#### Corrigendum-I

# Request for Proposal (RFP) For Selection of Chartered accountant firm as Pre cum Internal Audit for GFGNL

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#### **Fact Sheet**

#	Particular	Details
14	Estimated Project value	Rs 18,00,000/- (For two years) (Including pocket expenses and GST)
9	Last date and time for submission of proposal (Proposal Due Date)	24 Jun 2025 16-July-2025  No communication, in any form and for any reason, will be entertained post this date and time.

### Pre-Bid Queries:

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1	7	1.3.	Any Kind of audit assignment ie Internal Audit, Pre-Audit, or Concurrent Audit of atleast one PSU/Authority/Department/Organization/ Trust/Mission should be carried out in last 3 years (FY 2021-22, FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 ) by Firm	We have audit assignment not on continuation basis as required from FY 2021 to 24. We have Central Bank of India as a Concurrent Audit from FY 22-to 25 and for Bharat Co-operative Bank for FY21-22. Can the same be taken into consideration?  Is this experience considered for processing ahead?	Request for clarify towards entities being audited	Bank audit cannot be considered.
2	6	1.3. 3	The Firm Should be atleast Category II or above CA firm as per ranking provided by ICAI on the date of tender	We are Category I firm so are we eligible to take up in that case?	Request for clarify of the category of CA firm	Yes, Category I Firm are eligible to take up this assignment.

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	1 3	11/ 09	a. 10% will be given after each of the first three quarters (totaling 30%) once successfully receive a quarterly draft observation. b. 50% will be provided after the 4th quarter, upon submission of a valid annual report. c. The last 20% will be granted after the successful submission of a statutory audit report by Statutory auditor.	1/4 fees billed quarterly, post acknowledgement of draft report by GFGNL. 90% shall be paid within 15 days.	10% fees paid for first three quarter and retention of 20% linked to statutory audit report are not as per market practices w.r.t. internal audit, as internal audit works closely with and for management as well as ensure regular reporting and implementation w.r.t. controls and its testing as per SOW and internal audit has no control over delays in statutory audit, as well as generally are not exposed to financial statements of the company.	GFGNL will release payments in this way: a. For first three quarters: 15% will be given after each of quarter (totalling 45%) once successfully receive a quarterly draft observation. b. 35% will be provided after the 4th quarter, upon submission of a valid annual report. c. The last 20% will be released after the successful submission of a statutory audit report by Statutory auditor.

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4			HOW MANY LOCATIONS/ UNIT TO VISIT:			Major work will be carried out from HO ie Gandhinagar. However, based on need or requirement Auditor need to visit site office occasionally.
5			TURN OVER OF THE ORGANIZATION:			FY 2023-24 – 90 Cr Approx based on audited financial
6			EXACT DELIVERABLES OF THE ASSIGNMENT			Refer clause 5
7			MAN POWER/MAN DAYS REQUIRED: (CA,SR. STAFF, JR.STAFF, ARTICLE)			Refer clause 11.12 and 11.13

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8		6 Ic	NO. OF VOUCHERS ( PER MONTH / QUARTER / YEAR) :	1 As a part of countries	It is requested	Yearly apprx 3582 Vouchers (Includes Vendor Invoice, Payment, Customer Invoice, Receipt, Journal Entries ) etc as per Tally Accounting Software for FY 2024-25. No of Pre-audit vouchers during FY 2024-25 were 60 approx . It is management call to do pre-audit.
9	9	6/6 .1	Manpower Penalty: Maximum Penalty of 10% of annual billing shall be enforced for non-deployment of Professional or replacement of personnel as per the agreed list of personnel during the validity of contract.  For non-deployment of resource, 0.5% of the annual contract value per week or part thereof subject to a ceiling of 10% of the annual contract value.  For replacement of resource, Rs. 5,000/-on first replacement and Rs. 10,000 on subsequent replacement of resource.	1. As a part of control measure to curb the familiarity risk i.e. Audit may become a routine exercise, hence, it is a practice to change the Resources at a certain time frequency.  2. Deployed Resource has to be changed in case of Resignation / Termination.  3. Deployed Resource may not be available due to personal/social/medical grounds for a continuous No. of days say 3 days.	It is requested that the Clause shall suitably modified to cover the cases where:  1. Penalty on rotation of Resource shall be applicable for CA and Partner level and not at Audit Executive level. If the need be, it is allowed only at a frequency of 6 Months and so on except for the case of Resignation / Termination. Thereafter, Penalty is applicable.  2. In case deputed Resource at Audit Executive level	As Per RFP, No Change.

