**PUNJAB & SIND BANK** 



#### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

FOR

#### SELECTION OF VENDOR(S) FOR PROVIDING CONSULTANCY ON DIGITAL HUMAN RESOURCE TRANSFORMATION ALONG WITH PROCUREMENT & IMPLEMENTATION OF HR SOLUTIONS

#### BID NO: PSB/HOHRD/RFP/1/2024-25 dated 15/03/2025

Human Resources Development Department Address Punjab & Sind Bank Corporate Office, Block 3, NBCC Complex, East Kidwai Nagar, New Delhi - 110023

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# Key Information

Particulars	Details
RFP Number and Date	PSB/HOHRD/RFP/1/2024-25 dated 15.03.2025
Tender Title Tender document / Participation Fee (Non Refundable)*	Request for proposal for selection of vendor(s) for providing consultancy on Digital Human Resource transformation along with procurement & implementation of HR solutions Rs. 25,000 + 18% GST (Non-refundable) should be submitted online only in favour of Punjab & Sind Bank before last date of bid submission in the following account:
	IFSC Code: PSIB0009012 Bank: Punjab & Sind Bank, Account No. 90125040070003 (14 digits) Account Name. NEFT INWARD STP PARKING AC (GST No. 07AAACP1206G3ZX) Proof of NEFT to be submitted at the time of physical bid submission.
Bid validity	180 days from the date of opening of the bid.
Performance Bank Guarantee (N)	N will be 3% of total project cost
Date of Publishing the tender on Bank's Website	18.03.2025
Last Date for submission of Pre-Bid Query	<ul> <li>29.03.2025 at 04:00 pm</li> <li>a) Pre bid queries should be submitted as per Appendix-C in MS- excel format.</li> <li>b) Queries must be mailed to (ho.hrd@psb.co.in) only quoting tender reference number in the subject. Subject of the email should be given as "Pre-Bid Queries for PSB/HO HRD /RFP/1/2024-25 dated 15/03/2025 Queries reaching afterwards will not be entertained.</li> </ul>
Date and Time for Pre-Bid Meeting	04.04.2025 at 04:00 pm
	Pre-Bid meeting will be held Online/Offline, and participants are requested to attend the meeting Online/Offline. Those who are interested in participating the Pre-bid meeting should share the participant details to (ho.hrd@psb.co.in) Upon perusal of the same, the link / meeting id/details will be shared to the participant to participate in the virtual/physical meeting.

Particulars	Details
Last Date and Time for submission of Bids	
Last Date and Time for submission of Blds	09.04.2025 at 05:00 pm
Date and Time of Opening of Bids	09.04.2025 at 05:30 pm
Date and Time of online opening of	To be notified later to the qualifying bidders only.
Commercial Bids	
Place of Opening of Bids	Corporate Office, Punjab & Sind Bank,
	Block 3, NBCC complex,
	East Kidwai Nagar, New Delhi -110023
Contact Persons for any clarifications/	1. Ms. Anchal Nayar, AGM
Submission of Bids	Ph No. 9896348777
	2. Ms. Shweta Bhandari, CM
	Ph No. 9818500787
	3. Mr. Jayant Khurana, SRM
	Ph No. 8800667531
	4. Mr. Prateek Srivastava, MGR
	Ph No. 7837704080
	1. Subsequent changes made based on the
	suggestions and clarifications as per pre-bid meeting
	<ul><li>shall be deemed to be part of the RFP document.</li><li>2. No suggestions or queries shall be entertained after</li></ul>
	pre-bid meeting.
	3. This document can be downloaded from following
	website:
Other Details	https://punjabandsindbank.co.in/module/tender-list
	and www.eprocure.gov.in
	Any Amendments, Modifications, Pre-Bid Replies,
	Clarifications & any communication etc. will be uploaded
	on the Bank's website (i.e.
	https://punjabandsindbank.co.in/module/tender-list &
×	No communication will be sent to the individual bidders.
EMD (Bid Security)*	Rs. 54,00,000/- (Rs Fifty four lacs only)
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# Information for Online Participating through GEM portal

This Tender will also follow e-Tendering process which will be conducted at GeM Portal (https://gem.gov.in/)

Following activities will be conducted online through the above website:

- 1. Purchase/Download of RFP document including all Annexures.
- 2. Addendums /Corrigendum's to the RFP.
- 3. Submission of Technical & Indicative Commercial Bid by the Bidder.
- 4. Opening of Commercial Bid by the Bank.
- 5. Announcement of results, if any.

The tender document may also be downloaded from the Bank's official website also https://punjabandsindbank.co.in

\* All MSEs(Micro & Small Enterprises) having registration as per provisions of the Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises i.e. District Industries Centre (DIC) or Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) or Khadi and Industries Board (KVIB) or Coir Board or National Small Industries Commission (NSIC) or directorate of Handicrafts and Handlooms or Udyog Aadhaar Memorandum or any other body specified by Ministry of MSME and Start-ups (recognized by DIPP) are exempted from submission of Participation Fee and EMD amount only. Relevant Certificates should be submitted by the bidder in this regard to avail exemption.

#### Note:

- **1.** If any of the dates given above happens to be Holiday in Banks in Delhi, the related activity shall be undertaken on the next working day at the same time.
- 2. All Claims made by the Bidder will have to be backed by documentary evidence.
- **3.** Bidders should submit bids well before time rather than waiting for the last moment to avoid any technical glitches or networking issues etc. at their end.
- 4. Bidders are requested to use a reliable internet connection (data cable / broadband) to safeguard themselves. The bank is not responsible for telephone line glitch, internet response issues, hardware hangs etc. at bidder's end while doing any activity w.r.t this RFP.
- 5. No Claim of any bidder shall be entertained, whatsoever for delayed submission of their bid at any stage because of any reason. Therefore, bidders are advised to submit their bids well before the scheduled time.

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

- Punjab & Sind Bank, a body corporate constituted under the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1980, one of the nationalized banks of India, has a national presence through a widespread network of 1600 branches all networked under Centralized Banking Solution. It also has a network of 1041 ATMs spread across the country including onsite and offsite ATMs. With more than 116 years of customer services, the Bank has a large, satisfied clientele throughout the country. For enhancing customer convenience levels and overall inter-branch efficiency, the Bank has been a front runner in implementing various IT enabled products.
- The Bank intends to float the tender for providing consultancy on digital HR transformation along with procurement & implementation of HR solutions based on the requirements, specifications, terms and conditions laid down in this tender and its Annexes.

#### This tender consist of four parts.

- Chapter-I Instruction to Bidders
- Chapter-II Scope of Work
- Chapter-III Terms & Conditions
- Chapter-IV Legal & Contractual

The bidder has to quote the prices as per Bill of material (Annexure-IX).

- This request for proposal document ('RFP document' or RFP) has been prepared solely for the purpose of enabling Punjab & Sind Bank (hereinafter referred to as the 'BANK') for selection of vendor(s) for providing consultancy on digital HR transformation along with procurement & implementation of HR solutions.
- This invitation of Bids is limited to vendor(s) having presence in India or their Authorized Representative in India, provided firms fulfill the minimum qualification criteria.
- The successful bidder would be selected, prices would be finalized through this RFP process and an agreement would be entered into with the successful bidder/s.

#### DISCLAIMER

- The information contained in this Request for Proposal (RFP document) or any information provided subsequently to Bidder(s) whether verbally or in documentary form by or on behalf of the Bank, is provided to the Bidder(s) on the terms and conditions set out in this RFP document and all other terms and conditions subject to which such information is provided. <u>This document shall not be transferred, reproduced or otherwise used for purposes other than for which it is specifically issued.</u>
- This RFP is neither an agreement nor an offer and is only an invitation by the Bank to the interested parties for submission of bids. No contractual obligation whatsoever shall arise from the RFP process until a formal contract is executed by the duly authorized signatory of the Bidder and the Bank. The purpose of this RFP is to provide the Bidder(s) with information to assist in the formulation of their proposals.
- This RFP does not claim to contain all the information each bidder may require. Each Bidder should conduct its own investigations and analysis and is free to check the accuracy, reliability, and completeness of the information in this RFP and obtain independent advice, wherever necessary. Bank may in its absolute discretion, but without being under any obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information in this RFP.
- The bank reserves the right to reject any or all bids/proposals received in response to this RFP document at any stage without assigning any reason whatsoever. The decision of Punjab & Sind Bank shall be final, conclusive, and binding on all the parties.
- This RFP Document may not be appropriate for all persons, and it is not possible for the Bank Representatives, their employees, or advisors to consider the investment objectives, financial situation and particular needs of each party who reads or uses this RFP Document.
- The Bank, its employees and advisors make no representation or warranty and shall have no liability to any person, including any Applicant or Bidder under any law, statute, rules or regulations or tort, principles of restitution or unjust enrichment or otherwise for any loss, damages, cost or expense which may arise from or be incurred or suffered on account of anything contained in this RFP or otherwise, including the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, completeness or reliability of the RFP and any assessment, assumption, statement or information contained therein or deemed to form or arising in any way for participation in this bidding process.
- The Bids should be unconditional and without any deviation. Such types of Bids will be rejected and no communication will be done with the Bidders.

#### **CHAPTER 1 - INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

#### 1.1 Cost of Tender

The bidder downloading the tender document from the website is required to submit a nonrefundable fee **online** as mentioned in **Key-Information** in favor of **PUNJAB & SIND BANK**, (Bank a/c details given in Key Information) before the last date and time of submission of bid, failing which the bid of the concerned Bidder will be rejected. It may be noted that the amount will not be refunded to any prospective bidder under any circumstances including cancellation of RFP. <u>The soft copy will also be available at GeM portal (https://gem.gov.in/)</u> & <u>www.eprocure.gov.in</u> and <u>https://punjabandsindbank.com.</u>

#### 1.2 Language of the Bid

The bid as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the bid exchanged by the Bidder and the Bank shall be in English language only.

#### 1.3 Bid Currency & Price Structure

Prices shall be expressed in the Indian Rupees only. The bidder must quote price exclusive of all applicable GST. The cost will not depend on any variation in the dollar exchange rate/change in tax structure.

#### 1.4 Bid System Offer

- a. The Bid Proposal being submitted would be binding on the Bidder. As such it is necessary that authorized personnel of the firm or organization sign the Bid. The designated official/person should have POA/Board Resolution clearly mentioning his/her authority to sign the bid on behalf of company authenticated by company secretary or by a senior official of the Organization having such authority to do so. The same person or a different person should be authorized who should have authority to quote. The Xerox copy of necessary document, Original Resolutions/ Authority/ Power of Attorney having authority to authorize the person to submit Bid Documents, on behalf of the Company shall be enclosed. The proposal must be accompanied with an undertaking letter duly signed by the designated personnel providing a Bid commitment. The letter should also indicate the complete name and designation of the designated personnel.
- **b.** Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Bank in evaluation of his bid, bid comparison or contract award decision would result in the rejection of the said bid. The Bank's decision in this case would be final and without prejudice and will be binding on all parties.
- **c.** The Bank reserves the right to accept or not to accept any bid or to reject a particular bid at its sole discretion without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- d. Bid documents shall be submitted in a Single sealed envelope, proof of online payment towards document cost of RFP, EMD/Bid Security Declaration and other required documents as mentioned in the tender and a sealed envelope containing Price, duly super-scribing the envelope with the reference of this RFP, due date, name of the Bidder with contact details, Offer reference number etc. Bid documents should be duly filed and all the pages of Bid including Brochures should be made in an organized, structured, and neat manner. Brochures / leaflets etc. should not be submitted in loose form. All the pages from

the beginning of the submitted Bid Documents should be serially number numbered with the Bidder's seal duly affixed with the Signature of the Authorized Signatory on each page. Documentary proof, wherever required, in terms of the RFP shall be enclosed.

**e.** The Bids containing erasures or alterations will not be considered. There should be no handwritten material, corrections or alterations in the Bids. All details must be filled in.

#### 1.5 Two Bid System:

This is two bid system which has following 2 parts:

**Part A-Technical cum Eligibility Proposal:** Indicating the response to the Pre-Qualification Criteria, Scope of Work and other terms & conditions. The format for submission of Technical Proposal is as per Appendix-A.

**Part B- Indicative Commercial Bid**: Furnishing all relevant information as required as per Bill of Material as per Annexure- IX. The format for submission of Commercial bid is as per Appendix-B. Online Reverse Auction will be conducted through the GeM portal (https://gem.gov.in/) for those bidders qualified as per the GeM bid terms and conditions.

#### **1.6 Preparation of Bids:**

#### Part A: Technical cum Eligibility Proposal

- Before submitting the bid, the bidders should ensure that they conform to the Pre-Qualification Criteria as stated in RFP. Only after satisfying themselves of the Pre-Qualification Criteria, the Offer should be submitted.
- Technical cum eligibility Proposal should be submitted as per the format in Appendix-A. Relevant technical details and documentation should be provided along with Technical Proposal.
- It is mandatory to provide the compliance to the scope required by the bank.
- The offer may not be evaluated and may be rejected by the Bank without any further reference in case of non-adherence to the format or partial submission of technical information as per the format given in the offer.
- The Bank shall not allow / permit changes in any bid document once it is submitted.
- The relevant solution information, brand, and solution offered, printed product brochure, technical/functional specification sheets etc. should be submitted along with the Offer. Failure to submit this information along with the offer may result in disqualification.
- The Technical Proposal should be complete in all respects and contain all the information sought for. Masked Bill of Material must be attached in Technical Offer and should not contain any price information. The Part A Technical cum Eligibility Proposal should be complete and should cover all products and services. Technical Proposal without masked Bill of Materials will be liable for rejection. Masked Bill of Material which is not as per instruction will make Bid liable for rejection. Masked bill of material should be a replica of actual Bill of Material except that it should not contain any price information (with Prices masked). It should not provide any price information like, unit price, tax percentage, tax amount etc.

- Masked Bill of Material which is not as per instruction will make Bid liable for rejection.
- Should be a replica of Bill of Material except that it should not contain any price information (with Prices masked).

#### Part B: Indicative Commercial Bid

- Commercial Bid should be submitted as per instruction in Appendix-B.
- Commercial Bid shall be submitted as per Bill of Material and other terms and conditions of RFP on prices. The Commercial Bid should give all relevant price information as per Annexure-IX. Any deviations from the Bill of Material / nonsubmission of prices as per the format shall make the bid liable for rejection.
- The bidder must quote the best competitive price in the indicative commercial bid.
- The bid must be made in an organized and structured manner.

\***Note:** All Claims made by the Bidder will have to be backed by documentary evidence. The bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms and specifications in the RFP. Failure to furnish all the information required or to submit a Bid not substantially responsive to the RFP in every respect will be at the Bidder's risk and may result in the rejection of the Bid.

#### 1.7 Cost of Preparation

The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Bid and the Bank will in no case be responsible or liable for these costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Bidding process.

#### **1.8 Normalization of Bids**

The Bank will go through a process of technical evaluation and normalization of the bids to the extent possible and feasible to ensure that Bidders are on the same technical ground. After the normalization process, if the Bank feels that any of the bids needs to be normalized and that such normalization has a bearing on the commercial bid; the Bank may at its discretion ask all the technically shortlisted Bidders to resubmit the technical and commercial bids once again for scrutiny. The Bank can repeat this normalization process at every stage of technical submission or till the Bank is satisfied. The Bidders agree that they have no reservation or objection to the normalization process and all the technically short-listed Bidders will, by responding to this RFP, agree to participate in the normalization process and extend their cooperation to the Bank during this process. The Bidders, by submitting the response to this RFP, agree to the processes, terms and conditions of the normalization process.

#### 1.9 Submission of Bid and communication

The Bank expects the bidders to carefully examine all instructions, terms and conditions mentioned in this RFP document before submitting its **unconditional compliance** as part of the RFP. Failure to furnish all information required or submission not substantially responsive to the RFP in every respect will be at the bidder's risk and may result in the rejection of Bids.

Bids duly sealed should be submitted, in person or through Courier Service at Bidder's Responsibility and in electronic form too using the GeM portal (https://gem.gov.in/), on or before the last Date and Time for bid submission at the address mentioned below. Any other

mode of submission, e.g. by fax, e-mail etc. will not be accepted. No Claim of any Bidder(s) shall be entertained, whatsoever for delayed submission of their bid at any stage because of any reason. Therefore, Bidder (s) are advised to submit their bid well before the scheduled time.

#### Name and Address

Punjab & Sind Bank Human Resources Development Department Corporate Office, Block 3, NBCC Office Complex, East Kidwai Nagar, New Delhi - 110023

Online bid submission is mandatory. The hard copies of bids of only those bidders who submitted bid documents online will be accepted. The hard copies of documents submitted should be same as submitted online. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidder representatives who choose to attend the opening of tender on the specified date, time and place of bid opening. No separate intimation will be given in this regard.

Bank reserves its right to cancel the order even after issuing the letter of Intent (LOI) / Purchase Order, if bank receives any directions / orders from Statutory Body / RBI/Govt. of India in a nature that binds the bank not to take the project forward or any reasons whatsoever. The decision of the Bank shall be final in this regard without disclosing any reason to any bidder or person.

#### 1.10 Late bids

- a) Any bid received after the due date and time for receipts of bids as prescribed in this RFP will be rejected. However, in case of the specified date of submission of bids being declared a holiday for the bank, the bids will be received up to the specified time on the next working day.
- **b)** The bank may, at its discretion, extend this deadline for submission of bids by amending the bid documents, in which case all rights and obligations of the Bank and bidders, previously subject to the deadline, will thereafter be subject to the deadline extended.
- c) All such information will be published on Bank's website only. The bidders have to take note of it.

#### 1.11 Modifications and/ or Withdrawal of Bids

- a) Bids once submitted will be treated as final and no modification will be permitted. No Correspondence in this regard will be entertained.
- b) The Bid should contain no alterations, erasures or overwriting. The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms and specifications in the bidding documents. Failure to furnish all information required by the bidding documents or submission of bid not substantially / conclusively responsive to the bidding documents in every respect will be at the Bidders risk and may result in rejection of the bid.
- c) No bidder shall be allowed to withdraw the bid after the deadline for submission of bids.
- d) In the case of the successful bidder, he will not be allowed to withdraw/back out from the bid commitments. The bid earnest money in such eventuality shall be forfeited and all interests/claims of such bidder shall be deemed as foreclosed.

