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BID IDENTIFICATION NO: AEGCL/DGM/LAC/TT/TLS-69/2025/800; Dated: 04-08-2025

Bidding Document For

Survey of 132kV Baghjap-HPC transmission line.

DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER, LOWER ASSAM T&T CIRCLE, AEGCL NARENGI, GUWAHATI-26

SECTION - 1

INSTRUCTION TO BIDDER

1.1.0 INTRODUCTION:-

- 1.1.1 The Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam, T&T Circle, AEGCL on behalf of Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Ltd, hereinafter referred to as AEGCL or Purchaser invites sealed tenders in prescribed form, from reputed firms/ contractors with sound technical and financial capabilities for the following work. A single stage two envelope procedure (Techno-Commercial and Price Bid) will be adopted for this tender.
 - a) Name of Work :- Survey of 132kV Baghjap-HPC transmission line.
 - b) Estimated Value for Work :- Rs. 3,34,530.00 (Rupees Three Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty) only including taxes.
 - c) Fund: O&M HQ LAR for FY 2025-26 subject to recoupment from Deposit fund of AIDC/ TATA.
 - d) Key Dates: Refer to NIT.
 - e) Bidding address :-

O/o The Deputy General Manager Lower Assam, T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi.Guwahati-26

- f) Interested contractors may obtain further information from the office of the Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi, Guwahati 781026, Assam. [e-mail: dgmttc.guwahati@aegcl.co.in]
- g) Cost of Bidding: The bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid and AEGCL will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs.

Tender Paper Cost and Mode of Payment:

The cost of the tender paper is **Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) only** to be pledged in favour of "**AEGCL**, **Guwahati**" (in the form of A/C payee DD/Bankers Cheque)

1.2.0 BIDDING PROCEDURE :-

Two envelope bidding procedure will be adopted. Bidders are to submit two sealed envelopes simultaneously, one containing the technical & Commercial proposal, Part–I (Technical & Commercial Bid) and the other containing the price proposal Part-II (Price Bid), enclosed together in one sealed envelope. Initially, only the Part-I bids shall be opened. Part-I proposals submitted by bidders, which do not conform to the specified requirement, may be rejected as deficient bids. The Part-II (Price Bid) proposals of technically qualified bidders will be opened at a date and time, which will be informed to all the qualified bidders of Part-I.

1.3.0 SCOPE OF WORK :-

The bidder's scope of work shall include survey of 132kV Baghjap – HPC Transmission line and preparation of detailed report for the work as per bid specifications (as applicable) and BOQ.

1.4.0 TIME SCHEDULE:

The successful bidder will be expected to complete the works within 2 (two) months from the issue of techno-commercially clear order/ LOA.

1.5.0 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA OF THE BIDDER:

- 1.5.1 A Bidder may be a private entity or a government-owned entity or any combination of such entity with the intent to enter into an agreement supported by a letter of intent or under an existing agreement in the form of a joint venture, consortium or association.
- 1.5.2 No **Joint Venture (JV)** shall be allowed.
- 1.5.3 A Bidder shall have Indian nationality. A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Bidder is a national or is constituted, incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of Republic of India.
- 1.5.4 AEGCL considers a **conflict of interest** to be a situation in which a party has interests that could improperly influence that party's performance of official duties or responsibilities, contractual obligations, or compliance with applicable laws and regulations, and that such conflict of interest may contribute to or constitute a prohibited practice under Anticorruption Policy of Government of India and Government Of Assam. In pursuance Anticorruption Policy's requirement that Employer as well

as bidders, suppliers, and contractors observe the highest standard of ethics. AEGCL will take appropriate actions if it determines that a conflict of interest has flawed the integrity of any procurement process.

1.5.5 A firm that is under a declaration of ineligibility by the AEGCL or any Government Entity or PSU at the date of the deadline for bid submission or thereafter i.e. on or before contract signing date shall be disqualified. Bidders shall provide such evidence of their continued eligibility satisfactory to the AEGCL, as the Employer shall reasonably request.

1.6.0 FINANCIAL CAPABILITY

- 1.6.1 Bidder will require to submit along with the bid the audited balance sheets and other legal financial statements acceptable to AEGCL, for the last 3 (three) years to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidders financial position and its prospective long term profitability. As a minimum, an Applicant's net worth calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive. Wherever necessary the Employer may make enquiries with Bidder's bankers.
- 1.6.2 Average Annual Turnover: Minimum average annual turnover INR 1,65,000.00 calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last 3 (Three) Years.
- 1.6.3 Financial Resources: Bidder needs to demonstrate access to, or availability of, financial resources such as liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and other financial means, other than any contractual advance payments to meet:
 - (1) the cash-flow requirement of atleast 70% of the work value and
 - (2) the overall cash flow requirements for this contract and its current works commitment.
- 1.6.4 Bidder must keep GST liabilities up to date and non-payment of GST liabilities and non-filing of relevant GST return more than 3 (three) months shall be reckoned as GST defaulter and this may be considered a cause for disqualification of a bidder and the bid may be rejected.
- 1.6.5 The Contractor must furnish their Bank Solvency Certificate to show the bidder's financial position indicating the amount by concerned authority in necessary format as per their banks

1.7.0 EXPERIENCE:

- 1.7.1 Experience in similar nature of works under contracts in the role of contractor/ surveyor for at least the last 7 (seven) years prior to the bid submission deadline.
- 1.7.2 Participation as manufacturer/ contractor Experience having successfully completed similar works during last 7 years ending last day of the month previous to the one in which applications are invited should be either of the following:
 - (a) Three (3) similar completed works costing not less than 40% of total estimated cost.
 - (b) Two (2) similar completed works costing not less than 50% of total estimated cost.
 - (c) One (1) similar completed works costing not less than 80% of total estimated cost.
- 1.7.3 The Bidder must have experience of executing work of similar nature previously in any Govt. organization/ PSU. The bidder must submit experience and completion certificate for scrutiny by AEGCL. Each of such project/ works should consist of completion certificate.

