

### HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX SYAMA PRASAD MOOKERJEE PORT KOLKATA

# ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT INVITES RFQ FOR

Mechanization of Berth No. 05 (Erstwhile Berth No. 4b) on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis at Haldia Dock Complex

(RFQ/Tender No. GM(Engg.)/T/10/2022-2023)

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#### **GLOSSARY**

GLUSSARY			
Applicant(s)	As defined in Clause 1.2.1		
Application	As defined in the Disclaimer		
Application Due Date	As defined in Clause 1.1.5		
Associate	As defined in Clause 2.2.9		
Authority	As defined in Clause 1.1.1		
Bids	As defined in Clause 1.2.3		
Bid Due Date	As defined in Clause 1.2.3		
Bid Security	As defined in Clause 1.2.4		
Bidders	As defined in Clause 1.1.1		
<b>Bidding Documents</b>	As defined in Clause 1.2.3		
Bidding Process	As defined in Clause 1.2.1		
Bid Stage	As defined in Clause 1.2.1		
BOT	Build, Operate and Transfer		
Concessionaire	As defined in Clause 1.1.2		
Concession Agreement	As defined in Clause 1.1.2		
Conflict of Interest	As defined in Clause 2.2.1(c)		
Consortium	As defined in Clause 2.2.1 (a)		
DBFOT	As defined in Clause 1.1.1		
Eligible Experience	As defined in Clause 3.2.1		
Eligible Projects	As defined in Clause 3.2.1		
<b>Estimated Project Cost</b>	As defined in Clause 1.1.4		
Financial Capacity	As defined in Clause 2.2.2 (B)		
Government	Government of India		
Highest Bidder	As defined in Clause 1.2.8		
Jt. Bidding Agreement	As defined in Clause 2.2.6 (g)		
Lead Member	As defined in Clause 2.2.6 (c)		
LOA	Letter of Award		
Member	Member of a Consortium		
Net Worth	As defined in Clause 2.2.4 (ii)		
O&M	Operation and Maintenance		
PPP	Public Private Partnership		
Premium	As defined in Clause 1.2.8		
Project	As defined in Clause 1.1.1		
Qualification	As defined in Clause 1.2.1		
Qualification Stage	As defined in Clause 1.2.1		
Re. or Rs. Or INR	Indian Rupee		
RFP or Request for Proposals	As defined in Clause 1.2.1		
RFQ	As defined in the Disclaimer		
Royalty	As defined in Clause 1.2.8		
SPV	As defined in Clause 2.2.6		
Technical Capacity	As defined in Clause 2.2.2 (A)		
Threshold Technical Capacity	As defined in Clause 2.2.2 (A)		
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The words and expressions beginning with capital letters and defined in this document shall, unless repugnant to the context, have the meaning ascribed thereto herein.

#### HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX SYAMA PRASAD MOOKERJEE PORT, KOLKATA

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The information contained in this Request for Qualification document (the "RFQ") or subsequently provided to Applicant(s), whether verbally or in documentary or any other form, by or on behalf of the Authority or any of its employees or advisors, is provided to Applicant(s) on the terms and conditions set out in this RFQ and such other terms and conditions subject to which such information is provided.

This RFQ is not an agreement and is neither an offer nor invitation by the Authority to the prospective Applicants or any other person. The purpose of this RFQ is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in the formulation of their application for qualification pursuant to this RFQ (the "Application"). This RFQ includes statements, which reflect various assumptions and assessments arrived at by the Authority in relation to the Project. Such assumptions, assessments and statements do not purport to contain all the information that each Applicant may require. This RFQ may not be appropriate for all persons, and it is not possible for the Authority, its employees or advisors to consider the investment objectives, financial situation and particular needs of each party who reads or uses this RFQ. The assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this RFQ may not be complete, accurate, adequate or correct. Each Applicant should therefore, conduct its own investigations and analysis and should check the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and completeness of the assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this RFQ and obtain independent advice from appropriate sources.

Information provided in this RFQ to the Applicant(s) is on a wide range of matters, some of which may depend upon interpretation of law. The information given is not intended to be an exhaustive account of statutory requirements and should not be regarded as a complete or authoritative statement of law. The Authority accepts no responsibility for the accuracy or otherwise for any interpretation or opinion on law expressed herein.

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The Authority also accepts no liability of any nature whether resulting from negligence or otherwise howsoever caused arising from reliance of any Applicant upon the statements contained in this RFQ.

The Authority may, in its absolute discretion but without being under any obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information, assessment or assumptions contained in this RFQ.

The issue of this RFQ does not imply that the Authority is bound to select and short-list pre-qualified Applications for Bid Stage or to appoint the selected Bidder or Concessionaire, as the case may be, for the Project and the Authority reserves the right to reject all or any of the Applications or Bids without assigning any reasons whatsoever.

The Applicant shall bear all its costs associated with or relating to the preparation and submission of its Application including but not limited to preparation, copying, postage, delivery fees, expenses associated with any demonstrations or presentations which may be required by the Authority or any other costs incurred in connection with or relating to its Application. All such costs and expenses will remain with the Applicant and the Authority shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for the same or for any other costs or other expenses incurred by an Applicant in preparation or submission of the Application, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Bidding Process.

#### HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX SYAMA PRASAD MOOKERJEE PORT KOLKATA

#### **NOTICE INVITING APPLICATION**

Global invitation for Qualification for "Mechanization of Berth No. 5 on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis" at Haldia Dock Complex(HDC) for a concession period of thirty (30) years.

HDC, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (the "Authority") invites Application from interested parties (Applicants) in accordance with the Request for Qualification (RFQ) Document in order to shortlist competent Applicants who can subsequently bid for the Project as per Request for Proposal (RFP) Documents. The estimated cost of the project stands as Rs. 343.58 Crores.

The RFQ Document containing brief scope of the Project, Instructions to Applicants, Evaluation Criteria, etc can be downloaded from the website of Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port , Kolkata: <a href="http://kolkataporttrust.gov.in">http://kolkataporttrust.gov.in</a>. The cost of RFQ documents along with TEFR at Rs 47,200 (Rupees forty Seven thousands two hundreds Only) including GST @ 18% for domestic as well as foreign applicants shall be submitted in the form of Demand Draft (non-refundable) issued by any scheduled bank drawn in favour of Haldia Dock Complex, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port , Kolkata payable at Haldia/Kolkata or through NEFT/RTGS. The original Demand Draft or details of UTR for NEFT/RTGS shall have to be submitted along with their bids.

The details of bank to which payment is to be made against the bid document fees is appended below:

Name of Beneficiary: SYAMA PRASAD MOOKERJEE PORT, KOLKATA,HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX

- 1.Account Number -1604050000064
- 2. Account Type Current
- 3.Bank Name-Punjab National Bank
- 4.Branch Name- Haldia Dock Complex Branch
- 5.IFS Code- PUNB0160420

Applicant should provide details in the format provided for acknowledgment.

However, the prospective bidders who wish to get a copy of the TEFR, shall submit request along with bid document fee in advance. TEFR will be issued only to the bidders who shall submit the bid document fee in advance. Aforesaid bidders shall submit the demand draft /UTR reference along with their request. There are no separate fees for TEFR.

The completed Application in the required format containing all the information requested in the RFQ document shall be submitted along with the Demand draft for cost of documents on or before last date of download of the RFQ document to the office of the General Manager (Engg.), Haldia Dock Complex, Jawahar Tower, Haldia Township, Haldia – 721607, West Bengal, India. The validity of the Application shall be one hundred and twenty (120) days from date of submission of Application.

The schedule of different activities till submission of the applications is as under:

1	Download period of RFQ Document	From 26 <sup>th</sup> September.2022 at 1700 hrs
2	Last date of receiving queries regarding RFQ	1700 hrs on 12. 10.2022
3	Date of Pre-Application Conference	1100 hrs on 14.10.2022
4	Authority response to queries latest by	1700 hrs on 25.10.2022
5	Last date of submission of RFQ	
	Applications	Upto 1500 hrs on 15.11.2022
6	Date of Opening of RFQ Application	From 16 <sup>th</sup> November.2022 at 1700 hrs

Note: Any updation/amendment in the RFQ will be uploaded on the Authority's website only viz. <a href="http://kolkataporttrust.gov.in">http://kolkataporttrust.gov.in</a>

#### **AVAILABILITY OF THE RFQ DOCUMENTS:**

- https://www.smportkolkata.shipping.gov.in/ of Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata.
- http://eprocure.gov.in/epublish/app of Central Public Procurement Portal.
- http://kopt.enivida.in/ of e-Nivida's e-portal.

Any updation/amendment & Clarifications, if any, would also be available in the aforesaidwebsites.

#### PARTICIPATING IN THE BIDDING PROCESS:

The qualified bidders will have to participate in the bidding process by downloading the relevant documents from the website of Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata.[https://www.smportkolkata.shipping.gov.in/] or [http://eprocure.gov.in/epublish/app of Central Public Procurement Portal] or [http://kopt.enivida.in/ of e-Nivida's e-portal].