#### 1.12 Earnest Money Deposit (EMD):

 The bidder shall furnish Non-interest earning Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) for Rs. 54.00 lakhs (INR Fifty Four Lakhs only) as mentioned in the Bid Schedule by way of

Bank Guarantee drawn on any Scheduled Bank in India (except Cooperative Bank, RRB & Punjab & Sind Bank) in favor of Punjab & Sind Bank, payable at Delhi.

- 2. The same should be valid for an additional 45 days beyond bid validity period. Bank at its discretion can demand for extension for the validity of EMD. The format for submission of EMD in the form of Bank Guarantee is as per Appendix-D.
- 3. The Bank Guarantee issued by the issuing Bank on behalf of Bidder in favor of Punjab & Sind Bank shall be in paper form as well as issued under the "Structured Financial Messaging System" (SFMS) sent to Punjab & Sind Bank, Defence Colony Branch New Delhi and PSIB0000250. Any bid with bank guarantee submitted in physical mode, including EMD/bid guarantee which cannot be verifiable through SFMS will be rejected summarily.
- 4. Non-submission of EMD leads to rejection of Bid.
- 5. All MSEs having registration as per provisions of the Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises i.e. District Industries Centre (DIC) or Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) or Khadi and Industries Board (KVIB) or Coir Board or National Small Industries Commission (NSIC) or directorate of Handicrafts and Handlooms or Udyog Aadhaar Memorandum or any other body specified by Ministry of MSME and Start-ups (recognized by DIPP) are exempted from submission of Tender Fee and EMD only. Relevant valid certificates should be submitted by the bidder in this regard to avail exemption. Bid Security Declaration should be submitted by eligible MSEs/Startups on Company's letter head with company seal and signature of the authorized person as per Annexure-III.
- 6. The EMD may be forfeited/ Bank Guarantee may be invoked:
  - a) If the bidder withdraws/amends the bid after bid submission date.
  - b) If the bidder makes any statement or encloses any form which turns out to be false, incorrect and / or misleading at any time prior to signing of contract and/or conceals or suppresses material information; and / or
  - c) The selected bidder withdraws his tender before furnishing the unconditional and irrevocable Performance Bank Guarantee.
  - d) The bidder violates any of the provisions of the terms and conditions of this tender specification.
  - e) In case of the successful bidder, if the bidder fails:
    - To sign the contract in the form and manner to the satisfaction of Punjab & Sind Bank.
    - To furnish Performance Bank Guarantee in the form and manner to the satisfaction of Punjab & Sind Bank.
    - Bank may proceed against the selected bidder in the event of any evasion, avoidance, refusal or delay on the part of bidder to sign and execute the Purchase Order / Service Level Agreements or any other documents, as may be required by the Bank, if the bid is accepted.
    - The Execution of Bid Security Declaration/ Invocation of EMD may suspend participation of the Bidder in any tender in this Bank for three (03) years.
- 7. Bid securities of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them after expiry of the final bid validity and immediately after the award of the contract. The EMD of the selected bidder will be returned within 15 days after submission of Performance Security (PBG) and execution of Contract with the Bank.

#### 1.13 Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG)

- 1. The successful bidder/s should submit a Security Deposit / Performance Guarantee as specified in Key Information within 30 days from the date of Purchase Order.
- 2. Security Deposit should be submitted by way of Bank Guarantee in favor of Punjab & Sind Bank payable at Delhi / Bank Guarantee may be obtained from any of the Scheduled Commercial Banks (except Cooperative Bank, RRB & Punjab & Sind Bank) for an amount of 3% of total project cost.
- 3. The Bank Guarantee issued by the issuing Bank on behalf of Bidder in favor of Punjab & Sind Bank shall be in paper form as well as issued under the "Structured Financial Messaging System" (SFMS) sent to Punjab & Sind Bank, (Defence Colony Branch New Delhi, PSIB0000250). Any bank guarantee submitted in physical mode, including EMD/bid guarantee which cannot be verifiable through SFMS will be summarily rejected.
- **4.** The PBG so applicable must be duly accompanied by a forwarding letter issued by the issuing bank on the printed letter head of the issuing bank.
- **5.** Security Deposit/Performance Bank Guarantee should be valid for 72 months with an additional 12 months as claim period from the date of Contract.
- 6. The selected bidder shall be responsible for extending the validity date and claim period of the Bank guarantees as and when it is due, on account of incompletion of the project. The contract period will automatically extended till the Completion of the project.
- 7. The security deposit / bank guarantee will be returned to the bidder after one year of completion of Contract Period. If the Contract is extended, the selected bidder has to submit fresh PBG for 3% of the extended Contract value and period along with claim period and also execute fresh/extension of Contract with the Bank within 15 days from the date of issuance of Purchase Order for renewal.
- 8. The Bank shall invoke the Bank guarantee, if work is not completed and the guarantee is not extended, or if the selected bidder fails to complete his obligations under the contract. The Bank shall notify the selected bidder in writing before invoking the Bank guarantee.
- 9. Bank shall invoke the performance guarantee in case the selected Bidder fails to discharge their contractual obligations during the period or Bank incurs any loss due to Bidder's negligence in carrying out the project implementation as per the agreed terms & conditions.

#### 1.14 Contract Period:

The terms and conditions of purchase order and RFP (read with addendums/ Corrigendum/Clarifications) shall constitute a binding contract.

The contract period for the project is 06 months for implementation and 5 years support post implementation.

The bank may, at its sole discretion, extend the contract for a period of 02 (two) years each or part thereof subject to satisfactory functioning of the successful bidder at the same terms and conditions and mutually agreed rates. The decision to further extend the contract with the same

bidder shall be at the sole discretion of the Bank. Further, the Bank will have the right to renegotiate prices of AMC, ATS rates at the end of the contract period. The other Terms and Conditions of the Contract will remain the same for extended periods.

The Pre-Contract Integrity Pact Agreement submitted by the bidder during the Bid submission will automatically form a part of the Contract Agreement till the conclusion of the contract including extended period.

## 1.15 Evaluation Process of the Bids

#### 1.15.1 Preliminary Scrutiny

- **a.** The Bank will examine the Bids to determine whether they are complete, required formats have been furnished, the documents have been properly signed, and the Bids are generally in order.
- **b.** The Bank may, at its discretion, waive any minor infirmity, non-conformity, or irregularity in a Bid, which does not constitute a material deviation.
- c. The Bank will determine the responsiveness of each Bid to the Bidding Document. For the purposes of these Clauses, a responsive Bid is one which conforms to all the terms and conditions of the Bidding Document without material deviations. Deviations from, or objections or reservations to critical provisions, such as those concerning Bid Security, Applicable Law, Bank Guarantee will be deemed to be a material deviation.
- **d.** The Bank's determination of a Bid's responsiveness will be based on the contents of the Bid itself, without recourse to extrinsic evidence. The Bank reserves the right to evaluate the bids on technical and functional parameters, including possible visit to inspect live site/s of the Vendor and witness demos of the system and verify functionalities, response times, etc.
- **e.** If a Bid is not responsive, it will be rejected by the Bank and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the non-conformity.
- f. If any information / data / particulars are found to be incorrect, bank will have the right to disqualify / blacklist the company and invoke the performance bank guarantee/ EMD at any stage of the project.

Two stage bid system is adopted for selection of the vendor:

- Stage 1 Eligibility Bid evaluation Document based.
- Stage 2 Evaluation methodology for eligible bidders through QCBS
  - Technical Bid Evaluation 75% weightage
  - Commercial Bid Evaluation 25% weightage

During evaluation of the Bids, the Bank, at its discretion, may ask the Vendor for clarification in respect of its tender. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing, and no change in the substance of the tender shall be sought, offered, or permitted. The Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid in whole or in parts without assigning any reason thereof. The decision of the Bank shall be final and binding on all the Bidders to this document and bank will not entertain any correspondence in this regard. The process will be valid and Bank reserves the right for selection of vendor, even when only one bid is submitted, subject to meeting of eligibility criteria and other conditions laid down in the RFP.

# **Eligibility Bid**

Eligibility criteria to be met mandatorily by the bidders:

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Sr.	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED			
1.	Proof of Earnest Money Deposit	To be submitted along with the bid.			
2.	The bidder should be registered as a company in India as per Company Act 1956 & 2013 operating since last 5 years as on the date of RFP.	Copy of the certificate of incorporation issued by The Registrar of Companies.			
3.	The bidder should have valid PAN and GST Registration in India	Copy of Valid PAN Card, GST Registration Certificates issued by competent authority in India			
4.	The bidder should have a minimum turnover of INR 100 crore per annum for each of the past 3 financial years (i.e. 2021-22, 2022-23 & 2023-24) along with positive net worth.	Provide CA Certificate mentioning the turnover and net worth for each financial year, along with Audited Financial statements (Balance sheet & Profit & Loss statement).			
		The CA certificate provided in this regard should be without any riders or qualification.			
5.	The bidder should be OEM or an authorized representative/partner of OEM in India.	MAF from OEM as per Annexure-VI on their letter Head needs to be provided. (Name, designation, contact no & official mail ID of the			
		signing authority must be clearly mentioned in the MAF.)			
6.	The Bidder to provide information that none of its subsidiary or associate or holding company or companies having common director/s or companies in the same group of promoters/management or partnership firms/LLPs having common partners is not owned by any Director or Employee of the Bank.	Undertaking to be submitted duly signed by the authorised signatory of the Bidder.			
7.	The Bidder should not have been blacklisted at the time of submission of the bid by any regulator / statutory body/ any government department/ PSU/ BFSI in India.	To be provided as per Annexure-XI.			
8.	The bidder should not be involved in any litigation which threatens solvency of company.	Certificate is to be provided by the chartered accountant /statutory auditor, as per Annexure-X.			
9.	Labour Law Compliance	Undertaking to be submitted duly signed by the authorised signatory of the Bidder.			
10.	Integrity Pact	Appendix-F duly signed by the authorised signatory of the Bidder.			
11.	Non-Disclosure Agreement	To be submitted as per Annexure-VII duly signed by the authorised signatory of the Bidder.			

The Bank will evaluate the response to the RFP of the Bidders who are found eligible as per the eligibility criteria mentioned in the RFP. There will be no scoring involved in the eligibility evaluation. Bids of only those Bidders who have been found to be in conformity with the eligibility terms and conditions during the preliminary evaluation would be considered by the Bank for further detailed evaluation. The Bidders who do not meet the eligibility criteria and all terms during preliminary examination will not be considered for further evaluation.

Documentary evidence must be furnished against each of the above criteria along with an index. All documents must be signed by the authorized signatory of the Bidder. Relevant portions in the documents submitted in pursuance of eligibility criteria, should be highlighted. The decision of the Bank on evaluation of bids shall be final and binding on all bidders and the

Bank won't accept/consider any kind of claims whatsoever from the bidders.

It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to submit required documentary proofs which are necessarily unambiguous and shall be capable of establishing beyond any doubts that bidder is satisfying the criteria/clause for which the document is submitted.

The Bank may use the services of external consultants for technical evaluation.

#### 1.15.3 Evaluation Methodology for Eligible Bidder

The technical evaluation and the commercial evaluation shall have the weightage of 75% and 25% respectively and this weightage shall be considered for arriving at the successful bidder. Contract shall be awarded to the bidder who scores the highest weighted score. The evaluation methodology vis-à-vis the weightages is as under:

#### 1.15.3.1 Technical Bid evaluation

The vendor needs to achieve a cut – off score of 75 marks in this evaluation stage to be qualified for commercial bid opening. Only those vendors who achieve the specified cut– off scores would be short-listed for Commercial Bid Submission & Evaluation.

- The Bank shall evaluate the Technical Proposals only for those bidders who satisfy the pre-qualification / Eligibility criteria as referred in this document. The technical proposals will be evaluated based on their responses specified in this document. Evaluations will be based on documentary evidence submitted by the bidder with respect to evaluation / selection criteria demonstrating its technical capabilities and competence.
- The bidder will have to demonstrate proven capabilities in each of the segments as defined under the terms of reference and due weightage will be given to each segment in the overall scoring.
- Each responsive proposal will be given a technical score. A Proposal shall be rejected at this stage if it does not respond adequately to aspects of the RFP or if it fails to achieve the minimum technical score indicated in this document. The Technical proposals which are unsigned, and incomplete shall not be evaluated.
- A presentation before the Bank is to be made by the eligible Bidder on their understanding of the key considerations, live demo of tools from the scope of work, proposed Methodology and Approach to be adopted, and proposed team, Work Schedule and Activity Schedule etc. as mentioned in technical evaluation criteria. The technical capabilities & competence of Bidder should be clearly reflected in the presentation.
- The date & time of presentations will be notified by the Bank, no changes in the schedule will be entertained thereafter.
- > The technical capabilities and competence of the potential Firm reflected in the technical

proposal made available should be consistent with the presentation to be made before the committee.

Based on the details submitted by the Bidder in the Technical Bid, the Technical Evaluation of the eligible Bidder will be carried out as furnished below:

Sn	Sub-parameter	Remarks	Max Sub-
	Experience		Score
1.	<ul> <li>Experience/case studies of relevant experience of projects as per scope.</li> <li>Experience and Credentials in implementation of HR Transformation along with tools in India done in last 5 years with Public Sector Bank / Private Sector Bank with minimum Total Project duration of 6 months and minimum contract value of INR 10 Cr. Both Ongoing as well as Completed Projects will be considered.</li> <li>Scoring Methodology-</li> <li>25 marks - if the criteria are met for 5 or more Public/Private Sector Banks/BFSI, Public Sector Enterprise</li> <li>15 marks - if the criteria are met for 3 Public/Private Sector Banks/BFSI, Public Sector Enterprise</li> <li>10 marks - if the criteria are met for 2 Public/Private Sector Banks/BFSI, Public Sector Enterprise</li> </ul>	A copy of engagement letter/ work order/ letter of award along with Project Completion Certificate Annexure XIX) or Performance Certificate Annexure	25
2.	<ul> <li>Live demonstration of tools mentioned in the scope of work from the work submitted in SI No. 1 of Technical Bid Evaluation criteria.</li> <li>30 marks – if live demonstration done from tools developed for two Public/Private Sector Banks/BFSI</li> <li>15 marks – if live demonstration done from tools developed for one Public/Private Sector Bank/BFSI</li> </ul>	,	30
3.	<ul> <li>Proposed Approach and Methodology</li> <li>Understanding context of Punjab &amp; Sind Bank and of Indian Public Sector Banks</li> <li>Meets with the Bank's goals and objectives.</li> <li>Understanding of the scope of the work</li> <li>Proposed approach and methodology for the entire scope of work, broken down year wise, phase wise and module wise.</li> <li>Innovativeness of proposed initiatives vis-à-vis the impact and cost-benefit analysis.</li> <li>Defined Implementation plan matching to the Bank's expectations as per scope.</li> <li>Clearly defined timelines, deliverables and Milestone</li> </ul>	Documents to be given.	30

	Total		100
	<ul> <li>Training &amp; handholding of key Bank teams to ensure appropriate capability building.</li> </ul>	- at	
	, ,	Bidder Presentation	5
	Ensuring proper handover of capabilities to Bank's in-		
5.	Project Management & Knowledge Transfer		
		XVII)	
		head (Annexure	
		company's letter	
		experience should be furnished on the	10
	Team Deployment Plan (5 Marks)	qualification,	10
	Matter Experts assigned (5 Marks)	with name,	
	• Qualification and Experience and profile of Subject	employees along	
4.	Proposed Team Profile & Deployment	Profile of the	
	and best practices to be adopted.		
	<ul> <li>Tools and techniques, standard operating procedures</li> </ul>		
	• Ease of implementation of proposed initiatives.		
	based marking.		

The Bidder will have to demonstrate proven capabilities in each of the segments as defined under the terms of reference and due weightage will be given to each segment in the scoring under this parameter.

\*The methodology for awarding the score for team profile and deployment shall be as detailed below:

Marks shall be awarded for Subject Matter Expert based on their education & experience.

Evaluation of the Proposed Team - Subject Matter Expert Only					
Experience (in Years)	>=10 Years	>= 8 Years	>= 6 Years	>= 5 Years	>=4 Years
Marks	2.5	2	1.5	1	0.5
Qualification**	MBA/	MBA/	MBA/	Master's	Graduation
	Equivalent	Equivalent	Equivalent	Degree (Not	Degree
	Master's	Master's	Master's	falling under	
	Degree	Degree	Degree	first 3	
				column)	
Marks	5	4	3	2	1

Team Deployment Plan shall be evaluated based on the proposed team members (Consultancy) to be deployed for Project:

Team Deployment Plan			
Number of Onsite Resources (including Team Leader)>= 654			
Marks	5	4	3

Note: The above-mentioned number are minimum/indicative in nature. Kindly ensure that optimum number of resources are deployed as per the requirement. Number of Onsite resources less than 4 is not acceptable.

1.15.3.2 Overall evaluation criteria

This will be a TECHNO COMMERCIAL EVALUATION and accordingly the technical evaluation will have 75% weightage and commercial evaluation shall have 25% weightage. These weightages shall be taken into consideration for arriving at the successful bidder. The evaluation methodologies vis-à-vis the weightages are as under:

S = (T/T\_High x 75) + (C\_Low/C x 25) Where: S = Score of the Bidder T = Technical score of the Bidder T\_High = Highest Technical score among the Bidders C = Quote as provided by the Bidder (please refer to Annexure-III) C\_Low = Lowest Quote of C among the Bidders

The Bidder securing the highest score becomes the successful Bidder.

Bank reserves the right to waive any of the Technical and Functional Specifications during technical evaluation, if in the Bank's opinion it is found to be minor deviation or acceptable deviation.

The decision of the Bank on evaluation of bids shall be final and binding on all bidders and the Bank won't accept/consider any kind of claims whatsoever from the bidders.

It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to submit required documentary proofs which are necessarily unambiguous and shall be capable of establishing beyond any doubts that bidder is satisfying the criteria/clause for which the document is submitted.

The Bank may use the services of external consultants for technical evaluation.

In case the input/ feedback received from the Customer is negative/ unsatisfactory, the bank reserves the right to reject the Bid. The Bank, at its discretion, may choose to open the commercial bid of the only bidder who qualifies.

Negotiations, if considered necessary, shall be held only with H1 i.e. the successful Bidder after combined evaluation of the Technical and Financial Bid, as indicated above. In case of a tie in the final combined technical and financial score, the Bidder with higher technical score will be invited for negotiation and selection first. Under no circumstance, the financial negotiation shall result in an increase in the price originally quoted by the successful Bidder.

