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1	Idam	Clause 1: Background:	Page 3 of 18 of NIT	Reference to national RE target of 500 GW by 2030	Apart from national renewable energy targets mentioned, - kindly confirm the MPPGCL (or Government of Madhya Pradesh) specific targets for the sought 3 years target in MWs This is critical while preparing the proposal.		MPPGCL is envisaging to extend its RE implementation, which includes Solar, BESS, Hybrid, & Floating Solar Projects to the extent of around 1500 MW in coming 3-5 yrs.
2	Idam	Clause 8, (x). Note (b)	Page 6 of 18 of NIT	The bidders of other states (not in Madhya Pradesh) registered as Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs) are not allowed/entitled for exemption in the EMD. Hence should not opt for EMD fee exemption on the basis of above document.	It is known that while the Public Procurement Policy for MSEs Order, 2012 is binding on Central Government entities, its direct application in State Government of Madhya Pradesh is not mandatory unless expressly adopted. However, it is requested that bidders based outside the State of Madhya Pradesh and registered as Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) may also be considered eligible for		No change. Please follow RfP.

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					exemption from submission of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), The above request may be considered in lieu of respective Constitution of India - Article 14 of the Constitution of India, the Right to Equality (Primary Violation) Article 19(1)(g) of the constitution, the Freedom to Practice Any Trade or Profession across any part of Inda without discrimination		
3	E&Y	Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) Clause 7 & 15 : Tender Fee & Bidding Schedule	NIT Page 6/18 & 7/18		Kindly confirm if cost of tender INR 5,000 can be submitted along with final bid on 15th April 2026. End date of purchase of tender document is not mentioned in bidding schedule at clause 15-page 16/18. Kindly issue clarification.		Please refer Clause 5 (xiii) of NIT.
4	Deloitte	Appendix-A & Appendix-E SCC Clause 12 (B): Experience Criteria	Page 8 of 18 of NIT.	Appendix A: Major assignments undertaken in the last 7 years Appendix E: Doesn't specified any timeframe. SCC Clause 12 (B): The bidder /consultancy firm must possess a minimum of five (5) years of	It is requested to kindly clarify and harmonize the provisions relating to the time period for eligible experience across the annexures and provisions of the RFP. Further, to avoid duplication of information and facilitate easier evaluation, it is requested to kindly consider retaining a single appendix	The current format specifies a 7-year restriction, whereas the eligibility conditions in the Appendix E do not prescribe any such time limitation.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; in regard to this clause.

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				cumulative experience in Energy & Regulatory Consultancy Services in last 15 years ending with the initial date of opening of bid.	for listing all credentials and experience details. Furthermore, it is requested to kindly consider allowing submission of major assignments undertaken during the last fifteen (15) years for the purpose of demonstrating relevant experience.	Clarification or alignment would ensure consistency in documentation and allow bidders to appropriately present relevant experience. Aligning the formats or providing a single consolidated appendix would ensure consistency and reduce repetitive documentation for bidders as well as evaluators. Further, considering the nature and complexity of the scope of work envisaged under the present RFP, several relevant and significant	

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						<p>assignments undertaken by bidders may fall beyond the seven-year timeframe but continue to be highly relevant in demonstrating the bidder's experience, technical capability, and domain expertise. Limiting the consideration to the last seven years may therefore exclude valuable and pertinent project experience.</p> <p>In view of the above, it is requested that the Authority kindly consider allowing the submission of major assignments</p>	

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						undertaken during the last fifteen (15) years for the purpose of demonstrating relevant experience.	
5	PwC	Tender Notice (NIT) 12. (B). Experience Criteria	Page 8 of 18 of NIT	Copies of successfully executed orders by the bidder as a main contractor of same or similar (i.e. Consultancy work for renewable energy projects & Power Regulatory Support) type of works / contracts along with showcasing experiences accompanied with valid work completion certificates from clients/CA certified invoices/ final bills paid from the clients in state Owned Power Generating Companies / Other Captive Power Utilities of PSU / NTPC / Govt. Industries or Departments / Semi Govt. Industries or Departments / Other Leading Industries / IPPs / PSUs in India.	<p>The RFP requires submission of successfully executed consultancy assignments in State Owned Power Generating Companies / Captive Power Utilities of PSU / NTPC / Government / Semi-Government Departments / Leading Industries / IPPs / PSUs in India.</p> <p>1. In this regard, it is requested to clarify that Govt. Industries or Departments includes the state government departments and central government ministries. Further, PSUs include both central and state level PSUs. Kindly Confirm.</p> <p>2. In this regard, it is respectfully submitted</p>		<p>1. Yes</p> <p>Govt. Industries or Departments includes the State Government Departments and Central Government Ministries. Further, PSUs include both central and state level PSUs.</p> <p>2. No Change required in RfP.</p>

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				<p>The bidder /consultancy firm must possess a minimum of five (5) years of cumulative experience in Energy & Regulatory Consultancy Services in last 15 years ending with the initial date of opening of bid.</p>	<p>that several renewable energy and regulatory consultancy assignments are also undertaken under projects financed or supported by Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) such as the World Bank, ADB, KfW, etc., where the scope and complexity are comparable to those mentioned in the RFP and the beneficiary is the Central/ State level organizations including department and companies.</p> <p>Accordingly, it is requested that experience under MDB-supported projects may also be considered as eligible experience under the said clause and the bid document.</p> <p>3. Considering that the consultancy services are primarily advisory in nature for state utilities and public sector entities, we understand that the credentials related to “other Leading Industries/ IPPs” means the credentials of the Government entities/ organizations only. No private sector-related experience shall be</p>		<p>3.“other Leading Industries/ IPPs” shall include the experience related leading private sector</p>

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	Grant Thomston-Bharat				<p>considered in meeting the experience criteria's mentioned in the clause and in the Bid Document. Kindly Confirm.</p> <p>4. Completion certificates from Clients/ CA certified invoices/ final bills paid from the Clients will be considered as proof to showcase that project is completed.</p> <p>In this regard, it is requested to consider the publicly available document(s) to showcase the completion of the project for which the consultancy firm was appointed.</p> <p>Copies of successfully executed orders by the bidder as a main contractor of same or similar (i.e. Consultancy work for renewable energy projects & Power Regulatory Support) type of works / contracts along with showcasing experiences accompanied with valid work completion certificates from clients/CA certified invoices/ final bills paid from the clients in state Owned Power Generating Companies / Other Captive Power Utilities of</p>	<p>Request to consider on-going contracts/ engagements.</p>	<p>enterprises/ companies.</p> <p>4. Not accepted.</p> <p>No change.</p> <p>Please follow RfP.</p>

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					PSU / NTPC / Govt. Industries or Departments / Semi Govt. Industries or Departments / Other Leading Industries / IPPs / PSUs in India.		
6	Idam	(B)Experience Criteria,2. Power Sector Regulatory Advisory Services:	Page 8 of 18 of NIT	Filing of Tariff Petitions before SERCs / CERCs/ Appeals before APTEL for existing and upcoming Thermal/Hydro projects, with due understanding of Technical, Commercial Policies/Regulations of State/Central Government, Regulatory issues of Non-renewable & Renewable energy sector, State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/NTPC/IPP/PSU's/ Central/ Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency in India	<p>We understand that consultants assisting the Commission in preparing Tariff Orders must possess in-depth knowledge of the generation sector to effectively evaluate costs, technical parameters, and regulatory compliance specific to power generation. Therefore, we request inclusion of relevant experience such as projects involving assistance to CERC/SERCs in the preparation of Tariff Orders, along with scrutiny and review of tariff petitions submitted by generating companies. This addition will appropriately recognize equivalent expertise, expand the pool of qualified consultants, and ensure robust inputs for generation-related tariff determinations.</p> <p>Additionally, we request MPPGCL to appropriately assign weightage to projects involving assistance to commissions in the scrutiny and analysis of Tariff Petitions, as well</p>		No change. Please follow RfP.

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					as support for the preparation of Tariff Orders.		
7	Mercados	12.B.1 (ii) (Tender Notice)	Page 9 of 18 of NIT	Planning, technical commercial analysis, preparing/validating the technical reports prepared,	Planning, technical commercial analysis, preparing/validating the technical reports prepared, evacuation system planning with	It is requested that experience as Lender's Engineering	No change. Please follow RfP.

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				evacuation system planning with existing STU/CTU grid for development of Solar/Hybrid Solar Project.	existing STU/CTU grid or lender's or owner's engineer support for development of Solar/Hybrid Solar Project.	Solutions may also be considered as eligible experience for the requirement. Lender's Engineer assignments involve technical due diligence, techno-commercial analysis, conceptual design review, validation of technical reports, assessment of evacuation arrangements with STU/CTU, and implementation monitoring. These activities closely align with the scope of planning and techno-commercial analysis for solar/hybrid projects. Hence, considering Lender's	

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						Engineer experience would align with industry practice and allow participation of technically qualified firms.	
8	Mercados	12.B.2 (iii)	Page 9 of 18 of NIT	The bidder must have successfully drafted Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) for State-owned or Central-owned power generating utilities. This experience should demonstrate capability in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Framing commercial, legal, and risk allocation provisions • Addressing obligations, liabilities, payment security, scheduling and settlement mechanisms. 	The bidder must have successfully drafted Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) for power generating utilities including State-owned, Central-owned, or Private Generating Companies/PPs. This experience should demonstrate capability in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Framing commercial, legal, and risk allocation provisions • Addressing obligations, liabilities, payment security, scheduling and settlement mechanisms. 	PPAs executed for private generating companies/ IPPs follow same commercial, legal, and regulatory frameworks as those executed for state or central utilities.	No change. Please follow RfP.
9	Mercados	12.B.2 (iv)	Page 10 of 18 of NIT	The bidder must have experience in preparing and reviewing Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) and Revenue Budgets for Central or	The bidder must have experience in preparing and reviewing Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) and Revenue Budgets, or preparation/submission of Business Plans or Capital Investment Plans,	Preparation of business plans or capital investment plans involves	No change. Please follow RfP.

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				State Government-owned utilities.	for Central or State Government-owned utilities or Private Generating Companies/IPPs.	assessment of capital expenditure, revenue projections, and financial planning, which are closely aligned with the preparation and review of CAPEX and revenue budgets. Therefore, considering such experience would appropriately reflect relevant sector expertise and allow participation of bidders with comparable financial planning experience in the power sector.	
10	Mercadas	12.B.1 (v) (Tender Notice)	Page 9 of 18 of NIT	Experience of Project Management Consultancy/Project Management Unit services	Experience of Project Management Consultancy/Project Management Unit or LIE services which includes post selection of developer support during project execution	It is requested that experience of Lender's Engineering may also be	No change. Please follow RfP.

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				which includes post selection of developer support during project execution and monitoring of different on-site ground activities necessary for development of Solar/Hybrid Projects.	and monitoring of different on-site ground activities necessary for development of Solar/Hybrid Projects.	considered equivalent to PMC/PMU services. Lender's Engineer services involve implementation monitoring, review of EPC/turnkey contracts, construction progress monitoring, verification of drawdown schedules, and review of key project documents including land, PPA, permits, and O&M arrangements. These activities require continuous oversight of project execution and are comparable to PMC/PMU functions. Hence, Lender's Engineer	

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						experience may also be considered.	
11	Idam	Clause 12, Section C, Financial Criteria	Page 10 of 18 of NIT	Average annual turnover of the bidder from Consultancy Services during 3 consecutive financial years (FYs) in last 4 FYs should not be less than the estimated tender value (i.e. Rs. 22.42 Crore).	Considering the specialized nature of consultancy services and in line with Government of India initiatives to promote MSME participation, - it is requested to kindly consider relaxation of minimum turnover criteria to INR 5 Crore, particularly for eligible MSME bidders with relevant experience.		No change. Please follow RfP.
12	Deloitte	Technical Notice_1 Clause 13 Team Composition Page No 12	Page 12 of 18 of NIT.	Team leader Qualification- Engineering graduate in any discipline with MBA/M.Tech/ Post-Graduate in Renewable Energy/ Energy/ Power Management.	We request to kindly amend the clause: Engineering graduate in any discipline with master's degree in engineering/ management/ Power/ Finance/ Infrastructure or equivalent or Post Graduate Diploma in Management with PMP/PRINCE2 certificate.	Renewable Energy/Energy/Power Management specializations are offered by a limited number of institutions and may unnecessarily restrict the pool of eligible and experienced professionals. In large infrastructure and power sector consultancy	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; in regard to this clause.

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						<p>assignments, team leaders typically require strong project management, stakeholder coordination, financial planning, and sectoral advisory experience rather than specialization in a narrow academic discipline. Allowing broader postgraduate qualifications along with globally recognized project management certifications such as PMP/PRINCE2 ensures that the team leader possesses strong project governance, scheduling, risk management, and</p>	

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						coordination capabilities, which are critical for managing multi-disciplinary renewable energy projects.	
	GT				Request to waive off the condition or consider the below clause– Team Leader must be on payroll of the bidding company for two (2) year.		
	Mercados					Suggestion: Except for the Team Leader, the qualification requirement for other team members may be relaxed to allow an Engineering degree in the relevant field or an Engineering degree with relevant	

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						<p>professional experience, instead of mandatory post-graduation.</p> <p>Several technical roles in solar/renewable energy projects rely primarily on practical engineering experience and domain expertise rather than post-graduate qualifications. Allowing engineering graduates with relevant experience will ensure availability of qualified professionals while maintaining the required technical</p>	

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	Idam				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It is understood that the Team Leader is required to be on the payroll of the bidder for a minimum period of 2 years. Considering the specialized and project-based nature of consultancy assignments, and in line with public procurement practices that encourage participation of qualified professionals and MSMEs, it is requested to kindly consider relaxation of the payroll requirement for the Team Leader from 2 years to 1 year, while ensuring that the bidder demonstrates adequate control, availability, and commitment of the proposed resource for the duration of the assignment. - Relating to Floating Solar Expert, request the number of minimum number of years in Floating Solar projects to be specified Relating to Team Leader (Tariff & Regulatory Expert), kindly request the minimum 3 years on-site experience should be removed 	competence for project execution.	

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	PwC				<p>We understand the SoW requires a mixed team of experience and passion towards Renewable Energy. As Bid Document requires significant experience team leader for both the work streams.</p> <p>It is requested that a maximum age cap of 40 years may kindly be considered for positions other than the Team Leaders. This would enable deployment of professionals who possess relevant experience along with adequate understanding of emerging technologies and new-edge solutions in the renewable energy sector, including advancements in RE integration, energy storage and other evolving technologies.</p>		
13	Deloitte	Technical Notice_1 Clause 13 Team Composition Page No 13	Page 13 of 18 of NIT.	Renewable Energy Specialist (Civil) Qualification- Civil Engineering graduate with MBA/M.Tech/ Post-Graduate in Civil Engineering/Renewable Energy/ Environmental Engg	We request to kindly amend the clause: Civil Engineering graduate with Optional/Preferable Master's degree in any Engineering/ Management or equivalent or Post Graduate Diploma in Management	Renewable energy infrastructure projects involving civil works primarily require specialized expertise in areas such as civil engineering design,	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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						<p>structural analysis, foundation engineering, site grading, drainage planning, and construction management. These competencies are largely technical in nature and are typically developed through domain-specific training and extensive professional experience rather than through general management or broad postgraduate programs.</p> <p>Professionals working in such highly specialized technical domains often pursue</p>	

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						advanced certifications, specialized technical training, or niche engineering courses relevant to their field, rather than general postgraduate qualifications. Moreover, significant expertise in these areas is typically acquired through hands-on project experience and practical exposure to infrastructure development and execution. Therefore, restricting eligibility only to specific academic qualifications may inadvertently limit	

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						the availability of otherwise highly competent professionals. Expanding the eligibility criteria to include a broader engineering background encompassing specialized streams of civil engineering, as well as relevant management postgraduate qualifications, would help ensure the availability of experienced professionals with strong technical capabilities and effective project coordination skills, thereby enabling	

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	PwC			<p>4. Civil Engineering graduate with MBA/M. Tech/ Post-Graduate in Civil Engineering/Renewable Energy/ Environmental Engg.</p> <p>5. Electrical Engineering graduate with MBA/M. Tech/ Post-Graduate in Electrical Engineering/Renewable Energy/ Energy/ Power Management.</p> <p>6. Graduate in Engineering with MBA/M. Tech/ Post-Graduate.</p> <p>7. Engineering graduate with MBA/M. Tech/ postgraduate in Electrical Engineering/renewable energy/ energy/ power management</p>	<p>The RFP specifies minimum qualification for certain key experts (Renewable Energy Specialist - Civil, Renewable Energy Specialist - Electrical, Floating Solar Expert, and Resident Engineer) as Engineering Graduate with MBA/ M.Tech/ Post-Graduate qualification.</p> <p>Considering the nature of the assignment, which primarily requires strong technical engineering experience in renewable energy project development, construction supervision and site coordination, many highly experienced professionals in the sector possess extensive domain experience while holding a Bachelor's degree in Engineering (B.E./B.Tech) without an additional MBA/ M.Tech qualification.</p> <p>In view of the above, it is requested that the minimum qualification criteria may kindly be relaxed to allow “Engineering Graduate (B.E./B.Tech) in relevant discipline such as</p>	<p>better execution of the project objectives.</p>	

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	E&Y				<p>Civil/Electrical/Mechanical etc.”, while retaining the experience requirements as specified in the RFP.</p> <p>Kindly change the criteria to following:</p> <p>1. RE Specialist (Civil)</p> <p>Min. Qualification: B.E/B. Tech in Civil engineering</p> <p>Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 5 years' experience in Power Sector/RE Sector, • Experience of conducting Geo-tech survey, GIS survey of area. <p>2. RE Specialist (Electrical)</p> <p>Min. Qualification: B.E/B. Tech in Electrical engineering</p> <p>Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 5 years" experience in Power Sector/RE Sector, • Should have at least 3 years of experience of planning and designing 	<p>Since these are site positions, bachelor's degree with relevant experience should be sufficient to perform this task.</p> <p>Master's qualification for site engineers is unnecessary</p>	

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					<p>internal electrical system.</p> <p>3. Floating Solar Expert Min. Qualification: B.E/B. Tech in Electrical/ Mechanical/ Civil engineering</p> <p>Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 05 years" experience in RE sector especially in FPV project. • Should have experience in designing of float, anchoring and mooring. <p>4. Resident Engineer Min. Qualification: B.E/B. Tech in Electrical/Mechanical/Civil engineering.</p> <p>Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 3 years' experience in Solar project erection and commission. at least 3 years of experience of erection and commissioning of RE Projects 		