General Manager (Engineering)

Haldia Dock Complex

Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port , Kolkata

SCHEDULE OF TENDER/APPLICATION (SOT) (RFQ/Tender No. GM(Engg.)/T/10/2022-2023)

3.1.	Name of work	::	MECHANIZATION OF BERTH NO. 5 ON DESIGN, BUILD, FINANCE, OPERATE, TRANSFER ("DBFOT") BASIS ATHALDIA DOCK COMPLEX
3.2.	<b>Tender Inviting Authority</b>	::	General Manager (Engg.)
			Haldia Dock Complex;
			Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata.
3.3.	3. Cost of RFQ (Cost of RFQ Process)		The intending bidders must deposit Rs 47,200 (Rupees forty Seven thousands two hundreds Only) [including GST @ 18%], as Bid Document Fee (non-refundable) by way Demand Draft from any Scheduled Bank in favor of Haldia Dock Complex payable at Haldia, to Haldia Dock Complex, or through NEFT/RTGS. In case the said Bid Document Fee is not deposited by the bidder, the respective bid will be summarily rejected, treating the same as non-responsive.
3.4.	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	::	343.58 Crores
3.5.	Bid Validity	::	120 Days of the Bid due date.
3.6.	i) Download period ofRFQ Document	::	From 26 <sup>th</sup> September.2022 at 1700 hrs
	ii) Last date of receiving queries regarding RFQ	::	1700 hrs on 12. 10.2022
	iii) Date of Pre Application	::	
	Conference		1100 hrs on 14.10.2022
	iv) Authority response to queries latest by		1700 hrs on 25.10.2022
	v) Last date of	::	
	submission of RFQ Applications		Upto 1500 hrs on 15.11.2022
	vi) Date of Opening of RFQ Application	::	From 16 <sup>th</sup> November.2022 at 1700 hrs
3.7.	Address of the Employer	::	SYAMA PRASAD MOOKERJEE PORT ,KOLKATA
			15 Strand Road,
			Kolkata-700001
			West Bengal, India
3.8.	Address of Engineer	::	Shri A.Ganesan
			General Manager (Engineering) Haldia Dock Complex,
			Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port , Kolkata
			Address:
			Engineering Department Jawahar Tower Complex ; P.O.: Haldia Township; Dist.: Purba

			Medinipur ; PIN: -721607 West Bengal, India.
3.9.	Address of the Engineer's	::	E. mail : aganesan.hdc@kolkataporttrust.gov.in Shri R.N.Roy
	representative		Sr. Dy. Manager (P&E), Haldia Dock Complex,
			Operational Administrative Building (1st floor),
			Chiranjibpur; P.O: Haldia;
			Dist.: Purba Medinipur; PIN: 721 604; West Bengal; India.
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### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

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Tel: +91-3224-264971

E. mail: aganesan.hdc@kolkataporttrust.gov.in

Name of Project	"Mechanization of Berth No. 5 on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis" at Haldia Dock Complex for a concession period of thirty (30) years.
Request for Qualification Document downloaded from www.kolkataporttrust.gov.in by	(Name of the person)
Designation	
Name of the Organization	
Address with Phone no. ,FAX, E-mail id	
Signature	
Date	

#### HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX

SYAMA PRASAD MOOKERJEE PORT, KOLKATA

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Background

Haldia Dock Complex, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port (HDC,SMP), Kolkata (the Authority) is a Riverine port with two Dock Systems viz. Kolkata Dock System (KDS) located in Kolkata and Haldia Dock Complex (HDC) located at Haldia. HDC is located on the western bank of river Hooghly at a Latitude: 220 02' N and Longitude: 880 06' East.

1.1.1 Haldia Dock Complex has a vast economic hinterland comprising major Steel Plants of SAIL and TATA Steel, Power Plants of NTPC, CESC, WBPDCL, high grade iron ore & Coal mines, Coke & Fertilizer manufacturing industries etc. In view of this, HDC has a potential to handle substantial volume of dry bulk cargo consisting of Coking Coal, Non Coking coal, Coke, Lime Stone, Manganese Ore, Iron ore, Fertilizer Raw Materials, etc.

Keeping in view the long term requirement of the steel plants, power utilities and other industries located in the hinterland of HDC, the port has potential to handle vast quantum of dry bulk cargo comprising Coking Coal, Non Coking coal, Coke, Lime Stone, Fertilizer Raw Materials, Manganese Ore, iron ore etc. VOYANTS SOLUTIONS PVT. LTD, the consultant engaged by the HDC, SMPK after carrying out detailed Techno Economic Feasibility Report (TEFR) has projected handling of about 9.89 MMPTA of dry bulk cargo at Haldia Dock Complex by next 30 years

In view of the potential mentioned above and to obviate the constraints of single Lock Entrance, HDC, SMPK after carrying out detailed Feasibility Study have decided to set up "Mechanization of Berth No. 05 (Erstwhile Berth No. 4b) on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis at Haldia Dock Complex" at HDC, SMPK for a concession period of 30years.

The RFQ Document is in respect of setting up "Mechanization of Berth No. 5 (Erstwhile berth No 4b)" comprising the following equipment enable to full scale mechanized system of ship unloading, conveying, stocking and evacuating by rail through rapid wagon loading system through Silo along with all other associated facilities (herein to referred to as "Project") through on Design, Build, Finance, Operate & Transfer (DBFOT) basis and have decided to carry out the bidding process for selection of the preferred bidder.

Sl. No.	Particulars Details/Description along with broad specifications	Unit	Quantity
A1	Berth equipment		
A1.1	Mobile harbour crane with rated capacity @1000 TPH	Nos.	2
A1.2	Berth Conveyor- rated capacity 2000 TPH (import)- all complete along with civil and mechanical installations	m	280
A1.3	Pay loader- 3 cum capacity (on hire)	Nos.	0
A1.4	Mechanized Hopper- 250 T holding and handling capacity 2000 TPH	Nos.	2
A1.5	Spares towards the machinery/equipment	%	As per requirement
A1.6	Spares towards the conveyor belt	%	As per requirement
A2	Yard Equipment's		
A2.1	Stacker cum Reclaimer (2000/2000 TPH)	Nos.	2
A2.2	Yard Conveyor (including required TT) with rated capacity 2000 TPH (Import)- all complete along with civil and mechanical installations	m	250
A2.2	Stockpile conveyor / conveyour for stacker cum reclaimer feeder (including required TT) with rated capacity 2000 TPH (Import) with 45 boom length - all complete installations (two separate conveyours to be installed on same track)	m	1600
A2.3	Pay loader- 3 cum capacity (on hire)	Nos.	0
A2.4	Truck loading station	Nos.	Not Proposed
A2.5	Wagon loading station (2000 TPH rated capacity with 800 tonne silo and two chute system for loading two rake)	Nos.	1
A2.6	In motion weighbridge (for truck & wagon)	Nos.	2
A2.7	Spares towards the machinery/equipment		As per requirement
A2.8	Spares towards the conveyor belt		As per requirement
A3	Utilities firefighting /sewerage/ water distribution system etc.	LS	As per requirement

The indicative cost for the project is Rs. 343.58 crores.

Name of the Project	Estimated Project Cost (in Rs.)	Optimal Capacity of the Berth in MT	Proposed Cargo
Mechanization of	343.58 crores.	5 MMTPA	Dry Bulk
Berth No. 5 on	(Rupees Three		(Coal,
DBFOT Basis	Hundred Forty		Manganese,
	Three Crores		Iron Ore)
	and Fifty Eight		
	Lakhs)		

The Authority intends to pre-qualify and short-list suitable Applicants (the "Bidders") who will be eligible for participation in the Bid Stage, for awarding the Project through an open competitive bidding process in accordance with the procedure set out herein.

- 1.1.2 The selected Bidder, who is either a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 or undertakes to incorporate as such prior to execution of the concession agreement (the "Concessionaire") shall be responsible for designing, engineering, financing, procurement, construction, operation and maintenance of the Project under and in accordance with the provisions of a concession agreement (the "Concession Agreement") to be entered into between the Concessionaire and the Authority in the form provided by the Authority as part of the Bidding Documents pursuant hereto.
- 1.1.3 The scope of work of Mechanization of Berth No. 5 on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis" at Haldia Dock Complex(HDC) for a concession period of thirty (30) years also includes the following:
  - (i) All civil, mechanical, electrical, electronics and IT implementation works including any other component relating to the development of Mechanization of berth no. 5 (Erstwhile berth No 4b) to handle dry bulk cargo including storage areas, operational, administrative & welfare buildings & amenities like drainage, safety & security, firefighting system and water supply system including roads etc.
  - (ii) Installation of different equipment handling cargo at the berth, storage areas, railway sidings including transfer of cargo to and from the Terminal / storage areas etc.
  - (iii) All electrical installation works connected with power distribution, illumination and operation of different equipment within the project area.
  - (iv) Installation of dust suppression, environmental protection, fire fighting & disaster management facilities.
  - (v) Compliance with environmental laws including obtaining and keeping in force throughout the concession period all required statutory clearances, which shall include construction, operation and maintenance phases of the project.
  - (vi) Planning, designing, construction, operation and maintenance of all

- developmental works shall comply with the relevant Indian Standards and in the absence of Indian Standards; relevant International standards shall be complied with. Safety precautions as per statutory requirements and IMO guidelines shall also be complied with.
- (vii) The concessionaire shall ensure compliance to Quality, Environmental, occupational Health, Safety and ISPS Codes as may be prevailing from time to time.
- (viii) Operation and maintenance of the facilities proposed throughout the concession period including attending to repairs and replacements of the infrastructure/ facilities as may be needed during the concession period and handing over of the entire infrastructure facilities and equipment to the Concessioning Authority in satisfactory working condition at the time of handing over of project at the end of the concession period or earlier, if so occasioned.
- (ix) Repairing of the Jetty of berth No. 5 (Erstwhile berth No 4b) to be carried out by successful bidder under its cost and arrangement.
- (x) Supply and installation of long travel rail at the jetty for Mobile Harbour Crane, hopper (if any) and stacker cum reclaimer is under the scope of the concessionaire.
- (xi) All the equipment from Sl No A1-A3 (Clause 1.1.1) including any other facility which may be essential for the successful execution of the contract is under the scope of the concessionaire.
- 1.1.4 Indicative capital cost of the Project (the "Estimated Project Cost") will be revised and specified in the Bidding Documents of the Project. The assessment of actual costs, however, will have to be made by the Bidders.
- 1.1.5 The Authority shall receive Applications pursuant to this RFQ in accordance with the terms set forth herein as modified, altered, amended and clarified from time to time by the Authority, and all Applications shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with such terms on or before the date specified in Clause 1.3 for submission of Applications (the "Application Due Date").

