

REPLY OF PRE-BID QUERIES dated 19.05.2026

Name of work: Design Engineering & Procurement of Construction of D-Block in Hospital Wing of New Medical College Attached with Existing District/Referral Hospital at Lakhimpur Khiri on EPC Mode.

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S. NO.	REFERENCE TO DOCUMENT	EXISTING PROVISION IN THE TENDER	QUERY OR CLARIFICATION SOUGHT	REPLY BY DEPARTMENT
1	-	-	<p>With reference to the aforementioned tender invited by your office, we, M/s Durga Construction, would like to bring to your kind attention a technical inconsistency between the actual Scope of Work and the Additional Pre-Qualification Criteria (PQC) stipulated in the bid documents.</p> <p>According to Volume 4 (Architectural DBR) of the tender documents, the project overview explicitly states that while the total District Hospital will be upgraded to 420 beds, the specific scope of this tender involves the construction of "Wing D consisting of 30 beds" along with associated departments and services. This 30-bed capacity for Wing D is further confirmed in the detailed component breakdown and the payment schedule for medical services, such as the Medical Gas Pipeline System, which is designated for a 30-bedded facility.</p> <p>However, in Volume 1 (NIT & ITB), Clause 1.4(e) of Section-I under "Additional pre-qualification criteria," it is mandated that a bidder must have experience in executing at least one work of a minimum 100-bedded Hospital or Trauma Center. Furthermore, Clause 1.4(e) Note 11 reiterates that bidders must meet the 40% bed criteria "subject to minimum 100 beds". There is a significant disparity between the actual project scope (30 beds) and the experience requirement (100 beds). Requiring experience that is more than triple the actual capacity of the work to be executed may limit healthy competition and exclude otherwise highly qualified firms who have successfully delivered specialized medical facilities of a similar scale.</p> <p>We, therefore, humbly request your good office to consider adjusting the Additional Pre-Qualification Requirement to experience in a 30-bedded hospital (or a relevant percentage thereof) to align with the actual technical scope of the "D-Block" construction. This adjustment will ensure a more equitable bidding process while still maintaining the necessary standards of expertise required for the project.</p> <p>We hope for a favorable consideration of our request and the issuance of a necessary corrigendum in this regard.</p>	No Change. As per the tender document.
			MGPS is not attached in SOF. Kindly provide	It is being uploaded vide Corrigendum dated 20.05.2026
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2	-	-	<p>With reference to the above-mentioned tender and Annexure-1(Enclosed), it is understood that soil investigation and validation of geotechnical parameters are to be carried out through designated/approved agencies under the supervision of DPR/PMC Consultant, and the structural design is to be finalized based on such approved reports.</p> <p>Further, as per Annexure-1, the EPC Contractor is required to execute the work based on approved designs and "Good for Construction" drawings issued after due verification of soil investigation results by the competent authority.</p> <p>Also reference to the guidelines and responsibilities outlined in the issued document (Annexure-1) regarding engagement of DPR Consultant, PMC Consultant, EPC Contractor and roles of Lok Nirman Vibhag, we would like to draw your kind attention towards the provisions related to soil investigation and design finalization.</p> <p>As per the stipulated conditions, soil investigation/testing is to be conducted through designated/approved agencies, and the structural design is to be finalized based on the test reports duly verified and approved by the competent authority. Further, EPC contractor is required to proceed with structural design and construction based on such approved data (Good for Construction drawings).</p> <p>In the tender document, the Safe Bearing Capacity (SBC) values have been specified as 22.00 T/m², 23.50 T/m², and 22.20 T/m² at 2.5 m depth volume 4 page no 73. These values form the fundamental basis for foundation design, cost estimation, and bid pricing.</p> <p>In this regard, we hereby seek your explicit confirmation on the following: That the SBC values provided in the tender/soil report are final, verified, and shall be considered binding for design and cost estimation purposes.</p> <p>That in case of any variation/deviation in actual soil conditions or SBC observed during site investigation/execution, necessitating change in foundation type, depth, or structural design, the same shall be treated as a change in scope. Accordingly, any additional cost and time implications arising due to such deviation shall be borne by the Department/Client, and the EPC Contractor shall be entitled to suitable cost compensation and extension of time (EOT).</p> <p>It is pertinent to mention that soil parameters are critical design inputs and any deviation beyond the tendered data significantly impacts foundation design, quantities, and overall project cost. Hence, clarity on this matter is essential to avoid future disputes and ensure smooth execution of the project.</p> <p>You are requested to kindly provide your confirmation at the earliest, enabling us to proceed with accurate bidding and design planning.</p>	Refer Clause 2.3.5 (b) of the ITB according to which Site information including the site survey, soil investigation report etcetera, given in this Bid Document is for guidance only. The Bidder is advised to visit and examine the Site of works and its surroundings at his/their cost and get/ obtain at his/their own responsibility, any information that may consider necessary including conducting site survey, soil investigations, availability of electricity, water and drainage, as applicable for preparing the Bid. Technical Cell, EPC Mission, Planning Department shall not be liable for such costs, regardless the outcome of the selection process. Again in Clause 1.7.2 of the Vol 3(SCC), it is clearly mentioned that Soil report enclosed is indicative. Bidder/Contractor is advised to do their own survey/exploration; nothing extra will be paid on deviation of soil report. Moreover the aforesaid project is to be executed on Mode III(Refer Section 6 Schedule F of GCC) .



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3	-	-	It is requested to kindly confirm that the SBC values mentioned in the tender document are accurate and shall be treated as the "Design Basis" for the EPC Mode-2 contract for calculation the foundation cost of the structure and for preparing the structural design, as the foundation is the main part of any type of building.
4	-	-	Since this work is to be executed under EPC Mode-2 as defined in GCC Volume-2 on Page no. 6, it is further requested to you kindly confirm that the tender drawings, DBR, Specifications and soil investigation report given by the department shall be treated as based for "Goods Construction Drawing" as defined in Volume 3 of SCC (Scope of work) on page no. 05 & 06 and any variation from the same come during execution of work shall be treated as a "Change in Scope" under Clause 12.2 & 12.3 of the Contract Agreement as mentioned in Schedule "F".
5	-	-	Confirmation is required, so that accurate estimation for bidding the tender and foundation design shall be prepared accordingly as the tender drawings show raft in the tender drawing on page no 25 for the structure.
6	-	-	Further, it is requested to confirm that if the actual SBC given in the tender soil investigation report vary by more than 25% as per NBC 2016 section 2 during the contractor's soil investigation or third party at site is found to be lower or greater than the values specified in the tender, such condition shall be treated as an "Unforeseen Site Condition" under Clause 4.12 of the GCC of the CPWD as the work will be done on the CPWD specification, and the additional cost & time implication due to change in foundation type/design/drawings shall be borne by which party?.
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7	-	-	This is to submit that in the above referred tender, the department has specified the Safe Bearing Capacity values as mentioned in attached tender document Soil Test Report on page no. 15&16. It is requested to kindly confirm that the SBC values mentioned in the tender document are accurate and are to be adopted for calculating the foundation cost of the structure and for preparing the structural design. Confirmation is requested so that accurate cost estimation for Bidding the tender and foundation design shall be prepared accordingly. Further, it is requested to clarify that in case any deviation is observed in the actual SBC during soil investigation at site, the additional cost implication for change in foundation type/design shall be borne by the which party?



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