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					including evacuation infrastructure		
14	Deloitte	Technical Notice_1 Clause 13 Team Composition Page No 14	Page 14 of 18 of NIT.	<p>Team Leader (Tariff and regulatory Functional consultant cum power sector expert) Qualification:</p> <p>Engineering Graduate with MBA from a recognized Institute/ University or Chartered Accountant (CA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate course/Diploma in Thermal Power Plant Engineering 	<p>We request to kindly amend the clause:</p> <p>Engineering Graduate with MBA from a recognized Institute/ University or Chartered Accountant (CA)</p>	<p>Professionals with qualifications such as Engineering with MBA or Chartered Accountancy (CA) are generally well equipped with the necessary expertise in financial analysis, regulatory frameworks, commercial evaluation, and tariff-related matters required for such assignments.</p> <p>The additional requirement of a Certificate Course/Diploma in Thermal Power Plant Engineering may not be directly essential</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.</p>

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						<p>for performing the regulatory and tariff-related functions associated with this role. Further, many experienced regulatory professionals working extensively with electricity regulatory commissions and utilities may not necessarily possess such certification despite having substantial and relevant experience in tariff and regulatory matters.</p> <p>In view of the above, it is requested that the qualification criteria may kindly be amended to</p>	

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	Idam					<p>“Engineering Graduate with MBA from a recognized Institute/University or Chartered Accountant (CA)”, which would be adequate to ensure the availability of suitably qualified and experienced professionals while also enabling wider participation of competent experts in the field of tariff and regulatory advisory.</p>	
					<p>We understand that a consultant with 10+ years of power sector experience, particularly with generation utilities or thermal power projects, possesses equivalent expertise to effectively contribute to technical aspects of thermal generation. Therefore, we request deletion of the mandatory requirement for the</p>		

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					<p>Team Leader to hold a Certificate Course or Diploma in Thermal Power Plant Engineering, as it unnecessarily restricts competition and inflates proposal costs.</p> <p>Kindly consider this request and remove the clause to broaden the pool of qualified candidates.</p>		
	E&Y				<p>Kindly change the criteria to following:-</p> <p>1. Team Leader (Tariff & Regulatory Functional Consultant cum power Sector Expert)</p> <p>Min. Qualification: Engineering Graduate with MBA from a recognized Institute/ University or Chartered Accountant (CA)</p> <p>Experience: Having minimum of 10 years of experience in the power sector, including expertise in Tariff and Regulatory matters, Experience</p>	<p>Higher degree is master's degree. Certificate course/ diploma is lower than master's degree. Therefore, only B.E with MBA or CA must be considered.</p> <p>Chartered accountants come from commerce background. They will not have engineering/ thermal power plant</p>	

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					in Policy related matters	background	
15	Deloitte	Technical Notice_1 Clause 13 Team Composition Page No 14	Page 14 of 18 of NIT.	Floating Solar Expert qualification Graduate in Engineering with MBA/M. Tech/Post-Graduate	We request to kindly amend the clause: Graduate in Engineering with Optional/Preferable Master's degree in any Engineering/ Management or equivalent or Post Graduate Diploma in Management	Floating solar projects require specialized domain expertise in areas such as electrical system design, floating structure integration, anchoring and mooring systems, cable routing, and grid interconnection. These competencies are highly technical in nature and are typically developed through domain-specific engineering training and extensive professional experience in the design and	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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						implementation of such infrastructure projects. Professionals working in these specialized technical domains often pursue advanced technical certifications, specialized engineering training, or sector-specific courses directly relevant to their field of practice, rather than general postgraduate qualifications. In practice, the critical expertise required for floating solar projects is largely gained through hands-on project experience,	

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						<p>design involvement, and practical exposure to renewable energy infrastructure development and execution.</p> <p>In this context, mandating additional postgraduate qualifications may inadvertently restrict the pool of otherwise highly competent experts who possess substantial practical experience and proven expertise in floating solar technologies.</p> <p>It is therefore requested that the qualification requirements may</p>	

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						kindly be rationalized to place greater emphasis on relevant professional experience and technical expertise, thereby enabling participation of suitably experienced experts while ensuring the availability of the most competent professionals for the assignment.	
16	Deloitte	Technical Notice_1 Clause 13 Team Composition Page No 15	Page 15 of 18 of NIT	Regulatory Specialist A-Qualification: Chartered Accountant (CA) from ICAI	We request to kindly amend the clause: Engineering Graduate with MBA from a recognized Institute University or B.Com or Chartered Accountant (CA) from ICAI	Regulatory advisory in the power sector involves technical, financial, and policy analysis, including tariff petitions, regulatory filings, cost-benefit assess-	No change. Please follow RfP.

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						ments, and compliance with electricity regulatory commission guidelines. Professionals with engineering backgrounds and management qualifications or Commerce graduate often possess strong understanding of the policies and regulatory including commercial aspects of power sector operations. Expanding eligibility ensures participation of professionals with multi-disciplinary expertise in power sector regulation, financial modelling,	

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						and regulatory strategy, thereby improving the overall quality of advisory services.	
	Idam				It is understood that the Regulatory Specialist is required to possess qualification as a Chartered Accountant (CA) from ICAI. Considering that the role involves tariff, financial, and regulatory analysis, it is requested to kindly consider inclusion of additional equivalent qualifications such as Master's in Economics and/or MBA in Finance, as eligible criteria, given their relevance to regulatory and tariff-related functions in the power sector.		
	E&Y				Kindly change the criteria to the following: 1. Regulatory Specialist-A 1 No. Min. Qualification: Engineering Graduate with MBA from a recognized	In the team leader position, B.E and MBA or CA is mentioned. Same can be used here. Only	

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					Institute/ University or Chartered Accountant (CA) Experience: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Having experience of minimum 05 years. Weightage will be given to experience in Tariff and Regulatory matters with any Central/State Govt.	CA qualification is restrictive	
17	Deloitte	Technical Notice_1 Clause 13 Team Composition	Page 15 of 18 of NIT	Expert- Budget and Planning Engineering Graduate with MBA (Finance) from a recognized Institute/ University	We request to kindly amend the clause: Engineering Graduate with MBA or PGDM from a recognized Institute/ University or B.Com	Budgeting and financial planning for infrastructure and energy sector projects involve financial forecasting, cost analysis, expenditure tracking, budgeting frameworks, and preparation of financial reports for project management and regulatory purposes.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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						<p>In practice, professionals with qualifications such as MBA/PGDM (in any specialization) or B.Com., along with relevant professional experience, possess adequate knowledge of financial planning, budgeting processes, cost control, and financial reporting required for such assignments.</p> <p>Restricting the qualification only to Engineering Graduate with MBA (Finance) may unnecessarily limit the pool of capable professionals who have the requisite expertise</p>	

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						<p>and practical experience in budgeting and financial planning for infrastructure and power sector projects.</p> <p>Therefore, to broaden the pool of qualified professionals while maintaining the required financial and analytical competence, it is requested that the qualification criteria may kindly be amended to Engineering Graduate with MBA or PGDM from a recognized Institute/University or B.Com., subject to</p>	

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						relevant experience in budgeting and financial planning.	
18	PwC	Bullet 2 of Note of 13. Team Composition	Page 15 of 18 of NIT	Individual members submitting CV should be accompanied by qualification mark sheets/ degree, experiences accompanied by valid experience certificates issued from the clients/ appointment orders/ Salary Slips as these will be considered for the purpose of evaluation.	It is reported that experience certificate of engagement is not issued by Client for an Individual instead certificates are issued for the Firm. Hence, it is requested to consider the total years of experience of an Individual through the appointment order (on the joining of the firm/ company) and the Experience/ relieving certificate (on leaving the firm/ company) issued by the Employer.		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
	Mercados				-	It is requested that while qualification documents (degree/mark sheets) may be mandatorily submitted, the requirement of experience certificates issued by	

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						<p>clients or salary slips may be relaxed. Relevant experience may also be substantiated through self-declaration by the professional along with CV.</p> <p>In consulting assignments, clients generally do not issue individual experience certificates to team members.</p>	
	Idam				<p>It is understood that experience of key personnel is to be substantiated through relevant experience certificates.</p> <p>- However, in many cases, such experience certificates are issued by the clients in the name of the organization rather than individual professionals.</p> <p>In this regard, it is requested to kindly allow</p>		

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					submission of company- issued/project experience credentials, along with appropriate declaration or mapping to the proposed personnel, as valid proof of experience of key team members, in line with the note on team composition.		
19	PwC	Bullet 5 of Note of 13. Team Composition	Page 16 of 18 of NIT	It is considered that all the team members of consultancy firm shall remain engaged throughout the tenure of consultancy contract, Except RE Specialist (Electrical), RE Specialist (Civil), Floating Solar Expert & Resident Engineers for site supervision. The engagement of these consultants will be notified and engaged as per the requirement (around 21 months) of project.	We understand the requirement of the SoW and expectations from the six resources states in Bullet 5 of Note. We highlighted the few practical considerations, and it will require your blessings to allow us to provide the best team possible. 1. Consultancy Firm shall be informed/ notified two (2) month in advance to depute the required Specialist(s) in Jabalpur or Site, as required. Specialist(s) should be deputed in Jabalpur or Site at least for 6 months in each stretch or deputation.		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
20	PwC	15. Bidding Schedule (Point No. 3)	Page 17 of 18 of NIT	Last date of receipt of Pre-Bid queries from Bidders if any - 16/03/2026 up to	We request that submission of pre-bid queries may kindly be allowed up to the date of the pre-bid meeting i.e., 24th March 2026.		Please refer Corrigendum No. 2

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21	Idam	Clause 15: Bidding Schedule	Page 17 of 18 of NIT	Bid Submission End Date is 15/04/2026 up to 15:00 hours	<p>It is requested to kindly consider extending the bid submission deadline by at least two (2) weeks, to enable bidders to complete internal processes and finalize necessary arrangements.</p> <p>- This would be particularly helpful for MSME firms, where additional time may be required for securing partnership with reputed international firms. Approvals and completing requisite documentation, especially in view of ongoing geopolitical developments in the Middle East, is likely to impact timely response and thus affecting coordination and decision making.</p>		Please refer Corrigendum No. 2
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22	Deloitte	SCC Clause 1.3 – Price Firmness	Page 3 of 14 of SCC	Prices quoted by the bidder shall remain firm for three years from date of LOA and may be extended for two years with 5% escalation annually.	It is requested to allow annual escalation during the initial 3-year contract period (e.g., 5% per year) instead of keeping prices completely firm.	Considering inflation, salary escalation for experts, and long-term consultancy nature, escalation during the base contract period will	No change. Please follow RfP.

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						enable bidders to maintain high-quality resources throughout the contract duration.	
23	Grant-Thomson-Bharat	ANNEXURE - A SPECIAL CONDITION OF CONTRACTS (SCC) Document – 3 QCBS METHODOLOGY FOR BID EVALUATION: - Criteria for Evaluation 3.1 Evaluation of Technical Proposals – 3.1.2 – Scoring Criteria	Page 3 of 14 of SCC	Maximum technical score of 8 against all (Sl. No. 1 to 8) Technical Proposal Evaluation Parameter	For scoring maximum technical score, request to consider below changes in marking criteria for all technical parameters– i. 1 project – 3 Marks ii. 2 Projects – 5 Marks iii. 3 or more projects – 8 Marks		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
24	E&Y	Clause 3.1.2 (1) , Page 4/14 of SCC	Page 4/14 of SCC	Years of Experience of Firm in Energy Advisory Business – 8	•Pls clarify, what is the expectation around timeframe/time-period of the experience of		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4

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				marks (Max Technical Score)	Energy Advisory Business to be demonstrated by bidder? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What will be the basis of marks allocation to the bidder for this criteria? Pls clarify. • We understand that “Energy Advisory Business” includes “Power & Utility Advisory” as well. Pls clarify. • It is suggested to kindly include the following changes (regarding marking for the parameter): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Upto 15 years : 8 marks. ▪ >12 years but <15 years: 6 marks ▪ >8 years but <12 years: 4 marks ▪ >4 years but <8 years: 2 marks ▪ >=0 years but <2 years: 0 marks 		of subject tender; with regard to this clause.						
				<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>S.no</th> <th>Technical proposal evaluation parameters</th> <th>Max. Technical score</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Years of Experience of Firm in Energy Advisory Business</td> <td>8</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	S.no	Technical proposal evaluation parameters	Max. Technical score	1	Years of Experience of Firm in Energy Advisory Business	8	Years of Experience of Firm in Energy Advisory /Consultancy Business 1 mark for each additional year of experience beyond 10 years	It is observed that in the existing Technical Evaluation Criteria, the minimum number of years of experience and the minimum number of consultancy projects to be considered for	
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						requirements, thereby ensuring a transparent and merit-based technical evaluation.	
25	E&Y	Clause 3.1.2 (2) , Page 4/14 of SCC	Page 4/14 of SCC	Count of Consultancy Projects in assisting State Nodal Agency/ State Department in making regulatory submissions on Renewable Energy issues to the Regulatory Commission in an Indian state – 8 Marks (Max. technical Score).	<p>It is requested to include the following changes: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The technical proposal evaluation parameter to be changed as below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Count of Consultancy Projects in assisting State Nodal Agency/State Department/State or Central govt entities on Transaction/Bid Process Management engagements on Renewable Energy in last 10 years. • Marking for technical score to be changed as below: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 0 projects : 0 marks. ▪ >1 upto 3 projects=3 marks ▪ >3 upto 5 projects=5 marks ▪ >5 projects= 8 marks <p>Ongoing projects/ engagements shall be considered to meet the desired criteria.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The scope of work with respect to renewable energy is related to technical and transaction services. It doesn't pertain to any regulatory filing. • Therefore, this criterion is not relevant to the scope of work. • Further, the regulatory work mentioned in the scope of work pertains to tariff filing. It doesn't 	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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						specifically say regulatory advisory pertaining to renewable energy issues only. There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects.	
	Mercados				Count of Consultancy Projects in assisting State Nodal Agency/State Department/power utilities in making regulatory submissions on Renewable Energy issues to the Regulatory Commission in an Indian state. 1 mark for each project/assignment	It is observed that in the existing Technical Evaluation Criteria, the minimum number of years of experience and the minimum number of consultancy projects to be considered for evaluation have not	

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						requirements, thereby ensuring a transparent and merit-based technical evaluation.	
26	E&Y	Clause 3.1.2 (3) & 7 on Page 4/14 of SCC	Page 4/14 of SCC	Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/ State Governments/ Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector – 8 Marks (Maximum technical score).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please note that the evaluation parameter (3) and (7) are similar in nature and accordingly needs to be modified. • We request you to kindly delete the words “hybrid RE projects with solar” • There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects. • We request you to include ongoing works • We understand that ‘Consultancy Projects’ refers to Advisory/Study Transaction/Bid Process management/PMU support/Implementation support. Please clarify whether the understanding is correct. • We request you to make following changes in evaluation parameter: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Count of long term (minimum 12 	Many long-term retainer assignments do not explicitly mention “hybrid RE” as the retainer assignments often work pertain to multiple projects such as floating, solar, hybrid etc.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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					<p>months project duration as per the contract) Consultancy Projects for development of RE projects at Central/State Governments/PSU & their JVs/Union Territory/ State or Central Entity supported by IFIs/ bilateral funding agencies /Think Tanks , involving program management support in energy sector in last 10 years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is also requested to make following changes (in technical scoring): - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 0 projects: No marks. ▪ >1 upto 3 projects=3 marks ▪ >3 upto 5 projects=5 marks <p>>5 projects= 8 marks</p>		
	PwC			<p>3. Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/State Governments/Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector.</p> <p>7. Count of long term (minimum</p>	<p>It is observed that the eligibility criteria under Point No. 3 and Point No. 7 both refer to the same requirement, i.e., “Count of long-term (minimum 12 months) consultancy projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/State Governments/Union Territory involving program management support in the energy sector.”</p> <p>In view of the above, it is requested that the</p>		

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				12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/ State Governments/ Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector.	criteria under these two points may kindly be reviewed and clarified to avoid duplication. Further, since each criterion carries 8 marks, the marking scheme may also be rationalized.		
	Mercados	3.1.2 (3)			Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at or for PSU/Central/State Governments/Union Territory, involving program /project management support in energy sector. 1 mark for each project/assignment	It is observed that in the existing Technical Evaluation Criteria, the minimum number of years of experience and the minimum number of consultancy projects to be considered for evaluation have not been explicitly defined. In the absence of such defined benchmarks, the evaluation process may become subjective and may lead to ambiguity in awarding marks. Therefore, in order to	

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						<p>ensure transparency, consistency, and objective assessment during technical evaluation, it is considered appropriate to define minimum eligibility thresholds in terms of years of experience in consultancy services and number of relevant projects executed.</p> <p>Further, a structured marking framework may be adopted wherein the minimum qualifying experience and project requirements are defined as the base criteria, and</p>	

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						<p>additional marks are awarded for higher experience and a greater number of relevant completed assignments. This approach will help in distinguishing between bidders based on their relative expertise and past experience while maintaining fairness in the evaluation process.</p> <p>Accordingly, it is recommended that the Technical Evaluation Criteria may clearly specify:</p> <p>Minimum number of years of experience in providing similar</p>	

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27	Mercados	SCC, 3.1.2 (S. No. 4)	Page 4 of 14 of SCC	Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for	Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Floating Solar Projects at State Owned Power	It is observed that in the existing Technical Evaluation Criteria,	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender;

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				development of Floating Solar Projects at State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/NTPC/Government Industries/Central-State Departments/Semi Governments Industry /Other Leading Industries/PPs/PSU's / Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency in India, involving program management support in energy sector.	Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/NTPC/Government Industries/Central-State Departments/Semi Governments Industry /Other Leading Industries/PPs/PSU's / Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency in India, involving program/project management support in energy sector. 2 marks for each project/assignment	the minimum number of years of experience and the minimum number of consultancy projects to be considered for evaluation have not been explicitly defined. In the absence of such defined benchmarks, the evaluation process may become subjective and may lead to ambiguity in awarding marks. Therefore, in order to ensure transparency, consistency, and objective assessment during technical evaluation, it is considered appropriate to define	with regard to this clause.

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						Thereafter, marks may be allocated in a graded manner based on the bidder's experience and project credentials beyond the defined minimum requirements, thereby ensuring a transparent and merit-based technical evaluation.	
	E&Y				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We understand that 'Consultancy Projects' refers to Advisory/Study Transaction/Bid Process management/PMU support/Implementation support. Please clarify whether the understanding is correct. • We request you to include ongoing works. • It is also requested to make following changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The technical proposal evaluation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects. 	