#### 1.2 Brief description of Bidding Process

1.2.1 The Authority has adopted a two-stage process (collectively referred to as the "Bidding Process") for selection of the bidder for award of the Project. The first stage (the "Qualification Stage") of the process involves qualification (the "Qualification") of interested parties/ consortia who make an Application in accordance with the provisions of this RFQ (the "Applicant", which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context, include the Members of the Consortium). Prior to making an Application, the Applicant shall pay to the Authority a sum of Rs 47,200 (Rupees forty seven thousands two hundreds Only) inclusive of GST as the cost of the RFQ process? At the end of this stage, the Authority expects to announce a short-list of suitable pre-qualified Applicants who shall be eligible for participation in the second stage of the Bidding Process (the "Bid Stage") comprising Request for Proposals (the "Request for Proposals" or "RFP").

Government of India has issued guidelines (see Appendix-V) for qualification of bidders seeking to acquire stakes in any public sector enterprise through the process of disinvestment. These guidelines shall apply mutatis mutandis to this Bidding Process. The Authority shall be entitled to disqualify an Applicant in accordance with the aforesaid guidelines at any stage of the Bidding Process. Applicants must satisfy themselves that they are qualified to bid, and should give an undertaking to this effect in the form at **Appendix-I**.

- 1.2.2 In the Qualification Stage, Applicants would be required to furnish all the information specified in this RFQ. Only those Applicants that are pre-qualified and short-listed by the Authority shall be invited to submit their Bids for the Project. The Authority is likely to provide a comparatively short time span for submission of the Bids for the Project. The Applicants are, therefore, advised to visit the site and familiarise themselves with the Project.
- 1.2.3 In the Bid Stage, the Bidders will be called upon to submit their financial offers (the "Bids") in accordance with the RFP and other documents to be provided by the Authority (collectively the "Bidding Documents"). The Bidding Documents for the Project will be provided to every short-listed Bidder on payment of a process fee for RFP which will be about four times the amount specified in Clause 1.2.1. The Bid shall be valid for a period of not less than 120 days from the date specified in Clause 1.3 for submission of bids (the "Bid Due Date").
- 1.2.4 In terms of the RFP, a Bidder will be required to deposit, along with its Bid, a bid security equivalent to about 1% (one per cent) of the Estimated Project Cost (the "Bid Security"), refundable no later than 60 (sixty) days from the Bid Due Date, except in the case of the selected Bidder whose Bid Security shall be retained till it has provided a Performance Security under the Concession Agreement. The Bidders will have an option to provide Bid Security in the form of a demand draft or a bank guarantee acceptable to the Authority and in such event, the validity period of the demand draft or bank guarantee, as the case may be, shall not be less than 180 (one hundred and eighty) days for BG and 80 days for Demand Draft from the Bid Due Date, inclusive of a claim period of 60 (sixty) days, and may be extended as may be mutually agreed between the Authority and the Bidder from time to time. The Bid shall be summarily rejected if it is not accompanied by the Bid Security.

Where a demand draft is provided, its validity shall not be less than 80 (eighty) days from the Bid Due Date for the purposes of encashment thereof by the Authority. The Bid shall be summarily rejected if it is not accompanied by the Bid Security.

- 1.2.5 Generally, the Highest Bidder shall be the selected Bidder. The remaining Bidders shall be kept in reserve and may, in accordance with the process specified in the RFP, be invited to match the Bid submitted by the Highest Bidder in case such Highest Bidder withdraws or is not selected for any reason. In the event that none of the other Bidders match the Bid of the Highest Bidder, the Authority may, in its discretion, invite fresh Bids from the remaining Bidders or annul the Bidding Process, as the case may be.
- 1.2.6 During the Bid Stage, Bidders are invited to examine the Project in greater detail, and to carry out, at their cost, such studies as may be required for submitting their

- respective Bids for award of the concession including implementation of the Project.
- 1.2.7 As part of the Bidding Documents, the Authority will provide a draft Concession Agreement and feasibility report prepared by the Authority/ its consultants and other information pertaining/ relevant to the Project available with it.
- 1.2.8 Bids are invited for the Project on the basis of Highest Royalty per MT of cargo handled at the Project Facilities (the "Royalty"). The rate of Royalty will be indexed to as per the variations in the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) for all commodities announced by the Government of India annually as specified in the draft Concession Agreement.

In this RFQ, the term "Highest Bidder" shall mean the Bidder who is offering the

highest royalty per MT of cargo handled at the Project Facilities (the "Royalty").

- 1.2.9 The Concessionaire shall, in consideration of its investment and services, be entitled to levy and collect a user fee as per Market as per Tariff Guidelines of F-PD-13/66/2020-PPP(Part-2)/e-347563 dated. 21st December 2021 of Ministry of Port Shipping and Waterways.
- 1.2.10 Details of the process to be followed at the Bid Stage and the terms thereof will be spelt out in the Bidding Documents.
- 1.2.11 Any queries or request for additional information concerning this RFQ shall be submitted in writing or by fax and e-mail to the officer designated in Clause 2.13.3 below. The envelopes/ communications shall clearly bear the following identification/ title:

Queries/ Request for Additional Information: RFQ for "Mechanization of Berth No. 05 (Erstwhile Berth No. 4b) on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis at Haldia Dock Complex"

#### 1.3 Schedule of Bidding Process

The Authority shall endeavour to adhere to the following schedule:

Sl. No	<b>Event Description</b>	Date
	Qualification Stage	
1	Download period of RFQ Document	From 26 <sup>th</sup> September.2022 at 1700 hrs
2	Last date for receiving queries	1700 hrs on 12. 10.2022
3	Date of Pre-Application Conference	1100 hrs on 14.10.2022
4	Authority response to queries latest by	1700 hrs on 25.10.2022
5	Application Due Date	Upto 1500 hrs on 15.11.2022
6	Date and time of opening	From 16 <sup>th</sup> November.2022 at 1700 hrs
7	Announcement of qualified applicants	Within 15 days of application due date
	Bid Stage	<b>Estimated Date</b>
1	Sale of Bid Documents	[To be specified]
2	Last date for receiving queries	[To be specified]
3	Pre-Bid meeting	[To be specified]
4	Authority response to queries latest by	[To be specified]
5	Bid Due Date	[To be specified]
6	Opening of Bids	[To be specified]
7	Letter of Award (LOA)	Within 30 days of the Bid Due Date
8	Validity of Bids	120 days of Bid Due Date
9	Signing of Concession Agreement	Within 30 days of award of LOA

#### 1.4 Pre-Application Conference:

The date, time and venue of the Pre-Application Conference shall be:

Date: 11.05.2022 Time: 1100 hrs.

Venue: Conference Room, Jawahar Tower, Haldia Dock Complex, Haldia

Alternatively, on the written request of the Applicants, in case the Authority deemed necessary, the pre-bid meeting may be held through Video Conferencing. In such conditions, the details and link for the Video Conferencing would be shared with Applicants through email accordingly.

#### 2. INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

#### A. GENERAL

#### 2.1 Scope of Application

- 2.1.1 The Authority wishes to receive Applications for Qualification in order to short-list experienced and capable Applicants for the BidStage.
- 2.1.2 Short-listed Applicants may be subsequently invited to submit the Bids for the Project.

#### 2.2 Eligibility of Applicants

- 2.2.1 For determining the eligibility of Applicants for their pre-qualification hereunder, the following shall apply:
  - (a) The Applicant for pre-qualification may be a single entity or a group of entities (the "Consortium"), coming together to implement the Project. However, no applicant applying individually or as a member of a Consortium, as the case may be, can be member of another Applicant. The term Applicant used herein would apply to both a single entity and a Consortium.
  - (b) An Applicant may be a natural person, private entity, government-owned entity or any combination of them with a formal intent to enter into an agreement or under an existing agreement to form a Consortium. A Consortium shall be eligible for consideration subject to the conditions set out in Clause 2.2.6 below.
  - (c) An Applicant shall not have a conflict of interest (the "Conflict of Interest") that affects the Bidding Process. Any Applicant found to have a Conflict of Interest shall be disqualified. An Applicant shall be deemed to have a Conflict of Interest affecting the Bidding Process, if:
  - (i) the Applicant, its Member or Associate (or any constituent thereof) and any other Applicant, its Member or any Associate thereof (or any constituent thereof) have common controlling shareholders or other ownership interest; provided that this disqualification shall not apply in cases where the direct or indirect shareholding of an Applicant, its Member or an Associate thereof (or any shareholder thereof having a shareholding of more than 5 per cent of the paid up and subscribed share capital of such Applicant, Member or Associate, as the case may be) in the other Applicant, its Member or Associate is less than 5 per cent of the subscribed and paid up equity share capital thereof; provided further that this disqualification shall not apply to any ownership by a bank, insurance company, pension fund or a public financial institution referred to in section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013. For the purposes of this Clause 2.2.1(c), indirect shareholding held through one or more intermediate persons shall be computed as follows: (aa) where any intermediary is controlled by a person through management control or otherwise, the entire shareholding held by such controlled intermediary in any other person (the "Subject Person") shall be taken into account for computing the shareholding of such controlling person in the Subject Person; and (bb)

subject always to sub-clause (aa) above, where a person does not exercise control over an intermediary, which has shareholding in the Subject Person, the computation of indirect shareholding of such person in the Subject Person shall be undertaken on a proportionate basis; provided, however, that no such shareholding shall be reckoned under this sub-clause (bb) if the shareholding of such person in the intermediary is less than 26% of the subscribed and paid up equity shareholding of such intermediary; or

- (ii) a constituent of such Applicant is also a constituent of another Applicant; or
- (iii) such Applicant, or any Associate thereof receives or has received any direct or indirect subsidy, grant, concessional loan or subordinated debt from any other Applicant, or any Associate thereof or has provided any such subsidy, grant, concessional loan or subordinated debt to any other Applicant, its Member or any Associate thereof; or
- (iv) such Applicant has the same legal representative for purposes of this Application as any other Applicant; or
- (v) such Applicant, or any Associate thereof has a relationship with another Applicant, or any Associate thereof, directly or through common third party/ parties, that puts either or both of them in a position to have access to each others' information about, or to influence the Application of either or each other; or
- (vi) such Applicant, or any Associate thereof has participated as a consultant to the Authority in the preparation of any documents, design or technical specifications of the Project.
- (d) An Applicant shall be liable for disqualification if any legal, financial or technical adviser of the Authority in relation to the Project is engaged by the Applicant, its Member or any Associate thereof, as the case may be, in any manner for matters related to or incidental to the Project. For the avoidance of doubt, this disqualification shall not apply where such adviser was engaged by the Applicant, its Member or Associate in the past but its assignment expired or was terminated 6 (six) months prior to the date of issue of this RFQ. Nor will this disqualification apply where such adviser is engaged after a period of 3 (three) years from the date of commercial operation of the Project.

