedure of e-Reverse Auctioning:

   i. Bidders shall enter the Lumpsum price in line with clause 4 above for the total scope for subject Package. **The minimum decrement, which a bidder can offer is mentioned under items tab of the related Auction on the Portal.**

ii. Any new bids placed by a bidder must beat overall best bid.

iii. The bid prices received under e-RA shall be evaluated on the basis of evaluation method specified in the bidding document and the final evaluated prices thus obtained shall be used for comparison of bids.

iv. In case bidders do not participate in Reverse Auction, their original price bid **as opened, if valid**, shall be considered for evaluation.

v. In case the bidder submits more than one successive bid, the lowest bid will be considered as final offer of the bidder to sell/ execute the work.

6. Successful bidder (**after e-RA**) shall furnish price confirmation to POWERGRID, duly signed and stamped (without any new condition other than those already agreed before start of Reverse Auction) within an hour of conclusion of e-Reverse Auction.

In the above confirmation, the bidder shall furnish the break-up of final price quoted in Reverse Auction under individual head of the template **[i.e. CIF/Ex-works Price, Port handling & Custom clearance, Local Transportation, In-transit Insurance, loading and unloading, Installation Charges, Type Test Charges, Training Charges, Customs Duty, GST for supply of Goods and Installation Services etc., as applicable]** in line with price schedule (already available with them).

Unless other-wise stated in the above break-up, decrease in the price of individual head of the template shall be considered proportionately on all individual line items of the respective head of the price schedules.

In case, there is any variation between the final price quoted in Reverse Auction and the signed document received after Auction, the first i.e. Closing Price in Auction will be taken final offered price by the bidder.

Bidders will not be permitted to increase unit rate of any item submitted in their original bid.

7. **Auction shall be for a period of 120 minutes. Bidders shall be able to view the following on their screens along with the necessary fields during the auction.**

a. Rank of the respective bidder
b. Bid Placed by the respective bidder.
c. Price of L1 bidder.

The L1 price would be visible to all the bidders who have placed valid bids. However, identity of the L1 bidder or any other bidder would not be disclosed during entire e-Reverse Auction process. In case any other bidder choses to bid a lower price, such bidders shall be required to breach the prevailing L1 price by bidding a price lower than the prevailing L1 price by atleast the amount of decrement mentioned under items tab of the auction in the portal.

The bidding would continue with an auto extension of 20 minutes time if any bidder bids a price lower than that of the prevailing L1 bidder by at least the amount of the specified decrement within the 20 minutes of the eReverse Auction, to be the L1 bidder till the time there is no change in the prevailing L1 price within final 20 minutes.

Any bid received at the server end subsequent to closure of the e-RA shall be summarily rejected and shall not be considered as a valid bid under whatsoever circumstances.

However, POWERGRID reserves the right to defer and/or resume e-RA if server is down (i.e. inaccessible/ inoperative) for a prolonged period of time.

8. During Auction, if no bid is received within the specified time, POWERGRID, at its discretion, may decide to close the reverse auction process/ proceed with conventional mode of tendering (Evaluation of Part-II (Price bid) submitted by bidders earlier).

9. Bids once made by the bidder cannot be cancelled/ withdrawn. If any bidder backs out and not make the supplies/execute the work as per the offered price, POWERGRID shall take appropriate necessary action as per the provisions of Bidding Document.

10. Each Bidder shall be assigned Unique Login Credentials- User Name & Password by **POWERGRID.** Bidders are advised to change the Password after the receipt of initial Password to ensure confidentiality. All bids made from the Login ID given to the bidder will be deemed to have been made by the bidder. **Bidder is also advised to log into the portal at least once before start of the e-RA event and keep its user credentials safe and secure. POWERGRID shall not extend or post pone the e-RA event if bidder is unable to login as it forgot user credentials**.

11. Consequent upon completion of e-Reverse Auction, POWERGRID's decision on award of contract shall be final and binding on all the bidders.

12. POWERGRID shall be at liberty to call the L1 bidder for further process/ negotiation/ cancel, **recall and issue a corrigendum to** the e-reverse auction process/ re-tender at any time, without assigning any reason thereof.

13. POWERGRID shall not have any liability to bidders for any interruption or delay in access to the site irrespective of the cause.

14. POWERGRID can decide to reschedule or cancel any Auction; the bidders shall be informed accordingly.

15. The bidder shall not involve himself or any of his representatives in price manipulation of any kind directly or indirectly by communicating with other bidders.

16. The bidder shall not divulge either his bid or any other exclusive details of POWERGRID to any other party.

17. Other terms and conditions shall be as per the bidding documents and bidder's techno-commercial offer.

18. All bidders are required to submit acceptance to the terms/ conditions/ modalities given above before start of Reverse Auction, without which they will not be eligible to participate in e-Reverse Auction.

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