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**INVITATION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FROM COST ACCOUNTANT /
COST ACCOUNTANT FIRMS FOR APPOINTMENT AS COST AUDITOR OF ASSAM
ELECTRICITY GRID CORPORATION LIMITED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24**

COMPANY PROFILE

Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited, a vibrant growth oriented Public Sector Company registered under 'Company Act, 1956'. It was formed out of restructured Assam State Electricity Board in 2003 and was notified as the State Transmission Utility (STU). Its core business is to efficiently transport electrical power from electrical power bulk heads to the distribution company networks in the state of Assam.

Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited has consistently maintained the transmission system availability over 99% which is at par with other National Transmission Utilities.

1. Existing Installed Capacity

AEGCL has 78 nos. of EHV Grid Substation with total transformation capacity of 8542 MVA and 5986.72 ckt. Km of Transmission lines

Substations:

Sl No.	Voltage Level (in Kv)	Total Capacity (MVA)	Nos. of Sub-Stations
1	132/33 KV	4580	63
2	132/66 KV	40	1
3	220/132/33 KV	3160	11
4	132/11 KV	32	1
5	220/33 KV	100	1
6	400/220 KV	630	1
	Total	8542	78

2. Existing Transmission Lines

Sl No.	Name of Transmission Line	Voltage Level (in Kv)	In Ckt. Km
A	TOTAL 400 KV TRANSMISSION LINES	400	7.20
B	TOTAL 220 KV TRANSMISSION LINES	220	2048.50
C	TOTAL 132 KV TRANSMISSION LINES	132	3318.02
D	TOTAL 66 KV TRANSMISSION LINES	66	613.00
	Total		5986.72

3. Maintenance of Cost Records and Cost Audit: - Cost Records are being maintained by the Company as per the extant rules and Cost Audit became applicable in AEGCL from the Financial Year 2011-12 onwards.

4. Scope of Work: - The broad scope of work would be:

4.1 To conduct Cost audit of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules 2014 and amendment thereto. Cost audit shall be in adherence to the relevant orders/clarification issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India and the Cost Accounting Standards issued by the Institute of Cost Accountants of India, from time to time.

4.2 Cost Audit team should consist of adequate number of qualified / semi-qualified assistants (Cost Accountants) led by a senior partner of the Firm so as to commensurate with cost audit work requirements.

4.3 Verification and Certification of cost proformas maintained by the Company as per Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules, 2014.

4.4 Verification and Certification of Annexure to the Cost Audit Report.

4.5 Cost Auditor so appointed shall commence Cost Audit and submit Report as per Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules, 2014 within 180 days from the close of the financial year.

4.6 The Cost Audit firm shall ensure to submit Cost Audit Report along with reservation or qualification or observations or suggestion, if any in form CRA-3 and Annexure as per notification or any other instruction issued by Central Government from time to time or any other section of the Companies Act 2013.

4.7 The Cost Audit firm shall ensure e-filing of Cost Audit Report and Annexure to the Cost Audit Report to MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS (MCA), GoI, in XBRL form or in the manner prescribed by the Govt. from time to time, within the scheduled date prescribed by MCA - GoI for filing, after the Board of Directors of the Company approves the Cost Audit Report.

5. Selection Criteria:

5.1 Practicing Cost Accountants / Cost Accountant Firms registered with the Institute of Cost Accountants of India having its office(s) in Assam preferably in Guwahati shall be considered for Short listing /Appointment as Cost Auditors for conducting Cost Audit of the Company.

5.2 The following will be the basis of Points for the selection and selection will be made on the basis of attainment of highest Points.

