

Section I: Request for Proposal Letter (RFPL)

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The President of India, through the Secretary (RT&H)/ Chairman NHAI/ MD NHIDCL, in the MoRTH/NHAI/NHIDCL (hereinafter referred to as 'the Authority', 'the Head of Procurement', 'the Procuring Entity' and 'the Procuring Organization' respectively), invites proposals (hereinafter referred as 'the Proposal(s)') from eligible consultants on the basis of International Complete Bidding (please see Tender Information Summary (TIS) appended to this letter for reference), for entering into a contract for the delivery of Consultancy Services for engaging an DPR Consultant (hereinafter referred to as 'the Services'), using the selection method as specified in TIS. This Request for Proposal (RFP) Document, reference number, RFP No./ RO/VJA/DPR&Feasibility Report/NH-216/2025-26 (hereinafter referred to as 'the RFP Document'), gives further details.

2. The RFP Document

2.1. Consultants must read the complete 'RFP Document'.

This RFPL, an integral part of the RFP Document, serves the limited purpose of invitation and does not purport to contain all relevant details for submitting Proposals. 'Tender Information Summary' (TIS) appended to this letter gives a salient summary of the relevant information, including the Type of BPQ/ Contract, basic eligibility and Selection Method to evaluate RFP. Any generic reference to RFPL shall also imply a reference to TIS as well. However, Consultants must go through the complete RFP Document for details before submission of their Proposals.

2.2. Availability of the RFP Document The RFP Document shall be published on "INFRACON" (www.infracon.nic.in) for download after the date and time of the start of availability till the deadline for availability as mentioned in TIS. The Consultant who download the RFP document from the website will be required to pay the non-refundable fee of Rs. 5,000/- towards cost of RFP at the time of the submission of the Bid proposal through RTGS/NEFT/or any other online mode in favour of MoRTH/NHAI/NHIDCL/Agency. If the Procuring Entity happens to be closed on the deadline for the availability of the RFP Document, the deadline shall not be extended.

As such before submitting the proposal the Consultant shall mandatorily register and enlist themselves (the firm and all key personnel), on the MoRTH portal "INFRACON" and furnish registration details along with its RFP. A copy of Infracon Operation Procedure is also enclosed for bidder's reference. All the bidders registered on Infracon shall form a Team on Infracon and which would be assigned unique Infracon Team ID. Bidders while submitting the proposal shall quote the Infracon Team ID. Bid must be submitted online at e-tender portal of <MoRTH> <https://eprocure.gov.in>

Any query/ clarification regarding downloading RFP Documents and uploading Proposals on the e-Procurement portal may be addressed to the Help Desk in the eProcurement Portal (please refer to TIS for details).

2.3. Clarifications

A Consultant may seek any clarification of the RFP Document through the eProcurement Portal before the date and time stipulated in TIS (or, if not mentioned, before 14 days of the deadline for the proposal submission). This deadline shall not be extended in case of any intervening holidays. No other means of submission of queries shall be entertained.

3. Eligibility and Qualification Criteria for Participation in this RFP

Consulting firms meeting the eligibility criteria as mentioned in Appendix -1 to Tender Information Summary (TIS) are only eligible for applying for this assignment.

Firms not meeting these criteria, need not apply.

4. Purchase Policies of the Government

4.1. Restriction for participation in tender

- 1) Central Government policies restrict the participation of entities from i) Certain countries sharing land borders with India and ii) Countries that restrict the participation of Bidders from India. Consulting firms shall submit the declaration regarding these restrictions as mentioned in Appendix- 1 to Tender Information Summary (TIS). They should ensure that they continue to comply with such declarations till completion of bidding process.
- 2) Notwithstanding 4.1 1) above, Bidders from only those countries shall be allowed to participate in bidding process which comply with the restrictions imposed under rule 144(xi) of General Financial Rules (GFR) and/or any other restrictions imposed by Govt. of India through Ministry of Home Affairs or Ministry of External Affairs or Ministry of Finance.