#### 1.15.3.3 Preference for Make in India order 2017 (PPP-MII order)

- In the tendering process, bank will follow the guidelines on Public Procurement (Preference to make in india), order 2017 (PPP-MII order) issued by GOI, Ministry of commerce and industry, Department of industrial Policy and Promotion Letter No. P-45021/2/2017 (BE-II) dated May 29, 2019, revised on 04.06.2020, further revised on 16.09.2020 and subsequent amendments.
- Salient features of the order are given below:
  - 1. Class- I Local supplier means a supplier or service provider whose service or product offered for procurement, has local content equal to or more than 50%, as defined in the above mentioned order.

- **2.** Class-II Local Supplier means a supplier or service provider whose service or product offered for procurement, has local content more than 20% but less than 50%, as defined in this order.
- **3.** Non local supplier means a supplier or service provider, whose product or service offered for procurement, has local content less than or equal to 20%, as defined in this order.
- 4. Local content means the amount of value added in India which shall unless otherwise prescribed by the Nodal Ministry, be the total value of the item procured (excluding net domestic indirect taxes) minus the value of imported content in the item (including all custom duties) as a proportion of the total value, in percent.

Certificate of Local Content: The Class-I Local Supplier / Class-II Local Supplier shall provide a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant (in respect of suppliers other than companies) giving the percentage of local content, on their letter head with Registration number with seal.

#### 1.15.4 Opening of Price Bids

The bidder must quote the best competitive price in the commercial bid. Please note the contents and comply with the requirements of the same.

Only those bids which are found to be technically responsive will be informed of the date / time / venue of opening of price bids.

The Bids will be evaluated as per criteria mentioned in this RFP document. Thereafter the Bank reserves the right of selection of vendor by rates quoted (who are found eligible after evaluation of Bids).

#### Abnormal low bid prices/predatory pricing

An abnormally low bid is one in which the bid price, in combination with other elements of the bid, appears so low that it raises material concerns as to the capability of the bidder to fulfil the contract at the offered price. In such cases, the Bank shall be within its absolute right to seek written clarifications from the bidder/s, including detailed price analysis of the bid price in relation to the scope, schedule, allocation of risks and responsibilities, and any other requirements as the Bank may deem necessary.

If, after evaluating the price analysis, Bank determines that the bidder/s has/have substantially failed to demonstrate its capability to deliver the contract at the offered price, bank may at its sole discretion:

- **a.** reject / cancel the bid/proposal after giving 7 days' notice to such bidder/s; and /or
- **b.** forfeit the bid security and/or invoke Bank Guarantee; and /or
- c. recover cost incurred/to be incurred by the bank for the delay in implementation including the penalty, if any, imposed by the Regulator/Government/Other authorities for non-compliance of Regulatory/ Government/Other authorities guidelines; and /or
- **d.** debar such bidder/s from future RFP processes/contracts for the period as deemed fit by the Bank; and/or
- e. circulate the list of such entities to member organization/s for circulation among members and/ or

f. Circulate/publish the list of such entities, as deemed fit.

#### 1.15.5 Clarification of bids

To assist in the scrutiny, evaluation and comparison of offers/bids, the Bank may, at its sole discretion, ask some or all Bidders for clarification of their offer/bid. The request for such clarifications and the response will necessarily be in writing and no change in the price or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered or permitted. Any decision of the Bank in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding on the Bidder. The bidder has to respond to the bank and submit the relevant proof /supporting documents required against clarifications, if applicable, within the time frame stipulated by the Bank.

The bidder shall notify the Bank in writing of all subcontracts awarded under the contract if not already specified in his bid. Such notification, in his original bid or later, shall not relieve the bidder from any liability or obligation under the contract. The Bank reserves the right to accept such an arrangement or reject the proposal outright. Proof of such contracts should be submitted in the Bid response to RFP.

The Bank may, at its discretion, waive any minor non-conformity or any minor irregularity in the offer. The bank's decision about 'minor non-conformity' is final and the waiver shall be binding on all the bidders and the Bank reserves the right for such waivers.

#### 1.15.6 Commercial Evaluation & Online Reverse Auction:

- 1. The commercial bids of only the technically qualified bidders will be opened.
- 2. In the commercial bid, prices shall be expressed in Indian Rupees only. The bidder must quote prices exclusive of all applicable taxes / GST and duties. The cost will not depend on any variation in dollar exchange rate/change in tax structure.
- **3.** The bidder must quote the best competitive price in the commercial bid.

#### 1.16 No commitment to accept lowest or any bid

The Bank shall be under no obligation to accept the lowest or any other offer received in response to this tender notice and shall be entitled to reject any or all offers including those received late or incomplete.

# 1.17 Right To Accept Any Bid and To Reject Any OR All Bids/Cancellation of Tender process

Punjab & Sind Bank reserves the right to accept or reject in part or full any or all offers without assigning any reason thereof even after issuance of letter of Intent. Any decision of Punjab & Sind Bank in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the bidders. The Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid in part or in full, and to annul the Bidding process and reject all Bids at any time prior to contract award, 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 Bank's action. During any stage of evaluation process, if it is found that the bidder does not meet the eligibility criteria or has submitted false /incorrect information the bid will be summarily rejected by the Bank and no further correspondence would be entertained in this regard. Bank further reserves the right to amend, rescind, reissue or cancel this RFP and all amendments will be advised to the Bidder and such amendments will be binding upon them. The Bank also reserves its right to accept, reject or cancel any or all responses to this RFP

without assigning any reason whatsoever. Further please note that the bank would be under no obligation to acquire any or all the items proposed. No contractual obligation whatsoever shall arise from the RFP process unless and until a formal contract is signed and executed by duly authorized officials of Punjab & Sind Bank and the bidder.

#### **1.18 Correction of Errors**

Bidders are advised to exercise greatest care in entering the pricing figures. No corrigendum or requests for prices to be corrected will be entertained after the bids are opened. If there are any corrections in the bid document, the authorized signatory should initial them all, failing which the figures for such item shall not be considered. Discrepancies in bids will be corrected as follows:

- Where there is a discrepancy between the amounts in figures and in words, the amount in words shall prevail.
- If there is a discrepancy between percentage and amount, the amount calculated as per the stipulated percentage basis shall prevail
- Where there is a discrepancy between the unit rate and the line-item total resulting from multiplying the unit rate by the quantity, the unit rate will govern unless, in the opinion of Bank, there is an obvious error such as a misplacement of a decimal point, in which case the line-item total will prevail.
- Where there is a discrepancy between the amount mentioned in the bid and the lineitem total present in the schedule of prices, the amount obtained on totaling the line items in the Bill of Materials will prevail.
- The amount stated in the correction form, adjusted in accordance with the above procedure, shall be considered as binding, unless it causes the overall price to rise, in which case the bid price shall prevail.
- In case the bidder does not accept the correction of the errors as stated above, the bid shall be rejected.
- The Highest Technical bidder shall not automatically qualify for becoming selected bidder and for award of contract by the bank.
- The Lowest Commercial Bidder shall not automatically qualify for becoming selected Bidder and for award of contract by the Bank.
- The commercials will be calculated till two decimal points only. If the third decimal point is greater than .005 the same shall be scaled up else, it shall be scaled down to arrive at two decimal points. Bank will make similar treatment for 4th or subsequent decimal point to finally arrive at two decimal points only.
- If for some reason, negotiations with the successful bidder fail to result in an agreement within a specified timeline, the Bank reserves the right to award the contract to the next most eligible bidder based on the evaluation.
- The Bank shall not incur any liability to the affected Bidder on account of such rejection.

Based on the Bank's requirements as listed in this document, the bidder should identify and offer the best-suited solution / bill of material for the product that would meet the Bank's requirements and quote for the same.

During RFP process, if any event of conflict arise between the content of the Annexures submitted by bidders and the main body of RFP, then the content of main RFP shall prevail/ applicable.

#### 1.19 Soft copy of tender document

The soft copy of the tender document will be made available on the Bank's website https:// https://punjabandsindbank.co.in/, www.eprocure.gov.in & https://gem.gov.in/. However, the Bank shall not be held responsible in any way, for any errors / omissions /mistakes in the downloaded copy.

The bidder is advised to check the contents of the downloaded copy for correctness against the printed copy of the tender document. The printed copy of the tender document shall be treated as correct and final, in case of any errors in the soft copy.

#### 1.20 Bid validity period

Bids shall remain valid for 180 (One Hundred Eighty) days from the date of submission of Bid. The Bank holds the right to reject a bid valid for a period shorter than 180 days as nonresponsive, without any correspondence. In exceptional circumstances, The Bank may solicit the Bidder's consent to an extension of the validity period. The request and the response thereto shall be made in writing. The extension of validity period by the Bidder should be unconditional and irrevocable. The Bid Security provided shall also be suitably extended.

A Bidder acceding to the request will neither be required nor be permitted to modify its bid. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. In any case the bid security of the Bidders will be returned after completion of the process.

#### 1.21 Pre-bid meeting

For clarification of doubts of the bidders on issues related to this RFP, the Bank intends to hold a Pre-Bid Meeting on the date and time as indicated in the RFP in **Key-Information**.

For any clarification with respect to this RFP, the bidder may send an email to (ho.hrd@psb.co.in) by last date of submission of queries as defined in **Key-Information** in this document. No queries will be entertained from the bidders after the above date and time.

If the meeting date is declared as a holiday under NI Act by the Government after issuance of RFP, the next working day will be deemed to be the pre-bid meeting day.

The format to be used for seeking clarification is mentioned in **Appendix-C (Pre-bid Query Format).** It may be noted that all queries, clarifications, questions etc., relating to this RFP, technical or otherwise, must be in writing only and should be sent to the email-id as stated earlier. No oral or individual consultation will be entertained.

The bank has the discretion to consider any other queries raised by the bidder's representative during the pre-bid meeting.

Only two authorized representatives of the bidders who have purchased the RFP will be allowed to attend the meeting.

The Bank will consolidate all the written queries and any further queries during the pre-bid meeting and the replies for the queries shall be made available over website of the Bank. The clarification of the Bank in response to the queries raised by the bidder/s, and any other

clarification/amendments/corrigendum furnished thereof will become part and parcel of the RFP and it will be binding on the bidders.

Non reply to any of the queries raised by the vendors during pre-bid Meeting shall not be considered as acceptance of the query/issue by the Bank.

#### **1.22 Amendment to RFP Contents**

At any time prior to the last date for bid-submission, the Bank may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to clarification(s) requested by a prospective bidder, modify the RFP contents by amendment. The amendment will be published on Bank's website & Gem portal and will be binding on bidders. However, it is the bidder's responsibility to keep its communication channels (face-to-face, phone, fax, e-mail etc.) alive including observing Bank's website for latest development in this regard. The Bank will not be liable for any communication gap. To provide prospective bidders, reasonable time to take the amendment into account for preparation of their bid, the Bank may, at its discretion, extend the last date for bid-submission.

#### **1.23 Disqualification**

Any form of canvassing/ lobbying/ influence/ query regarding short listing, status etc. will result in disqualification.

#### 1.24 Fixed Price

The prices quoted in the tender response will be fixed for the period of the contract. The price should be exclusive of all taxes and levies which will be paid by the Bank at actual.

#### **1.25 Project Execution**

The entire project needs to be completed expeditiously. The Bank and the selected bidder/s shall nominate a Project Manager immediately on acceptance of the order, who shall be the single point of contact for the project. However, for escalation purpose, details of other persons shall also be given. The project manager nominated by the bidder/s should have prior experience in implementing a similar project.

#### **1.26 Confidentiality of the Bid Document**

The Bidder, irrespective of his/her participation in the bidding process, shall treat the details of the documents as secret and confidential.

#### **CHAPTER 2- SCOPE OF WORK**

The Bank intends to hire a consultant for HR Transformation to automate HR Process and get implemented various modules of Performance Management System. The consultant shall guide the Bank for change in policy to bring HR transformation, thereby, enabling and optimizing the Bank for the future HR requirements, talent management and complying with benchmark needs of EASE and other regulatory requirements. Bidder would recommend strategies, drive coordination, and manage implementation of immediate goal and the long-term goal of attaining HR related transformation in the Bank as per scope of work detailed hereunder.

Bank reserves the right to modify the scope due to change in regulatory prescription, market scenario and internal requirement within the overall objection of HR Transformation.

#### PHASEWISE SCOPE (0-6 MONTHS)

# Phase 1: Conduct Gap Analysis of bank's current PMS & HR related systems, policies and processes (1 month)

Consultant to review and conduct gap analysis of the existing HR Systems, processes, policies, performance management system, access implementation gaps, besides suggesting adequacy of the current systems of the Bank. The analysis should include proposed strategy for revamped process of the performance management keeping in view various regulatory guidelines, futuristic requirement and suggest best in class models.

- Review of existing Organization Structure, HR system/ processes/ policies, Employee Performance Appraisal System and identify gaps. This will include analysis of existing tools and technologies used for Performance Management System (PMS) & HR systems.
- **2.** Review the existing target allocation process of the Bank and identify the areas for which target allocation is required for performance evaluation for each kind of roles.
- 3. Review existing PMS tool, study its various data and target setting process.
- 4. Comparison with HR best practices in the banking industry.
- 5. Understanding existing Annual Performance Appraisal Report (APAR) system.
- 6. Examine the existing Job Roles and Key Responsibility Areas (KRAs)
- 7. Study and identify the gaps in current Manpower Planning process of the bank.
- 8. Assess the existing process for postings/transfers in the bank.
- 9. Review the succession planning and leadership development in the Bank.

A comprehensive gap analysis report is be submitted and sign off to be obtained from the Bank before proceeding to the next part of design.

# Phase 2: Procurement & Implementation of HR tools, processes and activities as detailed in modules mentioned below (4 months)

#### Module 1: Role Clarity Tool

The tool should be capable of handling of KRAs/KPIs and its linking with defined roles for relevant Officers posted at relevant functions and units such as Branches/ Back Offices/ Verticals/ Administrative Offices as applicable and measurable objectively.

**1.** Identify applicable Key Responsibility Areas (KRAs), Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) (role wise) and define the roles and responsibilities of relevant Officers of the

Bank. Design approach to implement strategically aligned and focused KRAs/KPIs based on functional areas/ roles and responsibilities.

- Review the exiting Key responsibility Areas (KRAs) /Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) library and identify gaps.
- **3.** Establish modalities for allocating multiple roles, to balance the workload and to ensure transparent and fair grading.
- 4. Clearly define and design the KRAs/KPIs for all the roles in the Bank
- KRAs/KPIs should be appropriately cascaded across the role hierarchy to bring in a culture of joint accountability and ownership. The source for measurable KRAs/ KPIs should be well defined and automated.
- **6.** Develop mechanisms for periodic updates to keep KRAs relevant and aligned with organization's vision and mission.
- **7.** Identified KRAs/KPIs must be linked with mission and vision of the Bank and should be as measurable as possible (around overall 70% measurable metrics)

#### Module 2: Target Setting Tool

This module should help to set business targets considering its historical performance, current performance, peer performance, market potential, market data driven insights, business aspirations, and data from various sources etc. these business targets will then be cascaded across bank's hierarchy. This tool should establish a scientific mechanism for setting business and performance targets that are realistic, data-driven and aligned with organizational strategy. The following features are required as part of the target setting tool:

- 1. Design a framework for business intelligence-driven target setting that incorporates internal factors, external factor, historical data, market insights and organizational aspirations.
- Tool should be able to assign and cascade targets for business parameters and overall bank level to branch/vertical. Target to be assigned to every officer in branch/verticals and allow for linking multiple roles handled by an individual employee and prioritize across roles.
- **3.** Facilitate revisions of targets during the financial year to accommodate evolving requirements and provide hands on practice/training to few employees to converse with data visualization tool.
- 4. Integrate the tool with various internal bank systems for real-time validation and seamless employee experience also Include provisions for integrating with external systems as required by the design, personalized performance dashboards with mobile interface.
- **5.** Incorporate options for trigger points in case of major adverse events that affect organization goals/targets, ensure that revised targets are cascaded across multiple layers in the affected area/geography.
- 6. Provide real-time dashboards to analyze individual performance against actual targets and historical records, highlight focus areas or areas of improvement at individual, business unit, Zonal office & Head Office levels.

#### Module 3: Performance Management System

Based upon comprehensive gap analysis report, a new Performance Management System to be deployed for transparency, organization goals, HR vision, objectivity and individuality. The following features are required as part of the PMS tool:

- Design and implement around 70% to 80% measurable metrics across relevant officer cadres in relevant types of business units with auto data linkages through the system. There are some specific roles like non-budgetary roles where the assigned KRAs/KPIs are not measurable immediately, consultant to plan and prepare tools/ IT based solution for measurable outcomes.
- **2.** KRAs for Bank's leadership and senior management in business roles must appropriately reflect the corporate/strategic goals and incorporate business parameters of the Bank e.g., Business Growth, Profitability etc.
- **3.** Design, develop and implement an online Performance Management System (PMS) and its integration with other relevant information systems of the Bank for auto generation of performance scorecard in Individual's real-time dashboard to throw insights on the performance of all the employees and initiate corrective action for better performance.
- **4.** Define peer groups and cohorts using multi data variables and thresholds. Comparison of PMS score should be available among the defined cohorts and overall basis.
- 5. Comparison of PMS scores to be done within peer groups or cohorts formed using criteria applicable to the relevant units such as geography/scale/branch size/volume etc.
- 6. System should have features like role library wherein reporting authority can assign role/ roles to individual. KRAs/ KPIs to be reviewed on periodical basis to keep the KRAs/ KPIs library updated.
- 7. Devise migration strategies to store historical performance data for future reference.

#### Module 3A: PMS Profiler/Scorecard

Design, develop and implement a profiler that provides an automated and comprehensive overview of employee performance to enhance decision-making and transparency.

- 1. Create an individual PMS Profiler for relevant Officers which showcases their performance on a regular frequency (monthly/quarterly) as defined by organizational requirements.
- 2. Incorporate provisions for recognizing extraordinary performance and addressing performance gaps.
- **3.** Enable generation of performance reports that provide actionable insights for corrective actions and continuous improvement.

#### Module 3B: Appraisal Tool

The Appraisals tool will digitalize and streamline the appraisal process, ensuring fairness and consistency in evaluating employee performance.