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					<p>parameter to be changed as below: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Floating Solar Projects at State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/NTPC/Government Industries/Central-State Departments/Semi Governments Industry /Other Leading Industries/IPPs/PSU's / Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency/ IFIs/ bilateral / think tanks in India involving any type of experience in floating solar Projects in last 10 years ii. The marking for the technical proposal parameter may be changed as below: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 0 projects : No marks. ▪ >1 upto 3 projects=3 marks ▪ >3 upto 5 projects=5 marks <p>>5 projects= 8 marks</p>	<p>Since floating solar projects are long term, some of our work involves multiyear support. Therefore, ongoing projects may also be considered.</p>	
	PwC				The RFP requires “Count of long-term (minimum 12 months) consultancy projects for		

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					<p>development of Floating Solar Projects involving program management support in the energy sector.”</p> <p>Before submitting our request, we would like to draw your attention to two factual points.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Technical studies related to development of floating solar projects are not part of SoW.2. Development of solar projects on water body is called Floating Solar projects, and the technology requires in-depth technical studies to ensure successful development of the Project. <p>In this regard, it is respectfully submitted two observations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. As per our understanding and knowledge, the PMC work of floating solar project is almost similar to plain vanilla solar project except for additional anchoring and mooring related components in the BoQ.2. Floating solar technology is a relatively emerging segment in India and only few projects have been commissioned and majority of them under EPC mode		

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					<p>Therefore, we request you to consider the assignments undertaken by consultants in this domain like pre-feasibility/ screening of the Projects, DPR preparation, Technical Advisory Support, Regulatory and Commercial Advisory support, bid process management or transaction advisory engagements, rather than long-term program management assignments exceeding 12 months.</p> <p>Further, since the technology is new, most of the projects are not completed yet. Hence, it is requested to allow on-going projects where works has been completed like Screening of floating solar project or DPR preparation or issuance of RFP or any other deem appropriate.</p> <p>Accordingly, it is requested that the requirement of “long term (minimum 12 months)” may kindly be relaxed and completed/ on-going experience in floating solar related consultancy assignments such as feasibility studies, DPR preparation, Technical Advisory Support, Regulatory & Commercial</p>		

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					<p>Advisory support, bid process management, or project development support may also be considered eligible under this criterion.</p> <p>In addition to this, Considering that the consultancy services are primarily advisory in nature for state utilities and public sector entities, we understand that the credentials related to “other Leading Industries/ IPPs” means the credentials of the Government entities/ organizations only. No private sector-related experience shall be considered in meeting the experience criteria’s mentioned in the clause and in the Bid Document. Kindly Confirm.</p>		
	Grant-Thomson-Bharat				Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Solar Projects at State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/NTPC/Government/Industries/Central-State Departments/Semi Governments Industry /Other Leading Industries/IPP/PSU's / Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency in India, involving program management support in		

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					energy sector.		
28	Idam	Clause 3.1.2	Page 4 of 14 of SCC	Technical evaluation includes scoring based on experience, projects, and team members	The detailed methodology for awarding marks under each parameter (for example: range of projects or years of experience required vs marks) has not been specified. Kindly provide clear scoring brackets or benchmarks for each criterion to ensure transparency and enable bidders to properly assess their technical competitiveness.		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
29	Idam	Clause 3.1.2	Page 4 of 14 of SCC	The technical evaluation lists various team roles such as Team Leader, Renewable Energy Specialist(Project Management), Renewable Energy Specialist (Techno-Commercial & Regulatory), Renewable Energy Specialist (Civil), Renewable Energy Specialist (Electrical), Floating Solar Expert, Resident Engineer, Team Leader (Tariff & Regulatory Functional Consultant), Regulatory Specialist and Expert – Budget & Planning.	While the roles of team members have been specified, the number of personnel required under each role has not been indicated in the document. There may be situations where multiple experts may be required for certain roles (for example, more than one Regulatory Specialist or Resident Engineer depending on project workload). It is therefore requested that MPPGCL clarify the expected number of resources to be deployed under each role, so that bidders can appropriately structure their team composition and submit accurate financial quotes.		No change. Please follow RfP.
30	Idam	Clause 3.1.2,	Page 4,8	Multiple specialist roles	Please confirm whether the listed team		Please refer

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		Clause 7.1.3	of 14 of SCC	including Team Leader, Renewable Energy Specialists, Regulatory Specialist, Resident Engineer etc. Certain experts will be engaged for around 21 months depending on project requirements.	members must be deployed full-time at MPPGCL location, or whether certain roles may be deployed part-time / on-call / project-based depending on requirement. Also, kindly provide an indicative deployment schedule or expected engagement duration for each category of expert, along with the number of resources required under each role, so that bidders can structure manpower and price their proposals appropriately.		Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause..
31	Deloitte	SCC Clause 3.1.2 – QCBS Methodology (Project Scoring) Page No 5. (Team Member Scoring)	Page 5 of 14 of SCC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For Scoring of marks (for Firm), Maximum score will be awarded to the Bidder having maximum count of projects/ maximum years of experience. The score of other Bidders will be calculated relative to the score given to the Bidder with the maximum score. <p>For Scoring of marks (for Individual Team Member(s)) in a particular category),</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For scoring marks (for Firm): It is requested to kindly consider adopting an absolute scoring methodology based on the number of qualifying projects objectively stated in the RFP. For example, maximum marks may be awarded for a defined number of eligible projects (e.g., 8 marks for 8 eligible projects, 7 marks for 7 eligible projects, and so on). For Scoring of marks (for Individual Team Member(s)): It is requested to kindly consider adopting an absolute scoring 	<p>The RFP provides that bidder scores will be determined on a relative basis with reference to the bidder obtaining the highest score. Such an approach will introduce subjectivity in evaluation outcomes.</p> <p>In line with the principles of transparency,</p>	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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				Maximum score will be awarded to the Individual Team Member(s) of Bidder having the maximum of years of experience and count of projects. The score of Individual Team Member(s) of other Bidders will be calculated relative to the score given to the Individual Team Member(s) of a Bidder with the maximum score.	methodology based on the educational qualification and years of experience etc. Objectively stated in the RFP. For example, for the same category of resources - 8 Marks to CV with MBA and B. Tech Degree and 5 Marks for CV with only B. Tech Degree (say) OR 8 Marks to CV with total experience of 10 years and 5 marks to CV with total experience of 7 years (say) and likewise.	fairness, and objectivity in public procurement as emphasized under the General Financial Rules 2017 and the Madhya Pradesh Store Purchase Rules (Para 20(8)), it is respectfully requested that the Authority consider adopting an absolute scoring methodology based on the objectively specified number of qualifying projects, educational qualification and years of experience. An absolute scoring approach based on predefined benchmarks would enhance	

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						transparency, fairness, and brings objectivity in the evaluation process and allow bidders to clearly understand the scoring criteria.	
32	Deloitte	SCC Clause 3.1.2 – Experience Certificates Page No 5	Page 5 of 14 of SCC.	For evaluation, only projects/personnel supported by completion certificate / experience certificate will be considered.	It is requested to kindly permit submission of declaration/ undertaking by the Authorized Bid Signatory, along with the CV, certifying the accuracy and correctness of the qualifications and experience details provided therein. Alternatively, the Authority may consider accepting an undertaking from the Authorized Bid Signatory on the organization's letterhead confirming the authenticity and correctness of the experience-related information contained in the individual's CV. This approach would ensure accountability of the bidder while facilitating practical compliance in situations where third-party documentation may not be accessible.	Domain experts/specialists often work across multiple organizations over the course of their careers. While the experience and credentials are developed through assignments undertaken in earlier organizations, the related completion certificates or client-issued documents are typically issued in the	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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						<p>name of the employer organization rather than the individual professional. Consequently, it may not always be legally or contractually permissible for individuals to submit such certificates independently when they move to a different organization.</p> <p>This situation is particularly common in the consulting sector, where professionals frequently contribute to multiple advisory assignments, contractual</p>	

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						<p>engagements, or independent expert roles across different organizations during their careers. In such cases, the experience reflected in an individual's CV is genuine and verifiable, but the supporting documentation may remain with the previous employer.</p> <p>In view of these practical and legal limitations, involved in submitting completion certificate for the assignment(s) undertaken in the previous organization it is respectfully</p>	

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						submitted to kindly allow undertaking from the Authorized Bid Signatory on the organization's letterhead confirming the authenticity and correctness of the experience-related information contained in the individual's CV.	
33	E&Y	SCC Clause: 3.1.2 (Evaluation Criteria & Team experience) ; Page No: 6/14	Page 4-6 of SCC	Scoring criteria to be used for Evaluation.	It is suggested to split the marking between evaluation criteria (bidder credentials) and Team experience equally to 50 and 50 respectively from current split of 64 and 36, considering that handling engagement of such nature requires professionals with rich and diversified experience.	The current split of marks allocation between bidder's credentials and team's credentials is skewed. More marks are allocated to bidder's credentials than the team expected to perform. Therefore, marks allocation to Team	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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						must be at least equal to marks allocated to the bidder.	
34	E&Y	Clause 3.1.2 (5) on Page 4/14 of SCC	Page 4/14 of SCC	Count of consultancy for development of solar project with at least 20 MWhr BESS - 8 Marks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We request you to kindly delete this criterion as this is repetitive. • While the scope includes storage, the criteria doesn't mention pumped storage. Only BESS is mentioned. Request you to add PSP to this as well • There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects. • It is requested to make following changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The technical proposal evaluation parameter to be changed as below: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Count of consultancy projects for development of BESS/ PSP (Stand-alone or hybrid) for State Govt/Central Govt/PSUs/Private sector/IFI/Think Tanks supported projects in last 10 years . 	The criteria mentioned above sufficiently captures solar with battery storage projects. The marks allocated here can be moved to candidates' experience.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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					<p>ii. The marking for the technical proposal parameter may be changed as below: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 0 projects – No marks. ▪ 1 project = 3 marks ▪ 2 projects = 5 marks ▪ 3 projects = 8 marks <p>Please also include and consider ongoing works.</p>		
	PWC				<p>The RFP specifies the requirement as “Count of consultancy for development of solar project with at least 20 MWhr BESS.”</p> <p>In this regard, it is requested that BESS capacity also defined in terms of power rating (MW) and storage duration (hours). Project of 40 MWh may be configured as 10 MW project with a requirement of four-hour ESS.</p> <p>Further, technology is emerging and only few of the projects have been completed. Hence, it is requested to allow on-going projects with separate Contracts/ Work Orders issued at least defined months prior to bid submission date.</p>		

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					<p>Accordingly, it may please be clarified that the requirement of 20 MWh BESS may be interpreted as the product of power and storage duration (e.g., 20 MW × 1 hour or equivalent configurations such as 10 MW × 2 hours, etc.), as per standard industry practice. It is requested to provide confirmation over the understanding and allow the on-going projects.</p> <p>In addition to this, It is requested to clarify that the experience with agencies mentioned in 12.(B). Experience Criteria of Tender Notice document will be only applicable.</p> <p>Kindly Confirm.</p>		
	Mercados				Count of consultancy for development of solar project with at least 20 MWhr BESS 1 mark for each project/assignment	It is observed that in the existing Technical Evaluation Criteria, the minimum number of years of experience and the minimum number of consultancy projects	

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						<p>to be considered for evaluation have not been explicitly defined. In the absence of such defined benchmarks, the evaluation process may become subjective and may lead to ambiguity in awarding marks.</p> <p>Therefore, in order to ensure transparency, consistency, and objective assessment during technical evaluation, it is considered appropriate to define minimum eligibility thresholds in terms of years of experience in consultancy services</p>	

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						and number of relevant projects executed. Further, a structured marking framework may be adopted wherein the minimum qualifying experience and project requirements are defined as the base criteria, and additional marks are awarded for higher experience and a greater number of relevant completed assignments. This approach will help in distinguishing between bidders based on their relative expertise and past experience while	

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						<p>maintaining fairness in the evaluation process.</p> <p>Accordingly, it is recommended that the Technical Evaluation Criteria may clearly specify:</p> <p>Minimum number of years of experience in providing similar consultancy services; and</p> <p>Minimum number of consultancy assignments/projects in the relevant sector.</p> <p>Thereafter, marks may be allocated in a graded manner based on the bidder's</p>	

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						experience and project credentials beyond the defined minimum requirements, thereby ensuring a transparent and merit-based technical evaluation.	
35	E&Y	Clause 3.1.2 (6) on Page 4/14 of SCC	Page 4/14 of SCC	Years of experience in preparing and filing tariff petitions for at least two (2) new Thermal or Hydro Power Projects before the Commissioning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is requested to make following changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The technical proposal evaluation parameter to be changed as below: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Years of experience in preparing and filing tariff petitions / business plans/ corporate plans/ strategy for at least two (2) Thermal or Hydro Power Projects of Centre/ State Generating Stations/ JV of State & Centre/IPPs in last 10 years. ii. The marking for the technical proposal parameter may be changed as below: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 project – 4 Marks ▪ 2 Projects – 4 Marks <p>Please also include count of ongoing projects/</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We understand that 4 marks shall be allocated to one project subject to a maximum of 8 marks We request you to kindly include experience of review /preparation of business plans / strategy as well since it relates to tariff filing. Kindly remove the words “new” and 	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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	PwC				<p>engagements to meet the desired criteria.</p> <p>The RFP specifies “Years of experience in preparing and filing tariff petitions for at least two (2) new Thermal or Hydro Power Projects before commissioning.”</p> <p>In this regard, it is submitted that tariff-related regulatory engagements for generating companies typically include MYT/Tariff petitions, True-up petitions, capital cost approval petitions and other generation tariff related filings before the Commission and may not necessarily be limited to tariff petitions for only two new projects prior to commissioning. Accordingly, it is requested that the criteria may kindly be broadened to include experience in preparation and filing of MYT/Tariff/True-up and other generation tariff related petitions before SERC/CERC for</p>	<p>“before commissioning” since the work experience doesn’t change for new vs existing plants.</p>	

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					generating companies, instead of restricting the requirement to tariff petitions for at least two new thermal or hydro projects before commissioning.		
	Mercados				Years of experience in preparing and filing tariff petitions for at least two (2) new Thermal or Hydro Power Projects before the Commissioning. 1 mark for each project/assignment	It is observed that in the existing Technical Evaluation Criteria, the minimum number of years of experience and the minimum number of consultancy projects to be considered for evaluation have not been explicitly defined. In the absence of such defined benchmarks, the evaluation process may become subjective and may lead to ambiguity in awarding marks. Therefore, in order to	

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						ensure transparency, consistency, and objective assessment during technical evaluation, it is considered appropriate to define minimum eligibility thresholds in terms of years of experience in consultancy services and number of relevant projects executed. Further, a structured marking framework may be adopted wherein the minimum qualifying experience and project requirements are defined as the base criteria, and	

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						<p>additional marks are awarded for higher experience and a greater number of relevant completed assignments. This approach will help in distinguishing between bidders based on their relative expertise and past experience while maintaining fairness in the evaluation process.</p> <p>Accordingly, it is recommended that the Technical Evaluation Criteria may clearly specify:</p> <p>Minimum number of years of experience in providing similar</p>	

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	Deloitte					<p>consultancy services; and</p> <p>Minimum number of consultancy assignments/projects in the relevant sector.</p> <p>Thereafter, marks may be allocated in a graded manner based on the bidder's experience and project credentials beyond the defined minimum requirements, thereby ensuring a transparent and merit-based technical evaluation.</p>	
					It is requested to kindly consider including experience in preparation and filing of tariff petitions for commissioned Thermal and Hydro	The evaluation criteria specified in the RFP appear to be	

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					<p>Plants as well.</p> <p>Further, it is requested to kindly consider including experience in preparation and filing of tariff petitions for Renewable Energy projects and other power sector utilities such as Transmission and Distribution utilities before the State / Central Electricity Regulatory Commissions.</p>	<p>highly specific and narrowly defined, which may limit the number of organizations able to qualify and secure marks under the prescribed parameters. Such restrictive criteria may inadvertently reduce competition and limit broader participation of experienced consulting firms.</p> <p>In order to promote healthy and competitive bidding with equitable participation, it is requested that the Authority may kindly consider allowing</p>	

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						experience in preparation and filing of tariff petitions for commissioned Thermal and Hydro Power Plants to be considered under the evaluation criteria as well. Further, experience in regulatory filings for renewable energy projects as well as transmission and distribution utilities also involve similar regulatory frameworks, tariff determination methodologies, and engagement with the State and Central Electricity Regulatory Commissions.	

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						Accordingly, such experience is equally relevant and may kindly be considered for the purpose of evaluation.	
36	PwC	3.1.2 (7)	Page 4 of 14 of SCC	Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/ State Governments/ Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector.	As mentioned above, it seems to be a duplicate entry in the table. However, from the pattern of the scoring criteria requirements mentioned in the 3.1.2 (point 6 and 8 are related to regulatory requirement i.e., Part 2 of SoW), we understand that a requirement may be related to Part 2 of Scope of Work - Consultancy Services for “Regulatory Support to MPPGCL”.		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
	Mercados				Accordingly, we request you to clarify on the duplicate entry and rationalize the marking criteria as deem appropriate.	The clause is repeated, may be replaced as follows: Bidder's experience in supporting government power utility in Bid Process Management for the procurement of power from non-renewable or renewable energy (including	

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					<p>Solar/Wind/Hydro/Thermal/etc.) sources in the last Seven (7) years. Bidder's experience in providing bid process management to any government power distribution utility for overall capacity (in MW):</p> <p>Upto 5000 MW Cumulative Capacity: 0 Marks</p> <p>Additional 2500 MW Cumulative Capacity: 2 Marks upto a maximum of 8 Marks</p> <p>The bidder should submit work order alongwith performance or completion certificate issued from the client as documentary proof for such experience clearly specifying the quantum as well.</p>	<p>consultancy projects to be considered for evaluation have not been explicitly defined. In the absence of such defined benchmarks, the evaluation process may become subjective and may lead to ambiguity in awarding marks.</p> <p>Therefore, in order to ensure transparency, consistency, and objective assessment during technical evaluation, it is considered appropriate to define minimum eligibility thresholds in terms of years of experience in</p>	

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						<p>consultancy services and number of relevant projects executed.</p> <p>Further, a structured marking framework may be adopted wherein the minimum qualifying experience and project requirements are defined as the base criteria, and additional marks are awarded for higher experience and a greater number of relevant completed assignments. This approach will help in distinguishing between bidders based on their relative expertise and</p>	

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						<p>past experience while maintaining fairness in the evaluation process.</p> <p>Accordingly, it is recommended that the Technical Evaluation Criteria may clearly specify:</p> <p>Minimum number of years of experience in providing similar consultancy services; and Minimum number of consultancy assignments/projects in the relevant sector.</p> <p>Thereafter, marks may be allocated in a graded manner based on the bidder's experience and</p>	

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						project credentials beyond the defined minimum requirements, thereby ensuring a transparent and merit-based technical evaluation.	
37	E&Y	Clause 3.1.2 (8) on Page 4/14 of SCC	Page 4/14 of SCC	Years of experience in preparing and reviewing Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) and Revenue Budgets for Central or State Government-owned utilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We request you to delete this requirement as the clause. There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects. • This is very restrictive criteria and therefore it is requested to replace the same with following: • Evaluation parameter to be replaced with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Years of experience in assisting CERC/SERC/JERC in tariff determination and True- Up of thermal/hydro generating stations <li style="text-align: center;">OR ○ Years of experience in assisting 	This is very restrictive criteria and therefore it is requested to replace the same with that as proposed.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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					<p>CERC/SERC/JERC on any other regulatory matter pertaining to PPA/ Additional capitalization claims/Fuel cost and Energy Charge adjustments/ Contractual/ R&M.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical scoring to be changed as below:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 0 years: No marks ○ >1 up to 3 years=3 marks ○ >3 up to 5 years= 5 marks > 5 year= 8 marks 		
	Mercados				<p>Years of experience in preparing and reviewing Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) or and Revenue Budgets or Business Plan or Capital Investment Plan for Central or State Government-owned power utilities.</p> <p>1 mark for each project/assignment</p>	<p>It is observed that in the existing Technical Evaluation Criteria, the minimum number of years of experience and the minimum number of consultancy projects to be considered for evaluation have not been explicitly defined. In the absence of such defined benchmarks, the evaluation</p>	

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						Evaluation Criteria may clearly specify: Minimum number of years of experience in providing similar consultancy services; and Minimum number of consultancy assignments/projects in the relevant sector. Thereafter, marks may be allocated in a graded manner based on the bidder's experience and project credentials beyond the defined minimum requirements, thereby ensuring a transparent and	

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						merit-based technical evaluation.	
38	PwC	3.1.2	Page 5 of 14 of SCC	For Scoring of marks (for Individual Team Member(s)) in a particular category), Maximum score will be awarded to the Individual Team Member(s) of Bidder having the maximum of years of experience and count of projects. The score of Individual Team Member(s) of other Bidders will be calculated relative to the score given to the Individual Team Member(s) of a Bidder with the maximum score	<p>The RFP provides that maximum score for Individual Team Member(s) will be awarded to the bidder whose proposed expert has the highest years of experience and project count, and scores of other bidders will be calculated relative to that maximum. However, the specific breakdown and weightage of marks assigned to years of experience and number of projects are not clearly stated.</p> <p>To ensure transparency and consistency in evaluation, we request you to kindly clarify how marks will be allocated between years of experience and project count. Specifically, it would be helpful if a detailed marking scheme could be provided which defines:</p> <p>The maximum marks allocated for years of experience, The maximum marks allocated for number of projects, The ranges or slabs for experience and project count and corresponding marks,</p>		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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39	E&Y	SCC Clause: 3.4 Combined and Final Evaluation	Page 7/ 14 of SCC		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We request to adopt Least cost basis (L1) methodology to evaluate and select the preferred bidder. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A minimum of 70 marks shall ensure qualified bidders will only make it to financial bid opening. ○ After meeting the qualification threshold of 70 marks, all bidders can be treated at same level. 	Off-late, similar methodology has also been adopted by Government clients including Central Ministry for engagement of consultants on Program	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.																								