5. Pre-Proposal Conference:

If indicated in TIS, Consultants are requested to attend a Pre-Proposal conference to clarify the RFP's technical requirements and commercial conditions at the time, date, and place mentioned therein.

6. Submission of Proposals:

- 1) Proposals must be uploaded by the submission deadline mentioned in TIS. If the office happens to be closed on that date, this deadline shall not be extended. Further details are given in ITC.
- 2) Integrity Pact: If indicated, in the TIS, all Consultants shall have to sign the Integrity Pact with the Procuring Entity as per 'Form T-13: Integrity Pact'. In such cases, Proposals without a signed Integrity Pact shall be rejected.

7. Proposal Opening

Proposals received shall be opened online on or after the specified date and time in TIS. If the office is closed on the specified date of opening of the Proposals, the opening shall be done on the next working day at the same time.

Note: For further details, please refer to appended TIS and the complete RFP Document.

Digitally Signed by
Tender Inviting Authority (TIA)

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Appendix: Tender Information Summary (TIS)

Appendix to RFPL: Tender Information Summary (TIS)

RFP Document No. RO/VJA/DPR&Feasibility Report/NH-216/2025-26 Dated 02.04.2026
Tender Title: Consultancy Services for Feasibility Study and Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for 4L/6L of Kathipudi to Ongole Stretch of NH-216 from Km 0/000 to Km 390/000 in the state of Andhra Pradesh.

(Ref ITC-clause 1.4)

Tender Information Summary (TIS)			
1.0 Basic Tender Details			
Tender Title/ Name of Assignment	Consultancy Services for Feasibility Study and Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for 4L/6L of Kathipudi to Ongole Stretch of NH-216 from Km 0/000 to Km 390/000 in the state of Andhra Pradesh.		
Tender Reference Number	RFP No./ RO/VJA/DPR&Feasibility Report/NH-216/2025-26 dated : 02.04.2026	Nature of assignment:	Normal Highway
Tender Type	International Competitive Bidding	Tender Category	Consultancy Services
No. of Covers	[Two Covers]	Product Category	[Consultancy]
Selection Method#	Modified QCBS	Appointing Authority For Arbitration	Head of the Procuring Organization
Organization:	MoRTH	The Procuring Entity:	Procuring Entity
Authority on whose behalf RFP is invited	President of India	Through the	Head of Procurement
Tender Inviting Authority (TIA)	Regional Officer, MoRTH, Vijayawada	Address	Regional Officer, Vijayawada 3rd and 4th Floor, Near Kanaka Durga Varadhi, Rani gari Thota, Krishna Lanka, Vijayawada - 520 013. Tele: 0866-2970220; Fax: 0866-2571985; Email: romorthvijayawada@gmail.com

2.0 Critical Dates (ITC-clauses 6, 7; 8; 9, and 10)			
<i>For the schedule of dates for the Pre-proposal Conference, if any, please refer to Section 7.0 below</i>			
Published Date	02.04.2026	Proposal Validity (Days from the date of Proposal Opening) - ITC-clause 8.3	120 days i.e., till 31.07.2026
Document Download Start Date & Time	02.04.2026 / 5 PM	Document Download End Date & Time	18.05.2026 / 5 PM
Clarification Start Date & Time	24.04.2026 / 10 AM	Clarification End Date & Time	30.04.2026 / 3 PM
Proposal Submission Start Date & Time	02.04.2026 / 5 PM	Proposal Submission Closing Date & Time	18.05.2026 / 5 PM
Proposal Opening (techno-commercial Proposal) Date & Time	19.05.2026 / 5 PM		
Technical Proposal Presentation / Customers Testimonials	[To be intimated later]	Proposal Opening (Financial Proposal) Date & Time	[To be intimated later]
3.0 Terms of Reference (ITC-Clause 4)			
Consignee/ State:	Andhra Pradesh	GSTIN Code of Consignee	37VPNR02131D1DA
Period of Contract	12 months		
Service Details:	Consultancy Services for Feasibility Study and Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for 4L/6L of Kathipudi to Ongole Stretch of NH-216 from Km 0/000 to Km 390/000 in the state of Andhra Pradesh.		
4.0 Obtaining the RFP Document and clarifications (ITC-Clause 6)			
eProcurement and Procuring Entity's Portal and helpdesk	https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app	[0120-4001 002; 0120-4001 005; 0120-4493395; or support-eproc@nic.in]	