1.8.0 LITIGATION HISTORY

Bidders shall submit details of all litigation, arbitration or other claims, whether pending, threatened or resolved in the last five years, with the exception of immaterial claims with a cumulative impact of not more than 10% of their total assets. The Employer may disqualify bidders in the event that the total amount of pending or threatened litigation or other claims represent more than 50% of their total assets.

1.9.0 DOCUMENTS COMPRISING THE BID

- 1.9.1 The bid submitted by the bidder shall comprise two envelopes submitted simultaneously, one containing only the technical proposal and the other the price proposal.
- 1.9.2 The Technical Bid submitted by bidders shall contain the following:
 - a) Bid Submission Sheet
 - b) Documentary evidence to establish that the Bidder meet the qualifying requirements in accordance with Clause 1.5.0.
 - c) Documents to be furnished as per Clause 1.9.3
 - d) The Bid Guarantee (Bid Security) in accordance with Clause 1.20.0 & its sub-clauses of this Section.
 - e) All Bidding Schedules properly filled up including Price Bid Schedules.
 - f) All other information and documents as required in the Technical Specification

- 1.9.3 To establish its eligibility and qualifications to perform the contract, the bidder shall provide along with the above-mentioned documents the following additional documents (mandatory) on qualifying requirements such as:
 - a) Copies of original documents defining the constitution or legal status, place of registration, and principal place of business, written power of attorney of the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder.
 - b) Copies of valid Labour License issued by competent authority in the State of Assam or in the State where the bidder's business is registered
 - c) Copies of PAN, GST Registration Certificate as per Goods & Services Tax laws alongwith up-to-date GST return acknowledgement receipt.
 - d) Total monetary value of similar work performed by the bidder in each of the last three years.
 - e) Experience in works of a similar nature and volume for each of the last three years, and details of works under way or contractually committed in AEGCL or any other Govt. entity/PSU who may be contacted for further information on those contracts.
 - f) Qualifications and experience of key site management and technical personnel proposed for the Contract.
 - g) Reports on the financial standing of the Bidder, such as profit and loss statements and audited annual accounts certified by CA of the company for the last three years including IT return duly acknowledged by the tax department for the last three years.
 - h) Evidence of adequacy of working capital for this contract (access to line (s) of credit and availability of other financial resources).
 - i) Information regarding any litigation, current or during the last five years, in which the Bidder is involved, the parties concerned, and disputed amount.
- 1.9.2 Even though the bidders meet the above qualifying criteria, they are subject to be disqualified if they have made misleading or false representations in the forms, statements and attachments submitted in proof of the qualification requirements.
- 1.9.3 Notwithstanding anything stated herein above, AEGCL reserves the right to assess the capacity and capability of the bidder to execute the work, should the circumstance warrant such assessment in the overall interest of AEGCL.

1.10.0 DOCUMENTS ESTABLISHING CONFORMITY OF THE GOODS AND SERVICES

- 1.10.1 The documentary evidence of the conformity of the goods and services to the Bidding Document may be in the form of literature, drawings and data, and shall furnish:
 - a) A detailed description of the essential technical and performance characteristics of the goods and services, including the functional guarantees of the Goods, in response to the Specification;
 - b) A commentary on the Purchaser's Specification and adequate evidence demonstrating the substantial responsiveness of the plant and services to those specifications. Bidders shall note that standards for workmanship, materials and equipment designated by the Purchaser in the Bidding Document are intended to be descriptive (establishing standards of quality and performance) only and not restrictive. The Bidder may substitute alternative standards, brand names and/or catalog numbers in its bid, provided that it demonstrates to the Purchaser's satisfaction that the substitutions are substantially equivalent or superior to the standards designated in the Specification.

1.11.0 SITE VISIT

The interested bidders are advised to visit any grid substation of AEGCL and examine the site of works and its surroundings and obtain for itself on its own responsibility all information that may be necessary for preparing the bid. The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the bidder's own expense.

1.12.0 CLARIFICATION ON BIDDING DOCUMENTS:-

1.12.1 A prospective bidder requiring any clarification of the bidding documents may notify AEGCL in writing at the following address-Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi, Guwahati-26

AEGCL will respond to any request for clarification which it receives earlier than 7 (seven) days prior to the deadline for submission of bids.

1.12.2 Verbal clarification and information given by AEGCL or its employee(s) or representative (s) shall not in any way be binding on AEGCL.

1.13.0 AMENDMENT OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS

1.13.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of bids, the AEGCL may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective bidder, modify the bidding documents by issuing addenda.

1.13.2 Any addendum thus issued shall be part of the bidding documents pursuant to Sub-Clause, and shall be communicated in writing or by fax to all purchasers of the bidding documents. Prospective bidders shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum by fax to AEGCL.

1.14.0 LANGUAGE OF BID

1.14.1 The bid, and all correspondence and documents related to the bid, exchanged between the bidder and AEGCL shall be written in the English language. Supporting documents and printed literature furnished by the bidder shall also be in English language.

1.15.0 BID FORM AND PRICE SCHEDULES

1.15.1 The Bidder shall complete the Bid Form and the appropriate Price Schedules furnished in the bidding documents in the manner and detail indicated therein.