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					It is kindly requested to adopt L1 methodology to evaluate the techno-commercial proposal of the bidder. Bidders scoring 70 marks in technical proposal shall be considered as QUALIFIED, following which, L1 financial proposal shall be declared WINNER.	Management related engagements.	
40	Idam	Clause 7.1.1	Page 8 of 14 of SCC	Payment shall be made quarterly based on the number of specialists actually deployed during the quarter.	Please clarify whether a minimum guaranteed deployment of resources is envisaged under the contract, or whether payments will strictly depend on actual deployment requested by MPPGCL.		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
41	Deloitte	SCC Clause 7.1.2 – Payment terms Page No 8	Page 8 of 14 of SCC	MPPGCL may drop execution of any work partially or fully with 15 days' notice and no compensation shall be payable.	Request to allow payment of reasonable demobilization costs and committed manpower costs in case of early termination of services not attributable to consultant.	Consultants may mobilize resources and incur commitments; compensation for such unavoidable costs ensures fair risk allocation.	No change. Please follow RfP.
42	Deloitte	Price Bid/ Unpriced Replica/ SCC Clause 7.1.3	Page 8 of 14 of SCC.	Price Bid/ Unpriced Replica: Certain key resources are indicated for deployment for up to 21 months. Payment shall be made based on	It is requested to kindly clarify: (1) Will there be a case where period of deployment will be less than 21 months? (2) Whether the entire team of key	The scope of work under the present RFP includes preparation of DPRs as well as day-to-day	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause..

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				<p>the number of Specialists / Experts / Engineers actually deployed during the relevant period as per the monthly rate quoted in the financial proposal.</p> <p>SCC Clause 7.1.3: It is considered that all the team members of consultancy firm shall remain engaged throughout the tenure of consultancy contract, Except RE Specialist (Electrical), RE Specialist (Civil), Floating Solar Expert & Resident Engineers for site supervision. These consultants will be engaged as per the requirements (around 21 months) of the project. Remuneration will be paid in accordance with the monthly rate quoted in the financial offer against</p>	<p>experts is required to be deployed continuously for the entire 21-month duration, or whether deployment will be stage-wise depending upon project activities such as DPR preparation, bid process management and project implementation support?</p> <p>We respectfully request you kindly</p> <p>(a) consider making a suitable provision in the RFP to ensure payment commitment corresponding to a minimum deployment period of each resource, aligned with the overall project duration.</p> <p>(b) Provide the stage-wise deployment plan of experts.</p>	<p>technical assistance to MPPGCL through deployment of expert resources. However, the payment mechanism appears to be linked only to the deployment of resources.</p> <p>It is submitted that preparation of DPRs and associated technical studies typically requires bidders to incur upfront lump-sum costs, including payments to survey agencies and other specialized technical service providers. In the absence of a dedicated payment provision for such</p>	

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				such consultants & as per duration of time of their engagement.		<p>activities, bidders may need to factor these upfront costs into the monthly man-month rates of deployed experts.</p> <p>Further, in the absence of any minimum commitment with respect to the duration of deployment, bidders may not have adequate assurance of recovering the costs incurred for DPR preparation and related technical studies.</p> <p>In view of the above, it is requested to kindly consider making a suitable</p>	

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						<p>provision in the RFP to ensure payment commitment corresponding to a minimum deployment period of each resource, aligned with the overall project duration.</p> <p>Additionally, bidders may be required to keep the identified experts available for the entire project duration (21 months). If the actual deployment of experts is intermittent, this may result in resource commitment without corresponding payment. Therefore,</p>	

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						it is requested that the Authority kindly clarify the stage-wise deployment plan of experts, which will enable bidders to plan their resources appropriately and submit realistic and competitive financial proposals.	
43	Deloitte	SCC Clause 10.1.1 – Penalty Page No 11	Page 11 of 14 of SCC	Delay penalty of 0.5% per week subject to maximum of 10% of contract price	Request to limit penalty to specific deliverables/milestones rather than entire contract price	Consultancy services involve multiple parallel activities and factors beyond consultant's control. Linking penalty to specific deliverables ensures fairness.	No change. Please follow RfP.
44	PwC	Clauses 10.1.1 to 10.1.3	Page 11 of 14 of SCC	Penalty if applicable, shall be finalised after completion of services and due reconciliation of all liabilities; duly analysing the reason &	Kindly confirm that any penalty / LD for delay shall be applicable only where the delay is attributable to the consultant, and shall not apply where delay arises due to factors such as client-side review time, dependency on		No change. Please follow RfP.

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				period of the delay, weather attributable to Consultant or MPPGCL or Force Majeure Or beyond the control of both the parties.	contractors / vendors, statutory authorities, site access, data availability, or other reasons beyond the consultant's control.		
45	Idam	Clause 12.1.3	Page 12 of 14 of SCC	All team members shall be based in Jabalpur on-site client location for the duration of the assignment.	Kindly confirm whether remote or hybrid deployment will be permitted for certain advisory roles, especially regulatory and financial specialists, or whether physical presence at Jabalpur is mandatory for all roles throughout the contract period.		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
46	PwC	Clause 13 – Confidentiality	Page 12 of 14 of SCC	“All knowledge and information... shall be... regarded as strictly confidential...” / “The contractor shall also take necessary steps to ensure that all persons employed for the services shall follow the Indian Official Secret Act 1923...”	Kindly clarify: (i) whether any part of the proposed assignment / data / site will involve Official Secrets Act-related requirements, and (ii) the approved protocol for data-sharing, electronic transmission, document storage and handling of confidential material.		No change. Please follow RfP.
47	Idam	Clause15: Subletting or	Page 12 of 14 of SCC	Consultant shall not sublet, assign or otherwise transfer its	In line with public procurement practices that recognize participation of MSMEs and		Consultant may subcontract

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		Transfer of Consultancy Firm		rights or obligations under the Contract or any part of the same to any third party. Although they can subcontract part of the consultancy assignment to any firm or individuals with prior approval of MPPGCL, on meeting out the qualification criteria mentioned in the NIT.	specialized agencies, it is requested to kindly clarify - whether engagement of specialized partner agencies or MSME entities for specific components of the assignment (e.g., technical studies, regulatory/legal support) may be permitted, with prior approval of MPPGCL, while retaining overall responsibility with the lead consultant.		Specialized consultant/services as per terms and condition of RfP.
	PwC				The RFP states that the Consultant shall not sublet, assign or transfer the Contract; however, part of the consultancy assignment may be subcontracted to a firm or individuals with prior approval of MPPGCL, subject to meeting the qualification criteria mentioned in the NIT. In this regard, it is requested to kindly clarify whether experts of the identified firm/ individual expert can be sourced through subcontracting arrangement (firm/individual) and such identified experts can be proposed as part of the project team. CVs of experts shall be considered for the purpose of meeting the		

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					team qualification requirement mentioned in Sr.No. 9 of Clause 3.1.2 of the SCC. However, Sr.No. 1 to 8 of Clause 3.1.2 of the SCC shall be met the bidder only. Kindly Confirm.		
48	Deloitte	SCC Clause 16 – Facilities & Inputs Page no -13	Page 13 of 14 of SCC	Local conveyance to be arranged by consultant at own cost.	Request clarification on extent of site visits expected and whether travel outside Jabalpur will be reimbursed.	Renewable energy project sites may be located across the state; clarity on travel cost responsibilities is required for accurate financial quoting.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
SBD's Clauses							
49	Deloitte	SBD Clause 1.10 – Earnest Money Page No 18	Page 18 of 98 of SBD	EMD shall be forfeited if the bidder withdraws offer during validity period or after placement of order.	It is requested to kindly provide a reasonable period of 10 days from issuance of LoA/WO/Lol for the successful bidder to formally confirm acceptance of the order. During this period, the bid security should not be forfeited.	In consultancy assignments, internal approvals such as board approvals, conflict checks, independence checks, and resource confirmations may be	Please refer SCC Clause no. 5.1.1

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						required before formal acceptance of LoA. Allowing a reasonable response period ensures administrative feasibility and prevents inadvertent forfeiture of EMD, while still safeguarding the client's procurement process.	
50	Deloitte	SBD Clause 1.16 – Deviations Page 23	Page 23 of 98 of SBD	Bidders must submit deviations separately; otherwise, tender conditions will be binding.	It is requested to kindly clarify whether material contractual deviations proposed by bidders will be considered during evaluation and whether such deviations may be discussed and mutually agreed during contract finalization.	Certain clauses contained in the Standard Bidding Documents may require reasonable modification to align with the specific context of the consultancy assignment, including the scope of work, risk allocation, and	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.. Being no deviation

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					Further, please confirm that the submission of such deviations would not lead to disqualification of the proposal on the grounds of being treated as a “conditional bid.”	operational requirements of the project. In practice, bidders may propose limited contractual deviations to address such contextual considerations while ensuring effective implementation of the assignment. Clarification on whether such deviations will be considered during evaluation, or automatically rejected as conditional bids, will help bidders appropriately structure their proposals.	tender; the deviation sheet is deleted.

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						Providing this clarification will enhance transparency, ensure fair evaluation, and enable bidders to submit well-considered and compliant proposals in line with the Authority's expectations.	
51	Deloitte	SBD Clause 1.46 – Snap Bidding Page 31	Page 31 of 98 of SBD	Authority may conduct snap bidding and participation is mandatory.	Requesting you to Kindly provide detailed clarification on methodology, process, timeline and bidding parameters applicable to snap bidding, including whether it involves revision of financial quotes similar to reverse auction.	Snap bidding is not a commonly adopted mechanism in consultancy tenders and the clause does not describe the procedure. Lack of clarity may lead to confusion among bidders and uncertainty regarding pricing strategy. Clear explanation will	SBD clause prevails.

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						ensure transparency and fairness.	
52	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.5 (IV) – Taxes and Duties (Page 36)	Page 36 of 98 of SBD	Taxes imposed during contract period shall be to MPPGCL's account.	It is requested to kindly amend the clause to state that such taxes will be payable by MPPGCL provided they are not arising due to reasons solely attributable to the consultancy firm and subject to prior approval from MPPGCL.	This clarification ensures equitable allocation of tax liability. Taxes arising due to consultancy firm's actions or non-compliance should not be passed on to the client. Such clarification aligns with standard contractual risk allocation practices.	No Change. Please follow RfP.
53	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.7 – Execution of Agreement (Page 36)	Page 36 of 98 of SBD	Successful bidder must submit acceptance within 15 days.	It is requested to kindly consider extending the timeline to 30 days.	Execution of consultancy agreements often requires internal legal review, compliance checks, and document processing within the organization. Providing additional	No Change. Please refer SCC clause no. 5.1.1

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						time will ensure proper compliance without delaying project commencement.	
54	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.8 (IV) – Security Deposit (Page 38)	Page 38 of 98 of SBD	MPPGCL may forfeit security deposit if contractors fail to perform obligations.	It is requested to kindly amend the clause to specify that forfeiture shall apply only for reasons solely attributable to the contractor.	The present clause provides for forfeiture of the security deposit in case of failure to perform obligations but does not distinguish whether such failure is attributable to the consultancy firm or arises due to factors beyond its control. In consultancy assignments of this nature, performance and timely delivery are often dependent	No change. Please follow RfP.

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						on inputs, approvals, and coordination with the Authority and other project stakeholders. Therefore, in the interest of clarity and balanced risk allocation, it is requested that the clause kindly be amended to specify that forfeiture of the security deposit shall apply only in cases of failure solely attributable to the consultancy firm.	
55	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.8 (VII) – Security Deposit (Page 38)	Page 38 of 98 of SBD	Security deposit may be forfeited in case of breach of contract.	It is requested to kindly amend the clause to clarify that such breach must be solely attributable to the contractor.	The proposed clarification ensures balanced contractual obligations and prevents disproportionate	No change. Please follow RfP.

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						penalties where delays or issues arise due to shared responsibilities or external factors.	
56	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.18 (I) – Terms of Payment (Page 40)	Page 40 of 98 of SBD	Payment requires proof of completion certified by Officer-in-Charge.	<p>It is requested to kindly clarify the deemed completion/ acceptance mechanism in cases where work is ongoing, or deliverables are submitted but certification is delayed.</p> <p>Proposed amendments required in Clause is as follows:</p> <p><i>“Payment shall be released upon submission of invoices along with a brief statement of activities/deliverables performed by the Consultancy Firm during the relevant billing period. Certification by the Officer-in-Charge shall be required only for activities that are specifically assigned with defined timelines by the Officer-in-Charge.</i></p> <p><i>In case no observations are communicated by the Officer-in-Charge within 15 days of submission of the invoice and statement of activities/deliverables, the same shall be</i></p>	<p>The present clause requires proof of completion certified by the Officer-in-Charge as a precondition for payment.</p> <p>However, under consultancy assignments of this nature, the scope of work includes retainer-based advisory services, preparation of draft documents, letters, analytical notes, and ongoing technical support, which may</p>	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.

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					<p><i>deemed to have been accepted for the purpose of processing payment.”</i></p>	<p>not always result in discrete deliverables that can be formally “certified as completed.”</p> <p>Requiring formal certification for each such output may become operationally cumbersome for both the Authority and the Consultancy Firm, particularly in assignments involving frequent submissions and continuous advisory support.</p> <p>Further, consultancy engagements typically involve rolling deliverables, advisory input, and milestone-based outputs rather than</p>	

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						<p>discrete physical completion events. In the absence of a deemed acceptance mechanism, payments may be inadvertently delayed despite timely submission of deliverables.</p> <p>The proposed amendment will ensure administrative convenience, timely payments, and greater clarity in implementation, while still allowing the Authority adequate opportunity to review and provide observations on submitted</p>	

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57	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.18 (II)(a) – Work Completion Certificate (Page 40)	Page 40 of 98 of SBD	Payment linked to Work Completion Certificate issued by Officer-in-Charge.	It is requested to kindly clarify whether payments may be made based on milestone completion or periodic progress reports (e.g., monthly progress reports) instead of final work completion certificate.	Consultancy services are typically delivered in multiple phases such as DPR preparation, bid process management, and advisory support. Linking payment only to final completion certificate may create cash flow constraints and administrative delays.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause..
58	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.24 – Forfeiture of EMD (Page 41)	Page 41 of 98 of SBD	EMD may be forfeited if bidder withdraws offer during validity period or after placement of order.	It is requested kindly to allow a 10-day period for confirmation of acceptance of LoA/WO/LoI, during which EMD should not be forfeited.	This aligns with practical consultancy procurement processes where bidders may require internal approval before confirming acceptance of the contract.	Please refer SCC Clause no. 5.1.1

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59	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.26 – Penalty (Page 41)	Page 41 of 98 of SBD	Timely completion of services is essential.	It is requested kindly to amend the clause to state that penalties shall apply only for reasons solely attributable to the contractor.	Completion of consultancy assignments depends on availability of client data, approvals, and coordination with multiple stakeholders. Penalties should therefore apply only when delay is directly attributable to the consultant.	No Change. Please refer SCC Clause No. 10
60	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.25 – Removal of Worker (Page 41)	Page 41 of 98 of SBD	Worker may be removed if he/she fails to conform to provisions of contract.	It is requested to kindly clarify that such action will apply only where failure is solely attributable to the individual concerned.	This ensures fairness and protects the consultant from removal requests arising from circumstances beyond the individual's control.	No change. Please follow RfP.

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61	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.28 – Penalty for Breach of Contract (Page 41)	Page 41 of 98 of SBD	Contract may be terminated if work is not satisfactory and security deposit forfeited.	It is requested to delete this clause.	The term “satisfactory” is inherently subjective and may be open to varying interpretations. In the absence of clearly defined performance parameters, the clause may grant very broad discretion for termination and forfeiture. Such ambiguity could lead to contractual uncertainty and disproportionate risk exposure for the consultancy firm, particularly in assignments where performance is dependent on multiple stakeholders	No change. Please follow RfP.

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						and external factors. It is therefore requested that the clause kindly be clarified or linked to defined performance obligations or measurable deliverables, to ensure transparency, objectivity, and balanced contractual risk allocation.	
62	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.36 – Recovery of Liabilities of Other Contracts (Page 42)	Page 42 of 98 of SBD	MPPGCL may recover dues from other contracts with the contractor.	It is requested to delete this clause.	Each contract should be treated independently, and cross-contract recovery may create financial uncertainty and accounting complications for contractors.	No change. Please follow RfP.
63	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.59 – Notice to Local	Page 45 of 98 of SBD	Contractor indemnifies MPPGCL against any	It is requested to kindly consider capping the indemnity and limiting it to liabilities judicially	The current indemnity obligation	No change.

