
GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

Hon. Balasaheb Thackeray Agribusiness & Rural Transformation (SMART) Project

**Request for Bids
to establish Framework Agreement(s) for Supply,
Installation, Commissioning & testing of Rice Mill
Machinery**

(Primary Procurement, One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Framework Agreement Title: Selection of agencies for Framework Agreement for supply installation, testing & commissioning of Rice mill machinery at Farmer Producer Companies / Community Based organization in various districts of in Maharashtra state Under SMART Project

Loan No./Credit No.: P168310

RFB Reference No.: *IN-PCMU-SMART-522018-GO-RFB*

1. The Department of Agriculture, Government of Maharashtra has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the “Hon. Balasaheb Thackeray Agribusiness & Rural Transformation (SMART) Project”, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under Call-off Contracts that may be awarded under the Framework agreements for supply installation, testing & commissioning of Rice mill machinery at Farmer Producer Companies / Community Based organization in various districts of Maharashtra state Under SMART Project ¹ concluded through this RFB Primary Procurement process.
2. The *Project Coordination & Management Unit (PCMU) SMART Project* now invites online Bids from eligible Bidders for supply installation, testing & commissioning of Rice mill machinery at Farmer Producer Companies / Community Based organization in various districts of Maharashtra state Under SMART Project. The list of Farmer Producer Companies is enclosed herewith.
3. This is a Multi-User and Multi-Supplier Framework Agreement. For Multi-User Framework Agreements, list of the Participating Users entitled to purchase under this Framework Agreement is provided in the Bid Data Sheet.
4. On being awarded a Framework Agreement the successful Bidder (FA Holder) is eligible to be awarded a Call-off Contract. The selection of a FA Holder to receive a Call-off

¹ *The Primary Procurement to conclude a Framework Agreement(s) and the Secondary Procurement to award a Call-off Contract(s) will be governed by the World Bank's Procurement Regulations.*”

Contract will be done through a Secondary Procurement process as defined in Framework Agreement. However, the award of a Framework Agreement shall not impose any obligation on the Procuring Agency, including Participating Users, to purchase Goods under a Call-off Contract. An award of Framework Agreement does not guarantee that a FA Holder will be awarded a Call-off Contract.

5. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Regulations for IPF Borrowers" Revised in September 2025. ("Procurement Regulations") which can be found at the following website: www.worldbank.org.
6. Under this Primary Procurement process, Bidders may submit Bids for one or more items/ lots. However, evaluation and award of Framework Agreements will be done individually for each item/lot.
7. The Framework Agreement shall be established for a Term of one year from the Commencement Date, and may be extended subject to satisfactory performance, for a maximum of up to two (2) additional years on yearly basis.
8. The Primary Procurement shall establish a Closed Framework Agreement(s).
9. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from *Project Coordination & Management Unit (PCMU) SMART Project* Mr Uday Deshmukh, Additional Project Director, -Email-pcmu.smart@gmail.com and inspect the Bidding document during office hours *i.e. 09.45 to 18.00 hours* at the address as provided *at the end of this IFB*.
10. The Bidding document in English may be downloaded from website <https://mahatenders.gov.in> by interested eligible Bidders as per the schedule mentioned in this bid document.
11. All Bids must be accompanied by a bid security as specified in the bid document.
12. A pre-bid meeting will be held on 24/11/2025 at 14.00 hours at the office of SMART PROJECT, Sheti Mahamandal Bhavan, 270, Bhamburda, Senapati Bapat Road, Pune to clarify the issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage as stated in Clause 7.2 of the Instructions to Bidders.
14. The address(es) referred to above is (are):

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