

## **Clarification**

**RFP for Selection of Project Implementing Agency for BharatNet Phase-III Project  
in Gujarat under GFGNL**

**(Design, Construction, Supply, Implementation, Testing & Commissioning and  
Operation & Management Model)**

**Issued by:**

**Gujarat Fibre Grid Network Limited**

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v) FACT SHEET

| #  | Particular                               | Details  |
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| 9. | Last date for submission of Bid/proposal | <del>28/02/2025 21/03/2025 02/04/2025 08/04/2025, 17/04/2025, 22/04/2025 25/04/2025</del> <b>28/04/2025 at 06:10 pm 03:00 pm</b> |

Notes:

1. The time is essence. The potential bidders have been given sufficient opportunity and have also been responded with intend of wider participation. All potential bidders are advised to prepare for participation without further representation to avoid inordinate delay in this mission critical project.
2. There would not be any further extension for last date of the bid submission. Bidder are requested to ensure timely submission of the bid to avoid last minute hiccups.

**Clarifications:**

- 1) EMD and Bid validity period shall consider as 180 days from last date of bid submission with claim period of over and above 45 days. In case of price validity beyond claim period, bidder need to submit BG with extendable period for price validity including claim period.

The last date of bid submission is 28<sup>th</sup> Apr-25. However, due to bank holidays, additional 3 working days will be given to bidders for preparation of BG of EMD for wider competition and ease of participations. Hence, Bidders are allowed to submit BG of EMD within 3 working days from the last date of bid submission along with the physical copies as per para-2). The scan copy of BG EMD is optional at the time of bid submission and in lieu of that bidder can upload scan copy of BG EMD application proof.

- 2) Following physical copies/documents shall submit within 3 working days from the date of online submission:
  - i) Integrity Pact,
  - ii) EMD,
  - iii) RFP Document Fee and
  - iv) Letter of Authorization
- 3) Bidders should have separate arrangement for Gujarat ABP Project and shall maintain minimum consistent balance in the form of cash/bank balance and investment including fixed deposits in the banks as per declaration for BID capacity for committed cashflow. Payment made by GFGNL may be part of this financial arrangement. Quarterly self-declaration of the above, supported by relevant proofs including bank proofs shall be submitted by the bidder with authorized signatory with PoA on company letterhead (on or before 15<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month of the following quarter) till capex implementation period of the project. Any default shall empower GFGNL to withhold payments.
- 4) Fiberization principles: For cost saving purpose for all the bidders, in case where existing routes of GP-GP ring is common in block-to-block corridor, then number of spare fibers should also be common. (i.e. 36F Spare fiber on common route). In other words, the duplication of spare fibers on common route should be avoided.
- 5) “However, other than consortium experience, the experience from any type of joint execution, like “teaming agreement, sub-contracting (including any EPC partnerships), backend partnership” shall not be considered” as restrictive participatory content stands deleted from Note-6 of Section-3 for inclusive and wider participation.
- 6) UPS specification typo error: The asked quality certifications for Village UPS will remain same as per GP UPS. TEC GR 66160:2024 or TEC GR 66140:2019 with latest amendments without any Hybrid functionality shall be applicable.

- 7) Wherever, mentioned financial turnover of Rs. 1250 Cr in RFP section 3.1 -**Appendix # A** should be read as Rs. 1200 Cr. and  
Wherever, mentioned experience of two (2) organizations in RFP section 3.1 -**Appendix # A** should be read as three (3) organizations. and  
RFP clause number 3.1→#1(Legal Entity)→1.2 should be read for consortium except lead/sole bidder as “Consortium member should be registered under the Companies Act 1956/2013 in India or a Limited Liability Partnership Firm under Limited Liability Partnership Firm Act 2008 or sole proprietorship under Shop & Establishment act at the time of the bidding submission date”
- 8) In reference to RFP section S/No.5 of “Financial Bid Format” and Point-8 of “Instructions to fill the Financial Bid”, bidders shall provide site wise electricity power budget consumptions (at full load) in KWH for 10 years for all Gram Panchayats and Revenue villages (as per site list published as annexure named [AnnexureA ABP Scope GUJ Corri VI.xlsx](#)) at BID submission stage by factoring power consumption of all power consuming elements. Any wrong calculation / improper submission in financial bid related to aforementioned power budget shall be considered willful default and circumvent to win the bid and hence the bid even after opening financial bid, will be summarily rejected without assigning any reason and any opportunity for negotiation to protect the interest of fare and ethical bid.

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