1.16.0 BID PRICES

- 1.16.1 Bidders shall give a breakdown of the prices in the manner and detail called for in the **Schedules of Prices**.
- 1.16.2 In the Schedules, Bidders shall give the required details and a breakdown of their prices, including all taxes, duties, levies, and charges payable as of twenty eight (28) days prior to the deadline for submission of bids, as follows:
 - (a) Plant and equipment (**Schedules of Prices**) shall be quoted on an EXW (ex-factory, ex-works, ex-warehouse or off-the-shelf, as applicable). All taxes and duties taxes as applicable and freight and insurance shall be indicated separately.
- 1.16.3 <u>Price Adjustment</u>: Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be FIRM during performance of the contract. Duties and Taxes shall be adjusted, except there is variation due to changes in legislation of the Country.

1.17.0 INSURANCE

The Bidder shall insure the Works/Materials (in transit and at the site) in accordance with the requirements of General Conditions of Contract. The Bidder shall provide details of the policies that he intends to take out as part of his Bid submission. The bid price shall include all costs in pursuance of fulfilling insurance liabilities under the contract.

1.18.0 BID VALIDITY

- 1.18.1 Bids shall remain valid for a period of **180 (One Eighty)** days after the date of opening of Technical Bids.
- 1.18.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to expiry of the original bid validity period, AEGCL may request that the bidders extend the period of validity for a specified additional period. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing. A bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. A bidder agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to modify its bid, but will be required to extend the validity of its bid security for the period of the extension, and in compliance with Clause 1.19.0 in all respects.

1.19.0 BID SECURITY (EARNEST MONEY)

- 1.19.2 For participation in the bidding procedure, participants must compulsorily pay the Bid Security / Earnest Money Deposit of **Rs. 6,700.00** (Rupees Six Thousand Seven Hundred) only in the form of DD/Fixed Deposit/bank Guarantee/Banker's Cheque in favour of 'AEGCL, Guwahati'. The bid security shall remain valid for 30 days beyond the original validity period for the bid, and beyond any period of extension subsequently requested.
- 1.19.3 Any bid not accompanied by an acceptable bid security shall be rejected as non-responsive.
- 1.19.4 The bid securities of unsuccessful bidders will be returned as promptly as possible, against written request from the unsuccessful bidders.
- 1.19.5 The bid security of the successful bidder will be returned when the bidder has signed the Contract Agreement and furnished the required performance security.
- 1.19.6 The bid security may be forfeited
 - (a) if the bidder withdraws its bid, except as provided in Sub-Clause 1.24.1;
 - (b) if the bidder does not accept the correction of its bid price, pursuant to Sub-Clause 1.24. or
 - (c) in the case of a successful bidder, if it fails within the specified time limit to
 - (i) sign the Contract Agreement,
 - (ii) furnish the required performance security.
- 1.19.7 No interest shall be payable by AEGCL on the above bid guarantee.

1.20.0 ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS BY BIDDERS

1.20.1 Bidders shall submit offers, which comply with the Bidding Documents, including the basic AEGCL's Requirements as indicated in the bidding documents. Alternatives will not be considered. The attention of bidders is drawn to the provisions of Clause 1.29.0 regarding the rejection of bids which are not substantially responsive to the requirements of the bidding documents.

1.21.0 FORMAT AND SIGNING OF BID

- 1.21.1 The bidder shall prepare one original and two copies of the bid proposal, clearly marking each one as: "ORIGINAL- BID PROPOSAL, etc as appropriate. In the event of discrepancy between the original and any copy, the original shall prevail.
- 1.21.2 The original and all copies of the bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink (in the case of copies, Photostats are also acceptable) and shall be signed by a person or persons duly authorized to sign on behalf of the bidder. All pages of the bid where entries or amendments have been made shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.
- 1.21.3 The bid shall contain no alterations, omissions or additions, except those to comply with instructions issued by AEGCL, or as necessary to correct errors made by the bidder, in which case such corrections shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.
- 1.21.4 The Bidders must submit the Bid Guarantee in separate sealed envelope, super-scribed as under:

"BID GUARANTEE (Name of the Package)"

- 1.21.5 The Bid must contain the name, residence and place of business of the person or persons making the Bid and must be signed and sealed by the Bidder with his usual signature. The names of all persons signing should also be typed or printed below the signature.
- 1.21.6 Bids by Corporation / Company must be signed with the legal name of the Corporation/Company by the President, Managing Director or by the Secretary or other person or persons authorized to Bid on behalf of such Corporation/Company in the matter.
- 1.21.7 A Bid by a person who affixes to his signature the word 'President', 'Managing Director', 'Secretary', 'Agent', or other designation without disclosing his principal will be rejected.
- 1.21.8 Satisfactory evidence of authority of the person signing on behalf of the Bidder shall be furnished with the Bid.
- 1.21.9 The Bidder's name stated on the proposal shall be exact legal name of the firm
- 1.21.10 Bids not conforming to the above requirements of signing may be disqualified.
- 1.21.11 If the outer envelope is not sealed and not marked as above, AEGCL will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid.
- 1.21.12 The Bid must be accompanied with requisite BID SECURITY in a separate sealed cover.
- 1.21.13 The Bidders have the option of sending the Bids by post/courier or in person. Bids submitted by Telex/ Telegram/Fax will not be accepted. No request from any Bidder to AEGCL to collect the proposal from Airlines/Cargo Agents etc shall be entertained by AEGCL.

1.22.0 DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS

- 1.22.1 Bids must be received by AEGCL at the address specified above no later than refer to NIT.
- 1.22.2 AEGCL may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for submission of bids by issuing an addendum in accordance with Clause 1.13.0, in which case all rights and obligations of AEGCL and the bidders previously subject to the original deadline will thereafter be subject to the deadlines extended.