Sl. No	Selection Criteria	Basis for awarding of Points	Maximum Points
1	Experience in practice (No. of years)	(8-12 yrs)-8 points (12-15 yrs)-12 points (Above 15 yrs)-15 points	15
2	Experience of PSU/ State PSU Audit (Cost) (Copies of appointment order received from the clients of PSU/State PSU along with self certificate towards conducting the same should be enclosed.)	4 Points for completed Cost Audit for each PSU/State PSU/ Company in any one of the last five years (FY 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21,2021-22, 2022-23)	20
3	Experience related to Power Company (Copies of appointment order received from the clients of Power Company along with self certificate towards conducting the same should be enclosed.) Experience in PSU/ State PSU and Power Companies should be mutually exclusive.	5 Points for a completed Cost Audit of each Power Company in any one of the last five years (FY 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21,2021-22, 2022-23)	25
4	No. of Partners / Members	(1-3)- 8 points (4-5)- 12 points (Above 5)-15 points	15
5	Average Turnover of the firm for last 3 years (FY 2019-20, FY 2020-21, FY 2021-22)	(Rs.20-Rs.25 lakh)-5 points (Rs.25-Rs.30 lakh)-7 points (Above Rs.30 lakh)-10 points	10
6	Majors clients (i.e., Companies with Annual Turnover > Rs. 300 Crores)	5 Points for each such Client.	15
TOTAL			100

Note:

1. Clear and complete details in separate sheets, for determination of Points with supporting documents of information against Item from Sl. No. 1 to 6 above are to be furnished.
2. The Firm securing at least 50% marks based on above system shall be considered as qualified.

6. Pre-requisites for considering rankings:

6.1 Documentary evidence(s) in support of Criteria at 5.2 (Sl. No. 1 to 6) mentioned in the above table and para-6.2 below is required to be submitted. Proposals without the required documentary evidence(s) shall be ignored for evaluation.

6.2 In case of a tie, the following sequence shall be adopted for selection:

- a. Firm with longer experience will be preferred based on the year of establishment.
- b. Firm with a higher number of Fellow and or Associate Members of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India as partners will be considered.

7. Terms and Conditions:

7.1 The tenure of appointment shall be initially for the Financial Year 2023-24, which may be extended for five years or more based on satisfactory performance and at the discretion of the Company.

7.2 The Company reserves the right to accept / reject any or all the offers without assigning any reason whatsoever therefore.

7.3 Overwriting/correction/erase and/or use of white ink should be avoided in the Offer. However, if any overwriting/correction/erase is inevitable, the same should be authenticated with the signature & seal of authorised person of applicant firm.

7.4 Documentary evidence(s) in respect of all the information above by the applicant firm(s) must be furnished along with the proposal.

7.5 All the pages of the proposal document shall have to be signed by the applicant firm(s) with the firm's seal and documents submitted along-with the offer shall also have to be authenticated by the authorised signatory of the applicant firm(s) with the firm's seal.

7.6 The proposal should be submitted strictly as per the terms & conditions laid down in the document. The Offer in the Prescribed Format at Annexure – I is to be submitted in physical form at following address:

Deputy General Manager (F&A),
Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited (AEGCL)
1st Floor, Bijulee Bhawan Paltan Bazar, Guwahati-781001
Email Id- dgmfa.pg@aegcl.co.in

The sealed offer for appointment of Cost Auditor should be submitted for the bid in the office of above mentioned address as per the Format attached at Annexure -I. The bid envelope must be sealed and super – scribed with “EOI for Appointment as Cost Auditor of AEGCL for the F.Y. 2023-24”. The Name & Address of the Applicant firm must also be mentioned on the body of the envelope. Offers submitted in any other form shall not be considered.

7.7 The Company reserves the right to accept or reject any or all responses and to request additional submissions or clarification from one or more applicant(s) at any stage or to cancel the process entirely at its sole discretion without assigning any reason whatsoever.

7.8 The Firms are required to submit their GSTIN if applicable, in their offers.

7.9 The last date for receipt of the proposal is 21/08/2023 up to 2:00 P.M in the above address. Proposals received after this date and time shall not be considered.