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		Bodies (Page 45)		liabilities.	determined and solely attributable to the consultant.	is unlimited and broadly worded, which exposes the consultant to significant financial risk beyond reasonable contractual limits.	Please follow RfP.
64	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.63 – Confidentiality (Page 46)	Page 46 of 98 of SBD	Confidentiality obligations continue indefinitely.	It is requested to kindly clarify that confidentiality obligations shall remain applicable for a period of one year after completion/termination of the contract.	Defining a reasonable duration ensures clarity and enforceability of confidentiality obligations, which is standard practice in consultancy agreements.	No change. Please follow RfP.
65	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.65 – Progress Reporting (Page 46) SCC Clause 7.1.1 – Payment terms (Page 8)	Page 46 of 98 of SBD Page 8 of 14 of SCC	SBD Clause: Weekly progress reports required.	It is requested kindly to allow submission of Quarterly Progress Reports, instead of weekly reports, along with the Quarterly Invoice.	Weekly reporting may create unnecessary administrative burden for advisory assignments where progress is typically reviewed on a	Please refer Clause No. 3.0 of Scope of Work.

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				SCC Clause: Payment shall be made on Quarterly basis. To claim the payment; Consultants are required to submit invoices claiming their payments against the number of Specialist / Experts /Engineers actually deployed during relevant period of the said quarter with MPPGCL.		monthly milestone basis.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender; with regard to this clause.
66	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.67 – Force Closure of Contract (Page 46)	Page 46 of 98 of SBD	Contractor shall be paid for services provided at time of closure.	It is requested to kindly clarify the definition and circumstances under which “force closure” may be invoked.	Without clear definition, the clause may be subject to varying interpretation, which may affect payment entitlement and contractual obligations.	No Change.
67	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.70 – Event of Default (Page 47)	Page 47 of 98 of SBD	Contractor in material breach of contract.	It is requested kindly amend to clarify that clause will apply only where breach is solely attributable to the contractor.	This ensures fair allocation of responsibility where delays may arise due to client inputs or	No change. Please follow RfP.

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						external circumstances.	
68	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.71 – Termination (Page 47)	Page 47 of 98 of SBD	MPPGCL may terminate contract for delay or non-compliance.	It is requested to kindly clarify that termination provisions apply only for reasons solely attributable to the contractor.	This protects the consultant from termination due to factors outside its control, including delays in approvals or external dependencies.	No change. Please follow RfP.
69	Deloitte	SBD Clause 2.71 (II) – Risk and Cost Clause SBD Clause 2.72 – Death/Bankruptcy (Page 48)	Page 48 of 98 of SBD	SBD Clause 2.71 (II): Services may be executed at risk and cost of contractor. SBD Clause 2.72: Contract may be completed at contractor's risk and cost.	It is requested to kindly delete the risk and cost clause.	Risk and cost provisions are generally applicable to EPC or supply contracts, not consultancy assignments, where services are advisory in nature.	No change. Please follow RfP.
70	Deloitte	SBD Additional Clause – Consultant Termination Rights	-----	No provision allowing consultants to terminate contract.	It is requested to kindly include provision allowing the consultant to terminate contract with 30 days' notice in case of non-payment, non-compliance with arbitration award, or legal/regulatory conflict.	Balanced contracts typically allow termination to both parties, ensuring fairness and protecting	No change. Please follow RfP.

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						consultants from prolonged non-payment or regulatory conflicts.	
71	Deloitte	SBD Limitation of Liability – Additional Clause	-----	No limitation of liability specified.	It is requested to include a limitation of liability clause provided below: <i>“Notwithstanding anything contained in the contract, Client agrees that the Vendor/ Bidder / Consultant shall not be liable to Client, for any losses, claims, damages, liabilities, indemnities, cost or expenses (“Losses”) of any nature whatsoever, for an aggregate amount in excess of the fee paid under the contract for the services provided under the contract, except where such Losses are finally judicially determined to have arisen primarily from fraud or bad faith of the Vendor/ Bidder / Consultant. In no event shall the Vendor/ Bidder / Consultant, be liable for any consequential (including loss of profit and loss of data), special, indirect, incidental, punitive, or exemplary loss, damage, or expense relating to the services provided pursuant to this Contract.”</i>	Limitation of liability is a standard provision in consultancy agreements globally, ensuring that financial exposure remains proportionate to the contract value.	No change. Please refer Addendum dated 17.04.2023 of SBD on Page No. 96 of 98.

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72	Deloitte	Addendum Chapter II General Condition of Contract 2.86 (a) Limitation of Liability Page No 96 (as per PDF)	Page 96 of 98 of SBD	The contract shall not be liable to the owner, whether in contract.....to pay liquidated/damages to the owner and	We request to kindly delete the last part of the clause <i>“provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the contractor to pay liquidated damages/penalty to the owner and”</i>	Indirect and consequential damages are generally excluded under standard contractual practices and the principles of the Indian Contract Act. Inclusion of the above proviso may dilute the intent of the exclusion of indirect damages. Therefore, it is requested that the aforesaid proviso be deleted to maintain clarity and consistency with established contractual and legal principles.	No change. Please follow RfP.
73	Deloitte	Addendum Chapter II General	Page 96 of 98 of SBD	The aggregate liability of the contractor to the owner..... to indemnify	It is requested that the exclusion below may kindly be included within the overall liability	Excluding these obligations from the liability cap may lead	No change.

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		Condition of Contract 2.86 (b) Limitation of Liability Page No 96 (as per PDF)		the owner with respect to patent infringement	cap specified under this clause. “ <i>Shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment or to any obligation of the contractor to indemnify the owner with respect to infringement</i> ”	to unlimited exposure for the contractor. As per standard contractual practice and principles under the Indian Contract Act. Liability provisions are generally structured to ensure that all contractual liabilities remain within an agreed aggregate cap. Therefore, it is requested that the above exclusions be brought within the overall liability cap to maintain balanced risk allocation and contractual certainty.	Please follow RfP.
74	Deloitte	Annexure XII – Reverse/Forward Auction (Page 72)	Page 72 of 98 of SBD	Provision for reverse/forward auction is included.	It is requested to kindly clarify whether reverse/forward auction is applicable to this tender, as the tender appears to follow QCBS	Reverse auction is generally not applied in QCBS-based	Reverse/Forward auction is not applicable for this

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					methodology.	consultancy procurements, as financial bids are evaluated through scoring rather than competitive price discovery mechanisms.	tender.
75	Deloitte	SBD Clause 1.43 – Deployment of Resources Page No 31	Page 31 of 98 of SBD	The tendered consultancy/ expert services as per technical specifications are required at corporate office of MPPGCL at Jabalpur and/ or for various Power Stations of MP Power Generating Company Limited	It is requested to kindly clarify the primary location of deployment of the consultancy team, such as MPGENCO headquarters at Jabalpur or specific power plant or sites, and whether continuous on-site presence is required.	Deployment location has significant implications on logistics, travel costs, office setup, accommodation and manpower planning. Without clarity on deployment requirements, bidders may not be able to accurately estimate the financial implications.	Please refer to SCC clause No. 12.1.3 and NIT Clause No.13; and its subsequent corrigendum.
76	Deloitte	SBD Annexure-X – Indemnity Bond Page No 70	Page 70 of 98 of SBD	Annexure-X refers to provisions which appear inconsistent with Clause 2.38	Kindly clarify the correct clause references and applicability of indemnity provisions.	Alignment between the annexure and SCC provisions is	As the SBD Clause No. 2.56 is not applicable for this

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				and Clause 2.56 of SBD.		necessary to avoid conflicting contractual obligations and legal ambiguity during execution of the contract.	tender; the word “clause 2.56” may be treated as deleted in the heading of Annexure-X of SBD.
77	Deloitte	SBD Clause 1.38 – Acceptance of Bid Offer Page No 29 And SBD Clause 1.41 – Contract to Multiple Parties Page No 30	Page 29 of 98 of SBD Page 30 of 98 of SBD	SBD Clause 1.38: MPPGCL reserves right to award contracts to one or more than one bidders, if considered necessary. It shall not be obligatory on the part of MPPGCL to accept the lowest offer/bid SBD Clause 1.41: MPPGCL reserves the right to award the Contract to more than one qualified Bidders. SCC Clause 17, Sl. No. 1: SBD Clause 1.41 – Not Applicable	As per SCC Clause 17, Sl. No. 1, it has been clarified that SBD Clause 1.41, pertaining to the award of contract to more than one qualified bidder, shall not be applicable for the present RFP. In view of the above clarification, it is requested that SBD Clause 1.38 may also kindly be declared not applicable for the present RFP, as its provisions appear to be linked to or contingent upon the applicability of Clause 1.41.	There appears to be an inconsistency between the SBD and SCC provisions regarding award of contract to multiple bidders. It is requested that the provisions may kindly be aligned/streamlined to ensure consistency and avoid ambiguity in interpretation.	As per SCC; the contract shall be awarded to one bidder only.

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78	Deloitte	SBD and amendment Clause 1.26 – Annexure IX Page No 69	Page 69 of 98 of SBD	Clause mentions submission of affidavit on Rs.100 stamp paper, whereas the annexure format indicates Rs.200 stamp paper.	It is requested to kindly clarify the correct stamp paper denomination to be used for submission of the notarized affidavit.	The discrepancy between the clause and annexure may lead to confusion among bidders and potential rejection of bids on procedural grounds. Clarification will ensure uniform compliance by all bidders.	Please follow NIT Clause No. 12 (E).
79	E&Y	SBD for Consultancy/Expert Services Contract Clause: 1.8;	SBD Page No. 17	Participation of Joint Venture Company (JVC) / Partnership Firm is allowed subject to compliance of all legal formalities and submission / uploading of requisite documents in this regard.	Please clearly clarify whether consortium is allowed for participating in this tender. Kindly issue clarification in this regard.		NIT not allowing participation of Consortium.
Scope of Work (SOW) Related Clauses							
80	Deloitte	Tender Notice_1 Clause 14 – Scope of Work (Page 16)	Page 16 of 17 of SOW	Consultant will support planning and execution of renewable energy projects and regulatory compliance.	Kindly confirm that necessary project-related data such as land details, solar resource data, grid connectivity details, existing feasibility studies, and relevant project documentation	Effective planning and advisory for renewable energy projects require	DPR for 110 MW Solar Projects proposed at different sites of

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					will be provided by MPPGCL for execution of the assignment.	access to reliable project data, including land availability, solar irradiation data, evacuation infrastructure details, existing technical studies, regulatory approvals, and project planning documents. Clarification on data availability will enable consultants to properly plan project timelines, resource allocation, and deliverables, ensuring efficient execution of the assignment.	MPPGCL will be shared with Selected consultant.
81	Deloitte	Scope of Work, Part-1 (III) (A), Page – 6 of 17	Page 6 of 17 of SOW	The tender states the consultant is required to "conduct/reassess previously conducted all studies... geo-technical	It is requested to Kindly clarify whether the consultant is expected to physically undertake field investigations (including mobilization of survey equipment and technical teams) or only		DPR for 110 MW Solar Projects proposed at different sites of

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				investigation, topography analysis, contouring, and soil analysis... Mobilization of all instruments (DGPS, total station) to site."	review and validate studies conducted by third-party survey agencies appointed by MPPGCL. In case the consultant is required to undertake field surveys, please clarify how the cost of such surveys across multiple unknown project sites should be considered in the fixed financial quote.		MPPGCL will be shared with Selected consultant.
82	Deloitte	Scope of Work, Part-1 (III) (A), Page – 8 of 17 and NIT, No.13 Team Composition, Page – 12 of 18	Page 8 of 17 of SOW Page 12 of 18 of NIT	Separate consultants will be appointed by MPPGCL for floating solar projects as per the requirement, to conduct necessary technical studies." However, the consultant must also "Conduct a desk review of floating solar projects" and deploy a "Floating Solar Expert."	It is requested to kindly clarify the following points on Floating Solar: 1. Scope boundary for Floating Solar Projects (FSPV). 2. Does MPPGCL appoint separate consultants for technical studies (such as bathymetry, hydrological assessments, anchoring/ mooring design etc.), and In-House consultants only act in a review/PMC role? Please clarify the specific deliverables expected from the Floating Solar Expert under this assignment.		1. Consultant has to conduct a desk review of floating solar project in open and multipurpose reservoirs/ dams for floating Solar Project. This should include basic data related to their siting, performance and technical standards maintained by the

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							project proponent. 2. Separate consultants will be appointed by MPPGCL for floating solar projects as per the requirement, to conduct necessary technical studies (such as bathymetry, hydrological assessments, anchoring/ mooring design etc.) 3. In-House

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							consultant has to make a review the technical studies to give an expert opinion on the survey done with the help of Floating Solar Expert & to act as the PMC
83	Deloitte	Scope of Work, Part-1 (I) (c), Page – 5 of 17 and Scope of Work, Part-1 (III) (A), Page – 6 of 17	Page 5 &6 of 17 of SOW	The consultant is tasked with "Planning of project power evacuation through existing/new STU/CTU grid" and "Preparation of evacuation system planning... with all relevant drawing, design, and Technical Specifications."	It is requested to kindly clarify the following points on Evacuation studies: 1. Consultant in expect to conduct detailed power evacuation studies including GIS-based routing, Right-of-Way (RoW) estimation, forest clearance documentation, and transmission alignment surveys.		1. Yes Consultant has to conduct the detailed power evacuation studies including GIS-based routing, Right-of-Way (RoW) estimation, forest clearance

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					2. Further, please confirm whether specialized grid impact studies (such as Load Flow, Short Circuit Analysis, and Transient Stability studies using software such as PSS/E or MiPower) are required to be performed by the consultant or will be undertaken by the STU/CTU/EPC developer.		documentation and transmission alignment surveys. 2. Consultant is expected to do the specialized grid impact studies (such as Load Flow, Short Circuit Analysis, and Transient Stability studies using software such as PSS/E or MiPower) as these are required by EPC developer.
84	Deloitte	Scope of Work, Part 1 (l) (j) (k), Page – 5 of 17	Page 5 of 17 of SOW	The Scope of Work (Part-1, Clauses l.j and l.k) mandates the assessment of BESS potential in conjunction with both proposed	It is requested to kindly clarify the following points on BESS: 1. Primarily anticipated use cases for BESS		For achieving the best potential of BESS; the

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				RE projects and existing MPPGCL Thermal Power Plants.	evaluation Should the consultant limit the analysis to technical sizing and commercial viability models to RE capacity firming and time-shift/arbitrage, or is the consultant also expected to evaluate advanced grid services such as frequency regulation, ramp-rate control, spinning reserve support, and black-start capability for thermal units?		consultant shall address and analyse all the issues as felt necessary.
85	PwC	Part A – I (b)	Page 5 of 17 of SOW	Preparation & Evaluation of DPR and verification of project potential. This will include all necessary studies to be carried out on ground for ensuring/assessing project viabilities.	The scope mentions “Preparation & Evaluation of DPR and verification of project potential, including necessary studies to be carried out on ground for assessing project viability.” In this regard, it is requested that the indicative number of DPRs expected during the engagement tenure and their project capacity/size may kindly be defined in the RFP, as DPR preparation involves extensive technical studies, site investigations and techno-commercial assessments. For appropriate effort estimation, kindly share an indicative portfolio / likely number and type		MPPCGL is envisaging to extend its RE implementation, which includes Solar, BESS, Hybrid, & Floating Solar Projects to the extent of around 1500 MW in coming 3-5 yrs

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					of projects / assignments expected during the 36-month contract period (for example, ground-mounted solar, rooftop, BESS, hybrid, regulatory petitions, budgeting support, etc.).		
86	PwC	Multiple references using “verify / ensure / approval / acceptance / certification”	Page 5,9,11 & 12 of 17 of SOW	“Preparation & Evaluation of DPR and verification of project potential.” / “Approval/acceptance & certification of PG Test results...”	As a consultant it would not be appropriate for us to assume the role of the Department and act as an approver. Kindly confirm that the consultant’s role is intended to be advisory / review in nature, and that all final approvals, acceptances, certifications, statutory decisions and contractual determinations shall remain with MPPGCL / the relevant authority / the respective contractor, as applicable. Kindly note that as consultants we would not be able to provide any certifications/confirmation/opinion/assurance.		No change. Please follow RfP.
87	PwC	Part A – II	Page 5 of 17 of SOW	Legal, Regulatory & Commercial support	The scope of work refers to “Legal, Regulatory & Commercial Support” at various places in the RFP. In this regard, it is requested to kindly clarify the extent of “Legal Support” envisaged under the assignment, as the primary nature of the services appears to be technical, regulatory and commercial advisory for renewable energy		As per applicable rules, regulations, Laws & best industrial practices, necessary task is

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					<p>projects.</p> <p>It is requested that wherever the term “Legal” is mentioned in the RFP, the same may kindly be clarified or limited to bid process support, contractual/regulatory review and advisory support, in coordination with the client’s legal team, and may not include provision of independent legal opinion, legal representation or litigation related services, which typically require engagement of licensed legal professionals.</p>		to be undertaken by Consultant
88	PwC	Clause II(h); Clause B – bid evaluation related support	Page 5 & 8 of 17 of SOW	Provide input on the bid evaluation criteria...” / “Attend the pre-bid meetings and prepare reply on the queries raised by prospective bidders...”	<p>Kindly confirm that the consultant’s role in bid evaluation shall be limited to support against objective, pre-defined and quantified criteria, while all final evaluation decisions, scoring and approvals shall remain with MPPGCL / the competent authority.</p> <p>This would support transparency and ensure that procurement-related decision-making remains fully vested in the client and the designated committees / authorities.</p>		Bidder’s understanding is correct.
89	PwC	Statutory / regulatory	Page 5, 8,9 14 of	“Attending regulatory hearings with the client...” / “Consultant	Kindly confirm whether all formal communications / submissions /		Bidder’s

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		interaction clauses	17 of SOW	shall prepare replies to queries..." / "Support in regulatory processing..."	representations to regulators, statutory authorities and third parties will be issued by / through MPPGCL, with the consultant's role being limited to preparation of drafts / supporting inputs / background analysis.		understanding is correct.
90	PwC	Clause C – vendor / subcontractor support	Page 11 of 17 of SOW	“Assessing the credential of Sub-Contractors proposed by the Bidder and recommendations for approval by MPPGCL.” / “Suggest proven vendor/OEM at any stage for equipment(s)/system(s).”	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kindly clarify that the consultant is expected only to provide generic technical inputs / eligibility-based comments, and that the final identification / empanelment / selection of vendors / contractors / subcontractors will remain with MPPGCL. 2. We would not be able to carry out any independent assessment of the credentials of the bidder/ subcontractor or ascertain the authenticity of any of the information submitted by them. <p>For ‘Suggest proven vendor/ OEM at any stage for equipment(s)/system(s)’ – we would be able to provide a long list of potential vendors/ OEMs as it would not be appropriate for us to suggest a single vendor. Kindly confirm if this is</p>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bidder's understanding is correct. 2. Not agreed, please follow the Rfp.