*Explanation:* In case an Applicant is a Consortium, then the term Applicant as used in this Clause 2.2.1, shall include each Member of such Consortium.

- (e) Other eligibility conditions shall include Prevention of private Sector monopoly in Major Ports and shall be judged as per "Policy for preventing private sector monopoly in Major Ports" issued by Ministry of Shipping, Government of India vide Memo No. PD-24018/8/2009-PD.III dated 2nd August, 2010. A copy of this Memo No PD-24018/8/2009-PD.III dated 2nd August, 2010 is at Appendix VIII.
- 2.2.2 To be eligible for pre-qualification and short-listing, an Applicant shall fulfil the following conditions of eligibility:

- (A) **Technical Capacity**: For demonstrating technical capacity and experience (the "**Technical Capacity**"), the Applicant shall, over the past 5 (five) financial years preceding the Application Due Date, have:
  - (i) paid for, or received payments for, construction of Eligible Project(s); and/or
  - (ii) paid for development of Eligible Project(s) in Category 1 and/or Category 2 specified in Clause 3.2.1; and/or
  - (iii) collected and appropriated revenues from Eligible Project(s) in Category 1 and/or Category 2 specified in Clause 3.2.1,

such that the sum total of the above is more than Rs.687.16 crore (Rupees Six Hundred Eighty Seven Crores and Sixteen Lakhs) (the "Threshold Technical Capacity").

Provided that at least one fourth of the Threshold Technical Capacity shall be from the Eligible Projects in Category 1 and/ or Category 3 specified in Clause 3.2.1.

(B) Financial Capacity: The Applicant shall have a minimum Net Worth (the "Financial Capacity") of Rs. 85.895 crore (Rupees Eighty Five Crores and Eight hundred Ninety Five Lakhs) at the close of the preceding financial year.

In case of a Consortium, the combined technical capacity and net worth of those Members, who have and shall continue to have an equity share of at least 26% (twenty six per cent) each in the SPV, should satisfy the above conditions of eligibility; provided that each such Member shall, for a period of 2 (two) years from the date of commercial operation of the Project, hold equity share capital not less than: (i) 26% (twenty six per cent) of the subscribed and paid up equity of the SPV; and (ii) 5% (five per cent) of the Total Project Cost specified in the Concession Agreement.

- 2.2.3 **O&M Experience:** The Applicant shall, in the case of a Consortium, include a Member who shall subscribe and continue to hold at least 10% (ten per cent) of the subscribed and paid up equity of the SPV for a period of 5 (five) years from the date of commercial operation of the Project, and has either by itself or through its Associate, experience of 5 (five) years or more in operation and maintenance (O&M) of Category 1 projects specified in Clause 3.2.1, which have an aggregate capital cost equal to the Estimated Project Cost. In case the Applicant is not a Consortium, it shall be eligible only if it has equivalent experience of its own or through its Associates. In the event that the Applicant does not have such experience, it should furnish an undertaking that if selected to undertake the Project, it shall for a period of at least 5 (five) years from the date of commercial operation of the Project, enter into an agreement for entrusting its operation & maintenance (O&M) obligations to an entity having the aforesaid experience, failing which the Concession Agreement shall be liable to termination. The Applicant shall have to submit the undertaking in this regards as per the format as at Appendix-VII, as applicable.
- 2.2.4 The Applicants shall enclose with its application, to be submitted as per the format at Appendix-I, complete with its Annexes, the following:

- (i) Certificate(s) from its statutory auditors<sup>\$</sup> or the concerned client(s) stating the payments made/ received or works commissioned, as the case may be, during the past 5 years in respect of the projects specified in paragraph 2.2.2 (A) above. In case a particular job/ contract has been jointly executed by the Applicant (as part of a consortium), it should further support its claim for the share in work done for that particular job/ contract by producing a certificate from its statutory auditor or the client; and
- (ii) certificate(s) from its statutory auditors specifying the net worth of the Applicant, as at the close of the preceding financial year, and also specifying that the methodology adopted for calculating such net worth conforms to the provisions of this Clause 2.2.4 (ii). For the purposes of this RFQ, net worth (the "Net Worth") shall mean the sum of subscribed and paid up equity and reserves from which shall be deducted the sum of revaluation reserves, miscellaneous expenditure not written off and reserves not available for distribution to equity shareholders.
- 2.2.5 The Applicant should submit a Power of Attorney as per the format at **Appendix-II**, authorising the signatory of the Application to commit the Applicant. In the case of a Consortium, the Members should submit a Power of Attorney in favour of the Lead Member as per format at **Appendix-III**.
- 2.2.6 Where the Applicant is a single entity, it may be required to form an appropriate Special Purpose Vehicle, incorporated under the Indian Companies Act, 2013 (the "SPV"), to execute the Concession Agreement and implement the Project. In case the Applicant is a Consortium, it shall, in addition to forming an SPV, comply with the following additional requirements:
  - (a) Number of members in a consortium shall not exceed 6 (six), but information sought in the Application may be restricted to 4 (four) members in the order of their equity contribution;
  - (b) subject to the provisions of sub-clause (a) above, the Application should contain the information required for each member of the Consortium;
  - (c) members of the Consortium shall nominate one member as the lead member (the "Lead Member"), who shall have an equity share holding of at least 26% (twenty six per cent) of the paid up and subscribed equity of the SPV. The nomination(s) shall be supported by a Power of Attorney, as per the format at Appendix-III, signed by all the other members of the Consortium;
  - (d) the Application should include a brief description of the roles and responsibilities of individual members, particularly with reference to financial, technical and O&M obligations;
  - (e) an individual Applicant cannot at the same time be member of a Consortium applying for pre-qualification. Further, a member of a

<sup>§</sup> In case duly certified audited annual financial statements containing explicitly the requisite details are provided, a separate certification by statutory auditors would not be necessary in respect of Clause 2.2.4 (i). In jurisdictions that do not have statutory auditors, the firm of auditors which audits the annual accounts of the Applicant may provide the certificates required under this RFQ

- particular Applicant Consortium cannot be member of any other Applicant Consortium applying for pre-qualification;
- (f) the members of a Consortium shall form an appropriate SPV to execute the Project, if awarded to the Consortium;
- (g) members of the Consortium shall enter into a binding Joint Bidding Agreement, substantially in the form specified at Appendix-IV (the "Jt. Bidding Agreement"), for the purpose of making the Application and submitting a Bid in the event of being short-listed. The Jt. Bidding Agreement, to be submitted along with the Application, shall, *inter alia*:
  - (i) convey the intent to form an SPV with shareholding/ ownership equity commitment(s) in accordance with this RFQ, which would enter into the Concession Agreement and subsequently perform all the obligations of the Concessionaire in terms of the Concession Agreement, in case the concession to undertake the Project is awarded to the Consortium;
  - (ii) clearly outline the proposed roles and responsibilities, if any, of each member;
  - (iii) commit the minimum equity stake to be held by each member;
  - (iv) commit that each of the members, whose experience will be evaluated for the purposes of this RFQ, shall subscribe to 26%(twenty six per cent) or more of the paid up and subscribed equity of the SPV and shall further commit that each such member shall, for a period of 2 (two) years from the date of commercial operation of the Project, hold equity share capital not less than: (i) 26% (twenty six per cent) of the subscribed and paid up equity share capital of the SPV; and (ii) 5% (five per cent) of the Total Project Cost specified in the Concession Agreement<sup>17</sup>;
  - (v) members of the Consortium undertake that they shall collectively hold at least 51% (fifty one per cent) of the subscribed and paid up equity of the SPV at all times until the second anniversary of the commercial operation date of the Project; and
  - (vi) include a statement to the effect that all members of the Consortium shall be liable jointly and severally for all obligations of the Concessionaire in relation to the Project until the Financial Close of the Project is achieved in accordance with the Concession Agreement; and
- (h) except as provided under this RFQ and the Bidding Documents, there shall not be any amendment to the Jt. Bidding Agreement without the prior written consent of the Authority.
- 2.2.7 Any entity which has been barred by the Central/ State Government, or any entity controlled by it, from participating in any project (BOT or otherwise), and the bar subsists as on the date of Application, would not be eligible to submit an Application, either individually or as member of a Consortium.