1.23.0 LATE BIDS

1.23.1 Any bid received by AEGCL after the deadline for submission of bids prescribed in Clause 1.22.0 will be rejected and returned unopened to the bidder.

1.24.0 WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

- 1.24.1 The bidder may withdraw its bid after bid submission, provided that written notice of the withdrawal is received by AEGCL prior to the deadline for submission of bids.
- 1.24.2 The bidder's withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked and delivered with the envelopes additionally marked "WITHDRAWAL".
- 1.24.3 Withdrawal of a bid during the interval between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified in Sub-Clause 1.18.0 may result in the forfeiture of the bid security pursuant to Sub-Clause 1.19.6.

1.25.0 OPENING OF BIDS

1.25.1 AEGCL will open the Technical Bids (Part-I), in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend; at the following location:

Deputy General Manager. LA T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi Guwahati-26

The bidders' representatives who are present shall sign a register evidencing their attendance.

- 1.25.2 Envelopes marked "WITHDRAWAL" shall be opened and read out first. Bids for which an acceptable notice of withdrawal has been submitted pursuant to Claus 1.24.0 shall not be opened.
- 1.25.3 The bidders' names, the Bid Prices, the presence or absence of Bid Security, and such other details as AEGCL may consider appropriate, will be announced and recorded by AEGCL at the opening. The bidders' representatives will be required to sign this record.

1.26.0 PROCESS TO BE CONFIDENTIAL

1.26.1 Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation and comparison of bids and recommendations for the award of a contract shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process. Any effort by a bidder to influence AEGCL's processing of bids or award decisions may result in the rejection of the bidder's bid.

1.27.0 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF BIDS AND DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIVENESS

- 1.27.1 Prior to the detailed evaluation of bids, AEGCL will examine the bids to determine whether they are complete and all documents as per Clause 1.9.0 are provided or not, whether the documents have been properly signed, whether the required security is included, and whether the bids are generally in order and provides any clarifications and/or substantiation that AEGCL may require pursuant to Clause 1.27.0.
- 1.27.2 A substantially responsive bid is one which conforms to all the terms, conditions and requirements of the bidding documents, without material deviation or reservation and includes the amendments and changes, if any. AEGCL may waive any minor non-conformity or irregularity in a Bid which does not constitute a material deviation or reservation, provided such deviation or reservation does not (i) affect in any substantial way the scope, quality or performance of the Works; (ii) limit in any substantial way, inconsistent with the bidding document, AEGCL's rights or bidder's obligations under the contract; or (iii) whose rectification would affect unfairly the competitive position of other bidder's presenting substantially responsive bids.
- 1.27.3 Any bids found to be non-responsive for any reason or not meeting the minimum levels of the performance or other criteria specified in the bidding documents will be rejected by AEGCL and not included for further consideration.

1.28.0 CLARIFICATION OF BID PROPOSALS AND CONTACTING AEGCL

- 1.28.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of Bids, AEGCL may, at its discretion, ask any bidder for clarification of its bid. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing or by mail, but no change in the price or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered or permitted except as required to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by AEGCL in the evaluation of the bids in accordance with Clause 1.28.0.
- 1.28.2 Subject to Sub-Clause 1.28.1, no bidder shall contact AEGCL on any matter relating to its bid from the time of opening Bids to the time the contract is awarded. If the bidder wishes to bring additional information to the notice of AEGCL, it should do so in writing.
- 1.28.3 Any effort by the bidder to influence AEGCL in AEGCL's evaluation of price proposals, bid comparison or contract award decisions may result in the rejection of the bidder's bid.

1.29.0 CORRECTION OF ERRORS

- 1.29.1 Price Proposals determined to be substantially responsive will be checked by AEGCL for any arithmetic errors. Arithmetic errors will be rectified on the following basis. If there is a discrepancy between the unit rate and the total cost that is obtained by multiplying the unit rate and quantity, the unit rate shall prevail and the total cost will be corrected unless in the opinion of AEGCL there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit rate, in which case the total cost as quoted will govern and the unit rate corrected. If there is a discrepancy between the total bid amount and the sum of total costs, the sum of the total costs shall prevail and the total bid amount will be corrected.
- 1.29.2 The amount stated in the Form of Bid for Price Proposal will be adjusted by AEGCL in accordance with the above procedure for the correction of errors and, shall be considered as binding upon the bidder. If the bidder does not accept the corrected amount of bid, its bid will be rejected, and the bid security may be forfeited in accordance with Sub-Clause 1.19.6 (b).

1.30.0 EVALUATION AND COMPARISON OF BID PROPOSALS

1.30.1 AEGCL will evaluate and compare only the bids determined to be substantially responsive in accordance with Clause 1.27.0.

- 1.30.2 For equipment and materials, the comparison shall be of the ex-factory price of equipment and materials offered (such price to include all costs as well as duties and taxes paid or payable on components and raw material incorporated); plus the cost of transportation, local taxes and duties, civil works, installation and other services required under the contract with due corrections as per Clause 1.29.0, AEGCL's comparison will also include the costs if any, resulting from application of the evaluation procedures described in Sub-Clause 1.30.4.
- 1.30.3 AEGCL will carry out a detailed evaluation of the bids in order to determine whether the bidders are qualified and whether the technical aspects are substantially responsive to the requirements set forth in the bidding documents. In order to reach such a determination, AEGCL will examine the information supplied by the Bidders and other requirements in the bidding documents, taking into account the following factors:

(a) Qualification

- (i) the determination will take into account the Bidder's financial and technical capabilities and past performance; it will be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, pursuant to Clause 1.5.0 as well as such other information as AEGCL deems necessary and appropriate; and
- (ii) an affirmative determination will be a prerequisite for AEGCL to continue with the evaluation of the proposal; a negative determination will result in rejection of the Bidder's bid.