- **1.** Understanding existing Annual Performance Appraisal report (APAR) system and its data source at every stage and identify gaps based on industry best practices.
- **2.** Ensure multi-level workflow (Appraisee, Reporting Authority, Reviewing Authority etc.) in line with bank's appraisal policy for comprehensive performance evaluations.
- **3.** Generate detailed appraisal reports that support decision-making on promotions and training interventions.

#### Module 4: Performance Dashboard

The dashboard should aid every officer to view their performance on real time basis vis-à-vis actual targets and historical performance records. The dashboards to highlight focus areas or

areas of improvement at individual level as well as at various business units, zonal offices and head office level.

- **1.** Design, develop and implement personalized performance dashboards along with relevant mobile interface to support all offices to tracking their individual performance.
- 2. Dashboard should be able to display the real time standings of an officers amongst cohorts, Top strengths and area of concerns, business opportunities (based on market segment study), ideal practices in existing business environment, training requirements based on performance.
- **3.** Design, develop and implement supervisory dashboards/ Report Panel for tracking performances of various branches, offices, employees and review mechanism by Superiors and Management.
- **4.** Dashboard should be designed with tools and plugins to present data in user friendly intuitive formats and graphical representations.
- 5. System to provide performance trends (monthly, quarterly, annual, on demand etc.) of an individual and of the various functional units/ layers (corporate office, administrative office, branches etc.) / geographies/ various markets/demography wise/ center wise/ cadre wise etc. and suggest corrective action for better performance.
- **6.** The dashboard should provide 360 degree employee performance insights viz. post role history, performance scores, competency assessment results to enable succession planning.
- 7. Dashboard should be effectively interlinked to all the related tools (e.g. PMS, Manpower planning tool, Succession Planning Tool etc.) enabling the bank to have reasonable insights.

The above tools should have provision to include new & emerging roles across officer cadre, including defining and developing KRAs, while also being able to cater to award staff as well as Probationary Officers, if required.

#### Module 5: Manpower Planning Tool

A digital tool for assessing short-term and long-term staffing requirements to optimize resource allocation and align with business growth. Tool should enable efficient placement of resources for their optimum utilization considering ratings, trainings, career growth, succession planning etc.

- **1.** Design algorithms for assessing manpower requirements based on unit size, category, geographical location, and business potential.
- 2. The short-term manpower planning should indicate/depict the immediate manpower requirement. However, long-term Manpower assessment should anticipate the manpower requirement in subsequent years considering the bank's business strategy.

#### Module 6: Target Collation Tool & Actual Achievement Collation

A Target Collation Tool to help collate targets for relevant PMS KRAs from appropriate sources, especially for those targets that need to be captured individually from verticals. Further, design, develop and implement an Actual Achievements Collation Tool to help collate the actual KRA performance data from verticals, ensuring accuracy and compliance with the PMS requirements.

- 1. Design a workflow to collect targets for KRAs from appropriate sources for PMS KRAs.
- 2. Integrate targets data with PMS Scorecard to ensure visibility on scores and targets.
- **3.** Allow departments to upload targets seamlessly while maintaining alignment with roles and KRAs.

- **4.** Design an approval mechanism to ensure alignment of targets for the KRAs with the vertical/administrative unit heads.
- 5. Provide a mechanism for verticals to upload actual KRA performance data securely.
- 6. Design an approval mechanism for validation of data.
- 7. Integrate with PMS Scorecards for visibility on monthly performance.

#### Module 7: Career development & Succession Planning

Design and develop a robust career development framework and build a succession pipeline to ensure leadership readiness and organizational continuity.

- **1.** Design career progression frameworks for horizontal, vertical, and diagonal career tracks.
- **2.** Develop a succession planning tool to identify suitable candidates for critical and other important positions in the organization.
- 3. Link performance data and competency assessments to career development plans.
- 4. Provide personalized learning and development recommendations to address skill gaps.

Any findings from the gap analysis in phase 1 of the project, not covered in features of various modules defined in phase 2, shall also be addressed and implemented by the vendor as part of their proposed solution.

#### Interlinkages of HR Tools

Interlinkages of the above HR Tools, for example, linkage of PMS scorecard with appraisal, linkage of target setting with PMS scorecard etc. and integration of tools with HRMS/other existing tools for continuous data sharing and regular data updation.

#### Phase 3: Implementation Support (1 month)

Based on the tools and framework developed in Phase 2 i.e., Procurement & Implementation of HR tools, processes and activities, consultant shall provide the support to drive the implementation of HR Tools in the Bank. Consultant shall develop the implementation plan to ensure the translation of the new / re-designed Performance Management System and other HR Tools, frameworks and processes as outlined in Phase 2 above to be executed on the ground level. This implementation support should include:

- Project Implementation Team: Consultant to create and drive project delivery team, project management office for execution and implementation of relevant activities related to the project. Co-ordination with relevant stakeholders/ Zones/ Circles/ Branches/ Divisions/ departments/ verticals of the Bank for successful implementation.
- 2. Change Management: Consultant to enable the organization in transition effectively to new/ re-designed Performance Management System/ new HR tools, frameworks and processes through effective communication and awareness creation.
- **3. Communication and Awareness creation**: This involves ensuring transparent, timely and specific communication to employees about the transformation. This would include information regarding the rationale for new/ revised HR processes, framework and respective tools, the approach used to design them, the implementation phases, impact of their performance and career growth etc. would be cascaded to relevant officers in a timely and coherent manner.
- 4. Capability Building for Bank's Team: This involves sensitizing key stakeholders about the changes in HR systems and processes and building capability of Bank's team

to understand, communicate and implement the new systems.

# Assessment on acceptability of HR Tools among the employees and management of Bank. Design the interventions required in tools based on employee's feedback and bring modification in the systems and processes.

- **1.** Design, Develop and implement the modifications required based on the employee's feedback and learning from challenges faced during implementation.
- **2.** New areas for improvement in HR processes suggested in EASE to be studied and design the improvement required in HR Processes and Tools.
- **3.** Consultant shall continuously update the implementation plan based on learnings and challenges during the implementation phase.

#### DESIGN AND CREATION OF IT TOOLS

This entails the use of necessary technology required to effectively run the new tools/processes, which are to be designed/developed as discussed in scope of the Project to produce the key deliverables of this project. These tools shall be developed and deployed on Bank's servers and shall be the property of the Bank. Bidder firm shall maintain this tools / software for a minimum period of five years and six months (i.e., Six months for design, development, and implementation / deployment of tools, one-year warranty plus four years of technical support (AMC/ATS)), from project signoff.

The bidder is required to bring the requisite technology / IT support to deliver IT/ Digital Tools as per the scope of this project.

- The tools/systems/framework shall be the property of the Bank, and suitable support / handholding must be provided to Bank's team for smooth functioning of the same.
- If the services of a third-party technology provider are utilized, the 'Confidentiality', and other general terms and conditions as per relevant sections shall apply.
- At any event, utilization of the services of a third-party technology provider must not amount to sharing of Bank's data on any portal / application / system/ program that is not hosted within the Bank itself.
- The bidder should use only licensed software for website development and should be hosted on a licensed infrastructure. Bidder must take the prior permission from the Bank before using any open-source software.
- All the application must be developed for three-tier architecture and Web Servers
- Tools should be sufficient to cater to the employee base of organization.
- The bidder must explicitly mention the name/type of the software/tools that will be deployed.
- IT infra for the application/tool will be provided by Bank. Any other software, middleware etc. for functioning of the solution to be provided by bidder at no additional cost to the bank. Installation, its configuration and integration with solution will be the responsibility of the bidder.
- The selected bidder must provide the source code to the bank on successful implementation of the software/tools.
- Bidder must provide certificate that all IT/Digital Tools developed and deployed are Bug-free. Proper documentation regarding software use, troubleshooting and deployment shall be provided by bidder.

• The entire development and implementation process must be completed within 12 months from acceptance of order.

#### PROJECT GOVERNANCE:

Bidder shall present the Project Progress to Bank's Board, Top Management, Project Steering Committee for HR Transformation and other relevant Committees, as may be decided by the bank, on regular intervals fixed by the bank, for monitoring and overall review.

#### TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

#### System Design

- 1. Bidder to design and size the optimal hardware required without compromising the performance at DC & DR. Bank will provide the only infrastructure as mentioned in the bid proposal. Bank may intend to implement the solution in on premise environment.
- **2.** The product should be developed with secure coding standards and a certificate in this regard to be submitted as and when required by the bank.
- **3.** The bidder should ensure that application security guidelines/ requirements developed/ shared by operating system providers/ OEMs / bank's requirements / bank's regulatory and statutory' s requirements and guidelines must be adhered.
- **4.** By means of diagrammatic / pictorial representations, the vendor should provide complete details of the hardware, software and network architecture of the Solution offered.

#### **Deployment and Go-Live**

The successful bidder should deploy the solution in production environment and provide support and maintenance. The bidder should observe the user working patterns, provide support, training, and technical help, fix issues/bugs being discovered in this phase and guide the users for best practices without any additional cost to the bank.

#### Infrastructure Requirements

For Onsite resources of the consultant, Bank shall provide workstations and network connectivity for a maximum of 10 resources including IT developers.

#### Server Configuration Details

The Bank shall provide the necessary server infrastructure, as mentioned in Annexure XX, for the development and deployment of tools within its server environment.

#### **Project Duration**

The Contract period with the Consultant for HR Transformation of the Bank shall be for a period of 6 months for implementation and 5 years support for post implementation. From the go-live date of the last module, the solutions and tools thus developed shall be under comprehensive warranty for 1 year. Post completion of warranty, the solution and tools shall be under Annual Technical Support for a period of 4 years.

The detailed implementation plan will be discussed and agreed by the Bank with the shortlisted consultant, covering the scope of work and key deliverables as defined in this RFP. However, consultants/bidders may indicate the timeline for each of such activities in activities in their technical bid.

## **CHAPTER 3 - TERMS AND CONDITONS**

#### 3.1 Implementation schedule:

SN	Phases	Schedule
1	Phase-1 Gap Study	0 to 1 month
2	Phase-2 Design, Development and implementation of HR tools	1 to 4 months
3	Phase-3 Interlinkage of HR tools	0 to 1 month

#### 3.2 Payment Terms

- **1. Payment Authority**: All payments shall be released by Bank's Central Office as per the terms and conditions stated in subsequent clauses.
- **2. Payment Terms deliverables**: The successful bidder shall submit the following documents to Bank's Central Office before raising invoices:
  - Contract agreement as mentioned in Annexure XIII.
  - Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) as per Annexure IX.
  - Deliver/Performance Bank Guarantee as per clause 1.7.
  - Compliance certificate on security as per scope of work.
- 3. The payment will be released as follows:

#### a) Consultancy charges:

SN	Phases	Payment %
1	Gap Study	10% of the fees on completion
2	Design, Development and implementation of HR tools	45% of the fees on completion
3	Interlinkage of HR tools	45% of the fees on completion

#### b) Solution charges:

SN	Phases	Payment %
1	Module 1 to 4	50% of the fees on completion
2	Module 5 & 6	30% of the fees on completion
3	Module 7	20% of the fees on completion

#### c) Annual Technical Support:

Annual Maintenance Service / Annual Technical Support [ After completion of project and one year warranty period]		
Year	Amount	
1 <sup>st</sup> Year (Including warranty period)	Under warranty	
2 <sup>na</sup> Year	Equally on annual Basis	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Equally on annual basis	
4 <sup>th</sup> Year	Equally on annual basis	
5 <sup>th</sup> Year	Equally on annual basis	

4. The payment will be made as indicated above on completion of each phase/module. Bidder shall present the progress to Bank's internal committee for HR Transformation after completion of each phase/module and should raise the invoice after review of their

performance by the committee.

- 5. No advance payment will be released against purchase order.
- **6.** Bank will make the payment subject to signing of the Contract Agreement and Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA).
- 7. Payment to the applicant will be done within 30 days of submission of undisputed bills, subject to billings as per the accepted terms of the work order on completion of work and satisfactory performance as certified by the Bank's authority.
- **8.** Bank reserves the rights to dispute/deduct payment/withhold payments/further payment due to the successful bidder under the Contract, if the successful bidder has not performed or rendered the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Contract which the Bank at its sole discretion adjudge.
- **9.** All out of pocket expenses, travelling, boarding and lodging expenses for the entire Term of this tender and subsequent agreement is included in the amounts quoted and the bidder shall not be entitled to charge any additional costs on account of any items or services or by way of any out of pocket expenses, including travel, boarding and lodging.
- **10.** The bidder's request(s) for payment shall be made to Bank in writing (Invoice) accompanied by the monthly reports/attendance for which payment is being claimed.
- **11.** Bank has right to hold or deduct the amount from its invoices, for non-performance or part performance or failure to discharge obligations under the Contract.
- 12. Payment will be made as per the payment terms mentioned in this RFP.

There shall be no escalation in the prices once the prices are fixed and agreed by the Bank and the vendor. Payment will be released by Punjab & Sind Bank, HO HRD Department., as per above payment terms on submission of mentioned supporting documents.

#### 3.3 Assignment & Subcontracting

- a) The selected bidder shall not subcontract or permit anyone to perform any of the work, service or other performance required under the contract.
- **b)** If the Bank undergoes a merger, amalgamation, takeover, consolidation, reconstruction, change of ownership, etc., this tender shall be assigned to the new entity and such an act shall not affect the rights of the Agency under this tender.

#### 3.4 Delays in the Bidder's Performance

The bidder must strictly adhere to the schedule, as specified in the purchase contract/purchase order, executed between the Parties for performance of the obligations, arising out of the purchase contract and any delay in completion of the obligations by the Bidder will enable Bank to resort to any or both of the following:

- a) Claiming Liquidated Damages
- **b)** Termination of the purchase agreement fully or partly and claim liquidated damages.
- c) Execution of Bid Declaration Form / Invoking EMD or Performance Bank Guarantee

#### 3.5 Liquidated Damages

The Bank will consider the inability of the bidder to deliver or install the equipment & provide the services required within the specified time limit as a breach of contract and would entail the payment of Liquidated Damages on the part of the bidder. The liquidated damages represent an estimate of the loss or damage that the Bank may have suffered due to delay in performance of the obligations (relating to delivery, installation, operationalization, implementation, training, acceptance, warranty, maintenance etc. of the proposed solution/services) by the bidder.

Installation will be treated as incomplete in one / all the following situations:

- Non-delivery of any component or other services mentioned in the order
- Non-delivery of supporting documentation
- Delivery / availability, but no installation of the components and/or software
- No integration/ Incomplete Integration
- Non-Completion of Transition within suggested timeline
- System operational, but not as per SLA, Timelines and scope of the RFP

If Service Provider fails to deliver any or all application/hardware or perform services within stipulated time schedule, the Bank shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the rate contract, deduct from the ordered price, as liquidated damages, a sum equivalent to 1% of the order value for each week of delay subject to the maximum of 10% of TCO. The LD will be charged on order value for the items for which delivery is delayed.

Further, the Bank also reserves the right to cancel the order and execute the Bid Security Declaration /Invoke Performance Guarantees in case of inordinate delays in the delivery/ installation of the equipment. Bank may foreclose the bank guarantee without any notice. In the event of Bank agreeing to extend the date of delivery at the request of successful bidder(s), it is a condition precedent that the validity of Bank guarantee shall be extended by further period as required by Bank before the expiry of the original bank guarantee. Failure to do so will be treated as breach of contract. In such an event Bank, however, reserves its right to foreclose the bank guarantee.

#### 3.6 Order Cancellation

- a) The Bank reserves its right to cancel the entire / unexecuted part of the Purchase Order at any time by assigning appropriate reasons and recover expenditure incurred by the Bank in addition to recovery of liquidated damages in terms of the contract, in the event of one or more of the following conditions:
  - Delay in delivery of services in the specified period.
  - Serious discrepancies noted in the inspection.
  - Breaches in the terms and conditions of the Order.
- **b)** The Bank reserves the right to cancel the contract placed on the selected bidder and recover expenditure incurred by the Bank on the following circumstances:
  - Non submission of acceptance of order within 7 days of order.
  - Excessive delay in execution of order placed by the Bank.
  - The selected bidder commits a breach of any of the terms and conditions of the bid.
  - The bidder goes into liquidation voluntarily or otherwise.
  - An attachment is levied or continues to be levied for a period of 7 days upon the effects of the bid.
  - The progress made by the selected bidder is found to be unsatisfactory.

- If deductions on account of liquidated Damages exceeds more than 10% of the total contract price.
- If found blacklisted by any Govt. Department / PSU / other Banks / CERT-In, during contracted period.
- Non satisfactory performance of the Project in terms of affecting the Core Systems of the Bank or the Core Business of the Bank and the functioning of the Branches/Offices of the Bank.
- c) Bank shall serve the notice of termination to the bidder at least 30 days prior, of its intention to terminate services without assigning any reasons.
- **d)** In case the selected bidder fails to conduct an event as per stipulated schedule, the Bank reserves the right to get it conducted by alternate sources at the risk, cost and responsibility of the selected bidder by giving 7 days' prior notice to the bidder.
- e) After the award of the contract, if the selected bidder does not perform satisfactorily or delays execution of the contract, the Bank reserves the right to get the balance contract executed by another party of its choice by giving one-month notice for the same. In this event, the selected bidder is bound to make good the additional expenditure, which the Bank may have to incur to carry out for the execution of the balance of the order/contract. Such additional expenditure shall be incurred by the bank within reasonable limits & at comparable price prevailing in the market. This clause is also applicable if for any reason, the contract is cancelled.
- f) The Bank reserves the right to recover any dues payable by the selected bidder from any amount outstanding to the credit of the selected bidder, including the pending bills and security deposit, if any, under this contract.
- g) In addition to the cancellation of purchase order, the Bank reserves its right to blacklist the vendor for non- performance and/or invoke the Bank Guarantee or foreclose the Security Deposit given by the bidder towards non- performance/non-compliance of the terms and conditions of the contract, to appropriate towards damages.

# 3.7 Consequences of Termination

In the event of termination of the Contract due to any cause whatsoever, [whether consequent to the stipulated term of the Contract or otherwise], the Bank shall be entitled to impose any such obligations and conditions and issue any clarifications as may be necessary to ensure an efficient transition and effective business continuity of the Service(s) which the Bidder shall be obliged to comply with and take all available steps to minimize loss resulting from that termination/breach, and further allow the next successor Bidder to take over the obligations of the erstwhile Bidder in relation to the execution/continued execution of the scope of the Contract.