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					acceptable.		
91	PwC	Clauses II(i), II(j) and Phase I(xiii)	Page 6 & 14 of 17 of SOW	Conduct an issue-based legal and regulatory due diligence...” / “Conduct review of relevant contracts, authorizations and agreements...” / “Assistance in drafting of Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs)...”	Kindly clarify whether the consultant is expected only to provide commercial / regulatory / business-related inputs on such matters, while any legal advice, legal vetting, legal drafting and legal opinion would be undertaken by MPPGCL / external legal counsel appointed by MPPGCL separately.		Bidder’s understanding is correct. However, as per applicable rules, regulations, Laws & best industrial practices, necessary task is to be undertaken by Consultant
92	PwC	Clause B – Draft agreements / contract documents	Page 8 of 17 of SOW	Prepare draft contracts agreements. Finalization of contract documents and agreements along with all Annexure based on the agreed terms and conditions.	Kindly confirm whether our role in the preparation of draft agreements / bid documents is limited to the domain/technical aspects and excludes the legal aspects.		The work has to be complied as per applicable rules, regulations, Laws & best industrial practices.
93	PwC	Clause III – C (Bullet 4)	Page 9 of 17 of SOW	With respect to the Environmental Review,	It is requested to kindly clarify the extent of environmental review and monitoring		The clause is clear. Please

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				Consultant will support MPPGCL in monitoring of the same & shall ensure that the specifications and subsequent technical specifications submitted by the Bidders are in conformation with the environmental limits specified by the various authorities/ Lender's Requirements.	expected, as such activities typically require specialized environmental expertise. It may please be clarified whether the consultant's role will be limited to review of available documents and providing advisory inputs, rather than undertaking detailed environmental assessments or compliance verification.		follow Rfp.
94	PwC	Performance guarantee / test witnessing construct	Page 11 of 17 of SOW	“Witnessing Performance Guarantee at site & factory acceptance Test at works...” / “Approval/acceptance & certification of PG Test results as per Guarantee schedule of the contract.”	Kindly clarify whether the consultant is expected only to review test records and provide comments / recommendations, and not to issue any independent assurance / certification / guarantee regarding system performance.		Bidder's understanding is correct.
95	PwC	Phase II – D (vi)	Page 16 of 17 of SOW	Providing assistance to MPPGCL in respect of ERP solution Modules for Tariff, Energy Billing and Business Plan.	It is requested to kindly clarify whether the role of the consultant will be limited to functional advisory and inputs for regulatory/tariff related modules and will not include software development or system implementation activities.		Bidder's understanding is correct.
96	PwC	4.0	Page 17 of 17 of SOW	The scope of work as defined above is generalized in	The scope mentions that review of complete design/engineering of any systems required for		Yes, the consultant has to review of

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				nature. Review of complete design/ engineering of any systems, not covered under these paras but required for the completion of the project shall be under the scope of this consultancy contract for all intents and purposes. Preparation of Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) guidelines as per prevailing rules/law for incorporating in the tender document.	project completion shall be under the consultancy scope, along with preparation of HSE guidelines. In this regard, it is requested to kindly clarify the extent of engineering review and HSE guideline preparation expected, as these activities typically require specialized engineering and HSE resources. It may please be clarified whether the consultant's role will be limited to advisory/inputs for tender documents.		complete design/ engineering of any systems required for project completion shall be under the consultancy scope, along with preparation of HSE guidelines as per the prevailing HSE guidelines of Gol/GoMP.
97	Idam	Part 2, I, A, Phase I	Page 13 of 17 of SOW	Assist MPPGCL in preparing, filing and defending of Petitions for True-up of Tariffs of its Power Stations for the respective Financial Year, Petitions for R&M of Thermal/Hydro Power Stations, Tariff Petition for RE Power Plants of MPPGCL and for other Petitions, etc, as applicable.	It is understood that regulatory support is required for renewable energy projects. Kindly clarify whether the scope of regulatory support also extends to existing non-RE assets such as thermal and hydro power plants of MPPGCL.		Yes, consultant has to support MPPGCL for: (i) preparing, filing and defending of Petitions for True-up of Tariffs of its existing thermal/hydel Power Stations

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							for the respective Financial Year. (ii) Petitions for R&M of Thermal/Hydro Power Stations (iii) Tariff Petition for RE Power Plants of MPPGCL other Petitions, etc, as required.
98	Idam	Clause 2: Detailed Scope of Work	Page 4 of 17 of SOW	Clause 2: Detailed Scope of Work	Kindly clarify whether - baseline data (land, grid connectivity, prior studies, surveys, etc.) will be provided by MPPGCL, or if the consultant is expected to undertake all primary data collection independently.		DPR for 110 MW Solar Projects proposed at different sites of MPPGCL will be shared with Selected consultant. In case of the data of these studies/ reports; required to be validate, the

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							same shall be arranged by the selected consultant.
Other Suggestion/Recommendation/Request of Bidders							
99	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: Leveraging credentials of parent entity/subsidiaries	It is noted that that the RFP does not allow/is silent on Bidders leveraging the credentials of their parent entities/subsidiaries. We would like to humbly submit that parent entities together with their subsidiaries possess a wealth of experience and expertise that can be invaluable for the successful execution of complex projects. Further, parent entities and subsidiaries often have access to a broader pool of resources, including specialized personnel. By leveraging these credentials and resources, Bidders can enhance their capacity to deliver the project efficiently and effectively and can demonstrate their ability to meet the technical and operational requirements of the tender. In light of the above, we humbly request you to allow Bidders to leverage the credentials of their parent entities and / or subsidiaries.		Not acceptable to MPPGCL.

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100	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: Leveraging credentials of Network Firms	We would like to submit that PwC, like other similarly placed consulting firms, is not structured like a typical MNC, but operates as a network of firms under a common brand name, wherein each Network Firm is a separate and independent legal entity. These Network Firms often collaborate and share relevant skills and knowledge with each other in order to leverage the best global practices to enhance the services being rendered to their clients. We accordingly request you to allow Bidders to leverage the credentials and/or resources of such Network Firms to demonstrate our collective capabilities.		Not acceptable to MPPGCL.
101	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: Limitation of Liability	Client is requested to limit consultant's liability to 1X of the total contract value. This is as per GFR and the guidelines issued by MeitY. It is also the normal industry practice. Client may consider including the following language: "Purchaser/Client agrees that Consultants total liability for all claims connected with the services or this agreement (including but not limited to negligence), whether in contract, tort, statute, indemnities or otherwise, is		No change. Please follow RfP.

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					limited to one time the professional fees paid / payable for the services. Purchaser/Client agrees that Consultant will not be liable for (i) loss or corruption of data from your systems, (ii) loss of profit, goodwill, business opportunity, anticipated savings or benefits or (iii) indirect or consequential loss."		
102	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: Indemnity	We agree to indemnify to the extent the damages/losses are finally determined by a competent court or arbitration. Please make indemnities subject to final determination by court/arbitrator. This is also the industry standard and prescribed by MeitY in its guidelines. The indemnities set out in this agreement shall be subject to the following conditions: (i) the Indemnified Party as promptly as practicable informs the Indemnifying Party in writing of the claim or proceedings and provides all relevant evidence, documentary or otherwise; (ii) the Indemnified Party shall, at the cost of the Indemnifying Party, give the Indemnifying Party all reasonable assistance in the Defense of such claim including reasonable access to all relevant information, documentation and		No change. Please follow RfP. Please follow Annexure –IX of SBD.

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					<p>personnel provided that the Indemnified Party may, at its sole cost and expense, reasonably participate, through its attorneys or otherwise, in such Defense; (iii) if the Indemnifying Party does not assume full control over the Defense of a claim as provided in this clause, the Indemnified Party may participate in such defense at its sole cost and expense, and the Indemnified Party will have the right to defend the claim in such manner as it may deem appropriate, and the cost and expense of the Indemnified Party will be included in losses; (iv) the Indemnified Party shall not prejudice, pay or accept any proceedings or claim, or compromise any proceedings or claim, without the written consent of the Indemnifying Party; (v) all settlements of claims subject to indemnification under this Clause will: a) be entered into only with the consent of the Indemnified Party, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld and include an unconditional release to the Indemnified Party from the claimant or plaintiff for all liability in respect of such claim; and b) include any appropriate confidentiality agreement</p>		

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					prohibiting disclosure of the terms of such settlement; (vi) the Indemnified Party shall account to the Indemnifying Party for all awards, settlements, damages and costs (if any) finally awarded in favour of the Indemnified Party which are to be paid to it in connection with any such claim or proceedings; (vii) the Indemnified Party shall take steps that the Indemnifying Party may reasonably require to mitigate or reduce its loss as a result of such a claim or proceedings; (viii) in the event that the Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify an Indemnified Party pursuant to this clause, the Indemnifying Party will, upon payment of such indemnity in full, be subrogated to all rights and defenses of the Indemnified Party with respect to the claims to which such indemnification relates; and (ix) if a Party makes a claim under the indemnity set out under Clause above in respect of any particular loss or losses, then that Party shall not be entitled to make any further claim in respect of that loss or losses (including any claim for damages).		

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103	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: Termination	To uphold the principles of natural justice and to bring parity in the contract, we request client to give us the right to terminate the contract in case client breaches any of its material obligations under the contract, provided a notice for such breach is given to client along with a rectification period of 30 days.		No change. Please follow RfP.
104	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: Liquidated Damages	We understand that as per Contract Act, where LDs are stipulated, generally any other damages cannot be claimed. Therefore we request you to kindly make imposition of liquidated damages as sole and exclusive remedy for corresponding breaches.		No change. Please follow RfP. In Consultancy Contracts instead of Liquidated damages, Penalty provision has been made. Please refer SCC Clause 10 'Penalty'.
105	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP:	There are innumerable IPRs that exist with us		No change.

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				No protection to our pre-existing IPRs	<p>which we would like to use to your benefit while delivering our services to you. These are our pre-existing IPRs and we use it for all clients. We will not be able to give ownership in such IPRs to you just because we are using them for providing services to you, like we use these for other clients. We request that we are allowed to retain ownership of our pre-existing IPRs, else we might be not be able to use these in providing services to you in order to protect our ownership in them. We request you to kindly include the below clause. This is also the standard mentioned by MeitY in its guidelines.</p> <p>"Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this agreement, Consultant will retain the ownership of its pre-existing intellectual property rights (including any enhancement or modification thereto) even if such IPRs are used for creating deliverables, are incorporated in the deliverables, etc. To the extent such pre-existing IPRs are included/incorporated in the deliverables, upon receipt of all due and payable payment in full, the Consultant shall grant a non-exclusive, perpetual and fully paid</p>		Please follow RfP.

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					up license to the Purchaser/Client to use such pre-existing IPRs for use of deliverables for the purpose for which such deliverables are meant for client's internal business operations."		
106	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: No third party disclaimer	We will be providing services and deliverables to you under the contract. We accept no liability to anyone, other than you, in connection with our services, unless otherwise agreed by us in writing. You agree to reimburse us for any liability (including legal costs) that we incur in connection with any claim by anyone else in relation to the services. Please confirm our understanding is correct.		No change. Please follow RfP.
107	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: Acceptance	If the project is to be completed on time, it would require binding both parties with timelines to fulfil their respective part of obligations. We request you that you incorporate a deliverable acceptance procedure, perhaps the one provided by MeitY in their guidelines, or the one suggested below, to ensure that acceptance of deliverables is not denied or delayed and comments, if any, are received by us well in time. You may consider including the below simple clause:		No change. Please follow RfP.

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					"Within 10 days (or any other agreed period) from Client's receipt of a draft deliverable, Client will notify Consultant if it is accepted. If it is not accepted, Client will let Consultant know the reasonable grounds for such non acceptance, and Consultant will take reasonable remedial measures so that the draft deliverable materially meets the agreed specifications. If Client does not notify Consultant within the agreed time period or if Client uses the draft deliverable, it will be deemed to be accepted."		
108	PwC	-	-	No clause in RFP: Termination	To uphold the principles of natural justice and to bring parity in the contract, we request client to give us the right to terminate the contract in case client breaches any of its material obligations under the contract, provided a notice for such breach is given to client along with a rectification period of 30 days.		No change. Please follow RfP.
109	Mercados	-	-	JV	-	Since JV/ consortium participation is permitted under the tender, it is understood that the	1. As per NIT; Contractor/ Firm/Service Provider/Joint Venture is

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						<p>qualification criteria may be met jointly through the combined experience of the consortium partners.</p> <p>Kindly clarify the maximum number of partners allowed in the JV/consortium.</p>	<p>allowed to participate into the tender.</p> <p>2. Consortium is not allowed to participate into this tender.</p> <p>3. Joint Venture can Jointly met the qualification criteria.</p>
110	Mercados	SCC, Note to Table under 3.1.2	Page 5 of 14 of SCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For Scoring of marks (for Firm), Maximum score will be awarded to the Bidder having maximum count of projects/ maximum years of experience. The score of other Bidders will be calculated relative to the score given to the Bidder with the maximum score. For Scoring of marks (for Individual Team Member(s)) in a particular category), 	To Be Deleted		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause.

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				Maximum score will be awarded to the Individual Team Member(s) of Bidder having the maximum of years of experience and count of projects. The score of Individual Team Member(s) of other Bidders will be calculated relative to the score given to the Individual Team Member(s) of a Bidder with the maximum score.			

Post Pre Bid Queries

111	PwC		-	-	-	It is requested that a minimum period of 30 days be provided from the date of issuance of responses to the pre-bid queries/corrigendum for submission of the	Please refer Corrigendum -3
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						bid/proposal.	
112	PwC	Clause 10.1.1 to 10.1.3 of SCC	Page 11 of SCC	<p>In case the contractor fails to start and complete the services as per the stipulated contract period, the delay will attract penalty. In case of the delay of every one week or part thereof, MPPGCL may at its option shall levy an unconditional penalty of 0.5% (Half of one percent), subject to maximum of 10% (ten percent), of Contract price. Penalty if applicable, shall be finalised after completion of services and due re-conciliation of all liabilities; duly analysing the reason & period of the delay, weather attributable to Consultant or MPPGCL or Force Majeure Or beyond the control of both the parties.</p>	<p>It is understood that delay in commencement/completion of services may attract penalty as per the RFP. However, considering that several deliverables under the assignment are mutually agreed, iterative in nature, and dependent on inputs/approvals/data availability from MPPGCL and other stakeholders, there may be situations where delays are not solely attributable to the Consultant. In this context, it is requested to kindly clarify and/or confirm that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Penalty/LD shall be applicable only in cases where the delay is solely attributable to the Consultant, and not due to factors beyond the Consultant’s control (including but not limited to delays in approvals, data sharing, stakeholder coordination, or Force Majeure conditions). 2. A clearly defined and mutually agreed mechanism shall be followed for identification and attribution of delays, including periodic review/recording of dependencies and timelines during project execution. 3. Delays arising due to external dependencies or reasons beyond the control of both parties shall be appropriately excluded while computing the penalty. <p>Further, it is requested that suitable</p>		<p>No change.</p> <p>Please follow RfP.</p>

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					provisions/assumptions may be incorporated to ensure that penalty exposure remains fair, transparent, and aligned with actual responsibility for delays.		
113	PwC	Clause Part-1 (b), Clause Part-3 (C)	Page 5, 11 of SoW	<p>Page 5 - Preparation & Evaluation of DPR and verification of project potential. This will include all necessary studies to be carried out on ground for ensuring/assessing project viabilities.</p> <p>Page 11 – Witnessing Performance Guarantee at site & factory acceptance Test at works as per applicable code & standards and evaluation of test results, with comments/recommendations, conduct independent calculations to verify test results.</p> <p>Approval/acceptance & certification of PG Test results as per Guarantee schedule of the contract.</p>	<p>As a consultant it would not be appropriate for us to assume the role of the Department and act as an approver.</p> <p>Kindly confirm that the consultant’s role is intended to be advisory / review in nature, and that all final approvals, acceptances, certifications, statutory decisions and contractual determinations shall remain with MPPGCL / the relevant authority / the respective contractor, as applicable. Kindly note that as consultants we would not be able to provide any certifications/confirmation/opinion/assurance. Such clarification would align the engagement with a consultancy construct and industry practice, reduce ambiguity regarding responsibility allocation, and support clear administration of project and contractor obligations.</p> <p>Kindly also clarify whether the consultant is expected only to review test records and provide comments / recommendations, and not to issue any independent assurance / certification / guarantee regarding system performance.</p> <p>This would align the assignment with an advisory support role while preserving the</p>		Please refer SI No. 4 of Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause.