(b) Technical

(i) overall completeness and compliance with AEGCL's Requirements; the technical merits of materials and equipment offered and deviations from AEGCL's Requirements; suitability of the facilities offered in relation to the environmental and climatic conditions prevailing at the site; quality, function and operation of any process control concept included in the bid;

(c) Commercial

- (i) Deviations and omissions from the contractual and commercial conditions as identified in the Bid.
- (ii) compliance with the time schedule called for in the Bidding Document and evidenced as needed in a milestone schedule provided in the bid; and
- (iii) the functional guarantees of the facilities offered against the specified performance criteria of the plant and equipment.
- 1.30.4 Pursuant to Sub-Clause 1.30.4, the following evaluation methods will be followed:
 - (a) **Time Schedule:** The plant and equipment covered by this bidding are required to be shipped, installed and the facilities completed within the period specified in Sub-Clause

Bidders submitting bids which deviate from the time schedule specified will be rejected.

(b) Deviations from the Bidding Document:

Bidders shall base their Bid price on the terms & conditions specified in the Bidding Documents.

Bids with material deviations and omissions shall be rejected.

(c) Functional Guarantee of the facilities:

Bidders shall state the functional guarantees (e.g. guaranteed performance or ratings or efficiency) of the proposed Goods in response to AEGCL's Requirements (Technical Specifications). Goods, Plant and equipment offered shall have a minimum performance (functional guarantees/ratings) specified in the Technical Specifications to be considered responsive. Bids offering Goods, plant and equipment with functional guarantees less than the minimum specified shall be rejected.

1.30.5 **Bid Evaluation Process for Abnormally Low Bids:**

The following methodology will be practiced for identification and treatment of the Abnormally Low Bids (ALB) in this tender process of AEGCL:

(a) Identification:

For the identification of the Abnormally Low Bids, two approaches as applicable shall be adopted:

- Absolute Approach when there is fewer than five substantially responsive bidders and if the bid price is 20% or more below AEGCL's cost estimate then AEGCL's tender evaluation committee should clarify the Bid price with the bidder to determine whether the Bid is abnormally low.
- ii. **Relative Approach** is a statical comparison method which will be applied when there are more than five nos. of substantially responsive bids. A potential ALB is identified where the low Bid is more than one standard deviation below the average of substantially responsive bids received.

In this approach first the Average bid price is determined and then by deducting the standard deviation from the average bid price, potentially ALB may be determined.

- (b) In case of ALB, the tender evaluation committee of the respective tenders shall undertake the following three stage review which are as follows:
 - i. Identify ALB as per the step mentioned in Clause No.(a).(i) and 10.b).(ii) whichever is applicable.
 - ii. Clarify and analyse the bidders resource inputs and pricing, including overheads, contingencies and profit margins. In that respect committee may seek the reference of the guidelines of World Bank, AIIB, ADB etc.
 - iii. Decide whether to accept or reject the tender.
- (c) Additional Performance Security in case of acceptance of ALB:
 - i. If any abnormally low bid is accepted under point no. (b) (iii), after taking of additional performance security as per the assessment of the committee, however the total performance security should not have to exceed 20% of the total contract value.
 - ii. The additional performance security shall be treated as part of the original performance security and shall be valid for a period coextensive with the applicable defect liability period of the contract.
 - iii. Non submission of the additional performance security shall constitute sufficient ground to rejection of the bid and similar assessment shall be initiated for the next ranked bidder identified as ALB.
- 1.30.6 AEGCL reserves the right to accept or reject any variation or deviation. Variations, deviations, and other factors which are in excess of the requirements of the bidding documents or otherwise result in the accrual of unsolicited benefits to AEGCL shall not be taken into account in bid evaluation.

1.31.0 AWARD

1.31.1 AEGCL will award the Contract to the bidder whose bid has been determined to be substantially responsive to the bidding documents provided that such bidder has been determined to be qualified in accordance with the provisions of the Bid.

1.32.0 EMPLOYER'S RIGHT TO ACCEPT ANY BID AND TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS

1.32.1 Notwithstanding Clause 1.31,0, AEGCL reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders or any obligation to inform the affected bidder or bidders of the grounds for AEGCL's action. AEGCL is not bound to accept the offer of the lowest bidder.

1.33.0 NOTIFICATION OF AWARD

- 1.33.1 Prior to expiration of the period of bid validity prescribed by AEGCL, AEGCL will notify the successful bidder by fax, confirmed by letter, that its bid has been accepted. This letter (hereinafter and in the Conditions of Contract called the "Letter of Acceptance") shall name the sum which AEGCL will pay the Contractor in consideration of the execution, completion and maintenance of the Works by the Contractor as prescribed by the Contract (hereinafter and in the Conditions of Contract called "the Contract Price").
- 1.33.2 The notification of award will constitute the formation of the Contract.

1.34.0 PERFORMANCE SECURITY (Contract Performance Guarantee)

- 1.34.1 As a Contract Performance Security, the successful Bidder, to whom the work is awarded, shall be required to furnish a Performance Guarantee from a Nationalized Bank, in the form attached with the Bidding Document (Section –5) in favour of the AEGCL. The guarantee amount shall be equal to ten percent (10%) of the Contract Price and it shall guarantee the faithful performance of the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in these documents and specifications. The guarantee shall be valid up to 90 (ninety) days after the end of Warranty Period.
- 1.34.2 In case the bidder fails to submit the Performance Security in the form of Bank Guarantee, an amount equivalent to 10% of the Contract Price shall be retained as Security Deposits which shall be retained up to 90 (ninety) days after the end of Warranty Period
- 1.34.3 The performance guarantee shall cover additionally the following guarantees to the owner:
 - a) The successful Bidder guarantees the successful and satisfactory operation of the equipment furnished and erected under the contract, as per the specifications and documents.
 - b) The successful Bidder further guarantees that the equipment/material provided and installed by him shall be free from all defects in design, material and workmanship and shall upon written notice from the Owner fully remedy must be guaranteed.
- 1.34.4. The Contract performance Guarantee will be returned to the Contractor without any interest at the end of warranty period and written request from the contractor.