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					nated, then	
					alternate	
					Resource shall	
					be provided	
					within 7	
					working days	
					and so on.	
					Thereafter,	
					Penalty shall	
					be applicable.	
					3. This Clause	
					shall be	
					suitably modified to	
					include a case	
					to define 3	
					days as	
					reasonable for	
					personal/socia	
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					grounds and	
					the same shall	
					not be	
					considered as	
					non-	
					deployment of Resource to	
					attract	
					Penalty.	
					Alternate	
					arrangement	
					shall be	
					provided in	
					case for a	
					continuous	
					absence for 4	
					or more days.	
					Thereafter, Penalty shall	
					be applicable.	
1	1	11/	GFGNL will release payments in this way:	1. Pre Audit is to be	HENCE OUR	GFGNL will release
0		11.	a. 10% will be given after each of the first	conducted on Daily	REQUEST :	payments in this
		9	three quarters (totalling 30%) once	basis.	1. Fees to be	way: a. For first
			successfully receive a quarterly draft	2. Draft Observations	paid on	three quarters:
			observation.	are to be submitted on	Monthly basis	15% will be given
				Quarterly basis and an	at 5% of	after each of
				Annual Internal Report is	agreed Fees	quarter (totalling

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			b FOO/ will be provided often the 4th	to be submitted on	i o Totalling to	45%) once
			b. 50% will be provided after the 4th quarter, upon submission of a valid annual	to be submitted on annual basis.	i.e. Totalling to 60% on	successfully
			report.	3. As per Clause 11.12,	Monthly basis.	receive a quarterly
			c. The last 20% will be granted after the	Manpower is to be	2. 20% of Fees	draft observation.
			successful submission of a statutory audit	deployed for at least 20	shall be paid	b. 35%will be
			report by Statutory auditor.	working days in a month	upon	provided after the
				for Pre cum Internal	submission of	4th quarter, upon
				Audit at Gandhinagar	Annual	submission of a
				Office.	Internal Audit Report as per	valid annual report. c. The last
				While the Payment	your schedule.	20% will be
				frequency is set as	3. Balance 20%	released after the
				under:	of Fees shall	successful
				1. Upon submission of	be paid after	submission of a
				Quarterly Draft	completion of	statutory audit
				Observations upto Quarter 3, only 30% of	statutory audit as per your	report by Statutory auditor.
				Fees will be received.	schedule.	auditor.
				2. Next 50% of Fees	This shall	
				totalling to 80% shall be	enable us to	
				paid after submission of	manage the	
				Annual Internal Audit	monthly	
				Report within 60 days from the end of the FY.	operational costs and a	
				Thus, receiving major	realistic way of	
				portion of Fees (upto	work being	
				80%) is a remote event	done.	
				that may spill over to		
				June of the next FY.		
				3. Balance 20% will be paid after completion of		
				statutory audit for the		
				respective year i.e. say		
				around September of		
				the next year.		
				4. Further, 10% by way		
				of TDS u/s. 194J shall be deducted from Fees.		
				This will leave only 90%		
				of Fees in hand.		
				This will cause financial		
				hardships in many ways given the scenario of		
				deputing Manpower on		
				Monthly basis and visit		
				by Incharge Partner on		
				Monthly basis as per		
				Clause 11.12 and 11.13.		

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1 1	8	5.1 /N	Certification related any work which is required for any work need to be carried out.	How we will carry out the Certification for any work which is not part of Finance and Accounts and also where we are not a subject matter / Technical Expert.	HENCE OUR REQUEST: This Clause shall be kept limited with respect to Certification Work of Finance and Accounts related matters.	Certification Work of Finance and Accounts related matters will be carried out and not technical.
1 2			As you may be aware, the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (C&AG) has assigned weightage to partners and employees holding the Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) certification, as per its policy publicly available on the link <a href="https://care.cag.gov.in/policy/policy.htm">https://care.cag.gov.in/policy/policy.htm</a> While the empanelment by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (C&AG) primarily focuses on statutory audits, the assignments under your esteemed organization align more closely			As per RFP Clause. No Change.
			with internal audits. Given this, it would be beneficial to emphasize the Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) certification as a prerequisite for partners and staff undertaking these assignments. Currently, it appears that such a requirement is not incorporated as a mandatory criterion for empanelment or execution of the assignments.			

## **Revised Clause:**

Sr	RFP Clause/Item	Original Clause	Revised Clause/Clarifications
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1	11. Instructions to Bidders Clause 9	a. 10% will be given after each of the first three quarters (totaling 30%) once successfully receive a quarterly draft observation. b. 50% will be provided after the 4th quarter, upon submission of a valid annual report. c. The last 20% will be granted after the successful submission of a statutory audit report by Statutory auditor.	GFGNL will release payments in this way: a. For first three quarters: 15% will be given after each of quarter (totalling 45%) once successfully receive a quarterly draft observation. b. 35%will be provided after the 4th quarter, upon submission of a valid annual report. c. The last 20% will be released after the successful submission of a statutory audit report by Statutory auditor.
2	1.2 Definition	-	Semi qualified means M.Com, MBA, or CA Inter person.