- 2.2.8 An Applicant including any Consortium Member or Associate should, in the last 3 (three) years, have neither failed to perform on any contract, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitration award against the Applicant, Consortium Member or Associate, as the case may be, nor has been expelled from any project or contract by any public entity nor have had any contract terminated any public entity for breach by such Applicant, Consortium Member or Associate.
- 2.2.9 In computing the Technical Capacity and Net Worth of the Applicant/ Consortium Members under Clauses 2.2.2, 2.2.4 and 3.2, the Technical Capacity and Net Worth of their respective Associates would also be eligible hereunder. For purposes of this RFQ, Associate means, in relation to the Applicant/ Consortium Member, a person who controls, is controlled by, or is under the common control with such Applicant/ Consortium Member (the "Associate"). As used in this definition, the expression "control" means, with respect to a person which is a company or corporation, the ownership, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% (fifty per cent) of the voting shares of such person, and with respect to a person which is not a company or corporation, the power to direct the management and policies of such person by operation of law.
- 2.2.10 The following conditions shall be adhered to while submitting an Application:
  - (a) Applicants should attach clearly marked and referenced continuation sheets in the event that the space provided in the prescribed forms in the Annexes is insufficient. Alternatively, Applicants may format the prescribed forms making due provision for incorporation of therequested information;
  - (b) information supplied by an Applicant (or other constituent Member if the Applicant is a Consortium) must apply to the Applicant, Member or Associate named in the Application and not, unless specifically requested, to other associated companies or firms. Invitation to submit Bids will be issued only to Applicants whose identity and/or constitution is identical to that at pre-qualification;
  - (c) in responding to the pre-qualification submissions, Applicants should demonstrate their capabilities in accordance with Clause 3.1 below; and
  - (d) in case the Applicant is a Consortium, each Member should substantially satisfy the pre-qualification requirements to the extent specified herein.
- 2.2.11 While Qualification is open to persons from any country, the following provisions shall apply:
  - (a) Where, on the date of the Application, not less than 15% (fifteen per cent) or more of the aggregate issued, subscribed and paid up equity share capital in an Applicant or its Member is held by persons resident outside India or where an Applicant or its Member is controlled by persons resident outside India; or
  - (b) if at any subsequent stage after the date of the Application, there is an acquisition of not less than 15% (fifteen per cent) or more of the aggregate issued, subscribed and paid up equity share capital or control, by persons

resident outside India, in or of the Applicant or its Member;

then the Qualification of such Applicant or in the event described in sub clause (b) above, the continued Qualification of the Applicant shall be subject to approval of the Authority from national security and public interest perspective. The decision of the Authority in this behalf shall be final and conclusive and binding on the Applicant.

The holding or acquisition of equity or control, as above, shall include direct or indirect holding/ acquisition, including by transfer, of the direct or indirect legal or beneficial ownership or control, by persons acting for themselves or in concert and in determining such holding or acquisition, the Authority shall be guided by the principles, precedents and definitions contained in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011, or any substitute thereof, as in force on the date of such acquisition.

The Applicant shall promptly inform the Authority of any change in the shareholding, as above, and failure to do so shall render the Applicant liable for disqualification from the Bidding Process.

2.2.12 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, in the event that the Application Due Date falls within three months of the closing of the latest financial year of an Applicant, it shall ignore such financial year for the purposes of its Application and furnish all its information and certification with reference to the 5 (five) years or 1 (one) year, as the case may be, preceding its latest financial year. For the avoidance of doubt, financial year shall, for the purposes of an Application hereunder, mean the accounting year followed by the Applicant in the course of its normal business.

#### 2.3 Change in composition of the Consortium

- 2.3.1 Change in the composition of a Consortium will not be permitted by the Authority during the Qualification Stage.
- 2.3.2 Where the Bidder is a Consortium, change in the composition of a Consortium may be permitted by the Authority during the Bid Stage, only where:
  - (a) the application for such change is made no later than 15 (fifteen) days prior to the Bid Due Date;
  - (b) the Lead Member continues to be the Lead Member of the Consortium;
  - (c) the substitute is at least equal, in terms of Technical Capacity, to the Consortium Member who is sought to be substituted and the modified Consortium shall continue to meet the pre-qualification and short-listing criteria for Applicants; and
  - (d) the new Member(s) expressly adopt(s) the Application already made on behalf of the Consortium as if it were a party to it originally, and is not an Applicant/Member/Associate of any other Consortium bidding for this Project.

- 2.3.3 Approval for change in the composition of a Consortium shall be at the sole discretion of the Authority and must be approved by the Authority in writing.
- 2.3.4 The modified/ reconstituted Consortium shall submit a revised Jt. Bidding Agreement before the Bid Due Date.
- 2.3.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in sub-clause (c) (i) of Clause 2.2.1, an Applicant may, within 10 (ten) days after the Application Due Date, remove from its Consortium any Member who suffers from a Conflict of Interest, and such removal shall be deemed to cure the Conflict of Interest arising in respect thereof.

#### 2.4 Number of Applications and costs thereof

- 2.4.1 No Applicant shall submit more than one Application for the Project. An applicant applying individually or as a member of a Consortium shall not be entitled to submit another application either individually or as a member of any Consortium, as the case may be.
- 2.4.2 The Applicants shall be responsible for all of the costs associated with the preparation of their Applications and their participation in the Bid Process. The Authority will not be responsible or in any way liable for such costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Bidding Process.

#### 2.5 Site visit and verification of information

Applicants are encouraged to submit their respective Applications after visiting the Project site and ascertaining for themselves the site conditions, traffic, location, surroundings, climate, availability of power, water and other utilities for construction, access to site, handling and storage of materials, weather data, applicable laws and regulations, and any other matter considered relevant by them.

#### 2.6 Acknowledgement by Applicant

- 2.6.1 It shall be deemed that by submitting the Application, the Applicant has:
  - (a) made a complete and careful examination of the RFQ;
  - (b) received all relevant information requested from the Authority;
  - (c) accepted the risk of inadequacy, error or mistake in the information provided in the RFQ or furnished by or on behalf of the Authority relating to any of the matters referred to in Clause 2.5 above; and
  - (d) agreed to be bound by the undertakings provided by it under and interms hereof.
- 2.6.2 The Authority shall not be liable for any omission, mistake or error in respect of any of the above or on account of any matter or thing arising out of or concerning or relating to the RFQ or the Bidding Process, including any error or mistake therein or in any information or data given by the Authority.

#### 2.7 Right to accept or reject any or all Applications/Bids

- 2.7.1 Notwithstanding anything contained in this RFQ, the Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any Application and to annul the Bidding Process and reject all Applications/ Bids, at any time without any liability or any obligation for such acceptance, rejection or annulment, and without assigning any reasons therefor. In the event that the Authority rejects or annuls all the Bids, it may, in its discretion, invite all eligible Bidders to submit fresh Bids hereunder.
- 2.7.2 The Authority reserves the right to reject any Application and/ or Bid if:
  - (a) at any time, a material misrepresentation is made or uncovered, or
  - (b) the Applicant does not provide, within the time specified by the Authority, the supplemental information sought by the Authority for evaluation of the Application.

If the Applicant/Bidder is a Consortium, then the entire Consortium may be disqualified/rejected. If such disqualification/rejection occurs after the Bids have been opened and the Highest Bidder gets disqualified/rejected, then the Authority reserves the right to:

- (i) invite the remaining Bidders to match the Highest Bidder/ submit their Bids in accordance with the RFP; or
- (ii) take any such measure as may be deemed fit in the sole discretion of the Authority, including annulment of the Bidding Process.
- 2.7.3 In case it is found during the evaluation or at any time before signing of the Concession Agreement or after its execution and during the period of subsistence thereof, including the concession thereby granted by the Authority, that one or more of the pre-qualification conditions have not been met by the Applicant, or the Applicant has made material misrepresentation or has given any materially incorrect or false information, the Applicant shall be disqualified forthwith if not yet appointed as the Concessionaire either by issue of the LOA or entering into of the Concession Agreement, and if the Applicant/SPV has already been issued the LOA or has entered into the Concession Agreement, as the case may be, the same shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein or in this RFQ, be liable to be terminated, by a communication in writing by the Authority to the Applicant, without the Authority being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Applicant and without prejudice to any other right or remedy which the Authority may have under this RFQ, the Bidding Documents, the Concession Agreement or under applicable law.
- 2.7.4 The Authority reserves the right to verify all statements, information and documents submitted by the Applicant in response to the RFQ. Any such verification or lack of such verification by the Authority shall not relieve the Applicant of its obligations or liabilities hereunder nor will it affect any rights of the Authority thereunder.

#### B. DOCUMENTS

#### 2.8 Contents of the RFO

This RFQ comprises the disclaimer set forth hereinabove, the contents as listed below, and will additionally include any Addenda issued in accordance with Clause 2.10.

#### **Invitation for Qualification**

Section 1. Introduction

Section 2. Instructions to ApplicantsSection 3. Criteria for EvaluationSection 4. Fraud & Corrupt Practices

Section 5. Pre Application

Conference

Section 6. Policy for Preventing Private sector Monopoly in Major Ports

Section 7. Miscellaneous

#### **Appendices**

I. Letter comprising the Application

Annex I – Details of the Applicant.

Annex II- Technical Capacity of the Applicant.

Annex III- Financial Capacity of the Applicant.

Annex IV – Details of Eligible Projects.

Annex V – Statement of Legal Capacity.

II. Power of Attorney for signing of Application

III. Power of Attorney for Lead Member of Consortium

IV. Joint Bidding Agreement for Consortium

V. Guidelines of the Department of Disinvestment

VI. Information for Security Clearance.

VII. Undertaking for entering into Operation & Maintenance (O&M) Agreement.

VIII. The Policy Guidelines of the Ministry of Shipping, Government of India for preventing Private Sector Monopoly in Major Ports

#### 2.9 Clarifications

- 2.9.1 Applicants requiring any clarification on the RFQ may notify the Authority in writing or by fax and e-mail in accordance with Clause 1.2.11. They should send in their queries before the date specified in the schedule of Bidding Process contained in Clause 1.3. The Authority shall endeavor to respond to the queries within the period specified therein, but no later than 10 (ten) days prior to the Application Due Date. The responses will be sent by fax and/or e-mail. The Authority will publish the queries and its responses thereto in the website of Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (www.kolkataporttrust.gov.in). without identifying the source of queries.
- 2.9.2 The Authority shall endeavor to respond to the questions raised or clarifications sought by the Applicants. However, the Authority reserves the right not to respond to any question or provide any clarification, in its sole discretion, and

- nothing in this Clause shall be taken or read as compelling or requiring the Authority to respond to any question or to provide any clarification.
- 2.9.3 The Authority may also on its own motion, if deemed necessary, issue interpretations and clarifications to all Applicants. All clarifications and interpretations issued by the Authority shall be deemed to be part of the RFQ. Verbal clarifications and information given by Authority or its employees or representatives shall not in any way or manner be binding on the Authority.

#### 2.10 Amendment of RFQ

- 2.10.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of Application, the Authority may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to clarifications requested by an Applicant, modify the RFQ by the issuance of Addenda.
- 2.10.2 Any Addendum thus issued will be published in the website of Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (www.kolkataporttrust.gov.in).
- 2.10.3 In order to afford the Applicants a reasonable time for taking an Addendum into account, or for any other reason, the Authority may, in its sole discretion, extend the Application Due Date.