1.35.0 TERMS OF PAYMENT

The terms of payment for the supply and erection work shall be as follows

- i. No advance payment shall be made in this contract.
- ii. No claim for interest shall be entertained by AEGCL
- iii. The price is firm and no price variation shall be applicable.
- iv. First and final Bill to be submitted on completion of the survey work and acceptance of the reports by AEGCL.
- v. Final bill must contain the original site register.
- vi. Payment shall be released subject to receipt of specific fund. The Bidder / Firm will have to be submitted the following Net Banking details.
 - a) Banker's Name & Branch
 - b) Account No
 - c) Banker's address
 - d) Banker's IFSC Code
 - e) Banker's RTGS Code

1.36.0 CORRUPT OR FRAUDULENT PRACTICES

- 1.36.1 It is required that bidders/suppliers/contractors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of the contracts. In Pursuance of this Clause AEGCL;
 - (a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - (i) "corrupt practice" means behavior on the part of officials in the public or private sectors by which they improperly and unlawfully enrich themselves and/or those close to them, or induce others to do so, by misusing the position in which they are placed, and it includes the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of any such official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
 - (ii) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Borrower, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the Borrower of the benefits of free and open competition;
 - (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question;
 - (c) will declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a contract by AEGCL if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing, a contract.

1.37.0 PENALTY FOR DELAYED EXECUTION

In the event of delay in completing the work extending beyond the date of completion or beyond the extended date, if any, permitted by the Board, the contractor shall pay as agreed liquidated damage and not as a penalty a sum equal to 1% of the contract price under this contract for each week of delay or part thereof subject to a maximum of 10% of the contract price.

1.38.0 FORCE MAJEURE

Force Majeure shall be considered as any circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the party claiming relief, including but not limited to strikes lockout, civil commotion, riot, insurrection, hostilities, war, fire, flood, earthquake, delay in execution of work or part thereof by AEGCL, would entitle contractor to extension of time.

1.39.0 SETTLEMENT OF THE DISPUTE & ARBITRATION

Any dispute arising out of the contract will first be discussed and settled bilaterally between the Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited and firms/ contractors. In case, the dispute cannot be settled bilaterally, it will be referred to arbitration by an arbitrator to be appointed by the AEGCL, The contractor shall not stop the work during settlement of any arbitration case. All disputes arising out of the agreement so made shall be subjected to the jurisdiction of district court of Kamrup District.

SECTION-2

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SURVEY FOR REFERENCE OF THE BIDDERS:

- 2.1.1 For selection of routes, the statutory clearances as per Relevant Standards should be complied with and clearly mentioned in the reports.
- 2.1.2 The detailed survey shall be carried out using GPS, total stations, digital theodolites etc. along the approved route alignment. As an alternative, the contractor may also use ALTM (Airborne Laser Terrain Modeling) techniques of equal or better accuracy for the detailed survey and plotting on topo sheet to fix up angle point.
- 2.1.3 Soil resistivity, along the route alignment shall be measured in dry weather by four electrode method keeping inter electrode spacing of 50 mtrs. For calculating soil resistivity formula 2πar (where a=50 m and r=megger reading in ohms) shall be adopted. In case of soil characteristics changes within 2 to 3 km, values shall have to be measured at intermediate locations also. Megger reading and soil characteristics should also be indicated in the soil resistivity results.

2.1.4 Route Marking:

The route of the transmission line shall be recorded using GPS of positional accuracy less than 3m. The co-ordinates of all the angle points as well as other important crossings, landmarks etc. shall be recorded using GPS for easy relocating. At the starting point of the commencement of route survey the co-ordinates shall be recorded. The co-ordinates of the location of the survey instrument shall also be recorded. Further, the co-ordinates at prominent position at intervals of not more than 750 meter along the transmission line to be surveyed upto the next angle point shall also be recorded. Wherever the line alignment crosses the EHT line, Railway line, P&T line or roads, the contractor shall record co-ordinates on the points of crossing. Wherever line route alignment passes over permanent land marks such as rock, boulders, culverts etc. suitable white paint marks with directional and AEGCL markings shall be made and co- ordinates recorded. Surveyor should provide concrete block of size 1000x150x150 mm buried to a depth of atleast 750 mm with AEGCL's name embossing on the concrete block at all angle point locations and important crossings etc.