In the event that the termination of the Contract is due to the expiry of the term of the Contract, a decision not to grant any (further) extension by the Bank , the Bidder herein shall be obliged to provide all such assistance to the next successor Bidder or any other person as may be required and as The Bank may specify including training, where the successor(s) is a representative/personnel of The Bank to enable the successor to adequately provide the Service(s) hereunder, even where such assistance is required to be rendered for a reasonable period that may extend beyond the term/earlier termination hereof. Nothing herein shall restrict

the right of The Bank to invoke the Performance Bank Guarantee and other guarantees, securities furnished, enforce the Deed of Indemnity and pursue such other rights and/or remedies that may be available to The Bank under law or otherwise. The termination hereof shall not affect any accrued right or liability of either Party nor affect the operation of the provisions of the Contract that are expressly or by implication intended to come into or continue in force on or after such termination.

# 3.8 Audit by Third Party

The selected bidder (Service Provider), if required, has to get itself annually audited by internal/external empaneled Auditors appointed by the Bank/inspecting official from the Reserve Bank of India or any regulatory authority, covering the risk parameters finalized by the Bank/such auditors in the areas of products (IT hardware/software) and services etc., provided to the Bank and the Service Provider is required to submit such certification by such Auditors to the Bank. The Service Provider and or his/their outsourced agents/subcontractors (if allowed by the Bank) shall facilitate the same. The Bank can make its expert assessment on the efficiency and effectiveness of the security, control, risk management, governance system and process created by the Service Provider. The Service Provider shall, whenever required by the Auditors, furnish all relevant information, records/data to them. All costs for such audit shall be borne by the Bank.

Where any deficiency has been observed during audit of the Service Provider on the risk parameters finalized by the Bank or in the certification submitted by the Auditors, the Service Provider shall correct/resolve the same at the earliest and shall provide all necessary documents related to resolution thereof and the auditor shall further certify in respect of resolution of the deficiencies. The resolution provided by the Service Provider shall require to be certified by the Auditors covering the respective risk parameters against which such deficiencies have been observed.

The Service Provider shall, whenever required by the Bank, furnish all relevant information, records/data to such auditors and/or inspecting officials of the Bank/Reserve Bank of India and or any regulatory authority. The Bank reserves the right to call and/or retain for any relevant material information/reports including auditor review reports undertaken by the service provider (e.g., financial, internal control and security reviews) and findings made on Selected Bidder in conjunction with the services provided to the Bank.

# 3.9 Access through virtual private network (VPN)

The Bank may, at its sole discretion, provide remote access to its information technology system to the resources allotted by the Service Provider through secured Virtual Private Network (VPN) to facilitate the performance of HR Transformation tools. Such remote access to the Bank's information technology system shall be subject to the following:

- 1. Service Provider shall ensure that the remote access to the Bank's VPN is performed through a laptop/desktop ("Device") specially allotted for that purpose by the Service Provider and not through any other private or public Device.
- **2.** Service Provider shall ensure that only it's authorized employees/representatives access the Device.
- **3.** Service Provider shall be required to get the Device hardened/configured as per the Bank's prevailing standards and policy.

- **4.** Service Provider and/or its employee/representative shall be required to furnish an undertaking and/or information security declaration on the Bank's prescribed format before such remote access is provided by the Bank.
- 5. Service Provider shall ensure that services are performed in a physically protected and secure environment which ensures confidentiality and integrity of the Bank's data and artifacts, including but not limited to information (on customer, account, transactions, users, usage, staff, etc.), architecture (information, data, network, application, security, etc.), programming codes, access configurations, parameter settings, executable files, etc., which the Bank representative may inspect. Service Provider shall facilitate and/ or handover the Device to the Bank or its authorized representative for investigation and/or forensic audit.
- 6. Service Provider shall be responsible for protecting its network and sub networks, from which remote access to the Bank's network is performed, effectively against unauthorized access, malware, malicious code and other threats to ensure the Bank's information technology system is not compromised in the course of using remote access facility.

# 3.10 Service Level Agreement

The successful bidder is bound and to comply the Service Levels as described below-

- a) The successful bidder shall have to enter into "Service Levels Agreement" having all terms and conditions of this RFP to maintain uptime and provide the service support and onsite support during the entire contract period.
- **b)** Both the bidder and OEM will be totally responsible for the maintenance, configuration and fault free operations of supplied infrastructure i.e. hardware, software and its maintenance during the warranty and post warranty (AMC/ATS period) period.
- c) Any technical glitch/ issue in installed infrastructure of the solution (i.e. hardware and software, OS/DB etc.) should be attended on priority and should be covered under warranty/AMC.
- d) The bidder has to maintain a guaranteed minimum uptime of 99.90% (For Critical Application) / 98.5 % (For Non-Critical Application) for all systems/ solutions supplied under this RFP to avoid any business disruption due to breakdown of system or degraded performance impacting business or unavailability of data. The calculation of uptime will be on a monthly basis.
- e) The issue/ break down message may be communicated to/by the Bank team by way over phone / email/ call logging.
- f) For penalty calculation, the total time elapsed between the intimation of break down message from Bank side to the vendor and receipt of rectification message from the bidder to Bank side will be considered.
- **g)** During the warranty period, the penalty will be deducted in quarterly FMS payment. In case, Bank is unable to adjust penalty in FMS payment, the Bank at its discretion may invoke the Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) to deduct the penalty amount.
- h) Post warranty period, the penalty will be deducted in quarterly FMS/AMC/ATS payment. In case, the Bank is unable to adjust penalty in FMS/AMC/ATS payment, the Bank at its discretion may invoke the Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) to deduct the penalty amount.
- i) If the support services is not provided on 24\*7 basis and/or satisfactory services are not provided, the Bank with its discretion may reject the proposal/ terminate the contract, without assigning any reason.

- j) The bidder is required to mandatorily conduct quarterly preventive and breakdown maintenance activities to ensure (without any impact on day to day operations) to maintain uptime of 99.90 % (for critical applications) / 98.5% (for non-critical applications) uptime on monthly basis covering 24\*7\*365 days.
- **k)** Apart from maintaining uptime of 99.90%, for any breakdown / malfunctioning of hardware and its any of the components or accessories or any system software issue etc., the resolution time is mentioned below:-

Uptime % = ((Number of hours in month - Number of hours impacted in month) \*100)

# Total Number of hours in month

- I) For calculation of uptime (penalty), planned/ scheduled down time will be exempted. Bank will pay the bidder after deducting the calculated penalty from the payable amount.
- m)If any critical component of the entire configuration setup is out of service, then the bidder & OEM shall either immediately replace the defective unit (with new one) or replace it at its own cost or provide a standby, on immediate basis, not more than 4 hours, The bidder should maintain proper inventory of standby components for early resolution of issues.
- n) If the bidder, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the 4 hours' time duration from the incident, the Bank may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the Supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights, which the Bank may have against the supplier under the Contract.
- o) The bidder should comply with the security and audit standards of the Bank and various regulatory guidelines. For this, the bidder should apply new patches related to OS/ firmware & BIOS updates etc, without any additional cost to the bank, during the contract period.
- **p)** For all issues related to installed infrastructure, RCA (Root Cause Analysis) to be provided by the respective OEM within 3 working days.

Service Area	Service Level	Penalty
Bidder should develop all required components of a fully functioning system within the stipulated timeframe or by the date extended by the bank	Penalty per month of delay	1% of the cost of "That proposed solution component", capped at 5% of its cost

# Service Level Agreement and Penalty for Operations

# Manpower:

Service Area	Service Level	Penalty		
	Penalty per month of shortage in team members	1% of the cost of deliverables, capped at 5% of the solution cost		

## Security Vulnerability:

Service Area	Service Level	Penalty		
	Penalty per month in delay of complying with critical and important observations post deployment of solution			

## Knowledge Management:

Service Area	Service Level	Penalty		

## Service Delivery:

Service Area	Service Level	Penalty			
Bidder should complete the scope of the project within the specified timeframe		1% of the cost of "That proposed solution component", capped at 5% of its cost			
<ul> <li>During Warranty period</li> </ul>	g Warranty period "Monthly Contract Value" will be as under-				

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- During Warranty period, "Monthly Contract Value" will be as under-Solution Cost / 12 + FMS Cost per year/12
- Post Warranty period, "Monthly Contract Value" will be as under: AMC / ATS of Solution Cost per year /12 + FMS Cost/12 (Divided by 12 for getting monthly amount out of yearly amount)
- Penalty Cap on SLA: 5%\* Monthly Contract Value (calculated on Monthly basis).

# **CHAPTER 4 - LEGAL AND CONTRACTUAL**

# 4.1 Dispute Resolution Mechanism

The Bidder and The Bank shall endeavor their best to amicably settle all disputes arising out of or in connection with the Contract in the following manner: -

- a) The Party raising a dispute shall address to the other Party a notice requesting an amicable settlement of the dispute within seven (7) days of receipt of the notice.
- b) The matter will be referred for negotiation between General Manager of The Bank / Purchaser and the Authorized Official of the Bidder. The matter shall then be resolved between them, and the agreed course of action documented within a further period of 15 days.

In case any dispute between the Parties, does not settle by negotiation in the manner as mentioned above, the same may be resolved exclusively by arbitration and such dispute may be submitted by either party for arbitration within 20 days of the failure of negotiations. Arbitration shall be held in New Delhi and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof. Each Party to the dispute shall appoint one arbitrator each and the two arbitrators shall jointly appoint the third or the presiding arbitrator.

The "Arbitration Notice" should accurately set out the disputes between the parties, the intention of the aggrieved party to refer such disputes to arbitration as provided herein, the name of the person it seeks to appoint as an arbitrator with a request to the other party to appoint its arbitrator within 45 days from receipt of the notice. All notices by one party to the other in connection with the arbitration shall be in writing and be made as provided in this tender document.

The arbitrators shall hold their sittings at New Delhi. The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in English language. Subject to the above, the courts of law at New Delhi alone shall have the jurisdiction in respect of all matters connected with the Contract/Agreement. The laws applicable to this contract shall be the laws in force in New Delhi, India. The contract shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with Indian law. The award will be recorded in writing, along with the reasons therefor. The arbitration award shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the Parties and judgment may be entered thereon, upon the application of either party to a court of competent jurisdiction. Each Party shall bear the cost of preparing and presenting its case, and the cost of arbitration, including fees and expenses of the arbitrators, shall be shared equally by the Parties unless the award otherwise provides.

The successful bidder(s) shall continue work under the Contract during the arbitration proceedings unless otherwise directed in writing by the Bank or unless the matter is such that the work cannot possibly be continued until the decision of the arbitrator, as the case may be, is obtained. The venue of the arbitration shall be in Delhi.

Notwithstanding the above, the Bank shall have the right to initiate appropriate proceedings before any court of appropriate jurisdiction, should it find it expedient to do so.

# 4.2 Jurisdiction & Governing Laws

The jurisdiction of the courts shall be in New Delhi and the provisions of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of India.

# 4.3 Notices

Notice or other communications given or required to be given under the contract shall be in writing and shall be faxed/e-mailed followed by hand-delivery with acknowledgement thereof or transmitted by pre-paid registered post or courier.

Any notice or other communication shall be deemed to have been validly given on date of delivery if hand delivered & if sent by registered post than on expiry of seven days from the date of posting.

# 4.4 Authorized Signatory

The selected Bidder shall indicate the authorized signatories who can discuss and correspond with the bank about the obligations under the contract. The selected Bidder shall submit at the time of signing the contract a certified copy of the resolution of their board, authenticated by the company secretary, authorizing an official or officials of the Bidder to discuss, sign agreements/contracts with The Bank, raise invoice and accept payments and also to correspond. The Bidder shall provide proof of signature identification for the above purposes as required by the bank.

# 4.5 Force Majeure

Force Majeure is herein defined as any cause, which is beyond the control of the selected Bidder or The Bank as the case may be which they could not foresee or with a reasonable amount of diligence could not have foreseen and which substantially affect the performance of the contract, such as:-

- Natural phenomenon, including but not limited to floods, droughts, earthquakes, epidemics and pandemics
- Acts of any government, including but not limited to war, declared or undeclared priorities, quarantines and embargos
- Terrorist attack, public unrest in work area

Provided either party shall within 10 days from occurrence of such a cause, notify the other in writing of such causes. The Bidder or The Bank shall not be liable for delay in performing his/her obligations resulting from any force Majeure cause as referred to and/or defined above. Any delay beyond 30 days shall lead to termination of contract by parties and all obligations expressed quantitatively shall be calculated as on date of termination. Notwithstanding this, provisions related to indemnity, confidentiality survive termination of the contract.

# 4.6 Confidentiality

This document contains information confidential and proprietary to the Bank. Additionally, the bidder will be exposed by virtue of the contracted activities to internal business information of the Bank, affiliates, and/or business partners. Disclosure of receipt of any part of the aforementioned information to parties not directly involved in providing the services requested could result in the disqualification of the bidder, premature termination of the contract, or legal

action against the bidder for breach of trust. The information provided / which will be provided is solely for the purpose of undertaking the services effectively.

No news release, public announcement, or any other reference to this RFP or any program there under shall be made without written consent of Bank. Reproduction of this RFP, by photographic, electronic, or other means is strictly prohibited.

The bidder must undertake that they shall hold in trust any Information received by them, under the Contract/Agreement, and the strictest of confidence shall be maintained in respect of such Information. The bidder also has to agree to restrict access and disclosure of Information to such of their employees, agents, strictly on a "need to know" basis, to maintain confidentiality of the Information disclosed to them in accordance with this Clause.

Physical as well as logical security of data to be ensured. This step should include having the employees assigned to Punjab & Sind Banks' work sign a 'Confidentiality Agreement'. The selected vendor(s) undertakes not to keep this data with its company after the end of this agreement. This clause will outlive the agreement date. The Bidder shall sign a Non-disclosure Agreement as stated in the RFP.

# 4.7 Ownership and Retention of Documents

The Bank shall own the documents prepared by or for the selected Bidder arising out of or in connection with the Contract.

Forthwith upon expiry or earlier termination of the Contract and at any other time on demand by The Bank, the Bidder shall deliver to The Bank all documents provided by or originating from The Bank / Purchaser and all documents produced by or from or for the Bidder while performing the Service(s), unless otherwise directed in writing by The Bank at no additional cost.

The selected Bidder shall not, without the prior written consent of The Bank/ Purchaser, store, copy, distribute or retain any such Documents.

The selected Bidder shall preserve all documents provided by or originating from The Bank / Purchaser and all documents produced by or from or for the Bidder in the course of performing the Service(s) in accordance with the legal, statutory, regulatory obligations of The Bank /Purchaser in this regard.

# 4.8 Intellectual Property Rights

In the event of any claim asserted by a third party of infringement of copyright, patent, trademark, industrial design rights, etc., arising from the use of the Goods or any part thereof in India, the Vendor(s) shall act expeditiously to extinguish such claim. If the Vendor(s) fails to comply and the Bank is required to pay compensation to a third party resulting from such infringement, the Vendor(s) shall be responsible for the compensation to the claimant including all expenses, court costs and lawyer fees. The Bank will give notice to the Vendor(s) of such a claim, if it is made, without delay. The Vendor(s) shall indemnify the Bank against all third-party claims.

# 4.9 Intellectual Property Indemnity & Indemnity against Misuse of License

The selected vendor(s) has to undertake to indemnify Punjab & Sind Bank and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or

contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any Indian or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract.

The selected vendor(s) shall have to undertake to indemnify Punjab & Sind Bank and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement or misuse by vendor(s) of, any license issues arising out of the execution of this contract.

Service provider shall ensure that all persons, employees, workers and other individuals engaged by or sub-contracted (if allowed) by Service Provider in rendering the Services under this Agreement have undergone proper background check, police verification and other necessary due diligence checks to examine their antecedence and ensure their suitability for such engagement. No person shall be engaged by Service Provider unless such person is found to be suitable in such verification and Service Provider shall retain the records of such verification and shall produce the same to the Bank as and when requested.

# 4.10 Legal Compliance

The successful bidder hereto agrees that it shall comply with all applicable union, state and local laws, ordinances, regulations and codes in performing its obligations hereunder, including the procurement of licenses, permits and certificates and payment of taxes where required. If at any time during the term of this agreement, the Bank is informed or information comes to the Bank's attention that the Successful bidder is or may be in violation of any law, ordinance, regulation, or code (or if it is so decreed or adjudged by any court, tribunal or other authority), the Bank shall be entitled to terminate this agreement with immediate effect.

It shall be the sole responsibility of the Vendor(s) to comply with all statutory, regulatory & Law of Land and provisions while delivering the services mentioned in this RFP. If any new guidelines are issued by these organizations, the bidder shall arrange for its compliance/ upgradation/ development during the contract period without any cost to Bank.

The Successful bidder shall maintain all proper records, particularly but without limitation accounting records, required by any law, code, practice or corporate policy applicable to it from time to time including records, returns and applicable documents under the Labour Legislation.

The Successful bidder shall ensure payment of minimum wages to persons engaged by it as fixed from time to time under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948. In case the same is not paid, the liability under the act shall solely rest with the successful bidder. Further, bidder to ensure that salary payments to resources deployed for Bank's Project is done through Transfer mode from bidder's Bank a/c directly to credit into their specific salary accounts only. No cash payments are to be made to provide remuneration for services provided to the Bank on behalf of selected bidder.

Service Provider shall procure and maintain all necessary licenses, permissions, approvals from the relevant authorities under the applicable laws especially contract Labour (Abolition) Act, EPF Act and ESI Act, throughout the currency of this Agreement.

Service Provider shall be solely liable & responsible for compliance of all applicable Labour Laws in respect of its employees, agents, representatives and sub-Contractors and in particular Laws relating to terminal benefits such as Pension, Gratuity, Provident Fund, Bonus or other benefits to which they may be entitled and the Laws relating to Contract Labour, Minimum Wages, registration of labours, ESIC, PF, workman compensation etc. and the Bank shall have no liability in these regards. Salaries of employees of the vendors are being directly credited to the employees' account. Confirmation that Payment of statutory dues like PF, ESIC etc. are being made on time to the employees be submitted along with the monthly bills raised by vendor.