#### C. PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

#### 2.11 Language

The Application and all related correspondence and documents in relation to the Bidding Process shall be in English language. Supporting documents and printed literature furnished by the Applicant with the Application may be in any other language provided that they are accompanied by translations of all the pertinent passages in the English language, duly authenticated and certified by the Applicant. Supporting materials, which are not translated into English, may not be considered. For the purpose of interpretation and evaluation of the Application, the English language translation shall prevail.

#### 2.12 Format and signing of Application

- 2.12.1 The Applicant shall provide all the information sought under this RFQ. The Authority will evaluate only those Applications that are received in the required formats and complete in all respects. Incomplete and /or conditional Applications shall be liable to rejection.
- 2.12.2 The Applicant shall prepare 1 (one) original set of the Application (together with originals/copies of documents required to be submitted along therewith pursuant to this RFQ) and clearly marked "ORIGINAL". In addition, the Applicant shall submit 1 (one) copy of the Application, alongwith documents required to be submitted along therewith pursuant to this RFQ, marked "COPY". The Applicant shall also provide 2 (two) soft copies on Compact Disc (CD). In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copy, the original shall prevail.
- 2.12.3 The Application and its copy shall be typed or written in indelible ink and signed by the authorised signatory of the Applicant who shall also initial each page in blue ink. In case of printed and published documents, only the cover shall be initialled. All the alterations, omissions, additions or any other amendments made to the Application shall be initialled by the person(s) signing the Application. The Application shall contain page numbers and shall be bound together in hard cover.

#### 2.13 Sealing and Marking of Applications

2.13.1 The Applicant shall submit the Application in the format specified at Appendix-I, together with the documents specified in Clause 2.13.2, and seal it in an envelope and mark the envelope as "APPLICATION". The Applicant shall seal the original and the copy of the Application, together with their respective enclosures, in separate envelopes duly marking the envelopes as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY". The envelopes shall then be sealed in an outer envelope which shall also be marked in accordance with Clauses 2.13.2 and 2.13.3.

#### 2.13.2 Each envelope shall contain:

- (i) Application in the prescribed format (Appendix-I) along with Annexes and supporting documents;
- (ii) Power of Attorney for signing the Application as per the format at Appendix-II;
- (iii) if applicable, the Power of Attorney for Lead Member of Consortium as

per the format at Appendix-III;

- (iv) copy of the Jt. Bidding Agreement, in case of a Consortium, substantially in the format at Appendix-IV;
- (v) copy of Memorandum and Articles of Association, if the Applicant is a body corporate, and if a partnership then a copy of its partnership deed;
- (vi) copies of Applicant's duly audited balance sheet and profit and loss account for the preceding five years;
- (vii) soft copies (two) of the Application on a Compact Disc (CD)
- (viii) Guidelines for the Department of Disinvestment as per format at Appendix–V.
- (ix) Information for security clearance as per format at Appendix-VI.
- (x) Undertaking for entering into Operation & Maintenance (O&M) agreement
   Appendix VII. (If applicable)
- (xi) List of Application-specific provisions (not applicable)
- (xii) Policy for preventing Private Sector Monopoly in Major Ports as per format at Appendix- VIII and
- (xiii) Demand Draft of Rs 47200 (Rupees forty Seven thousands Two Hundreds Only) to Authority towards the cost of the RFQ document. However, the bidders who had submitted the bid document fee, for purchasing of TEFR such Bidder shall submit a copy of the demand draft /NEFT/RTGS details. The original Demand Draft or details of UTR for NEFT/RTGS shall be submitted along with their bids. There are no separate fees for TEFR.

Each of the envelopes shall clearly bear the following identification:

"Application for Qualification: "Mechanization of Berth No. 05 (Erstwhile Berth No. 4b) on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis at Haldia Dock Complex" and shall clearly indicate the name and address of the Applicant. In addition, the Application Due Date should be indicated on the right hand corner of each of the envelopes.

2.13.3 Each of the envelopes shall be addressed to:

GENERAL MANAGER (Engg) HALDIA DOCK COMPLEX JAWAHAR TOWER HALDIA TOWNSHIP – 721607 WEST BENGAL (INDIA)

PHONE: +91-3224-264971

E-mail: aganesan.hdc@kolkataporttrust.gov.in

- 2.13.4 If the envelopes are not sealed and marked as instructed above, the Authority assumes no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the contents of the Application and consequent losses, if any, suffered by the Applicant.
- 2.13.5 Applications submitted by fax, telex, telegram or e-mail shall not be entertained and shall be rejected.

#### 2.14 Application Due Date

- 2.14.1 Applications should be submitted before 1500 hours IST on the Application Due Date on 15.11.2022, at the address provided in Clause 2.13.3 in the manner and form as detailed in this RFQ. A receipt thereof should be obtained from the person specified in Clause 2.13.3.
- 2.14.2 The Authority may, in its sole discretion, extend the Application Due Date by issuing an Addendum in accordance with Clause 2.10 uniformly for all Applicants.

#### 2.15 Late Applications

Applications received by the Authority after the specified time on the Application Due Date shall not be eligible for consideration and shall be summarily rejected.

#### 2.16 Modifications/ substitution/ withdrawal of Applications

- 2.16.1 The Applicant may modify, substitute or withdraw its Application after submission, provided that written notice of the modification, substitution or withdrawal is received by the Authority prior to the Application Due Date. No Application shall be modified, substituted or withdrawn by the Applicant on or after the Application Due Date.
- 2.16.2 The modification, substitution or withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked, and delivered in accordance with Clause 2.13, with the envelopes being additionally marked "MODIFICATION", "SUBSTITUTION" or "WITHDRAWAL", as appropriate.
- 2.16.3 Any alteration/ modification in the Application or additional information supplied subsequent to the Application Due Date, unless the same has been expressly sought for by the Authority, shall be disregarded.

#### D. EVALUATION PROCESS

#### 2.17 Opening and Evaluation of Applications

- 2.17.1 The Authority shall open the Applications at 1530 hours IST on the Application Due Date, at the place specified in Clause 2.13.3 and in the presence of the Applicants who choose to attend.
- 2.17.2 Applications for which a notice of withdrawal has been submitted in accordance with Clause 2.16 shall not be opened.
- 2.17.3 The Authority will subsequently examine and evaluate Applications in accordance with the provisions set out in Section 3.
- 2.17.4 Applicants are advised that pre-qualification of Applicants will be entirely at the discretion of the Authority. Applicants will be deemed to have understood and agreed that no explanation or justification on any aspect of the Bidding Process or selection will be given.
- 2.17.5 Any information contained in the Application shall not in any way be construed as binding on the Authority, its agents, successors or assigns, but shall be binding against the Applicant if the Project is subsequently awarded to it on the basis of such information.
- 2.17.6 The Authority reserves the right not to proceed with the Bidding Process at any time without notice or liability and to reject any or all Application(s) without assigning any reasons.
- 2.17.7 If any information furnished by the Applicant is found to be incomplete, or contained in formats other than those specified herein, the Authority may, in its sole discretion, exclude the relevant project from computation of the prescribed eligibility as specified in Clause 2.2.2 of this RFQ.
- 2.17.8 In the event that an Applicant claims credit for an Eligible Project, and such claim is determined by the Authority as incorrect or erroneous, the Authority shall reject such claim and exclude the same from computation of the prescribed eligibility, as specified in Clause 2.2.2 and may also, while computing the prescribed eligibility, make a further deduction equivalent to the claim rejected hereunder. Where any information is found to be patently false or amounting to a material misrepresentation, the Authority reserves the right to reject the Application and/ or Bid in accordance with the provisions of Clauses 2.7.2 and 2.7.3.

#### 2.18 Confidentiality

Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation, and recommendation for the short-listed pre-qualified Applicants shall not be disclosed to any person who is not officially concerned with the process or is not a retained professional advisor advising the Authority in relation to, or matters arising out of, or concerning the Bidding Process. The Authority will treat all information, submitted as part of Application, in confidence and will require all those who have access to such material to treat the same in confidence. The Authority may not divulge any such information unless it is directed to do so by

any statutory entity that has the power under law to require its disclosure or is to enforce or assert any right or privilege of the statutory entity and/ or the Authority or as may be required by law or in connection with any legal process.

#### 2.19 Tests of responsiveness

- 2.19.1 Prior to evaluation of Applications, the Authority shall determine whether each Application is responsive to the requirements of the RFQ. An Application shall be considered responsive only if:
  - (a) it is received as per format at Appendix-I.
  - (b) it is received by the Application Due Date including any extension thereof pursuant to Clause 2.14.2;
  - (c) it is signed, sealed, bound together in hard cover, and marked as stipulated in Clauses 2.12 and 2.13;
  - (d) it is accompanied by the Power of Attorney as specified in Clause 2.2.5, and in the case of a Consortium, the Power of Attorney as specified in Clause 2.2.6 (c);
  - (e) it contains all the information and documents (complete in all respects) as requested in this RFQ;
  - (f) it contains information in formats same as those specified in this RFQ;
  - (g) it contains certificates from its statutory auditors<sup>\$</sup> in the formats specified at Appendix-I of the RFQ for each Eligible Project;
  - (h) it contains demand draft of **Rs 47200** (**Rupees forty Seven thousands two hundreds Only**) to Authority towards the cost of the RFQ process as specified in Clause 1.2.1. However, the bidders who had submitted the bid document fee, for purchasing of TEFR such Bidder shall submit a copy of the demand draft /NEFT/RTGS details. The original Demand Draft or details of UTR for NEFT/RTGS shall be submitted along with their bids. There are no separate fees for TEFR.
  - (i) it is accompanied by the Jt. Bidding Agreement (for Consortium), specific to the Project, as stipulated in Clause 2.2.6(g);
  - (j) it does not contain any condition or qualification; and
  - (k) it is not non-responsive in terms hereof.
- 2.19.2 The Authority reserves the right to reject any Application which is non-responsive and no request for alteration, modification, substitution or withdrawal shall be entertained by the Authority in respect of such Application.