Cost of RFP Document (INR)	Rs 5000/- The Consultant who download the RFP document from the website will be required to pay the Non-refundable fee of Rs.5,000 (Rupees Five Thousand only) and GST for Rs.900/-(Rupees Nine Hundred only) must be submitted in through www.bharatkosh.gov . in portal Ministry Code: 024, Regional Office code : 206489, PAO Code:: 002193, Head of Account :: 105400501010000, Object Code:: 00, Category: 1 in favor of Regional Pay and Accounts Officer, MoRTH.		
Office/ Contact Person/ email for clarifications	Regional Officer , 3rd and 4th Floor, Near Kanaka Durga Varadhi, Rani gari Thota, Krishna Lanka, Vijayawada - 520 013. Tele: 0866-2970220; Fax: 0866-2571985; Email: romorthvijayawada@gmail.com		
5.0 Pre-Proposal Conference (ITC-clause 7)			
Is a Pre-Proposal Conference proposed to be held ?	yes		
Place, time, and date of the Pre-Proposal Conference	02.05.2026, 11 AM Regional Office, Vijayawada,3rd and 4th Floor, Near Kanaka Durga Varadhi, Rani gari Thota, Krishna Lanka, Vijayawada.		
Place, time, and date before which Written queries for the Pre-Proposal conference must be received	01.05.2026 / 3 PM Regional Office, Vijayawada,3rd and 4th Floor, Near Kanaka Durga Varadhi, Rani gari Thota, Krishna Lanka, Vijayawada. romorthvijayawada@gmail.com		
Place, time, and date before which registration of participants for the Pre-Proposal conference must be received	30.04.2026 / 5 PM Regional Office, Vijayawada,3rd and 4th Floor, Near Kanaka Durga Varadhi, Rani gari Thota, Krishna Lanka, Vijayawada. romorthvijayawada@gmail.com		
6.0 Preparation and Submission and Opening of Proposals (ITC-clause 8, 9 and10)			
Proposals to be addressed to	President of India, Through Regional Officer, MORTH, Vijayawada		
Instructions for Online Proposal Submission	All the bidders registered on Infracon shall form a Team on Infracon and which would be assigned unique Infracon Team ID. Bidders while submitting the proposal shall quote the Infracon Team ID. All the bidders registered on Infracon shall form a Team on Infracon and which would be assigned unique Infracon Team ID. Bidders while submitting the proposal shall quote the Infracon Team ID. Bid must be submitted online at e-tender portal of MoRTH https://eprocure.gov.in on or before 18.05.2026 / 5 PM		
Language of Submission	English	Bid Validity	120 days from Bid opening date
Proposal Opening Place	On e-procurement portal(s) mentioned above		
7.0 Documents relating to Bid Security (ITC-clause 8.4) and Performance Security(ITC-clause 13.1.2)			

Bid Security (EMD) Amount in INR:	[14,00,000/-]	Is Bid Securing Declaration permitted in lieu of Bid Security	yes
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Performance Security	Under Modified QCBS, the Performance Bank Guarantee is to be quoted by the bidder, subject to a minimum of 5% of the contract amount. Note: The quoted PBG forms 40% of the evaluation weightage.	Bid/ Performance Security to be addressed/ in favour of	Regional Office, Vijayawada, 3rd and 4th Floor, Near Kanaka Durga Varadhi, Rani gari Thota, Krishna Lanka, Vijayawada. Details of Bank of Authority Name of Beneficiary: RPAO National Highways Hyderabad Name of Bank: CANARA BANK Account No: 30081010010693 IFSC Code: CNRB0013008
Form of Bid/ Performance Security	Insurance Surety Bonds, Bank Guarantee from any of the Commercial Banks, payment online in an acceptable form		
Note: The Performance Bank Guarantee shall be submitted by both the JV Partners separately and in same proportion as is the share of each member in the JV. Any deviation in above condition shall be considered as breach of Contract.			

