

National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG)
Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation
Ministry of Jal Shakti

Name of Project: Expression of Interest for Empanelment of Agencies for Sewage Sludge Recycle and Reuse under Circular Economy under Arth Ganga

Ref. No.: Ad-41011/2/2022-ESS dated 13.06.2022 (e-Tender ID: 2022_NMFCG_694461_1)

Responses to Pre-Application Queries

Date: 06th July 2022

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1	Technical Criteria / Page 14 / 4.1 (a) (ii)	Such that capacity of such plant/business shall not be less than 10 Metric Ton per day.	Safe Sludge treatment and related recycling to ensure circular economy & sustainability, has gained traction in the country in recent years. Henceforth, requesting you to kindly change it to any capacity to facilitate sustainable processes for sludge treatment/recycling/reuse etc. (10MT/day capacity is the only criteria, restricting us to apply to this EOI).	As per EOI document
2	Section II; Clause 4, 4.1, (a), (i)	The Applicant shall have the experience of having developed and implemented at least one sludge recycling business model which is private & self-sustained on its own or one with viability gap funding through PPP or any other mode of PPP from a government agency or full funded through government funding for domestic/ industrial sludge.	Sludge has been niche business and business model has not been adopted in wide way specially through PPP mode. In view of the same, the said qualification criteria is stringent and should be relaxed	As per criteria provided in EOI document, non-PPP projects also considered for evaluation.
3	Section II; Clause 4, 4.1, (a), (iii)	Experience in solid waste composting experience can also be considered if the Applicant can prove the capability and a clear business plan for sludge recycling	Solid waste experience is totally different from Sludge management experience. In view of this, we request you to refrain such experience	As per EOI document
4	Section II; Clause 4, 4.1, (a), (iv)	Projects submitted for claiming experience could have adopted any technology that is successfully operational and delivering desired results in last 5 years	We request client to consider the experience of last 10 years instead of last 5 years. Please confirm	Please refer to Addendum No.1
5	Section II; Clause 4, 4.1, (a), (ix)	for certificates experience that are issued overseas, the document will also have to be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarised in the jurisdiction where the certificate is being issued. However, the certificate provided by the Applicants from countries that have signed The Hague Legislation Convention, 1961 are not required to be legalised by the Indian Embassy if it carries a conforming Apostille certificate	For attestation of certificates from Indian embassy, It requires quantum of time. The applicant submitting the certificates for project references are responsible for their submissions and attestation if required can be done either at proposal stage or contact reference of client can be shared for verification. Please confirm	As per EOI document

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6	General	-	Please clarify if a firm participates in this bid, doesn't not count as addition number of Projects with NMCG. As there is a clause in PE RFPs that a bidder will be allowed to participate for limited number of tender/s	Yes.
7	General	-	Please confirm if there shall be two stages of participation in Empanelment, a. As consultant b. As developer Please confirm the stage of this EOI / Empanelment notice	This is only for empanelment.
8	4.2 (a), Net Worth and Turnover	While we are in compliance with regards to the Technical Criteria stated in EOI document clause 4.1 we request you to give us reprieve in Financial Criteria as stated in Clause 4.2. This is because due to covid situation in the last couple of years there was a challenge to the business situation.	Request average network for last three years be revised to Rs 1.5 Cr We request that average turnover for last three years be revised to Rs 2 Cr. We therefore request the authority to give us relaxation in NetWorth & Turnover criteria as above so that we can participate in the EOI.	Please refer to Addendum No.1