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**Reply for the Pre-bid Queries**

Subject: Annual Maintenance Contract for Manning, Operation and Maintenance of Oil Spill Response Equipment (OSRE) available in VOC Port Authority for a period of five years and extendable by two years.

Tender no. MAR/TECH/OSRE(AMC)/2024

Estimated cost for tender: ₹1,72,71,600 plus applicable GST.

Tender ID No.2024\_VOCPT\_200042\_1

The following replies for the pre-bid queries, were raised by bidders during the pre-bid meeting held on 10/07/2024. This is also form and part of the tender: -

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<b>1.M/s. Viraj Clean Sea Enterprises Pvt. Ltd, Mumbai</b>				
1.	11 & 12	<p><b>Section IV, Instructions to Bidders: Clause No.8 - Minimum Qualification Criteria for Pre-Qualification - Note, clause 3:</b></p> <p>"Similar Work Means"; Experience in similar types of work (i.e.)</p> <p>The firm must have experience in manning, operation and maintenance of Oil Spill Response Equipment.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(or)</p> <p>The firm must have experience in manning, operation and maintenance of Hydraulic equipment's and compressors and completed during the last seven years up to the proceeding completed month of the tender.</p>	<p>There is no mention of actual work i.e. Oil Spill Response in the second para of Similar Work, our big concern is that anyone with ZERO knowledge/experience in Oil Spill response activities can also participate in the bidding process and if wins, will surely pose a threat to the safety of the OSR Equipment, Manpower and OSR operation too. The OSR Industry being among Emergency Services attracts a well technically groomed and qualified OSR trained manpower/responders to deal with OSR emergencies. We suggest omitting this point which gives space for vendors with no experience in OSR services to enter in the bidding process to maintain a healthy bidding competitiveness and qualitative OSR services to the port at large.</p>	<p>Please refer Section IV clause 8</p> <p>Tender condition prevails.</p>

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2.	3 & 23	<b>Section-VI Scope of Work and Section -1 NIT</b>	The estimated cost of the tender seems to be very low (if the wages are calculated as per applicable government norms) for the given scope of work, contract duration, manning strength and qualification of manpower. We suggest re-look on the estimated tender cost in light of applicable government labour laws and getting quality OSR services to meet the objective correctly.	Tender condition prevails.
<b>2. M/s. Navtek, Chennai</b>				
3.	15	<b>SECTION -IV</b> <b>24. QUOTING OF AMC CHARGES FOR PRICE BID:</b> The AMC rate per month quoted shall be paid on the Minimum wages actually disbursed every month based on the deployed manpower, excluding ESI, EPF and Bonus.	Kindly clarify on this whether the rate quoted should include ESI/EPF/Bonus lumpsum charges	Please refer Section - IV of 24 Tender condition prevails.
4.	32	<b>SECTION-VII</b> <b>GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT:</b> <b>18. COMPLIANCE WITH EPF ACT:</b> Rate quoted in BOQ (Price bid) shall not include EPF component. The claim for EPF component shall be admitted as per actual on submission of documentary proof of payment made to EPF authorities along with full details of manpower deploy and calculation of contribution.	Please let us know on the claim for EPF component shall be admitted as actual on submission of documentary proof of payment made to EPF authorities along with full details of manpower deploy and calculation of contribution. Kindly clarify on this.	Refer section VII (18). Tender condition prevails.

All other Terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Yours sincerely,



Deputy Conservator