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					client’s control over technical acceptance decisions.		
114	PwC	Clause Part-1 II(d)	Page 5 of SOW	Undertake an assessment of the credit worthiness of the MPPGCL’s clients or consumers.	<p>It is requested to clarify the scope, methodology, and intended use of the creditworthiness assessment.</p> <p>Considering potential data limitations and external dependencies, kindly confirm that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The assessment shall be indicative/advisory in nature, based on available data and assumptions. 2. The Consultant shall not be held liable for decisions taken based on such assessment. <p>Any data limitations/assumptions shall be duly documented and acknowledged.</p>		MPPGCL is expanding its renewable energy (RE) business in multiple directions, which includes projects implemented under the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode, projects developed for other entities where MPPGCL acts as a Project Management Consultant (PMC), as well as storage projects executed under existing Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) or outside the framework of PPAs. As MPPGCL may engage with multiple clients, counterparties, or consumers under different commercial and

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115	PwC	Clause Part-1 III(A) Conducting Studies for Project viability	Page 6, 7 of SOW	<p>The selected bidder is required to do necessary site visits and to conduct/reassess previously conducted all studies/investigation/assessment that are essential for installation of RE Projects. These studies include but are not limited to geotechnical investigation, topography analysis, contouring, and soil analysis (soil resistivity analysis) or any other studies which are mandatory for the execution of RE projects. Mobilization of all instruments including DGPS (dual frequency, real time) & Total station survey equipment, drawings, office material, personnel etc. to site and demobilization of the same after completion of all field work etc. If required, in case proposed solar/RE project site is shifted to some new location.</p>	<p>Kindly clarify the following with respect to the requirement for undertaking/reassessing site studies and investigations for RE Projects:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The site-wise list and status of existing studies/investigations already available with the Employer/Procuring Entity. 2. The number of sites/locations envisaged under the scope of work for such studies. <p>Whether any repeat studies/surveys and associated remobilization/demobilization, arising due to change/shift in project site, shall be paid separately.</p>		<p>MPPGCL is envisaging to extend its RE implementation, which includes Solar, BESS, Hybrid, & Floating Solar Projects to the extent of 1500-MW approximately in a span of 3-5 yrs. Presently MPPGCL has 110 MW Ground Mounted Solar Project at three different sites of Thermal Power Station of MPPGCL and 220 MW (+/- 10 %) Floating Solar Project planned for MPUDC. Remaining projects would be planned as per requirement of MPPGCL and future plans.</p>
116	PwC	Page 5 - Legal, Regulatory &	Page 5, 13-16, 8	Page 5 - Legal, Regulatory & Commercial support	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kindly indicate the approximate number of petitions/review 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MPPGCL is state leading

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		<p>Commercial support, Page 8 - Clause Part-1 III(B), Page 13-16- Clause Part-2 Regulatory Support to MPPGCL,</p>	<p>of SOW</p>	<p>Page 13-16 Clause Part-2 Regulatory Support to MPPGCL</p> <p>Extract: Assistance in preparing, filing and defending of Petitions/ Review Petitions/ Appeals before MPERC/ APTEL/ Supreme Court, as the case may. Assistance in filing and defending of Petition for approval of Capital Cost and determination of tariff U/s 62 of the Electricity Act, 2003 for the Ground Mounted/ Roof Top Solar Power Projects and other projects such as Battery Energy Storage Solar Power Plants, Pumped Storage Hydro Plants, Floating Solar Power Plants of any capacity being developed/ planned by MPPGCL or transferred to MPPGCL. Assistance in drafting of Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) and its Amendments/ Addendum for new and existing Power projects.</p> <p>Page 8 Clause Part-1 III(B) Extract: Prepare/Review RFP and to provide inputs on technical details. Finalization of RfP for issuance. Prepare draft contracts agreements. Finalization of contract</p>	<p>petitions/appeals expected to be handled annually under the assignment.</p> <p>2. It is understood that the consultant's role under the assignment shall be limited to drafting, filing support, documentation, and regulatory/commercial advisory assistance only, and shall not include appearance/representation before MPERC, APTEL, Supreme Court, or any other judicial/quasi-judicial forum. Kindly confirm.</p> <p>3. It is further understood that the consultant shall provide only commercial, contractual, regulatory and domain-related inputs/support, and that any legal opinion, legal representation and allied legal services shall remain outside the scope of work. Kindly confirm.</p> <p>4. With respect to preparation/review/finalization of RFPs, contracts, agreements, and associated documents, it is understood that the consultant shall provide only domain-related and commercial inputs and that any legal vetting/opinion shall be arranged separately by the Employer, wherever required. Kindly confirm.</p>		<p>power generating company, having approximately 4570 MW of Thermal Projects, 921 MW of Hydel projects and 07 MW Solar Power Projects. The details of the same are available on MPPGCL website. Thus a continuous process of interaction with MPERC takes place.</p> <p>2. Understanding is correct</p> <p>3. As per applicable rules, regulations, Laws & best industrial practices, necessary task is to be undertaken by Consultant.</p> <p>4. While preparing RfP or drafting any other relevant</p>
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				documents and agreements along with all Annexure based on the agreed terms and conditions. Prepare ToR for conducting Environmental & Social Studies for Project. Assist in preparing RfP for selection of ESIA consultants as per project requirements.			contracts/agreements consultant has to draft the documents as per prevailing rules, regulations, Laws & best industrial practices.
117	PwC	Clause Part-3 (C)	Page 11 of SOW	Assessing the credential of Sub-Contractors proposed by the Bidder and recommendations for approval by MPPGCL.	Kindly clarify that the consultant is expected only to provide generic technical inputs / eligibility-based comments, and that the final identification / empanelment / selection of vendors / contractors / subcontractors will remain with MPPGCL. We would not be able to carry out any independent assessment of the credentials of the bidder/subcontractor or ascertain the authenticity of any of the information submitted by them. For ‘Suggest proven vendor/OEM at any stage for equipment(s)/system(s)’ – we would be able to provide a long list of potential vendors/OEMs as it would not be appropriate for us to suggest a single vendor. Kindly confirm if this is acceptable.		MPPGCL is expanding its renewable energy (RE) business in multiple directions, which includes projects implemented under the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode, projects developed for other entities where MPPGCL acts as a Project Management Consultant (PMC), as well as storage projects executed under existing Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) or outside the framework of PPAs.

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							frameworks, and assumptions clearly documented by the Consultant.
118	PwC	-	-	Standardization of Technical Scope and Quantities	<p>As the project capacity and corresponding land area are yet to be finalized, we request clarification on how bidders are expected to standardize their technical approach and costing.</p> <p>In this regard, we suggest that the tender may define a uniform reference case, for example a 100 MW Solar PV project, along with an indicative land area based on standard industry thumb rules. Based on this reference, key technical parameters may be uniformly specified for all bidders to ensure consistency.</p> <p>For instance, the following assumptions may be considered as a reference (minimum quantities for a single continuous land parcel):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Project Capacity: 100 MW ● Land Area: ~400 acres ● Boreholes: 7 Nos. ● Trial Pits: 2 Nos. ● ERT: 5 Nos. ● TRT: 2 Nos. ● CBR Tests: 2 Nos. ● POT: 6 Nos. (if required) ● Evacuation System: 33/132 kV or 33/220 kV <p>Defining such a common basis, with the above as minimum scope, will ensure that all bidders</p>		<p>1. DPR for 110 MW Solar Projects proposed at different sites of MPPGCL will be shared with Selected consultant.</p> <p>2. MPPGCL is envisaging to extend its RE implementation, which includes Solar, BESS, Hybrid, & Floating Solar Projects to the extent of 1500-MW approximately in a span of 3-5 yrs.</p> <p>3. Presently MPPGCL has 110 MW Ground Mounted Solar Project at three different sites of Thermal Power Station of</p>

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					<p>are working on a consistent and comparable framework, enabling fair evaluation of bids and avoiding deviations arising from differing assumptions. Also, please indicate the transmission line length for each project.</p> <p>We request your confirmation or further guidance on the above.</p>		<p>MPPGCL and 220 MW (+/- 10 %) Floating Solar Project planned for MPUDC. Remaining projects would be planned as per requirement of MPPGCL and future plans</p>
119	PwC	EMD BG Format	-		<p>Please allow to add following description in the BG Format shared as it is a standard practice used by banks:</p> <p><i>The liability of the Guarantor under this Guarantee shall not exceed Rs _____ (Rupees _____ only) (the “Guaranteed Amount”).</i></p> <p><i>This Guarantee shall be valid up to _____ (the “Expiry Date”).</i></p> <p><i>Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no obligation of the Guarantor to pay any amount under this Guarantee shall arise prior to the fulfillment of the following conditions precedent:</i></p> <p><i>(a) written claim/demand(s) in terms of this Guarantee of an aggregate amount less than or equal to the Guaranteed Amounts is/are made by the Beneficiary hereunder; and</i></p> <p><i>(b) such written claim/demand(s) is/are</i></p>		<p>No Change.</p> <p>Please follow RfP.</p>

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					<i>delivered to the Guarantor on or before the Expiry Date at the ICICI Bank Ltd, Jabalpur.</i>		
120	Deloitte	<p>SCC Clause</p> <p>3.1.2 The scoring criteria to be used for evaluation shall be as follows (Table) (Page 9–10)</p> <p>Point No: 3</p>	Page 9–10 of SCC	Count of “ long-term (minimum 12 months) ” consultancy projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/State Governments/Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector.	<p>It is requested to kindly amend the clause as per following:</p> <p>Count of consultancy projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/State Governments/Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector.</p>	<p>It is requested to kindly remove the requirement of “long-term (minimum 12 months)” for eligible projects and consider the consultancy projects based on scope and relevance of work performed.</p> <p>Restricting eligibility to projects with a minimum duration of 12 months may exclude relevant and high-impact assignments, thereby limiting competition</p>	<p>No change.</p> <p>Please follow RfP.</p>
121	Deloitte	<p>SCC Clause</p> <p>3.1.2 The scoring criteria to be used for evaluation shall be as follows (Table) (Page 9–10)</p> <p>Point No: 3 and</p>	Page 9–10 of SCC	Count of long-term (minimum 12 months) consultancy projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/State Governments/ Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector.	It is requested to kindly delete the repetitive criteria provision appearing at Point 3 and Point 7 and proportionately adjust the marks allocation accordingly.		Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender with regard to this clause.

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		Point 7					
122	Deloitte	<p>3.1.2 The scoring criteria to be used for evaluation shall be as follows (Table) (Page 9–10)</p> <p>Point No: 4</p>	Page 9–10 of SCC	<p>Count of “long-term (minimum 12 months)” consultancy projects for development of Floating Solar Projects at State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/ NTPC/ Government Industries/ Central-State Departments/ Semi Government Industry/ Other Leading Industries/IPPs/PSUs/Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency in India, involving program management support in energy sector.</p>	<p>It is requested to kindly amend the clause as per following:</p> <p>Count of consultancy projects for development of Floating Solar Projects at State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/ NTPC/ Government Industries/ Central-State Departments/ Semi Government Industry/ Other Leading Industries/IPPs/PSUs/Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency in India, involving program management support in energy sector.</p>	<p>It is requested to kindly remove the requirement of “long-term (minimum 12 months)” for eligible projects and consider the consultancy projects based on scope and relevance of work performed.</p> <p>Restricting eligibility to projects with a minimum duration of 12 months may exclude relevant and high-impact assignments, thereby limiting competition.</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender with regard to this clause.</p>
123	Deloitte	<p>CE (RM) NIT No. 2025_ MPPGC_439304</p>		<p>Bid Submission End Date- 27/04/2026 up to 15:00 Hrs</p>	<p>It is requested to kindly extend the proposal submission date by at least 15 days from the current deadline.</p>	<p>Post issuance of pre-bid clarifications and amendments, bidders are required to obtain necessary internal approvals. In view of the same, it is requested to kindly provide an extension in submission timeline to bidders can revisit and align their proposals with the updated</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 3</p>

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						tender conditions.	
124	Deloitte	<p><u>Annexure II</u> <u>PROFORMA FOR</u> <u>BANK</u> <u>GUARANTEE IN</u> <u>LIEU OF EARNEST</u> <u>MONEY DEPOSIT</u></p> <p>(Clause No. 1.15-VII of Instruction to Bidders)</p>	Page 56 of SBD	Standard Proforma for Bank Guarantee in lieu of Earnest Money Deposit as provided in the tender document.	<p>We request to kindly confirm whether the following standard limiting provisions may be incorporated in the Bank Guarantee format and shall not be treated as deviation.</p> <p>“Notwithstanding anything contained herein above:</p> <p>1. Bank’s liability under this Bank Guarantee shall not exceed maximum guaranteed amount of INR _____ /- (Indian Rupees _____ only) under any circumstances; and</p> <p>2. This Bank Guarantee shall remain valid and in full force and effect up to _____ ; and</p> <p>3. Bank’s liability to pay guaranteed amount under this Bank Guarantee will arise if and only if the Bank receives a written claim or demand from the Beneficiary, as per the terms and conditions of this Bank Guarantee, on or before _____ stating defaults committed by _____ <<Applicant of the BG>> on or before the Expiry Date of this Bank Guarantee giving rise to Bank’s liability hereunder, whereafter this Bank Guarantee shall automatically stand cancelled and we shall be relieved and discharged from all liabilities under this Bank Guarantee whether or not the original Bank Guarantee is returned</p>	The requested clauses are standard banking provisions aligned with RBI guidelines and prevailing banking practices, facilitating smoother issuance of BGs by banks. Inclusion of these provisions will clearly define the tenor of the BG, avoiding it being treated as open-ended in tenor.	No Change

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					to us.		
125	E&Y	Clause 12 (B) 1	Page 9 of NIT	<p>Energy Advisory Services: -These services rendered should be related to Solar Project/Hybrid Solar Project for a single project having minimum capacity of 90 MW" OR „any two different projects each having minimum capacity of 60 MW" OR „any three different projects each having minimum capacity of 45 MW for any State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/NTPC/Government Industries/ Central/Semi Governments Industry, Deptt./Other Leading Industries/ IPP/ PSU's/State Governments/Union Territory/State Nodal Agency/ State Department/International Development Agencies (IDAs) in India. The Services should be specifically related to -</p> <p>i. Preparation of PFR / DPR for „Solar Project/Hybrid Solar Project.</p> <p>ii. Planning, technical commercial analysis, preparing/validating the technical reports prepared, evacuation system planning with</p>	<p><i>Energy Advisory Services: -These services rendered should be related to Solar Project/Hybrid Solar Project or any relevant Renewable Energy (RE) for any State-Owned Power Generating Companies/ Other Power Utilities/NTPC/Government Industries/ Central/Semi Governments Industry, Deptt./Other Leading Industries/ IPP/ Urban Local Bodies PSU's/State Governments/Union Territory/State Nodal Agency/ State Department/International Development Agencies (IDAs) in India. The Services should be specifically related to -</i></p> <p><i>i. Preparation of PFR / DPR for Solar Project/Hybrid Solar Project or any relevant RE project.</i></p> <p><i>ii. Planning, technical commercial analysis, preparing/validating the technical reports prepared, evacuation system planning with existing STU/CTU grid for development of Solar/Hybrid Solar Project or any relevant RE project.</i></p> <p><i>iii. Bid Process Management, preparation of RFP, preparation of necessary project agreements, support in evaluation of proposals & selection of prospective developers, preparation of project progress monitoring system etc for development of Solar/Hybrid Solar Project or any relevant RE project.</i></p> <p><i>iv. Providing consultancy services on policy/</i></p>	<p>i. Removal of mandatory minimum capacity thresholds (90 MW/ 60 MW/ 45 MW) : The original thresholds were disproportionately restrictive and effectively excluded a large number of competent/ potential consultancy firms who may have delivered high-quality advisory services for smaller but technically complex projects. Project size alone is not a reliable indicator of advisory competence. Removing capacity floors ensures competition on merit.</p> <p>ii. Inclusion of "any relevant RE project" across all sub-criteria: Limiting eligible experience strictly to Solar or Hybrid Solar projects</p>	<p>No Change.</p> <p>Please follow RFP.</p>

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			<p>existing STU/CTU grid for development of Solar/Hybrid Solar Project.</p> <p>iii. Bid Process Management, preparation of RFP, preparation of necessary project agreements, support in evaluation of proposals & selection of prospective developers, preparation of project progress monitoring system etc for development of Solar/Hybrid Solar Project.</p> <p>iv. Providing consultancy services on regulatory matters in at least two (2) separate contracts.</p> <p>v. Experience of Project Management Consultancy/Project Management Unit services which includes post selection of developer support during project execution and monitoring of different on-site ground activities necessary for development of Solar/Hybrid Projects.</p>	<p><i>regulatory matters to any Renewable Energy Project.</i></p> <p><i>v. Experience of Project Management Consultancy/Project Management Unit services which includes post selection of developer support during project execution and monitoring of different on-site ground activities necessary for development of Solar/Hybrid Projects or any relevant RE project.</i></p>	<p>ignores the fact that advisory methodologies, regulatory frameworks, grid integration challenges, and bid management processes are largely common across all Renewable Energy technologies (Wind, Hydro, Storage, Hybrid, etc.). Broadening the scope to include all RE projects significantly widens the pool of eligible bidders without diluting technical relevance.</p> <p>Removal of "at least two separate contracts" condition under Regulatory Advisory (Clause iv): Mandating a minimum number of contracts in a specific sub-domain (regulatory advisory) is an unusually narrow and arbitrary threshold. A firm that has delivered</p>	
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						<p>comprehensive, multi-faceted regulatory advisory in even a single large engagement demonstrates adequate competency. This change levels the playing field for firms with deep but concentrated regulatory experience.</p> <p>iv. Addition- Clause iv- Inclusion of policy in regulatory matters- Regulatory advisory in the energy sector is inherently intertwined with broader policy frameworks — including national RE policies, State energy policies, RPO obligations, and/or grid connectivity regulations etc. Separating "policy" from "regulatory" creates an artificial distinction. Recognising both together reflects the actual nature of advisory work performed in this</p>	
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						domain and allows firms with policy-level engagements to qualify.	
126	E&Y	Clause: 12 (B) (2) (Power Sector Regulatory Advisory Services) ; Page No: 10/18	Page 10 NIT	<p>Name of Document: Tender Notice</p> <p>Clause: 12 (B) (2) (Power Sector Regulatory Advisory Services) ; Page No: 10/18</p> <p>The bidder must have successfully drafted Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) for State-owned or Central-owned power generating utilities. This experience should demonstrate capability in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Framing commercial, legal, and risk allocation provisions <p>Addressing obligations, liabilities, payment security, scheduling and settlement mechanisms</p>	We request to kindly drop this clause	Kindly note that this condition is overly restrictive and narrows competition by excluding otherwise capable regulatory/energy advisory firms that have strong tariff, petition-filing and contract capability but may not have drafted PPAs specifically for State/Central generating utilities. Since the tender's scope is primarily regulatory advisory + RE project support, the requirement can be better addressed through other important criterias such as team CVs/contract review experience/approach & methodology, rather than a mandatory "drafted PPA" credential—thereby	No Change. Please follow RfP.