<sup>§</sup> In case duly certified audited annual financial statements containing the requisite details are provided, a separate certification by statutory auditors would not be necessary in respect of Clause 2.19.1 (g). In jurisdictions that do not have statutory auditors, the firm of auditors which audits the annual accounts of the Applicant may provide the certificates required under this RFO.

#### 2.20 Clarifications

- 2.20.1 To facilitate evaluation of Applications, the Authority may, at its sole discretion, seek clarifications from any Applicant regarding its Application. Such clarification(s) shall be provided within the time specified by the Authority for this purpose. Any request for clarification(s) and all clarification(s) in response thereto shall be in writing.
- 2.20.2 If an Applicant does not provide clarifications sought under Clause 2.20.1 above within the prescribed time, its Application shall be liable to be rejected. In case the Application is not rejected, the Authority may proceed to evaluate the Application by construing the particulars requiring clarification to the best of itsunderstanding, and the Applicant shall be barred from subsequently questioning such interpretation of the Authority.

# E. QUALIFICATION AND BIDDING

#### 2.21 Short-listing and notification

After the evaluation of Applications, the Authority would announce a list of short-listed pre-qualified Applicants (Bidders) who will be eligible for participation in the Bid Stage. At the same time, the Authority would notify the other Applicants that they have not been short-listed. The Authority will not entertain any query or clarification from Applicants who fail to qualify.

#### 2.22 Submission of Bids

The Bidders will be requested to submit a Bid in the form and manner to be set out in the Bidding Documents.

Only pre-qualified Applicants shall be invited by the Authority to submit their Bids for the Project. The Authority is likely to provide a comparatively short time span for submission of the Bids for the Project. The Applicants are therefore advised to visit the site and familiarize themselves with the Project by the time of submission of the Application. No extension of time is likely to be considered for submission of Bids pursuant to invitation that may be issued by the Authority.

#### 2.23 Proprietary data

All documents and other information supplied by the Authority or submitted by an Applicant to the Authority shall remain or become the property of the Authority. Applicants are to treat all information as strictly confidential and shall not use it for any purpose other than for preparation and submission of their Application. The Authority will not return any Application or any information provided along therewith.

## 2.24 Correspondence with the Applicant

Save and except as provided in this RFQ, the Authority shall not entertain any correspondence with any Applicant in relation to the acceptance or rejection of any Application.

## 2.25 National Security

The pre-qualification of bidders shall be subject to clearance from National Security perspective.

#### 2.26 Prevention of Private sector Monopoly in Major Ports

Ministry of Shipping, Government of India vide its letter No. PD-24018/8/2009-PD.III dated 2nd August, 2010 has issued the policy (see Appendix VIII) to be followed by all Major Ports while awarding projects to private parties through Public Private Partnership (PPP) route so as to avoid private sector monopoly in the Major Ports. The aforesaid policy or any other applicable policy issued by the Ministry of Shipping to avoid private sector monopoly in the Major Ports shall apply mutatis mutandis to this Bidding Process and the Authority shall be entitled to disqualify any Bidder in accordance with the aforementioned policy.

#### 3. CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

# 3.1 Evaluation parameters

- 3.1.1 Only those Applicants who meet the eligibility criteria specified in Clause[s] 2.2.2 2.2.3 and 2.25 above shall qualify for evaluation under this Section 3. Applications of firms/ consortia who do not meet these criteria shall be rejected.
- 3.1.2 The Applicant's competence and capability is proposed to be established by the following parameters:
  - (a) Technical Capacity; and
  - (b) Financial Capacity

# 3.2 Technical Capacity for purposes of evaluation

- 3.2.1 Subject to the provisions of Clause 2.2, the following categories of experience would qualify as Technical Capacity and eligible experience (the "Eligible Experience") in relation to eligible projects as stipulated in Clauses 3.2.3 and 3.2.4 (the "Eligible Projects"):
  - Category 1: Project experience on Eligible Projects in port sector that qualify under Clause 3.2.3
  - Category 2: Project experience on Eligible Projects in core sector that qualify under Clause 3.2.3
  - Category 3: Construction and/ or operation experience on Eligible Projects in port sector that qualify under Clause 3.2.4
  - Category 4: Construction experience on Eligible Projects in core sector that qualify under Clause 3.2.4

## For the purpose of this RFQ:

- (i) Port sector would be deemed to include marine structures, on-shore and off-shore terminals, berths, jetties, quays, cargo handling system, bulk / liquid material handling system, port based terminal facilities, CFS/ICDs, storage tanks/tank farms, conveyors, Gas or Oil pipelines for logistics support to port, warehousing and
- (ii) core sector would be deemed to include power, telecom, ports, airports, railways, metro rail, industrial parks/ estates, logistic parks, pipelines, irrigation, water supply, sewerage and real estate development<sup>\$</sup>.
- 3.2.2 Eligible Experience in respect of each category shall be measured only for Eligible Projects.
- 3.2.3 For a project to qualify as an Eligible Project under Categories 1 and 2:
  - (a) It should have been undertaken as a PPP project on BOT, BOLT, BOO, BOOT or other similar basis for providing its output or services to a public

<sup>§</sup> Real estate development shall not include residential flats unless they form part of a real estate complex or township which has been built by the Applicant.

sector entity or for providing non-discriminatory access to users in pursuance of its charter, concession or contract, as the case may be. For the avoidance of doubt, a project which constitutes a natural monopoly such as an airport or port should normally be included in this category even if it is not based on a long-term agreement with a public entity;

- (b) the entity claiming experience should have held, in the company owing the Eligible Project, a minimum of 26% (twenty six per cent) equity during the entire year for which Eligible Experience is being claimed;
- (c) the capital cost of the project should be more than Rs.68.72 Crores (Rupees Sixty Eight Crores and Seventy Two Lakhs)
- (d) the entity claiming experience shall, during the last 5 (five) financial years preceding the Application Due Date, have (i) paid for development of the project (excluding the cost of land), and/ or (ii) collected and appropriated the revenues from users availing of non-discriminatory access to or use of fixed project assets, such as revenues from highways, airports, ports and railway infrastructure, but shall not include revenues from sale or provision of goods or services such as electricity, gas, petroleum products, telecommunications or fare/freight revenues and other incomes of the company owning the Project.
- 3.2.4 For a project to qualify as an Eligible Project under Categories 3 and 4, the Applicant should have paid for execution of its construction works or received payments from its client(s) for construction works executed, fully or partially, during the 5 (five) financial years immediately preceding the Application Due Date, and only the payments (gross) actually made or received, as the case may be, during such 5 (five) financial years shall qualify for purposes of computing the prescribed eligibility as specified in clause 2.2.2. However, payments/receipts of less than Rs.68.72 Crores (Rupees Sixty Eight Crores and Seventy Two Lakhs) shall not be reckoned as payments/receipts for Eligible Projects.

Note: In case of Projects under Category-3, payments made/received for operation of Eligible Projects may be included.

For the avoidance of doubt, construction works shall not include supply of goods or equipment except when such goods or equipment form part of a turn-key construction contract/ EPC contract for the project. Further, the cost of land shall not be included hereunder.

- 3.2.5 The Applicant shall quote experience in respect of a particular Eligible Project under any one category only, even though the Applicant (either individually or along with a member of the Consortium) may have played multiple roles in the cited project. Double counting for a particular Eligible Project shall not be permitted in any form.
- 3.2.6 Experience for any activity relating to an Eligible Project shall not be claimed by two or more Members of the Consortium. In other words, no double counting by a Consortium in respect of the same experience shall be permitted in any manner whatsoever.

#### 3.3 Details of Experience

- 3.3.1 The Applicant should furnish the details of Eligible Experience for the last 5 (five) financial years immediately preceding the Application Due Date.
- 3.3.2 The Applicants must provide the necessary information relating to Technical Capacity as per format at **Annex-II** of **Appendix-I**.
- 3.3.3 The Applicant should furnish the required Project-specific information and evidence in support of its claim of Technical Capacity, as per format at **Annex-IV** of **Appendix-I.**

# 3.4 Financial information for purposes of evaluation

- 3.4.1 The Application must be accompanied by the Audited Annual Reports of the Applicant (of each Member in case of a Consortium) for the last 5 (five) financial years, preceding the year in which the Application is made.
- 3.4.2 In case the annual accounts for the latest financial year are not audited and therefore the Applicant cannot make it available, the Applicant shall give an undertaking to this effect and the statutory auditor shall certify the same. In such a case, the Applicant shall provide the Audited Annual Reports for 5 (five) years preceding the year for which the Audited Annual Report is not being provided.
- 3.4.3 The Applicant must establish the minimum Net Worth specified in Clause 2.2.2 (B), and provide details as per format at **Annex-III** of **Appendix-I.**

## 3.5 Pre-Qualification of Applicants

3.5.1 The Applicants who fulfill the criteria as mentioned in Clause 2.2.2, 2.2.3 and 2.25 (Security Clearance) shall be pre qualified for the Bid Stage. In case of consortium, the Aggregate Technical capacity each of its members, who have an equity share of at least 26% in such Consortium, shall be summed up for arriving at the combined Aggregate Technical capacity of the consortium. However, the pre qualification of bidders shall be subject to clearance from National Security perspective as per Clause 2.25 of this RFQ document.