The bidder should adhere to laws of land and rules, regulations and guidelines prescribed by various regulatory, statutory and Government authorities. The Bidder is to compliant to all existing regulatory guidelines of GOI /RBI and also adheres to requirements of the IT Act 2000 (including amendments in IT Act 2008) and Payment and Settlement Systems Act 2007 and amendments thereof. A self-declaration to this effect is to be submitted by the bidder. The Bank reserves the right to conduct an audit / ongoing audit of the services provided by the

bidder. The Bank reserves the right to ascertain information from the banks and other institutions to which the bidders have rendered their services for execution of similar projects.

**Compliance in obtaining approvals/permissions/licenses:** The Vendor(s) shall promptly and timely obtain all such consents, permissions, approvals, licenses, etc, as may be necessary or required for any of the purposes of this project or for the conduct of their own business under any applicable Law, Government Regulation/Guidelines and shall keep the same valid and in force or as are or as made applicable in future, pertaining to or applicable to them, their business, their employees or their obligations towards them and all purposes of this Tender and in the event of any failure or omission to do so, shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend, protect and fully compensate the Bank and its employees/ officers/ staff/ personnel/ representatives/agents from and against all third party claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may occur or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligations arising there from and the Bank will give notice of any such claim or demand of liability within reasonable time to the Vendor(s).

This indemnification is only a remedy for the Bank. The Vendor(s) is not absolved from its responsibility of complying with the statutory obligations as specified above. Indemnity would be limited to court and arbitration awarded damages and shall exclude indirect, consequential and incidental damages. However indemnity would cover direct damages, loss or liabilities suffered by the Bank arising out of claims made by its customers and/or regulatory authorities.

# 4.11 Conflict of Interest

The Bidder shall disclose to the Bank in writing all actual and potential conflicts of interest that exist, arise or may arise (either for the Bidder or the Bidder's team) in the course of performing the Service(s) as soon as practical after it becomes aware of that conflict.

# 4.12 Inspection of Records

Subject to receipt of prior written notice, all Vendor(s) records/premises with respect to any matters covered by this Tender shall be made available to the Bank or its designees and

regulators including RBI, at any time during normal business hours, as often as the Bank deems necessary, to audit, examine, and make excerpts or transcripts of all relevant data. Said records are subject to examination. Bank's auditors would execute confidentiality agreement with the Vendor(s), provided that the auditors would be permitted to submit their findings to the Bank pertaining to the scope of the work, which would be used by the Bank. The cost of the audit will be borne by the Bank.

The scope of such audit would be limited to Service Levels being covered under the contract, and financial information would be excluded from such inspection, which will be subject to the requirements of statutory and regulatory authorities. Such audit shall be conducted within normal working hours of the Vendor(s) and the Bank's auditors shall comply with confidentiality and security requirements as specified by the Vendor(s).

# 4.13 Publicity

Any publicity by either party in which the name of the other party is to be used should be done only with the explicit written permission of such party. The bidder agrees to make no reference to Bank or this procurement or resulting contract in any literature, promotional material, brochures, sales presentation or the like without the express prior written consent of Bank.

# 4.14 Solicitation Of Employees

Both the parties agree not to hire, solicit, or accept solicitation (either directly, indirectly, or through a third party) for their employees directly involved in this contract during the period of the contract and one year thereafter, except as the parties may agree on a case-by-case basis. The parties agree that for the period of the contract and one year thereafter, neither party will cause or permit any of its directors or employees who have knowledge of the agreement to directly or indirectly solicit for employment the key personnel working on the project contemplated in this proposal except with the written consent of the other party. The above restriction would not apply to either party for hiring such key personnel who (i) initiate discussions regarding such employment without any direct or indirect solicitation by the other party (ii) respond to any public advertisement placed by either party or its affiliates in a publication of general circulation or (iii) has been terminated by a party prior to the commencement of employment discussions with the other party.

# 4.15 Limitation of Liability

Vendor(s) aggregate liability under the Contract shall be limited to a maximum of the Contract value. This limit shall not apply to third party claims for IP Infringement indemnity, bodily injury (including Death) and damage to real property and tangible property caused by vendor(s)/s' gross negligence. For the purpose for the section, contract value at any given point of time, means the aggregate value of the purchase orders placed by bank on the vendor(s) that gave rise to claim, under this Tender. Vendor(s) shall not be liable for any indirect, consequential, incidental or special damages under the Agreement/ Purchase Order.

# 4.16 Signing of Pre-Contract Integrity Pact

To ensure transparency, equity, and competitiveness and in compliance with the CVC guidelines, this tender shall be covered under the Integrity Pact (IP) policy of the Bank. The pact essentially envisages an agreement between the prospective bidders/vendor(s) and the Bank committing the persons/officials of both the parties, not to exercise any corrupt influence

on any aspect of the contract. The format of the agreement is enclosed as **Appendix-F** on stamp paper.

Signing of IP with Bank would be one of the preliminary qualifications for further evaluation. In other words, entering into this pact would be one of the preliminary qualifications for this tender and the pact shall be effective from the stage of invitation of bids till the complete execution of the contract. Any vendor(s)/ bidder did not sign the document or refusing to sign shall be disqualified in the bidding process.

Independent External Monitors	Email ID
1. Sh. Debal kumar Gayen	Gayen.dk@gmail.com
2. Sh. Pramod Kumar Garg	Pkgarg.1957@gmail.com

# 4.17 Non-Disclosure Agreement

The bidder shall take all necessary precautions to ensure that all confidential information is treated as confidential and not disclosed or used other than for the purpose of project execution. Bidder shall suitably defend, indemnify Bank for any loss/damage suffered by Bank on account of and to the extent of any disclosure of confidential information. The bidder shall furnish an undertaking and have to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement as per **Annexure-VII** on stamp paper. No media release, public announcement or any other reference to the RFP or any program there under shall be made without the written consent from the Bank. Reproduction of this RFP, without the prior written consent of the Bank, by photographic, electronic or other means is strictly prohibited.

# 4.18 Indemnity

The bidder assumes responsibility for and shall indemnify and keep the Bank harmless from all liabilities, claims, costs, expenses, taxes and assessments including penalties, punitive damages, attorney's fees and court costs which are or may be required to be paid by reasons of any breach of the bidder's obligation under these general conditions or for which the bidder has assumed responsibilities under the purchase contract including those imposed under any contract, local or national law or laws, or in respect to all salaries, wages or other compensation to all persons employed by the bidder or bidders in connection with the performance of any system covered by the purchase contract. The bidder shall execute, deliver such other further instruments to comply with all the requirements of such laws and regulations as may be necessary there under to conform and effectuate the purchase contract and to protect the Bank during the tenure of purchase order. Where any patent, trade mark, registered design, copyrights and/ or intellectual property rights vest in a third party, the bidder shall be liable for settling with such third party and paying any license fee, royalty and/ or compensation thereon.

In the event of any third party raising claim or bringing action against the Bank including but not limited to action for injunction in connection with any rights affecting the service supplied by the bidder covered under the purchase contract or the use thereof, the bidder agrees and undertakes to defend and/ or to assist the Bank in defending at the bidder's cost against such

third party's claim and/ or actions and against any law suits of any kind initiated against the Bank.

# 4.19 Compliance with Posh Guidelines

- a) The vendor shall be solely responsible for full compliance with the provisions of "The Sexual Harassment of women at work place (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal Act, 2013)". In case of any complaint of sexual harassment against its employee within the premises of the Bank, the complaint will be filed before the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) constituted by the Bank and the vendor shall ensure appropriate action under the said Act in respect to the complaint.
- **b)** Any complaint of sexual harassment from any aggrieved employee of the vendor against any employee of the Bank shall be taken cognizance of by the Internal Complaints Committee constituted by the Bank.
- c) The vendor shall be responsible for any monetary compensation that may need to be paid in case the incident involves the employees of the vendor, for instance any monetary relief to Bank's employee, if sexual violence by the employee of the vendor is proved.
- d) The vendor shall be responsible for educating its employees about prevention of sexual harassment at work place and related issues.

### ANNEXURE – I <u>Tender Covering Letter</u> (Should be submitted on Company's letter head)

Name & Address

Dear Sir,

# Sub: Request for proposal for providing consultancy on digital HR transformation along with procurement & implementation of HR solutions

## Ref No PSB/HOHRD/RFP/1/2025 dated 15/03/2025

With reference to the above RFP, having examined and understood the instructions including all annexure, terms and conditions forming part of the Bid, we hereby enclose our offer for providing consultancy on digital HR transformation along with procurement & implementation of HR solutions in the RFP document forming Technical Bid as well as Commercial Bid being parts of the above referred Bid. I am authorized to sign the documents in this regard and the copy of authorization letter/ POA / Board resolution is attached herewith.

We agree to abide by and fulfil all the terms and conditions of the tender and in default thereof, to forfeit and pay to you or your successors, or authorized nominees such sums of money as are stipulated in the conditions contained in tender together with the return acceptance of the contract.

We confirm that we have noted the contents of the RFP and have ensured that there is no deviation in filing our response to the RFP and that the Bank will have the right to disqualify us in case of any such deviations.

Until a formal contract is executed, this tender offer, together with the Bank's written acceptance thereof and Bank's notification of award, shall constitute a binding contract between us. We understand that The Bank is not bound to accept the lowest or any offer the Bank may receive. We also certify that we have not been blacklisted by any PSU Bank/IBA/RBI at the time of Bid submission.

All the details mentioned by us are true and correct and if the Bank observes any misrepresentation of facts on any matter at any stage, Bank has the absolute right to reject the proposal and disqualify us from the selection process. The bank reserves the right to verify /evaluate the claims made by the Bidder independently.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2025 Authorized Signatory Designation Vendor's name (Name of Address Authorized Signatory) Company Name and Seal

## **ANNEXURE – II Bidder's Information** (Should be submitted on Company's letter head with company seal and signature of the authorized person)

Reg: Request for proposal for .....

Ref: RFP No.\_\_\_\_\_ dated\_\_\_\_\_

S.No.	Particulars	Details
1.	Name of the Company	
	Address for Correspondence:	
	Registered Office:	
_	Corporate Office:	
2.	Constitution (Proprietary/Partnership/Private Ltd./Public Ltd./LLP/Others)	
3.	Registration No. and date of establishment	
4.	Website Address	
5.	Email Address	<b>*</b>
6.	Number of Years in the Business	
7.	Detail of Tender Fee and Earnest Money Deposited.	
8.	If any exemption required with respect to EMD or Start-up.	
9.	Income Tax PAN	
	GSTN ID	
	Beneficiary Bank Details	
	Beneficiary Name	
	Beneficiary Account Number	
	Type of Account (OD/OCC etc.)	
	IFSC	
10	Name of the Bank and Branch address	
10.	Complete Production Site Address	
11.	Complete DR Site Address	
12.	Single Point of contact for this RFP	
	Name:	
	Designation:	
	Mobile No.:	
	Landline No.:	
	Email-ID	
	(any changes in the above should be informed in advance to Bank)	
13.	Name of Person Authorized to sign	
	Designation.	
	Mobile No.	
	Email Address	

Wherever applicable submit documentary evidence to facilitate verification.

# **DECLARATION:**

I/We hereby declare that the terms and conditions of the tender stated herein and as may be modified/mutually agreed upon are acceptable and binding to me/us. We understand and agree and undertake that: -

1. The Bank is not bound to accept the lowest bid or may reject all or any bid at any stage

at its sole discretion without assigning any reason, therefore.

- 2. If our Bid for the above job is accepted, we undertake to enter into and execute at our cost, when called upon by the Bank to do so, a contract in the prescribed form. Unless and until a formal contract is prepared and executed, this bid together with your written acceptance thereof shall constitute a binding contract between us.
- **3.** We have read and understood all the terms and conditions and contents of the RFP and also undertake that our bid conforms to all the terms and conditions and does not contain any deviation and misrepresentation. We understand that the bank reserves the right to reject our bid on account of any misrepresentation/deviations contained in the bid.
- **4.** Bank may accept or entrust the entire work to one Bidder or divide the work to more than one bidder without assigning any reason or giving any explanation whatsoever and the Bank's decision in this regard shall be final and binding on us.
- 5. I/ We do not have any conflict of interest as mentioned in the RFP document.
- **6.** I/We submit this application under and in accordance with the terms of the RFP document and agree and undertake to abide by all the terms and conditions of the RFP document.
- 7. The Prices submitted by us have been arrived at without agreement with any other Bidder of this RFP for the purpose of restricting competition.
- **8.** The prices submitted by us have not been disclosed and will not be disclosed to any other Bidder responding to this RFP.
- **9.** We have not induced or attempted to induce any other Bidder to submit or not to submit a Bid for restricting competition.
- **10.** We have quoted for all the services/items mentioned in this RFP in our price Bid.
- **11.** The rate quoted in the price Bids are as per the RFP and subsequent pre-Bid clarifications/ modifications/ revisions furnished by the Bank, without any exception.
- **12.** We agree to the splitting of order in the proportion as stated in the RFP at the discretion of Bank.
- **13.** We certify that while submitting our Bid document, we have not made any changes in the contents of the RFP document, read with its amendments/clarifications provided by the Bank.
- **14.** If our bid is accepted, we are to be jointly and severally responsible for the due performance of the contract.
- **15.** We ensured that salary payments to resources deployed for Bank's Project is done through Transfer mode from bidder's Bank a/c directly to credit into their specific salary accounts only. No cash payments are to be made to provide remuneration for services provided to the Bank on behalf of the selected bidder.
- **16.** Bidder means the vendor(s) who is decided and declared so after examination of commercial bids.
- **17.** We ensure that the entire data relating to payment systems operated by them will be stored in a system only in India. This data should include the full end-to-end transaction details / information collected / carried / processed as part of the message / payment instruction.
- **18.** We confirm that Payment of statutory dues like PF, ESIC etc. are being made on time to the employees.

Date: Bidder's Authorized Signatory Designation Bidder's name Company Name and Seal

Place:

# ANNEXURE - III Bid Security Declaration

(To be stamped in accordance with stamp act)

# (Should be submitted by eligible MSEs/Startups on Company's letter head with company seal and signature of the authorized person)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ To, Name and Address

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned, declare that:

We, M/s..... (Herein referred to as bidder) understand that, according to bid clause No. 1.12, bids may be supported with a Bid Security Declaration, bidder render the declaration that:-

Bank may proceed against us for recovery of actual direct losses as per the remedy available under an applicable law (maximum up to Rs..../-) and In case of Execution of Bid Security Declaration, we, M/s.....may be suspend for three (3) years from being eligible to submit our bids for any contracts with the Bank if we, M/s..... are in breach of our obligation(s) under the bid conditions, in case we, M/s......

• Fails to honor submitted bid; and/or

- If the bidder withdraws the bid during the period of bid validity (180 days from the date of opening of bid).
- If the bidder makes any statement or encloses any form which turns out to be false, incorrect and / or misleading at any time prior to signing of contract and/or conceals or suppresses material information; and / or
- The selected bidder withdraws his tender before furnishing the unconditional and irrevocable Performance Bank Guarantee.
- The bidder violates any of the provisions of the terms and conditions of this tender specification.
- In case of the successful bidder, if the bidder fails:
- To sign the contract in the form and manner to the satisfaction of Punjab & Sind Bank
- To furnish Performance Bank Guarantee in the form and manner to the satisfaction of Punjab & Sind Bank either at the time of or before the execution of Agreement.
- Bank may proceed against the selected bidder in the event of any evasion, avoidance, refusal or delay on the part of bidder to sign and execute the Purchase Order / Service Level Agreements or any other documents, as may be required by the Bank, if the bid is accepted.

We, M/s.....understand that this declaration shall expire if we are not the successful bidder and on receipt of purchaser's notification of the award to another bidder; or forty-five days after the validity of the bid; whichever is later.

Name of Signatory

Designation

## Annexure-IV Pre-Qualification Criteria

## Ref: RFP No.\_\_\_\_\_ dated\_\_\_\_\_

We have carefully gone through the contents of the above referred RFP along with replies to pre-bid queries & amendment, if any, and furnish the following information relating to Pre-Qualification Criteria.

Sr.	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO BE	Bider
		SUBMITTED	Response
1.			

Date

Signature with seal Name: Designation:

# ANNEXURE-V ACCEPTANCE/ COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

Ref: RFP No.\_\_\_\_\_ dated\_\_\_\_\_

#### All Terms and Conditions including scope of work

We here by undertake and agree to abide by all the terms and conditions/ scope of work stipulated by the Bank in this RFP including all addendum, corrigendum etc. Any deviation may result in disqualification of bids.

Punjab & Sind Bank is not bound by any other extraneous matters or deviations, even if mentioned by us elsewhere either in our proposal or any subsequent deviations sought by us, whether orally or in writing, and the Bank's decision not to accept any such extraneous conditions and deviations will be final and binding on us.

Signature: Seal of company

### **Technical Specification**

We certify that the systems/services offered by us for tender conform to the specifications stipulated by you with the following deviations

List of deviations	St
1)	e la
2)	
3)	Sr.
4)	

(If left blank it will be construed that there is no deviation from the specifications given above)

Signature: Seal of company

# **ANNEXURE-VI**

## **MANUFACTURER'S AUTHORIZATION FORM**

# **RFP No:**

(Letter to be submitted by the Manufacturer on firm's letter head –For Both Hardware and Software/licenses/subscription)

Name and Address

Dear Sir,

Sub: Request for proposal for selection of vendor(s) for procurement of ...... vide RFP No: \_\_\_\_\_

We,	who	are	established	and	reputable	man	ufacturers	/	producers	of
				having	factories	/	developm	ent	facilities	at
						(addre	ess of factor	y / fa	a <i>cility)</i> do her	eby
authorize M/s (Name and address of Authorized Business Partner										
(ABP)	(ABP)) to submit a Bid, and sign the contract with you against the above RFP.									