[Selection Method#: The selection method shall be determined based on the Tentative Project Cost (Excluding GST and Excluding Land Cost): -

For Normal Highway Projects:

- a) ~~Tentative Project Cost <=100 Cr (Excluding GST and Excluding Land Cost)~~
 - i) ~~Cost to be Quoted by the Bidders~~
 - ii) ~~QCBS mode with 30 (Technical Score):30 (DPR Rating): 40(Financial) weightages~~
 - iii) ~~PBG @ 10 %~~
 - iv) ~~Only 1 JV partner allowed meeting at least 40% minimum eligibility criteria. Lead Partner to meet 60% eligibility criteria.~~
- b) ~~100 Cr<Tentative Project Cost <=500 Cr (Excluding GST and Excluding Land Cost)~~
 - i) ~~Fixed Cost assessed by Tender Inviting Agency- No financial proposal to be submitted by bidders~~
 - ii) ~~PBG to be quoted by Bidder~~
 - iii) ~~QBS mode with 30 (Technical Score):30 (DPR Rating): 40 (PBG quote) weightages~~
 - iv) ~~Only 1 JV partner allowed meeting at least 40% minimum eligibility criteria. Lead Partner to meet 60% eligibility criteria.~~
- e) ~~500 Cr<Tentative Project Cost <=1000 Cr (Excluding GST and Excluding Land Cost)~~
 - i) ~~Fixed Cost assessed by Tender Inviting Agency- No financial proposal to be submitted by bidders~~
 - ii) ~~PBG to be quoted by Bidder~~
 - iii) ~~QBS mode with 30 (Technical Score):30 (DPR Rating): 40 (PBG quote) weightages~~
 - iv) ~~Only 1 JV partner allowed meeting at least 50% minimum eligibility criteria. Lead Partner to meet at least 75% eligibility criteria.~~
- d) Tentative Project Cost >1000 Cr (Excluding GST and Excluding Land Cost)
 - i) Fixed Cost assessed by Tender Inviting Agency- No financial proposal to be submitted by bidders

- ii) PBG to be quoted by Bidder
- iii) Modified QCBS mode with 30 (Technical Score):30 (DPR Rating): 40 (PBG quote) weightages
- iv) Only 1 JV partner allowed who should be an international firm of repute i.e. having experience of DPR of Highway Projects for multilateral agencies such as ADB/World Bank/JICA with aggregate length equal to or greater than DPR length under bidding besides meeting at least 40% minimum eligibility criteria. Lead Partner to meet 60% eligibility criteria.

Note: International firm shall be a foreign registered firm of repute or a 100% subsidiary of such an international firm, registered in India.

~~For Standalone Bridge Projects:~~

- ~~i) Fixed Cost assessed by Tender Inviting Agency- No financial proposal to be submitted by bidders~~
- ~~ii) PBG to be quoted by Bidder~~
- ~~iii) Modified QCBS mode with 60 (Technical including Rating): 40 (PBG quote) weightages~~
- ~~iv) Only 1 JV partner is allowed fulfilling at least 50% minimum eligibility criteria and only sub-contracting for specialized survey & investigation works upto 10% of project cost is allowed with prior approval of the Implementing Agency. The Lead Partner to fulfil at least 75% of eligibility criteria.~~

~~For Standalone Tunnel Projects:~~

- ~~i) Fixed Cost assessed by Tender Inviting Agency- No financial proposal to be submitted by bidders~~
- ~~ii) PBG to be quoted by Bidder~~
- ~~iii) Modified QCBS mode with 60 (Technical including Rating): 40 (PBG quote) weightages~~
- ~~iv) Only 1 JV partner is allowed fulfilling at least 50% minimum eligibility criteria and only sub-contracting for specialized survey & investigation works upto 10% of project cost is allowed with prior approval of the Implementing Agency. The Lead Partner to fulfil at least 75% of eligibility criteria.~~