2.1.5 Profiling

- (a) The complete profiling along the route shall be carried out using surveying equipments viz. total stations, GPS, digital theodolite, long range scanners etc. Reference levels at every 20 meters along the route are to be recorded. R/Ls at other undulations along the route as well as in the route plan and other enroute details viz. crossings, building & structures, trees & other infrastructure etc shall also be recorded. Areas along the route, which in the view of the contractor, are not suitable for tower spotting, shall also be marked.
- (b) The complete profiling details shall be digitized and the data shall be prepared & stored in the format compatible to computer aided tower spotting software.
- (c) A printed / plotted output of the digitized profiling shall be submitted by the contractor to AEGCL's site-in- charge for review before taking up computer- aided tower spotting.
- **2.1.6** Optimization of tower location / tower spotting:
- 2.1.6.1 Optimization of tower locations shall be done by the Contractor using computer-aided tower spotting software (PLS CADD). In order to verify the results of computer aided tower spotting, the contractor shall supply the AEGCL, one soft copy of tower spotting & optimization report.
- 2.1.6.2 The sag-tension characteristics of the conductor as well as tower spotting data, sag template curves, if any required for tower spotting shall be prepared by the contractor on acrylic sheet indicating cold curve, hot curve, ground clearance curve and support footing curve.
- 2.1.6.3 Tower Spotting: While profiling & spotting the towers, the following shall to be borne in mind:
- 2.1.6.3.1 Span: The number of consecutive spans between the section points shall not exceed 15 spans or 5 km in plain terrain and 10 spans or 3 km in hilly terrain for 220KV line. A section point shall comprise of tension point with minimum angle of deviation type towers as applicable.
- 2.1.6.3.2 Extension / Truncation: An individual span shall be as near to the normal design span as possible. In case an individual span becomes too short with normal supports on account of undulations in ground profile, one or both the supports of the span may be extended by inserting standard body/leg extension. In case of locations where the ground clearance is available,

truncated towers may be spotted. The provision kept in the design of towers with respect to body/leg extensions, truncations shall be intimated to the contractor by the AEGCL during execution stage.

- 2.1.6.3.3 Loading: There shall not be any upward force on suspension towers under normal working conditions and the suspension towers shall support at least the minimum weight span as provided in the designs. In case uplift is unavoidable, it shall be examined if the same can be overcome by adding standard body extensions to the towers failing which tension towers designed for the purpose shall be employed at such positions.
- 2.1.6.3.4 Road/NH Crossing: At all important road crossings, the tower shall be fitted with double suspension or tension insulator strings depending on the type of tower but the ground clearance at the roads under maximum temperature and in still air shall be such that even with conductor broken an adjacent span, ground clearance of the conductor from the road surfaces will not be less than 9Mtr for 220KV & 132kV line. At all national highways tension towers shall be utilised and crossing span shall not be more than 250 meters.
- 2.1.6.3.5 Railway Crossings: All the railway crossings coming enroute the transmission line shall be identified by the contractor. At the time of detailed survey, the railway crossings shall be finalized as per the regulation laid down by the Railway Authorities. The following are the important features of the prevailing regulations (revised in 1987).
 - a) The crossing shall be supported on large angle type tower on either side depending on the merits of each case.
 - b) The crossing shall normally be at right angle to the railway track.
 - c) The minimum distance of the crossing tower shall be at least equal to the height of the tower plus 6 meters away measured from the centre of the nearest railway track.
 - d) No crossing shall be located over a booster transformer, traction switching station, traction sub-station or a track cabin location in an electrified area.
 - e) Minimum ground clearance above rail level of the lowest portion of any conductor under condition of maximum sag shall be maintained at 15.40 Mtr for 220KV line. And14.6 Mtr for 132KV line.
 - f) The crossing span will be limited to 80% of Normal Span or 250 meters whichever is less.
- 2.1.6.3.6 River Crossings: In case of major river crossings, towers shall be of suspension type and the anchor towers on either side of the main river crossing shall be large angle Y/ D type tower. Clearance required by navigation authority shall be provided. For non-navigable river, clearance shall be reckoned with respect to highest flood level (HFL). Minimum ground clearance above the highest flood level river and lowest point of conductor shall be 3 Mtr. for 220KV line.
- 2.1.6.3.7 Power line crossings: Where this line is to cross over another line of the same voltage or lower voltage, R / A type tower with suitable extensions shall be used. Provisions to prevent the possibility of its coming into contact with other overhead lines shall be made in accordance with the Indian Electricity Rules, 1956 / Indian Electricity Act, 2003 as amended upto date. In order to reduce the height of the crossings towers it may be advantageous to remove the groundwire of the line to be crossed (if this is possible and permitted by the AEGCL of the line to be crossed). For power line crossings of voltage level of 132 KV and above, an angle towers shall be provided on either side of tangent R /A type tower which can be temporary dead-end condition with proper guying.
- 2.1.6.3.8 Telecommunication Line Crossings: The angle of crossing shall be as near to 90 degrees possible. However, deviation to the extent of 30 degree may be permitted under exceptionally difficult situations. When the angle of crossing has to be below 60 degrees, the matter will be referred to the authority in charge of the telecommunication system. On a request from the contractor, the permission of the telecommunication authority may be obtained by the owner. Also, in the crossing span, power line support will be as near the telecommunication line as possible, to obtain increased vertical clearance between the wires.
- 2.1.6.3.9 Details en route: All topographical details, permanent features, such as trees, buildings etc. 17.5Mtr (Total 35Mtr) for 220KV line on either side of the alignment and 8Mtr (Total 16Mtr.) for 132KV Line on either side of the alignment shall be detailed on the profile plan.
- 2.1.7 Clearance from Ground, Building, Trees etc.
 - a) Clearance from ground, buildings, trees and telephone lines shall be provided in conformity with the Indian Electricity Rules, 1956 / Indian Electricity Act, 2003 as amended upto date.