- 1. We hereby extend our full warranty for the Products and services offered by the above ABP against the above RFP.
- **2.** We also undertake to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to the Products supplied by the ABP:
  - a) Such Products as the Bank may opt to purchase from the ABP, provided, that this option shall not relieve the ABP of any warranty obligations under the RFP; and
  - **b)** In the event of termination of production of such Products:
    - I. advance notification to the Bank of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the Bank to procure needed requirements; and
    - **II.** following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the Bank operations manuals, standards and specifications of the Products, if requested.
- **3.** We duly authorize the said ABP to act on our behalf in fulfilling all installations, technical support and maintenance obligations required by the contract.
- 4. We hereby certify that we have read the clauses contained in O.M. No. 6/18/2019-PPD, dated 23.07.2020 order (Public Procurement No. 1), order (Public Procurement No. 2) dated 23.07.2020 and order (Public Procurement No. 3) dated 24.07.2020 regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India. We further certify that we are not from such a country or if from a country, has been registered with competent authority. We certify that we fulfil all the requirements in this regard and our ABP is eligible to participate in the above RFP.
- **5.** We hereby extend our full guarantee and warranty as per terms and conditions of the Bid and the contract for the equipment and services offered against this invitation for Bid offer by the above firm. We undertake to provide back-to-back support for spare and skill to the

bidder for subsequent transmission of the same to the Bank. We also undertake to provide support services during warranty as well as AMC period if the above bidder authorized by us fails to perform in terms of the RFP.

Yours faithfully Authorized Signatory (Name of manufacturers) Place: Date:

Name: Phone No.: Fax: E-mail:

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# **ANNEXURE-VII**

## NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

All bidders must sign the Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) while submitting the response to the Request for proposal (RFP). Bidders must comply with all clauses mentioned in the NDA. No changes to the NDA are allowed.

NDA format is provided below.

(To be stamped in accordance with stamp act)

## **Strictly Private and Confidential**

AND

Punjab & Sind Bank, a body corporate, established under the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act 1980 and having its Head Office at 21, Rajendra Place, New Delhi 110008 and Corporate Office at NBCC Office Complex, Block-3, East Kidwai Nagar, New Delhi-110023 (hereinafter referred to as "Bank" which expression shall unless it be repugnant to the subject, meaning or context thereof, be deemed to mean and include its successors and assigns) of the OTHER PART.

The Vendor and Punjab & Sind Bank are hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Parties" and individually as "the Party".

WHEREAS:

- 1. Punjab & Sind Bank is engaged in the business of providing financial services to its customers and intends to engage service provider for procurement of .....
- 2. In the course of such assignment, it is anticipated that Punjab & Sind Bank or any of its officers, employees, officials, representatives or agents may disclose, or deliver, to the Vendor some Confidential Information (as hereinafter defined), to enable the Vendor to carry out the aforesaid Implementation assignment (hereinafter referred to as " the Purpose").
- 3. The Vendor is aware and confirms that all information, data and other documents made available in the RFP/Bid Documents/Agreement /Contract or in connection with the Services rendered by the Vendor are confidential information and are privileged and strictly confidential and or proprietary of Punjab & Sind Bank. The Vendor undertakes to safeguard and protect such confidential information as may be received from Punjab & Sind Bank.

NOW, THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSED THAT in consideration of the above premises and the Punjab & Sind Bank granting the Vendor and or his agents, representatives to have specific access to Punjab & Sind Bank property / information and other data it is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

#### 1. Confidential Information:

- (i) "Confidential Information" means all information disclosed/furnished by Punjab & Sind Bank to the Vendor whether orally, in writing or in electronic, magnetic or other form for the limited purpose of enabling the Vendor to carry out the proposed Implementation assignment, and shall mean and include data, documents and information or any copy, abstract, extract, sample, note or module thereof, explicitly designated as "Confidential"; Provided the oral information is set forth in writing and marked "Confidential" within seven (7) days of such oral disclosure.
- (ii) The Vendor may use the Confidential Information solely for and in connection with the Purpose and shall not use the Confidential Information or any part thereof for any reason other than the Purpose stated above.

Confidential Information in oral form must be identified as confidential at the time of disclosure and confirmed as such in writing within seven (7) days of such disclosure. Confidential Information does not include information which:

- (a) is or subsequently becomes legally and publicly available without breach of this Agreement by either party,
- (b) was rightfully in the possession of the Vendor without any obligation of confidentiality prior to receiving it from Punjab & Sind Bank,
- (c) was rightfully obtained by the Vendor from a source other than Punjab & Sind Bank without any obligation of confidentiality,
- (d) was developed by for the Vendor independently and without reference to any Confidential Information and such independent development can be shown by documentary evidence, or is/was disclosed pursuant to an order of a court or governmental agency as so required by such order, provided that the Vendor shall, unless prohibited by law or regulation, promptly notify Punjab & Sind Bank of such order and afford Punjab & Sind Bank the opportunity to seek appropriate protective order relating to such disclosure.
- (e) the recipient knew or had in its possession, prior to disclosure, without limitation on its confidentiality.
- (f) is released from confidentiality with the prior written consent of the other party.

The recipient shall have the burden of proving hereinabove are applicable to the information in the possession of the recipient. Confidential Information shall at all times remain the sole and exclusive property of the disclosing party. Upon termination of this Agreement, Confidential Information shall be returned to the disclosing party or destroyed, if incapable of return. The destruction shall be witnessed and so recorded, in writing, by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

Nothing contained herein shall in any manner impair or affect the rights of Punjab & Sind Bank in respect of the Confidential Information.

In the event that any of the Parties hereto becomes legally compelled to disclose any Confidential Information, such Party shall give sufficient notice to the other party to enable the other Party to prevent or minimize to the extent possible, such disclosure. Neither party shall disclose to a third party any Confidential Information or the contents of this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party. The obligations of this Clause shall be satisfied by handling Confidential Information with the same degree of care, which the receiving party applies to its own similar confidential information but in no event less than reasonable care.

The obligations of this clause shall survive the expiration, cancellation or termination of this Agreement

## 2. Non-disclosure:

The Vendor shall not commercially use or disclose any Confidential Information, or any materials derived there from to any other person or entity other than persons in the direct employment of the Vendor who have a need to have access to and knowledge of the Confidential Information solely for the Purpose authorized above. The Vendor shall take appropriate measures by instruction and written agreement prior to disclosure to such employees to assure against unauthorized use or disclosure. The Vendor may disclose Confidential Information to others only if the Vendor has executed a Non-Disclosure Agreement with the other party to whom it is disclosed that contains terms and conditions that are no less restrictive than these presents, and the Vendor agrees to notify Punjab & Sind Bank immediately if it learns of any use or disclosure of the Confidential Information in violation of terms of this Agreement.

Notwithstanding the marking and identification requirements above, the following categories of information shall be treated as Confidential Information under this Agreement irrespective of whether it is marked or identified as confidential:

- a) Information regarding Punjab & Sind Bank and any of its Affiliates, customers and their accounts ("Customer Information"). For purposes of this Agreement, Affiliate means a business entity now or hereafter controlled by, controlling or under common control. Control exists when an entity owns or controls more than 10% of the outstanding shares or securities representing the right to vote for the election of directors or other managing authority of another entity; or
- **b)** any aspect of Punjab & Sind Bank's business that is protected by patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret or other similar intellectual property right; or
- c) business processes and procedures; or
- d) current and future business plans; or
- e) personnel information; or
- f) Financial information.
- **3. Publications:** The Vendor shall not make news releases, public announcements, give interviews, issue or publish advertisements or publicize in any other manner whatsoever in connection with this Agreement, the contents / provisions thereof, other information relating to this Agreement, the Purpose, the Confidential Information or other matter of this Agreement, without the prior written approval of Punjab & Sind Bank.
- 4. Term: This Agreement shall be effective from the date hereof and shall continue till expiration of the Purpose or termination of this Agreement by Punjab & Sind Bank, whichever is earlier. The Vendor hereby agrees and undertakes to Punjab & Sind Bank that immediately on termination of this Agreement it would forthwith cease using the Confidential Information and further promptly return or destroy, under information to Punjab & Sind Bank, all information received by it from Punjab & Sind Bank for the Purpose, whether marked Confidential or otherwise, and whether in written, graphic or other tangible form and all copies, abstracts, extracts, samples, notes or modules thereof. The Vendor further agree and undertake to Punjab & Sind Bank to certify in writing upon request of Punjab & Sind Bank that the obligations set forth in this Agreement have been complied with.

Any provisions of this Agreement which by their nature extend beyond its termination shall continue to be binding and applicable without limit in point in time except and until such information enters the public domain

- **5. Title and Proprietary Rights:** Notwithstanding the disclosure of any Confidential Information by Punjab & Sind Bank to the Vendor, the title and all intellectual property and proprietary rights in the Confidential Information shall remain with Punjab & Sind Bank.
- 6. Remedies: The Vendor acknowledges the confidential nature of Confidential Information and that damage could result to Punjab & Sind Bank if the Vendor breaches any provision of this Agreement and agrees that, if it or any of its directors, officers or employees should engage or cause or permit any other person to engage in any act in violation of any provision hereof, Punjab & Sind Bank may suffer immediate irreparable loss for which monetary compensation may not be adequate. Punjab & Sind Bank shall be entitled, in addition to other remedies for damages & relief as may be available to it, to an injunction or similar relief prohibiting the Vendor, its directors, officers etc. from engaging in any such act which constitutes or results in breach of any of the covenants of this Agreement. Any claim for relief to Punjab & Sind Bank shall include Punjab & Sind Bank's costs and

Any claim for relief to Punjab & Sind Bank shall include Punjab & Sind Bank's costs and expenses of enforcement (including the attorney's fees).

- 7. Entire Agreement, Amendment and Assignment: This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the matters discussed herein and supersedes any and all prior oral discussions and / or written correspondence or agreements between the Parties. This Agreement may be amended or modified only with the mutual written consent of the Parties. Neither this Agreement nor any right granted hereunder shall be assignable or otherwise transferable.
- 8. Dispute Resolution: Disputes, if any, arising out of this Agreement remaining unresolved by mutual discussions shall be referred to a panel of three Arbitrator. Each Party to the dispute shall appoint one arbitrator each and the two arbitrators shall jointly appoint the third or the presiding arbitrator. The provisions of the Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996, shall accordingly apply. The venue for such Arbitration shall be New Delhi. The language of the Arbitration shall be English.
- **9. Governing Law:** The provisions of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of India and the competent court at Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction in relation thereto even though other Courts in India may also have similar jurisdictions.
- **10. Indemnity**: The Vendor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless Punjab & Sind Bank, its affiliates, subsidiaries, successors, assigns, and their respective officers, directors and employees, at all times, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, assertions of liability whether civil, criminal, tortuous or of any nature whatsoever, arising out of or pertaining to or resulting from any breach of representations and warranties made by the Vendor. and/or breach of any provisions of this Agreement, including but not limited to any claim from third party pursuant to any act or omission of the Vendor, during discharge of its obligations under this Agreement.
- **11. General:** The Vendor shall not reverse engineer, decompile, disassemble or otherwise interfere with any software disclosed hereunder.

All Confidential Information is provided "as is". In no event shall the Punjab & Sind Bank be liable for the inaccuracy or incompleteness of the Confidential Information. None of the Confidential Information disclosed by Punjab & Sind Bank constitutes any representation, warranty, assurance, guarantee or inducement with respect to the fitness of such Confidential Information for any particular purpose.

Punjab & Sind Bank discloses the Confidential Information without any representation or warranty, whether express, implied or otherwise, on truthfulness, accuracy, completeness, lawfulness, merchant ability, fitness for a particular purpose, title, non-infringement, or anything else.

**12. Waiver**: A waiver (whether express or implied) by Punjab & Sind Bank of any of the provisions of this Agreement, or of any breach or default by the Vendor in performing any of the provisions hereof, shall not constitute a continuing waiver and such waiver shall not prevent Punjab & Sind Bank from subsequently enforcing any of the subsequent breach or default by the Vendor under any of the provisions of this Agreement.

In witness whereof, the Parties hereto have executed these presents the day, month and year first herein above written.

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For and on behalf of ------ Ltd. For and on behalf of Punjab & Sind Bank (Designation) (Designation)

# Annexure-VIII

#### Escalation Matrix (Should be submitted by on Company's letter head with company seal and signature of the authorized person)

Ref: RFP No.\_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_.

Name of the Company/Firm:

						Clated 135465
SI. No.	Name Designation		Full Office Address	Phone No.	Mobile No.	Email address
a.		First Level Contact				
b.		Second level contact (If response not received in 4 Hours)				
c.		Regional/Zonal Head (If response not recd in 24 Hours)		Ban	7	
d.		Country Head (If response not recd in 48 Hours)	cit			

Any change in designation, substitution will be informed by us immediately.

Date

Signature with seal Name: Designation:

RFP for Selection of Vendor(s) for providing consultancy on digital HR transformation along with procurement & implementation of HR solutions

**Service-Related Issues** 

# ANNEXURE - IX Format for Bill of material (BOM)

Name of the Bidder:

## BOM- As per Separate Excel sheet.

\*Note: -

- 1. Prices shall be expressed in the Indian Rupees only. The bidder must quote price exclusive of all applicable taxes and duties. There should not be any separate incidental/travel/any other hidden charges. The cost will not depend on any variation in dollar exchange rate/change in tax structure during tenure of the project.
- 2. Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) mentioned above shall be considered for commercial scoring.
- **3.** Bill of material has to be submitted on the letter head and is signed by an Authorized Signatory with Name and Seal of the Company.
- **4.** We agree that no counter condition/assumption in response to commercial bid will be accepted by the Bank. Bank has a right to reject such bid.
- 5. We are agreeable to the payment schedule as per "Payment Terms" of the RFP.

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Date:

Name of the Bidder Signature of Authorized Person

# ANNEXURE – X

# **Litigation Certificate**

## Reg.: Selection of Vendor(s) for .....

## To be provided by Statutory Auditor/Chartered Accountant

This is to certify that M/s\_\_\_ \_, a company incorporated under the 1956 companies act, with its headquarters at, \_ is not involved in any

litigation which threatens solvency of the company.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Place:

Signature of CA/Statutory Auditor

Runaba sund Bank Name of CA/Statutory Auditor: **Designation:** Email ID: Mobile No: **Telephone No.:** Seal of Company:

# ANNEXURE – XI **Undertaking for non-blacklisting**

Name and Address

Dear Sir.

Reg.: Request for proposal for .....

, a company incorporated under the companies act, with its headquarters at, We M/s 1956 headquarters \_ do hereby confirm that we have not been blacklisted/ debarred by the Government / Government agency / Banks / Financial Institutions in India during last 3 years.

This declaration has been submitted and limited to, in response to the tender reference se widde mentioned in this document

Thanking You, Yours faithfully,

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: Signature of Authorized Signatory Name of Signatory: **Designation:** Email ID: Mobile No: **Telephone No.:** Seal of Company:

## ANNEXURE – XII Technical Compliance Sheet

Attached as a separate Excel file.

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# ANNEXURE – XIII Inventory & OEM part Code Sheet

# Reg.: Selection of Vendor(s) for.....

Sn	Solution/ Service	Items	Part Code as per OEM (For warranty period)	OEM Part Code for AMC/ATS

Bidders may add additional fields as per the requirement. The bidder must ensure that all the OEM part codes of hardware, software, licenses and other components shall be incorporated as per the complete scope of the RFP. Any additional license/hardware will be given at no cost to the Bank to support the complete scope of RFP.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Authorized Signatory Name of Signatory: Designation: Email ID: Mobile No: Telephone No.: Seal of Company:

## <u> Appendix –A</u>

# Instructions to be noted while preparing/submitting Part A – Technical cum Eligibility Proposal

# All the Annexures should be submitted in Bidder's Letter Head with seal and signature of the authorized signatory.

- 1) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)/Bank Guarantee in lieu of EMD / Exemption Certificate.
- 2) Power of Attorney / Authorization letter signed by the Competent Authority with the seal of the bidder's company / firm in the name of the person signing the bid documents with supporting documents.
- 3) Tender Covering letter as per Annexure-I.
- 4) Bidder's Information as per Annexure-II.
- 5) Bid Security Declaration as per Annexure-III (if eligible).
- 6) Compliance to Pre-Qualification Criteria declaration as per **Annexure-IV** with documentary proof in support of the Pre-Qualification Criteria.
- 7) Acceptance/ Compliance Certificate as per Annexure-V.
- 8) Manufacturer's Authorization form as per Annexure-VI.
- 9) Non-Disclosure Agreement as per Annexure-VII.
- 10) Escalation Matrix as per Annexure-VIII.
- 11) Masked bill of Material as per Annexure-IX.
- 12) Litigation Certificate as per Annexure-X.
- 13) Certificate of non-blacklisting as per Annexure-XI.
- 14) Compliance with Technical Specifications as per Annexure-XII.
- 15) OEM part codes as per Annexure-XIII.
- 16) Signed Pre-Contract Integrity Pact as per Appendix-F in non-judicial Stamp paper. (Hard copy to be submitted to Bank).
- 17) Checklist as per Appendix-I.
- 18) Solution Document & detailed specifications as per the RFP.
- 19) Compliance with technical specifications.

# Appendix-B

# Instructions to be noted while preparing/submitting Part B - Commercial Proposal

All the Annexures should be submitted in Bidder's Letter Head with seal and signature of the authorized signatory.

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- 1. Bill of Material as per Annexure-IX.
- 2. Compliance statement as per Appendix-G.