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						improving participation while still safeguarding quality.	
127	E&Y	Clause: 12 (B) (2) (Power Sector Regulatory Advisory Services)	Page 10 of NIT	Name of Document: Tender Notice Clause: 12 (B) (2) (Power Sector Regulatory Advisory Services) ; Page No: 10/18 The bidder must have experience in preparing and reviewing Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) and Revenue Budgets for Central or State Government-owned utilities.	We request to kindly drop this clause	This criterion is not essential to the core deliverables of regulatory advisory and tariff filings, and it unnecessarily limits competition by excluding competent regulatory/energy consultants who support budgeting through financial modelling/analysis without having done formal utility budget preparation.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender with regard to this clause.
128	E&Y	Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.4 (Combined and Final Evaluation) ;	Page 7 of SCC	Name of Document: Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.4 (Combined and Final Evaluation) ; Page No: 7/14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We request to adopt Least cost basis (L1) methodology to evaluate and select the preferred bidder. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A minimum of 70 marks shall ensure qualified bidders will only make it to financial bid opening. ○ After meeting the qualification threshold of 70 marks, all bidders can be treated at same level. • Off-late, similar methodology has also been adopted by Government clients including Central Ministry for engagement of consultants on Program Management 	Bidders scoring 70 marks in technical proposal shall be considered as QUALIFIED, following which, L1 financial proposal shall be declared WINNER.	No Change . Please follow RFP

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					<p>related engagements.</p> <p>It is kindly requested to adopt L1 methodology to evaluate to evaluate the techno-commercial proposal of the bidder. Bidders scoring 70 marks in technical proposal shall be considered as QUALIFIED, following which, L1 financial proposal shall be declared WINNER.</p>		
129	E&Y	Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.1 (1)	Page 4 of SCC	<p>Name of Document: Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.1 (1); Page No: 4/14</p> <p>1. Years of Experience of Firm in Energy Advisory Business- Max. Technical score-8</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pls clarify, what is the expectation around timeframe/time-period of the experience of Energy Advisory Business to be demonstrated by bidder? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What will be the basis of marks allocation to the bidder for this criteria? Pls clarify <p>We understand that “Energy Advisory Business” includes “Power & Utility Advisory” as well. Pls clarify</p>	<p>We request you to kindly include the following changes:</p> <p>1. Years of Experience of Firm in Energy Advisory Business-</p> <p>Max. Technical score-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upto 15 years : 8 marks > 12 years but <15 years: 6 marks > 8 years but < 12 years: 4 marks >4 years but <8 years: 2 marks >=0 years but <2 years: 0 marks 	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender with regard to this clause.</p>
130	E&Y	Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.1 (1); Page No: 4/14	Page 4 of SCC	<p>2. Count of Consultancy Projects in assisting State Nodal Agency/State Department in making regulatory submissions on Renewable Energy issues to the Regulatory</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The scope of work with respect to renewable energy is related to technical and transaction services. It doesn't pertain to any regulatory filing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Therefore, this criterion is not relevant to the scope of work. 	<p>We request you to include following changes:</p> <p>2 Count of Consultancy Projects in assisting State Nodal Agency/State</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender with regard to this clause.</p>

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				<p>Commission in an Indian state. Max. Technical score-8</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further, the regulatory work mentioned in the scope of work pertains to tariff filing. It doesn't specifically say regulatory advisory pertaining to renewable energy issues only. There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects. <p>We request you to include ongoing works</p>	<p>Department/State or Central govt entities on Transaction/Bid process Management engagements on Renewable Energy In last 10 years.</p> <p>Max. Technical score-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 projects: 0 marks >1 up to 3 projects=3 marks >3 up to 5 projects= 5 marks > 5 projects= 8 marks 	
131	E&Y	Name of Document: Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.1 (1)	Page 4 of SCC	<p>3. Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/State Governments/Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector- Max. Technical score-8</p> <p>7. Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar for</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please note that the evaluation parameter (3) and (7) are similar in nature and accordingly needs to be modified. We request you to delete one of the two points and allocate 8 marks to the candidate's experience Further, many long-term retainer assignments do not explicitly mention "hybrid RE" as the retainer assignments often work pertain to multiple projects such as floating, solar, hybrid etc. We request you to kindly delete the words "hybrid RE projects with solar" There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total 	<p>We request you to make following changes:</p> <p>3.Count of long term (minimum 12 months project duration as per the contract) Consultancy Projects for development of RE projects at Central/State Governments/PSU & their JVs/Union Territory/ State or</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender with regard to this clause.</p>

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				Central/ State Governments/Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector- Max. Technical score-8	<p>count of projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We request you to include ongoing works <p>We understand that ‘Consultancy Projects’ refers to Advisory/Study Transaction/Bid Process management/PMU support/Implementation support. Please clarify whether the understanding is correct</p>	<p>Central Entity supported by IFIs/ bilateral funding agencies /Think Tanks, involving program management support in energy sector in last 10 years- Max. Technical score- 0</p> <p>projects: No marks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >1 up to 3 projects=3 marks >3 up to 5 projects= 5 marks > 5 projects= 8 marks 	
132	E&Y	Name of Document: Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.1 (1)	Page 4 of SCC	4. Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Floating Solar Projects at State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/NTPC/Government Industries/Central-State Departments/Semi Governments Industry /Other Leading Industries/IPPs/PSU's / Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency in India, involving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We understand that ‘Consultancy Projects’ refers to Advisory/Study Transaction/Bid Process management/PMU support/Implementation support. Please clarify whether the understanding is correct Since floating solar projects are long term, some of our work involves multi year support. Therefore, ongoing projects may also be considered There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects. <p>We request you to include ongoing works</p>	<p>We request you to make following change:</p> <p>4. Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Floating Solar Projects at State Owned Power Generating Companies/Other Power Utilities/NTPC/Govern ment</p>	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause.

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				<p>program management support in energy sector - Max. Technical score-8</p>	<p>shall be considered.</p>	<p>Industries/Central-State Departments/Semi Governments Industry /Other Leading Industries/PPs/PSU's / Union Territory/ State Nodal Agency/ IFIs/ bilateral / think tanks in India involving any type of experience in floating solar Projects in last 10 years- Max. Technical score-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 projects: No marks • >1 up to 3 projects=3 marks • >3 up to 5 projects= 5 marks > 5 projects= 8 marks 	
133	E&Y	Name of Document: Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.1 (1);	Page 4 of SCC	<p>Count of consultancy for development of solar project with at least 20 MWhr BESS- Max. Technical score- 8</p>	<p>We request you to kindly delete this criterion as this is repetitive. The criteria mentioned above sufficiently captures solar with battery storage projects. The marks allocated here can be moved to candidates' experience.</p> <p>While the scope includes storage, the criteria</p>	<p>Count of consultancy projects for development of BESS/ PSP (Stand-alone or hybrid) for State Govt/Central Govt/PSUs/Private</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause.</p>

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					<p>doesn't mention pumped storage. Only BESS is mentioned. Request you to add PSP to this as well</p> <p>There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects.</p> <p>We request you to include ongoing works shall be considered.</p>	<p>sector/IFI/Think Tanks supported projects in last 10 years-</p> <p>Max. Technical score- 0 projects: No marks 1 project: 3 marks 2 projects 5 marks 3 projects= 8 marks</p> <p>Ongoing projects/engagements shall be considered to meet the desired criteria</p>	
134	E&Y	Name of Document: Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.1 (1);	Page 4 of SCC	Years of experience in preparing and filing tariff petitions for at least two (2) new Thermal or Hydro Power Projects before the Commissioning. Max. Technical score- 8	<p>We understand that 4 marks shall be allocated to one project subject to a maximum of 8 marks</p> <p>We request you to kindly include experience of review /preparation of business plans / strategy as well since it relates to tariff filing.</p> <p>Kindly remove the words “new” and “before commissioning” since the work experience doesn't change for new vs existing plants.</p>	<p>We request you to make following changes: Years of experience in preparing and filing tariff petitions / business plans/ corporate plans/ strategy for at least two (2) Thermal or Hydro Power Projects of Centre/State Generating Stations/JV of State & Centre/IPPs in last 10 years-</p> <p>Max. Technical score-</p> <p>1 project: 4 marks 2 projects: 8 marks</p>	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause.

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						Ongoing projects/engagements shall be considered to meet the desired criteria	
135	E&Y	Name of Document: Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.1 (1)	Page 4 of SCC	Years of experience in preparing and reviewing Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) and Revenue Budgets for Central or State Government-owned utilities. Max. Technical score- 8	We request you to delete this requirement as the clause There is no mention on how the marks will be allocated. Request you to kindly clarify the allocation of 8 marks against the total count of projects.	This is very restrictive criteria and therefore it is requested to replace the same with following: Years of experience in assisting CERC/SERC/JERC in tariff determination and True-Up of thermal/hydro generating stations OR Years of experience in assisting CERC/SERC/JERC on any other regulatory matter pertaining to PPA/Additional capitalisation claims/Fuel cost and Energy Charge adjustments/ Contractual/R&M. Max. Technical score	No Change. Please follow RfP.

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						0 years: No marks >1 up to 3 years=3 marks >3 up to 5 years= 5 marks > 5 year= 8 marks	
136	E&Y	Name of Document: Special Condition of Contract Clause: 3.1.2 (Evaluation Criteria & Team experience)	Page No: 6 of SCC	Clause: 3.1.2 (Evaluation Criteria & Team experience)	The current split of marks allocation between bidder’s credentials and team’s credentials is skewed. More marks are allocated to bidder’s credentials than the team expected to perform. Therefore, marks allocation to Team must be at least equal to marks allocated to the bidder.	It is suggested to split the marking between evaluation criteria (bidder credentials) and Team experience equally to 50 and 50 respectively from current split of 64 and 36, considering that handling engagement of such nature requires professionals with rich and diversified experience.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause.
137	E&Y	Name of Document: Standard Bid document for consultancy/expert services contract Clause: 1.8; Page No: 16	Page No: 16 of SBD	Name of Document: Standard Bid document for consultancy/expert services contract Clause: 1.8; Page No: 16 Participation of Joint Venture Company (JVC) / Partnership Firm is allowed subject to compliance of all legal formalities and submission / uploading of requisite documents in this regard.	Please clearly whether consortium is allowed for participating in this tender.	Kindly issue clarification in this regard	Consortiums are not allowed to participate.
138	E&Y	Name of Document: Notice Inviting	Page No: 6 & 16 of NIT	Name of Document: Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) Clause 7 & 15 : Tender Fee & Bidding	Kindly confirm if cost of tender INR 5,000 can be submitted along with final bid on 15th April 2026. End date of purchase of tender	Kindly issue clarification	Documents can be purchased any time prior to

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		Tender (NIT) Clause 7 & 15 : Tender Fee & Bidding Schedule		Schedule	document is not mentioned in bidding schedule at clause 15-page 16/18		submission date, please follow clause 5 of NIT.
139	E&Y	Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) Clause 13: Team Composition Sr. No. 4: Renewable Energy specialist (Civil), 5: Renewable Energy specialist (Electrical), 6: Floating Solar Expert, 7: Resident Engineer	Page No. 12 to 15 of NIT	Name of Document: Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) Clause 13: Team Composition Sr. No. 4: Renewable Energy specialist (Civil), 5: Renewable Energy specialist (Electrical), 6: Floating Solar Expert, 7: Resident Engineer	Since these are site positions, bachelor’s degree with relevant experience should be sufficient to perform this task. Master’s qualification for site engineers is unnecessary.	Kindly change the criteria to following : RE Specialist (Civil): Minimum 5 years“ experience in Power Sector/RE Sector, Experience of conducting Geo-tech survey, GIS survey of area..... Min. Qualification- B.E/B. Tech in Civil engineering RE Specialist (Electrical): Minimum 5 years“ experience in Power Sector/RE Sector, Should have at least 3 years of experience of planning and designing internal electrical system.... Min. Qualification- B.E/B. Tech in Electrical engineering Floating Solar Expert:	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause.

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						<p>Minimum 05 years“ experience in RE sector especially in FPV project. Should have experience in designing of float, anchoring and mooring</p> <p>Min. Qualification- B.E/B. Tech in Electrical/Mechanical/Civil engineering</p> <p>7. Resident Engineer: Minimum 3 years“ experience in Solar project erection and commission. at least 3 years of experience of erection and commissioning of RE Projects including evacuation infrastructure Min. Qualification- B.E/B. Tech in Electrical/Mechanical/Civil engineering</p>	
140	E&Y	Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) Clause 13: Team Composition Sr. No. 8:	Page 14 of NIT	Sr. No. 8: Team Leader (Tariff & Regulatory Functional Consultant cum power Sector Expert)	Higher degree is master’s degree. Certificate course/ diploma is lower than master’s degree. Therefore, only B.E with MBA or CA must be considered.	Kindly change the criteria to following : Team Leader (Tariff &	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause

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					Chartered accountants come from commerce background. They will not have engineering/thermal power plant background	Regulatory Functional Consultant cum power Sector Expert): Having minimum of 10 years of experience in the power sector, including expertise in Tariff and Regulatory matters, Experience in Policy related matters Min. Qualification- Engineering Graduate with MBA from a recognized Institute/ University or Chartered Accountant (CA)	
141	E&Y	Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) Clause 13: Team Composition Sr. No. 9: Regulatory Specialist A	Page 14 of NIT	Sr. No. 9: Regulatory Specialist A	In the team leader position, B.E and MBA or CA is mentioned. Same can be used here. Only CA qualification is restrictive	Kindly change the criteria to the following: Regulatory Specialist-A 1 No.: Having experience of minimum 05 years. Weightage will be given to experience in Tariff and Regulatory matters with any Central/State Govt.	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause

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						Min. Qualification- Engineering Graduate with MBA from a recognized Institute/ University or Chartered Accountant (CA)	
142	Mercados	12.B.1 (ii) (Tender Notice)	Page 9 of NIT	Planning, technical commercial analysis, preparing/validating the technical reports prepared, evacuation system planning with existing STU/CTU grid for development of Solar/Hybrid Solar Project.	Planning, technical commercial analysis, preparing/validating the technical reports prepared, evacuation system planning with existing STU/CTU grid or lenders or owner's engineer or PMA support for development of Solar/Hybrid Solar Project.	It is requested that experience as Lender's or Owner's Engineer or PMA Support may also be considered as eligible experience for the requirement. These assignments involve technical due diligence, techno-commercial analysis, conceptual design review, validation of technical reports, assessment of evacuation arrangements with STU/CTU, and implementation monitoring. These activities closely align with the scope of planning and techno-commercial analysis for solar/hybrid projects.	No Change. Please follow RfP.

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						Hence, considering these experience would align with industry practice and allow participation of technically qualified firms.	
143	Mercados	12.B.1 (v) (Tender Notice)	Page 9 of NIT	Experience of Project Management Consultancy/Project Management Unit services which includes post selection of developer support during project execution and monitoring of different on-site ground activities necessary for development of Solar/Hybrid Projects	Experience of Project Management Consultancy/Project Management Unit or LIE/PMA services which includes post selection of developer support during project execution and monitoring of different on-site ground activities necessary for development of Solar/Hybrid Projects		No Change. Please follow RfP.
144	Mercados	12.E (ii) (Tender Notice)	Page 10 of NIT	-	New Clause to be Added: Bidder who has been barred or blacklisted by the Central Government, any State Government, any Public Sector Undertaking, or any Central/State Government statutory authority in the past shall not be eligible to submit a bid either directly or indirectly. Further, neither the Bidder nor its Affiliate / Associate / Subsidiary / Member Firm shall, during the last seven (7) years, have failed to perform any agreement, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority, or a judicial pronouncement or	The existing clause is generic and only restricts bidders who are blacklisted as on the date of NIT, which may allow participation of bidders with adverse past performance history. The proposed clause introduces a defined time frame and covers past blacklisting, contract termination, invocation of performance securities, and adverse	No change. Please Follow RfP.

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					<p>arbitration award against the Entity or its Affiliate / Associate / Subsidiary / Member Firm, nor been expelled or terminated from any project or agreement, nor had any agreement terminated for breach, nor had any client forfeited or invoked the Security Deposit or the Performance Bank Guarantee of the Bidder or its Affiliate / Associate</p> <p>/ Subsidiary / Member Firm in the past seven (7) years due to non-performance of breach of any contract. An affidavit to this effect shall be submitted on a Notarized Rs. 200/- non-judicial stamp paper, duly executed by the authorized signatory of the Bidder.</p>	<p>arbitral/judicial findings. This ensures selection of reliable and credible bidders with consistent performance history, enhances transparency, and safeguards the project from performance and contractual risks.</p>	
145	Mercados	SCC, 3.1.2 (S. No. 3)	Page 4 of SCC	<p>3. Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/State Governments/Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector.</p>	<p>3. Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Floating Solar Projects/ Hybrid RE projects with solar at Central/State Governments/Union Territory/ CPSU, involving program management/LIE /PMA support in energy sector</p> <p>1 marks for each assignment Maximum 8 marks To be evidenced by work order along with performance or completion certificate</p>	<p>The existing clause is restrictive as it considers only Hybrid RE projects with solar and limits the scope to program management support. The proposed clause expands the scope by including Floating Solar Projects, CPSUs, and related roles such as LIE/PMA, which are equally relevant to development and</p>	<p>No change.</p> <p>Please Follow RfP.</p>

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						oversight of RE projects. Additionally, introducing specific marking (1 mark per assignment, up to 8 marks) improves transparency and objectivity in evaluation. Requiring work orders along with performance/completion experience and promotes fair assessment.	
146	Mercados	SCC, 3.1.2 (S. No. 5)	Page 4 of SCC	5. Count of consultancy for development of solar project with at least 20 MWhr BESS	5. Count of consultancy for development of solar project with at least 20 MWhr BESS involving program management/LIE /PMA support in energy sector 2 marks for each assignment Maximum 8 marks To be evidenced by work order along with performance or completion certificate.	The existing clause broadly considers consultancy for development of solar projects with BESS but does not clearly define the nature of consultancy support or evaluation methodology. The proposed clause clarifies that only relevant roles such as Program Management/LIE/PMA support will be considered, ensuring	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause

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						<p>alignment with</p> <p>the intended scope of work. Further, introducing specific marking (2 marks per assignment, up to 8 marks) provides an objective and transparent evaluation framework.</p> <p>Requiring work orders along with performance/completion certificates also ensures proper substantiation of experience and fair assessment of bidders.</p>	
147	Mercados	SCC, 3.1.2 (S. No.7)	Page 4 of SCC	<p>7. Count of long term (minimum 12 months) Consultancy Projects for development of Hybrid RE projects with solar for Central/State Governments/Union Territory, involving program management support in energy sector.</p>	<p>Revised Clause proposed:</p> <p>7. Experience in executing large consultancy assignments/services to unbundled state-owned power generation utilities in India in last ten (10) years.</p> <p>Value between Rs. 5 crores to Rs. 10 crore = 2 marks for each completed assignment</p> <p>Value between Rs. 10 crores to Rs. 15 crore = 3 marks for each completed assignment</p> <p>Value greater than Rs. 15 crore = 4 marks for</p>	<p>The earlier clause overlaps with Sr. No. 3 of the technical evaluation criteria and evaluates similar RE consultancy experience, resulting in duplication. The revised clause introduces a distinct assessment parameter in terms of value of work executed for unbundled state-</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause</p>

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					<p>each completed assignment. Maximum 8 marks Value of the work to be certified by the client in the work completion certificate</p>	<p>owned power generation utilities. Evaluating assignments based on contract value reflects the scale, complexity, and responsibility handled by the bidder. The value-based marking structure also ensures objective, transparent, and non-duplicative evaluation of bidders.</p>	
148	Mercados	13 (Tender Notice)	Page 12-15 of NIT	<p>8. Team Leader (Tariff C Regulatory Functional Consultant cum power Sector Expert)</p> <p>Certificate course/Diploma in Thermal Power Plant Engineering.</p>	<p>8. Team Leader (Tariff C Regulatory Functional Consultant cum power Sector Expert)</p> <p>Certificate course/Diploma in Thermal Power Plant Engineering.</p>	<p>The qualification requirement already specifies BE along with MBA, which adequately covers the technical and managerial competencies required for the Team Leader (Tariff C Regulatory Functional Consultant cum Power Sector Expert). Additional certification in Thermal Power Plant Engineering does not add significant relevance to the primarily tariff,</p>	<p>Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause</p>

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						regulatory, and power sector advisory role. Such certification may also unnecessarily restrict otherwise qualified and experienced professionals. Therefore, it is requested that the certification requirement be removed to allow wider participation of suitably qualified candidates	
149	Mercados	SCC, Note to Table under 3.1.2	Page 5 of SCC	For Scoring of marks (for Firm), Maximum score will be awarded to the Bidder having maximum count of projects/ maximum years of experience. The score of other Bidders will be calculated relative to the score given to the Bidder with the maximum score.	To Be Deleted	The relative marking methodology awards maximum marks to the highest bidder and scores others proportionately, which may lead to subjective and non-transparent evaluation. It also creates uncertainty for bidders, as scoring depends on comparative bids rather than predefined criteria. Deleting the relative marking	Please refer Corrigendum No. 4 of subject tender regarding this clause

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						provision and awarding marks as per fixed methodology defined under each technical evaluation criterion ensures objective, transparent, and predictable scoring. This approach promotes fair competition and enables bidders to clearly understand the scoring framework in advance.	
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