7.11 The Bid will be opened on 21/08/2023 at 3:00 PM.

8. Cost Audit Fees:

8.1 The selected cost audit firm shall be paid for Rs. 75000/- (Rupees Seventy five thousand) only for the FY 2023-24 excluding out of pocket expenses. The audit firms are free to quote their price above the said amount which is in the purview of AEGCL to accept or not.

8.2 The selected cost audit firm shall be allowed out of pocket expenses up to Rs. 15,000/- (Rupees Twenty thousand) only based on actual in addition to the Audit fees.

8.3 Statutory Taxes/levies & duties shall be paid extra, as applicable.

9. Compliances / Declarations /Certificates by Individual / firm(s) on appointment: The cost audit firm(s) shall have to comply with and furnish declarations and certificates as required under Companies Act.

9.1 The Cost Audit Firm shall not sub-contract the cost audit work.

9.2 The cost audit team will work in strict confidence and will ensure that the cost data, cost statement and cost information and any other information in respect of the operation of the Company is dealt with in strict confidence and secrecy.

9.3 No partner of the cost audit firm should be related to either Managing Director or any Whole Time Directors or Part Time Directors of the Company within the meaning of the Companies Act, 2013.

9.4 Neither the cost audit firm nor its partner(s) nor associates should have any interest in the business of the Company.

9.5 The Cost Auditor(s) will be required to issue & submit certificate of Independence and arms length relationship.

9.6 The Cost Audit firm(s) /Auditor shall have prime responsibility to ensure that the maximum number of audit limits specified under Companies Act, 2013 is not violated.

9.7 The Cost Audit firm (s) /Auditor shall be free from any disqualification under the Companies Act, 2013. In addition to this, the Cost Audit firm (s) /Auditor must not be holding any assignment as Statutory Auditor(s) or Internal Auditor(s) of the Company.

10. Debarring Provisions: The Audit Firm will be debarred from getting, the Cost Audit of AEGCL:

10.1 If the Firm obtains the appointment on the basis of false information / mis-statement.

10.2 If the Firm does not take up audit in terms of appointment letter.

10.3 If the Firm fails to maintain/honour confidentiality and secrecy of the Company's data, cost Statement and cost information.

10.4 If the Firm fails to comply with any of condition laid down in clause 9 above.

Annexure-I

(To be given on Audit Firm's Letter Head)

Format for submission of Offer

Sl No.	Particulars	Information
1.	Name of the Cost Auditor/Firm of Cost Auditor: (Indicate whether Proprietary Concern or Partnership Firm)	
2.	Particulars of Cost Auditor/Firm of Cost Auditor :	
(i)	(a) Address of the Firm as registered with ICAI:	
	(b) Address of the Firm in Assam{if different from (a)}	
(ii)	Mobile No. of the Senior Partner (for Contact Purpose)	
(iii)	Email address of the Firm:	
(iv)	Website of the Firm, if any:	
(v)	Year of Establishment	
(vi)	Firm Registration No. (In case of Partnership Firm/Sole proprietary Firm)	
(vii)	Proprietor's Membership No.(In case of members not having Firm Name)	
(viii)	PAN No. of the Firm:	
(ix)	GSTIN of the Firm:	
3.	Selection criteria	
A	Experience in practice (No: of years) (Details to be submitted in Annexure)	
B	Experience in PSU/ Company Audit (Details to be submitted in Annexure)	
C	Experience related to Power Company (Details to be submitted in Annexure)	
D	No. of Partners / Members, Names & Addresses of the Partners along with their Membership Nos.(Valid Certificate of Practice) to be given (Details to be submitted in Annexure)	
E	Majors clients, if any (i.e., Companies with annual turnover > Rs. 300 Crores) (Details to be submitted in Annexure)	

Declaration:-

I, _____ Partner / Proprietor of the Firm _____, hereby declare that the above information furnished is true & correct to the best of my knowledge and I will abide by the Terms & Conditions set by the company for the appointment of Cost Auditors

Signature and seal of the firm

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