# Appendix-C Pre-Bid Query Format

# (Bidders should submit the queries in excel format only)

Ref: RFP No.\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_. RFP SI. Bidder's Page Clause/Technical **Bidder's** Section No. Name No. Clause **Specification** Query 1 2 3 tian sind 4 5 -

# <u>Appendix-D</u> Bank Guarantee Format for Earnest Money Deposit

# Performa for the Bank Guarantee for Earnest Money Deposit

(To be stamped in accordance with stamp act)

Ref: Bank Guarantee # Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Name and Address

Dear Sir,

In	accord	ance	wit	h	your	bid	refere	nce	No	Dated
			_IVI/S							having its registered herein after Called
	e at _									
										Vendor(s) for procurement
										ee (issued by a nationalized
										mounting to <u>Rs)</u>
valid up to is required to be submitted by the bidder, as a condition for										
cont	participation in the said bid, which amount is liable to be forfeited on happening of any contingencies mentioned in the bid document. M/s									
haviı	ng its reg	gistere	ed offi	ce at					ł	nas undertaken in pursuance neficiary) dated
of th	eir offer	to Pu	njab &	Sind	Bank (	hereina	after call	ed as t	the be	neficiary) dated
	expresse	ed its	intenti	on to	particip	oate in	the said	bid an	nd in te	rms thereof has approached
us	and	requ	uested	l u	IS					(Name of Bank)
					_ (Add	ress o	of Bank)	to iss	sue an	(Name of Bank) irrevocable financial Bank
										D) amounting to Rs
		_(Rup	bees_					) val	id up	to We, the
		•			(I	Name	of Bank	)		(Address therefore Guarantee and
of B	ank) ha	ving o	our He	ad o	ffice at					_ therefore Guarantee and
										jab & Sind, the amount Rs.
	ot dom		(Ru	pees_	in	the hi	iddor foil	a ta Ca	)	without any reservation,
protest, demur and recourse in case the bidder fails to Comply with any condition of the bid or any violation against the terms of the bid, Without the beneficiary needing to prove or										
demonstrate reasons for its such demand. Any Such demand made by said beneficiary shall be conclusive and binding on us irrespective of any dispute or difference raised by the bidder.										
This guarantee shall be irrevocable and shall remain valid up to If any further										
extension of this Guarantee is required, the same shall be extended to such required period										
on receiving instructions in writing, from Punjab & Sind Bank, on whose behalf guarantee is										
issued. "Not withstanding anything contained herein above Our liability under this bank										
										).
•								-		
This	bank gu	Jarant	tee sh	all be	valid u	up to _				We are liable to pay the
guaranteed amount or any part thereof under this bank guarantee only if you serve upon us										
a written claim or demand, on or before 14.30 hours (Indian Standard Time)										
	or within Bank official working hours where after it ceases to be in effect in all respects									
	whether or not the original bank guarantee is returned to us." In witness whereof the Bank,									
through its authorized officer has set its hand stamped on this Day of										

Name of signatory Bank Common Seal Designation

\_\_\_\_\_2024 at \_\_\_\_\_

#### <u>Appendix-E</u> Format of Performance Guarantee

(Issued by any Scheduled Commercial Bank & to be executed on stamp paper of requisite value as per stamp duty payable at place of execution.)

Tender Reference No: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address

Dear Sir,

- 2. WHEREAS you have in terms of the said Appointment letter / Purchase Order called upon (Vendor(s) / Service Provider to furnish a Performance Guarantee, for Rs......Of the Contract value, to be issued by a Bank in your favour towards due performance of the Contract in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the said Appointment letter / Purchase Order and an Agreement entered / to be entered into in this behalf.

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of you having awarded the Contract to.....inter-alia on the terms & conditions that provides a performance guarantee for due performance of the terms and conditions thereof. We,.....Bank,.....Bank, a body corporate constituted under .....having its Head office at.....(give full address) and a branch inter-alia at.....do hereby expressly, irrevocably and unconditionally undertake to pay merely on demand from you and without any demur without referring to any other source, Rs......only) against any loss or damage caused to or suffered by or that may be caused to or suffered by you on account of any breach or breaches on the part of .....of any of the terms and conditions of the Contract and in the event of.....committing any default or defaults in carrying out any of the work or discharging any obligation under the said Contract or otherwise in the observance and performance of any of the terms and conditions relating thereto including non-execution of the Agreement as may be claimed by you on account of breach on the part of .....of their obligations or default in terms of the said Appointment letter / Purchase Order.

4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or elsewhere, we agree that your decision as to whether the ......has committed any such breach / default or defaults

and the amount or amounts to which you are entitled by reasons thereof will be binding on us and we shall not be entitled to ask you to establish its claim or claims under this Guarantee, but will pay the same forthwith on demand without any protest or demur. Any such demand made by you shall be conclusive as regards the amount due and payable by us to you.

- 5. This Guarantee shall be valid up to ..... plus 12 months of the Claim period from the expiry of said guarantee period. Without prejudice to your claim or claims arisen and demanded from or otherwise notified to us in writing before the expiry of the said date which will be enforceable against us notwithstanding that the same is or are enforced after the said date.
- 7. This Guarantee shall not in any way be affected by you are taking or giving up any securities from .....or any other person, firm or company on its behalf or by the winding up, dissolution, insolvency as the case may be of ......
- 8. In order to give full effect to the Guarantee herein contained, you shall be entitled to act as if we were your principal debtors in respect of all your claims against .......hereby guaranteed by us as aforesaid and we hereby expressly waive all our rights of surety ship and other rights, if any, which are in any way inconsistent with any of the provisions of Guarantee.
- 9. Subject to the maximum limit of our liability as aforesaid, this Guarantee will cover all your claim or claims against ......from time to time arising out of or in relation to the said appointment letter / Contract and in respect of which your claim in writing is lodged on us before expiry of Guarantee.
- 10. Any Notice by way of demand or otherwise hereunder may be sent by special courier, telex, fax, e-mail or registered post to our Head Office / Local address as aforesaid and if sent accordingly it shall be deemed to have been given when the same has been posted.
- 11. This Guarantee shall not be affected by any change in the constitution of \_\_\_\_\_\_ or nor shall it be affected by any change in your constitution or by any amalgamation or absorption thereof or therewith but will ensure to the benefit of and be available to and be enforceable by the absorbing or amalgamated company or concern.
- 12. This Guarantee shall come into force from the date of its execution and shall not be revoked by us any time during its currency without your previous consent in writing.

- 13. We further agree and undertake to pay you the amount demanded in writing irrespective of any dispute or controversy between you and \_\_\_\_\_\_ in any suit or proceeding pending before any court, Tribunal or Arbitrator relating thereto, our liability under these presents being absolute and unequivocal. The payments so made by us shall be a valid discharge of our liability for payment hereunder and \_\_\_\_\_\_ shall have no claim against us for making such payment.
- 14. We have the power to issue this Bank Guarantee in your bank's favour as the undersigned has full power to execute this Bank Guarantee under the Power of Attorney issued by our Bank.
- 15. Our authority to issue this guarantee may be verified with our Controlling Office situated at \_\_\_\_\_\_ (full details of persons to be contacted address and phone Numbers etc).

16. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above;

- ii. This Guarantee shall be valid and remain in force up to\_\_\_\_\_ plus the Claim period of 12(Twelve) months and including the date \_\_\_\_\_\_ and
- iii. We are liable to pay the guaranteed amount or any part thereof under this Guarantee only and only if you serves upon us a written claim or demand for payment on or before the expiry of this Guarantee.

Dated this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024

Signature and Seal of Guarantors Vendor(s)'s Bank

# <u>Appendix-F</u>

#### (To be stamped in accordance with stamp act) **PRE-CONTRACT INTEGRITY PACT**

# Between

# Punjab & Sind Bank (PSB) hereinafter referred to as "The Principal",

And

hereinafter referred to as "The Bidder/ Contractor"

## Preamble

The Principal intends to award, under laid down organizational procedures, contract/ s for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The Principal values full compliance with all relevant laws of the land, rules, regulations, economic use of resources and of fairness / transparency in its relations with its Bidder(s) and / or Contractor(s).

In order to achieve these goals, the Principal has appointed 1. Sh. Debal Kumar Gayen and 2. Sh. Pramod Kumar Garg as Independent External Monitors (IEMs) who will monitor the tender process and the execution of the contract for compliance with the principles mentioned above.

## Section 1 - Commitments of the Principal

(1) The Principal commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption and to observe the following principles: -

a. No employee of the Principal, personally or through family members, will in connection with the tender for, or the execution of a contract, demand, take a promise for or accept, for self or third person, any material or immaterial benefit which the person is not legally entitled to.

b. The Principal will, during the tender process treat all Bidder(s) with equity and reason. The Principal will in particular, before and during the tender process, provide to all Bidder(s) the same information and will not provide to any Bidder(s) confidential / additional information through which the Bidder(s) could obtain an advantage in relation to the tender process or the contract execution.

c. The Principal will exclude from the process all known prejudiced persons.

(2) If the Principal obtains information on the conduct of any of its employees which is a criminal offence under the IPC/PC Act, or if there be a substantive suspicion in this regard, the Principal will inform the Chief Vigilance Officer and in addition can initiate disciplinary actions

# Section 2 - Commitments of the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)

(1) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) commit themselves to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption. The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) commit themselves to observe the following principles during participation in the tender process and during the contract execution.

a. The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) will not, directly or through any other person or firm, offer, promise or give to any of the Principal's employees involved in the tender process or the execution of the contract or to any third person any material or other benefit which he / she is not legally entitled to, in order to obtain in exchange any advantage of an kind whatsoever during the tender process or during the execution of the contract.

b. The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) will not enter with other Bidders into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contract submission or non-submission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelization in the bidding process.

c. The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) will not commit any offence under the relevant IPC/PC Act; further the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) will not use improperly, for purposes of competition or personal gain, or pass on to others, any information or document provided by the Principal as part of the business relationship, regarding plans, technical proposals and business details, including information contained or transmitted electronically.

d. The Bidder(s)/Contractors(s) of foreign origin shall disclose the name and address of the Agents/representatives in India, if any, similarly the Bidder(s)/Contractors(s) of Indian Nationality shall furnish the name and address of the foreign principals, if any. Further details as mentioned in the "Guidelines on Indian Agents of Foreign Suppliers" shall be disclosed by the Bidder(s)/Contractor(s). Further, as mentioned in the Guidelines all the payments made to the Indian agent/representative have to be in Indian Rupees only.

e. The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) will, when presenting their bid, disclose any and all payments made, is committed to or intends to make to agents, brokers or any other intermediaries in connection with the award of the contract.

f. Bidder(s) /Contractor(s) who have signed the Integrity Pact shall not approach the Courts while representing the matter to IEMs and shall wait for their decision in the matter.

(2) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s) will not instigate third persons to commit offences outlined above or be an accessory to such offences.

Section 3 - Disqualification from tender process and exclusion from future contracts If the Bidder(s)/Contractor(s), before award or during execution has committed a transgression through a violation of Section 2, above or in any other form such as to put their reliability or credibility in question, the Principal is entitled to disqualify the Bidder(s)/Contractor(s) from the tender process or take action as per the procedure mentioned in the "Guidelines on Banning of business dealings".

#### Section 4 - Compensation for Damages

(1) If the Principal has disqualified the Bidder(s) from the tender process prior to the award according to Section 3, the Principal is entitled to demand and recover the damages equivalent to Earnest Money Deposit/ Bid Security.

(2) If the Principal has terminated the contract according to Section 3, or if the Principal is entitled to terminate the contract according to Section 3, the Principal shall be entitled to demand and recover from the Contractor liquidated damages of the Contract value or the amount equivalent to Performance Bank Guarantee.

#### Section 5 - Previous transgression

(1) The Bidder declares that no previous transgressions occurred in the last three years with any other Company in any country conforming to the anti-corruption approach or with any Public Sector Enterprise in India that could justify his exclusion from the tender process.

(2) If the Bidder makes incorrect statement on this subject, he can be disqualified from the tender process or action can be taken as per the procedure mentioned in "Guidelines on Banning of business dealings".

# Section 6 - Equal treatment of all Bidders /Contractors / Subcontractors

(1) In case of Sub-contracting, the Principal Contractor shall take the responsibility of the adoption of Integrity Pact by the Sub-contractor.

(2) The Principal will enter into agreements with identical conditions as this one with all Bidders and Contractors.

(3) The Principal will disqualify from the tender process all bidders who do not sign this Pact or violate its provisions.

# Section 7 - Criminal charges against violating Bidder(s) / Contractor(s) / Subcontractor(s)

If the Principal obtains knowledge of conduct of a Bidder, Contractor or Subcontractor, or of an employee or a representative or an associate of a Bidder, Contractor or Subcontractor which constitutes corruption, or if the Principal has substantive suspicion in this regard, the Principal will inform the same to the Chief Vigilance Officer.

## Section 8 - Independent External Monitor

(1) The Principal appoints competent and credible Independent External Monitor for this Pact after approval by Central Vigilance Commission. The task of the Monitor is to review independently and objectively, whether and to what extent the parties comply with the obligations under this agreement.

(2) The Monitor is not subject to instructions by the representatives of the parties and performs his/her functions neutrally and independently. The Monitor would have access to all Contract documents, whenever required. It will be obligatory for him / her to treat the information and documents of the Bidders/Contractors as confidential. He/ she reports to the MD & CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank.

(3) The Bidder(s)/Contractor(s) accepts that the Monitor has the right to access without restriction to all Project documentation of the Principal including that provided by the Contractor. The Contractor will also grant the Monitor, upon his/her request and demonstration of a valid interest, unrestricted and unconditional access to their project documentation. The same is applicable to Sub-contractors.

(4) The Monitor is under contractual obligation to treat the information and documents of the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Sub-contractor(s) with confidentiality. The Monitor has also sighed declarations on 'Non-Disclosure of Confidential Information' and of 'Absence of Conflict of Interest'. In case of any conflict of interest arising at a later date, the IEM shall inform MD & CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank and recuse himself / herself from that case.

(5) The Principal will provide to the Monitor sufficient information about all meetings among the parties related to the Project provided such meetings could have an impact on the contractual relations between the Principal and the Contractor. The parties offer to the Monitor the option to participate in such meetings.

(6) As soon as the Monitor notices, or believes to notice, a violation of this agreement, he/she will so inform the Management of the Principal and request the Management to discontinue or take corrective action, or to take other relevant action. The monitor can in this regard submit non-binding recommendations. Beyond this, the Monitor has no right to demand from the parties that they act in a specific manner, refrain from action or tolerate action.

(7) The Monitor will submit a written report to the MD & CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank, within 8 to 10 weeks from the date of reference or intimation to him by the Principal and, should the occasion arise, submit proposals for correcting problematic situations.

(8) If the Monitor has reported to the MD & CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank, a substantiated suspicion of an offence under relevant IPC/ PC Act, and the MD & CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank

has not, within the reasonable time taken visible action to proceed against such offence or reported it to the Chief Vigilance Officer, the Monitor may also transmit this information directly to the Central Vigilance Commissioner.

(9) The word 'Monitor' would include both singular and plural

#### **Section 9 - Pact Duration**

This Pact begins when both parties have legally signed it. It expires for the Contractor 12 months after the last payment under the contract, and for all other Bidders 6 months after the contract has been awarded. Any violation of the same would entail disqualification of the bidders and exclusion from future business dealings.

If any claim is made / lodged during this time, the same shall be binding and continue to be valid despite the lapse of this pact as specified above, unless it is discharged / determined by MD & CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank.

#### Section 10 - Other provisions

(1) This agreement is subject to Indian Law. Place of performance and jurisdiction is the Registered Office of the Principal, i.e. New Delhi.

(2) Changes and supplements as well as termination notices need to be made in writing. Side agreements have not been made.

(3) If the Contractor is a partnership or a consortium, this agreement must be signed by all partners or consortium members.

(4) Should one or several provisions of this agreement turn out to be invalid, the remainder of this agreement remains valid. In this case, the parties will strive to come to an agreement to their original intentions.

(5) Issues like Warranty / Guarantee etc. shall be outside the purview of IEMs.

(6) In the event of any contradiction between the Integrity Pact and its Annexure, the Clause in the Integrity Pact will prevail.

(For & On behalf of the Principal) (For & On behalf of Bidder / Contractor) (Office Seal) (Office Seal)

Place -----Date -----Witness 1: (Name & Address)

Witness 2: (Name & Address)

# Appendix-G

Checklist								
SI. No.	Particulars	Submitted (Yes/No)	Page No					
1	Proof of RFP Cost							
2	Certificate of Incorporation, PAN, GST Registration certificate							
3	Proof of EMD							
4	Power of Attorney							
5	Copy of Board Resolution							
6	Audited Balance Sheets & Profit & Loss Statements, CA certificate for turnover & Networth							
7	Annexure-I.							
8	Annexure-II.							
9	Annexure-III (if eligible).							
10	Annexure-IV with documentary proof in support of the Pre-Qualification Criteria.							
11	Annexure-V.							
12	Annexure-VI.							
13	Annexure-VII.							
14	Annexure-VIII.							
15	Annexure-IX.							
16	Annexure-X.							
17	Annexure-XI.							
19	Bank Guarantee Format for Earnest Money Deposit as per Appendix-D							
21	Signed Pre-Contract Integrity Pact as per Appendix-F on non-judicial Stamp paper. (Hard copy to be submitted to Bank).							
22	Appendix-G							
23	Appendix-H							
25	Signed Copy of RFP							
26	Signed Copy of Corrigendum, if any							

Note:

a) All pages of the bid documents must be sealed & signed in full by authorized person.

b) All pages of the bid documents should be numbered in serial order i.e. 1, 2, 3....

Bank may ask for any other document on its discretion.

# Signature & Seal of the Bidder

#### <u>Appendix-H</u> <u>Undertaking of Authenticity</u>

To:

(Name and address of Procuring Office)

## Sub: Undertaking of Authenticity for supplied Product(s) Ref: RFP No. xx:xx dated dd/mm/yyyy

With reference to the Product being quoted to you vide our Bid No:\_\_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, we hereby undertake that all the components /parts /assembly / software etc. used in the Product to be supplied shall be original new components / parts / assembly / software only, from respective Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) of the Products and that no refurbished / duplicate / second hand components /parts/ assembly / software shall be supplied or shall be used or no malicious code are built-in in the Product being supplied.

1. We also undertake that in respect of licensed operating systems and other software utilities to be supplied, the same will be sourced from authorized sources and supplied with Authorized License Certificate (i.e. Product keys on Certification of Authenticity in case of Microsoft Windows Operating System).

2. Should you require, we hereby undertake to produce the certificate from our OEM supplier in support of above undertaking at the time of delivery/installation. It will be our responsibility to produce such letters from our OEM supplier's at the time of delivery or within a reasonable time.

3. In case of default and/or the Bank finds that the above conditions are not complied with, we agree to take back the Product(s) supplied and return the money paid by you, in full within seven days of intimation of the same by the Bank, without demur or any reference to a third party and without prejudice to any remedies the Bank may deem fit.

4. We also take full responsibility of both Product(s) & Service(s) as per the content of the RFP even if there is any defect by our authorized Service Centre / Reseller / SI etc.

Dated this ...... day of ...... 202

(Signature) (Name) (In the capacity of)

Duly authorised to sign Bid for and on behalf of

## Appendix-I Format for Submission of Client References

## To whosoever it may concern

Particulars	Details
Client Information	
Client Name	
Client address	
Name of the contact person and designation	
Phone number of the contact person	
E-mail address of the contact person	
Project Details	
Name of the Project	
Start Date	~1
End Date	
Current Status (In Progress / Completed)	
Size of Project	0
Value of Work Order (In Lakh) (only single work	
order)	
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Name & Signature of authorised signatory

Seal of Company