- b) The contractor shall count, mark and put proper numbers with suitable quality of paint at his own cost on the trees that are to be cut by the AEGCL at the time of actual execution of the work as detailed below. Contractor may please note that AEGCL shall not pay any compensation for any loss or damage to the properties or for tree cutting due to contractor's work.
- c) To evaluate and tabulate the trees and bushes coming within 17.5 Mtr. for 220KV line and 13.5 Mtr. for 132KV line on either side of the central line alignment the trees will be numbered and marked with quality paint serially from angle point 1 (1) onwards and the corresponding number will be painted on the stem of trees at a height of 1 meter from ground level.
- d) The trees list should contain the following:
 - i. Girth (circumstances) measured at a height of 1 meter from ground level.
 - ii. Approximate height of the tree with an accuracy of +2 meters.
 - iii. Name of the type of the species / trees.
 - iv. The bushy and under growth encountered in the 35 Mtr. Belt for 220KV line and 27 Mtr. for 132KV line should also be evaluated with its type, height, girth and area in square meters, clearly indicating the growth in the tree / bush statement.
 - v. The contractor shall also intimate the AEGCL, his assessment about the likely amount of tree & crop compensation etc required to be paid by the AEGCL during execution stage. This assessment shall be done considering prevailing practices / guidelines, local regulations and other enquiries from local authorities.
- 2.1.8 The profile sheets showing the locations of the towers together with preliminary schedules of quantities indicating tower types, wind & weight spans, angle of deviation, crossing & other details etc shall be submitted by the contractor for review & approval by AEGCL's site in charge.
- 2.1.9 Types of tower shall be A, B, C, D as per IS 5613 and other relevant standard for transmission lines.
- 2.1.10 Conductor to be used for 220 KV and 132 KV lines shall be AAAC / ACSR Zebra and panther conductor respectively.
- **2.1.11** Detailed survey of tower locations:
 - a) The detailed survey shall be conducted to locate the tower locations on ground conforming to the profile and tower schedule.
 - b) The co-ordinates of all the tower locations shall also be recorded using GPS of positional accuracy less than 3m for easy relocating. The positions of all tower locations shall be marked in the final digitized route alignment drawing with relative distances from any permanent bench mark in the area.
 - c) The contractor shall also collect required data at each tower location in respect of soil strata, ground water level, history of water table in adjacent areas / surface water and classify the suitable type of foundation at each tower location based on the data collected at each location and detailed soil investigations carried out at selected locations etc.
 - d) The levels up or down of each pit centre with respect to centre of tower location shall be recorded at intervals of 2m using total stations / GPS / digital theodolite and digitized contour plans shall be made. Based on the digitized elevation plans, the quantities of benching & protection work vis-à-vis possible unequal leg extensions shall be optimized using suitable computer aided techniques / softwares.
- 2.1.12 The changes desired by the AEGCL in the preliminary tower schedule or as may be required based on detailed survey of tower locations & contouring by the contractor, shall be carried out by the contractor and the final tower schedule shall be submitted for approval of AEGCL. The tower schedule shall show position of all type of towers, span length, type of foundation for each tower, benching & revetment requirement, unequal leg extensions, deviation at all angles, crossings & other details etc.

SECTION - 3

BID SUBMISSION SHEET, BID FORMS AND SCHEDULES

1. Bid Submission Sheet

(To be submitted in Bidder's Letterhead)

Name of contract:
To, The Deputy General Manager, Lower Assam, T&T Circle, AEGCL, Narengi.Guwahati-26
Sir:
We have examined the General Conditions of Contract, Technical Specification, Schedules, and Addenda Nos(if any). We have understood and checked these documents and have not found any errors in them. We accordingly offer to execute and complete the said Works and remedy any defects fit for purpose in conformity with these documents and the enclosed Proposal (Price Offer)
We accept your suggestions for the appointment of the Dispute Adjudication Board, as set out in the Bidding Document.
We agree to abide by this Bid until and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before tha date.
If our bid is accepted, we will provide the specified performance security, commence the Works as soon as reasonably possible afte receiving the notice to commence, and complete the Works in accordance with the above-named documents within the time stated in the Bidding Document.
Unless and until a formal Agreement is prepared and executed this Bid, together with your written acceptance thereof, shall constitute a binding contract between us.
We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any bid you may receive.
Commissions or gratuities, if any, paid or to be paid by us to agents relating to this Bid, and to contract execution if we are awarded the contract, are listed below:
Yours faithfully
Signature in the capacity of duly authorized to sign bids for and on behalf o
Address

2. Form-BG

Form of Bid Security (Bank Guarantee)

dated [Date] for called "the Bid").	the construction of[N	Name of Contract1 (hereinafter
called "the Bid").		tarrio or cornerately (more and
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	[Name of Employer] (hereinafter called "the Eayment will and truly to be made to the said Employer the Bank bind	ds himself, his successors and
assigns SEALED with the Common Seal of the	by these e said Bank this day of 20	presents.
THE CONDITIONS of this obligation	n are:	
(1) If the bidder with	raws his Bid during the period of bid validity specified in the Form of	f Bid:
(2) If the Bidder refu	es to accept the correction of errors in his Bid;	
Or		
(3) if the Bidder, hav	ng been notified of the acceptance of his Bid by the Employer during	g the period of Bid validity;
(a) fails or if requi	refuses to execute the Form of Contract Agreement in accordance wed; or	vith the Instructions to Bidders,
(b) fails or	refuses to furnish the Performance Security, in accordance with the	Instructions to Bidders;
substantiate its demand, provided the occurrence of one or all of the three of This Guarantee will remain deadline is stated in the Instructions	up to the above amount upon receipt of its first written demand, we at in its demand the Employer will note that the amount claimed londitions, specifying the occurred condition or conditions. In force up to and including the date 180 days after the deadline force bidders or as it may be extended by the Employer, notice of which conditions the Guarantee should reach the Bank not later than the above	by it is due to it owing to the or submission of bids as such ich extension(s) to the Bank is
DATE	SIGNATURE OF THE BANK	
WITNESS	SEAL	

(Signature, Name, and Address)