#### 4. FRAUD AND CORRUPT PRACTICES

- 4.1 The Applicants and their respective officers, employees, agents and advisers shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the Bidding Process. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Authority may reject an Application without being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Applicant if it determines that the Applicant has, directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice in the Bidding Process.
- 4.2 Without prejudice to the rights of the Authority under Clause 4.1 hereinabove, if an Applicant is found by the Authority to have directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice during the Bidding Process, such Applicant shall not be eligible to participate in any tender or RFQ issued by the Authority during a period of 2 (two) years from the date such Applicant is found by the Authority to have directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice, as the case may be.
- 4.3 For the purposes of this Clause 4, the following terms shall have the meaning hereinafter respectively assigned to them:
  - (a) "corrupt practice" means (i) the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the actions of any person connected with the Bidding Process (for avoidance of doubt, offering of employment to, or employing, or engaging in any manner whatsoever, directly or indirectly, any official of the Authority who is or has been associated in any manner, directly or indirectly, with the Bidding Process or the LOA or has dealt with matters concerning the Concession Agreement or arising therefrom, before or after the execution thereof, at any time prior to the expiry of one year from the date such official resigns or retires from or otherwise ceases to be in the service of the Authority, shall be deemed to constitute influencing the actions of a person connected with the Bidding Process); or (ii) save and except as permitted under sub clause (d) of Clause 2.2.1, engaging in any manner whatsoever, whether during the Bidding Process or after the issue of the LOA or after the execution of the Concession Agreement, as the case may be, any person in respect of any matter relating to the Project or the LOA or the Concession Agreement, who at any time has been or is a legal, financial or technical adviser of the Authority in relation to any matter concerning the Project;
  - (b) **"fraudulent practice"** means a misrepresentation or omission of facts or suppression of facts or disclosure of incomplete facts, in order to influence the Bidding Process;
  - (c) "coercive practice" means impairing or harming or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any person or property to influence any person's participation or action in the Bidding Process;
  - (d) "undesirable practice" means (i) establishing contact with any person

- connected with or employed or engaged by the Authority with the objective of canvassing, lobbying or in any manner influencing or attempting to influence the Bidding Process; or (ii) having a Conflict of Interest; and
- (e) "restrictive practice" means forming a cartel or arriving at any understanding or arrangement among Applicants with the objective of restricting or manipulating a full and fair competition in the Bidding Process.

# 5. PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE

- 5.1 A Pre-Application conference of the interested parties shall be convened at the designated date, time and place. A maximum of three representatives of each Applicant shall be allowed to participated on of authority letter from the Applicant.
- 5.2 During the course of Pre-Application conference, the Applicants will be free to seek clarifications and make suggestions for consideration of the Authority. The Authority shall endeavour to provide clarifications and such further information as it may, in its sole discretion, consider appropriate for facilitating a fair, transparent and competitive Bidding Process.

# 6. POLICY FOR PREVENTING PRIVATE SECTOR MONOPOLY IN MAJOR PORTS

- 6.1 If there is only one private terminal / berth / jetty operator in a port for a specific cargo, the operator of that berth / jetty or his associates shall not be allowed to bid for the next terminal / berth / jetty for handling the same cargo in the same port.
- 6.2 For the purpose of the policy, the terms
  - (i) 'Operator' includes consortium members of the bidder;
  - (ii) 'Associates' means, in relation to the Applicant/Consortium Member, a person who controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such Applicant / Consortium Member (the Associate). As used in the definition, the expression 'control' means, with respect to a person which is a company or corporation, the ownership, directly or indirectly, or more than 50% (fifty percent) of the voting shares of such person, and with respect to a person which is not a company or corporation, the power to direct the management and policies of such person by operation of law.
  - (iii) 'Berth' / 'Jetty' shall have the same meaning as 'Wharf' given in Section 2(1) (zg) of the MPA Act, 2021.
  - (iv) 'Specific Cargo' means a) containers b) liquid bulk, c) dry bulk or d) multipurpose/other general cargo.

This policy is being included in the Request for Qualification as per directive of the Central Government circulated by Ministry of Shipping vide letter no. PD-24018/8/2009-PD.III dated August 02, 2010.

#### 7. MISCELLANEOUS

- 7.1 The Bidding Process shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of India and the Courts at Kolkata shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all disputes arising under, pursuant to and/ or in connection with the Bidding Process.
- 7.2 The Authority, in its sole discretion and without incurring any obligation or liability, reserves the right, at any time, to;
  - (a) Suspend and/ or cancel the Bidding Process and/ or amend and/ or supplement the Bidding Process or modify the dates or other terms and conditions relating thereto;
  - (b) Consult with any Applicant in order to receive clarification or further information;
  - (c) Pre-qualify or not to pre-qualify any Applicant and/ or to consult with any Applicant in order to receive clarification or further information;
  - (d) Retain any information and/ or evidence submitted to the Authority by, on behalf of, and/ or in relation to any Applicant; and/or
  - (e) Independently verify, disqualify, reject and/ or accept any and all submissions or other information and/ or evidence submitted by or on behalf of any Applicant.
- 7.3 It shall be deemed that by submitting the Application, the Applicant agrees and releases the Authority, its employees, agents and advisers, irrevocably, unconditionally, fully and finally from any and all liability for claims, losses, damages, costs, expenses or liabilities in any way related to or arising from the exercise of any rights and/ or performance of any obligations hereunder and the Bidding Documents, pursuant hereto, and/ or in connection with the Bidding Process, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, and waives any and all rights and/ or claims it may have in this respect, whether actual or contingent, whether present or in future.

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#### APPENDIX I

# Letter Comprising the Application for Pre-Qualification

(Refer Clause 2.13.2)

Dated:

TO

The General Manager (Engg.) Haldia Dock Complex, Jawahar Tower, Haldia Township – 721 607, West Bengal, India.

Sub: Application for pre-qualification for "Mechanization of Berth No. 05 (Erstwhile Berth No. 4b) on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis at Haldia Dock Complex"

Dear Sir.

With reference to your RFQ document dated \_\_.\_\_.20\_\_\_\$, I/we, having downloaded the same from website of Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (www.kolkataporttrust.gov.in) and having examined the RFQ document and understood its contents, hereby submit my/our Application for Qualification for the aforesaid project. The Application is unconditional and unqualified.

- 2. I/ We acknowledge that the Authority will be relying on the information provided in the Application and the documents accompanying such Application for prequalification of the Applicants for the aforesaid project, and we certify that all information provided in the Application and in Annexes I to IV is true and correct; nothing has been omitted which renders such information misleading; and all documents accompanying such Application are true copies of their respective originals.
- 3. This statement is made for the express purpose of qualifying as a Bidder for the Planning, designing, procurement, installation, built, construction, operation and maintenance of the aforesaid Project.
- 4. I/ We shall make available to the Authority any additional information it may find necessary or require to supplement or authenticate the Qualification statement.
- 5. I/ We acknowledge the right of the Authority to reject our Application without assigning any reason or otherwise and hereby waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, our right to challenge the same on any account whatsoever.
- 6. I/ We certify that in the last three years, we/ any of the Consortium Members or our/ their Associates have neither failed to perform on any contract, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitration award, nor been expelled from any project or contract by any public authority nor have had any contract terminated by any public authority for breach on our part.

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<sup>\$</sup> All blank spaces shall be suitably filled up by the Applicant to reflect the particulars relating to such Applicant.

- 7. I/ We declare that:
  - (a) I/ We have examined and have no reservations to the RFQ document, including any Addendum issued by the Authority;
  - (b) I/ We do not have any conflict of interest in accordance with Clauses 2.2.1(c) and 2.2.1(d) of the RFQ document;
  - (c) I/We have not directly or indirectly or through an agent engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice, as defined in Clause 4.3 of the RFQ document, in respect of any tender or request for proposal issued by or any agreement entered into with the Authority or any other public sector enterprise or any government, Central or State; and
  - (d) I/ We hereby certify that we have taken steps to ensure that in conformity with the provisions of Section 4 of the RFQ document, no person acting for us or on our behalf has engaged or will engage in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice.
- 8. I/ We understand that you may cancel the Bidding Process at any time and that you are neither bound to accept any Application that you may receive nor to invite the Applicants to Bid for the Project, without incurring any liability to the Applicants, in accordance with Clause 2.17.6 of the RFQ document.
- 9. I/ We believe that we/ our Consortium/ proposed Consortium satisfy(s) the Net Worth criteria and meet(s) all the requirements as specified in the RFQ document and are/ is qualified to submit a Bid.
- 10. I/ We declare that we/ any Member of the Consortium, or our/ its Associates are not a Member of a/ any other Consortium applying for pre-qualification.
- 11. I/ We certify that in regard to matters other than security and integrity of the country, we/ any Member of the Consortium or any of our/ their Associates have not been convicted by a Court of Law or indicted or adverse orders passed by a regulatory authority which could cast a doubt on our ability to undertake the Project or which relates to a grave offence that outrages the moral sense of the community.
- 12. I/ We further certify that in regard to matters relating to security and integrity of the country, we/ any Member of the Consortium or any of our/ their Associates have not been charge-sheeted by any agency of the Government or convicted by a Court.

- 13. I/ We further certify that no investigation by a regulatory authority is pending either against us/ any Member of the Consortium or against our/ their Associates or against our CEO or any of our directors/ managers/employees.
- 14. I/ We further certify that we are qualified to submit a Bid in accordance with the guidelines for qualification of bidders seeking to acquire stakes in Public Sector Enterprises through the process of disinvestment issued by the GOI vide Department of Disinvestment OM No. 6/4/2001-DD-II dated 13th July, 2001 which guidelines apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Bidding Process. A copy of the aforesaid guidelines form part of the RFQ at Appendix-V thereof.
- 15. I/We further certify that we/any Member of the Consortium or any of our/their Associates are not barred by the Central Government/State Government or any entity controlled by it, from participating in any project (BOT or otherwise), and no bar subsists as on the date of Application.
- 16. I/ We undertake that in case due to any change in facts or circumstances during the Bidding Process, we are attracted by the provisions of disqualification in terms of the provisions of this RFQ, we shall intimate the Authority of the same immediately.
- 17. The Statement of Legal Capacity as per format provided at Annex-V in Appendix-I of the RFQ document, and duly signed, is enclosed. The power of attorney for signing of application and the power of attorney for Lead Member of consortium, as per format provided at Appendix II and III respectively of the RFQ, are also enclosed.
- 18. I/ We understand that the selected Bidder shall either be an existing Company incorporated under the Indian Companies Act, 1956, or shall incorporate as such prior to execution of the Concession Agreement.
- 19. I/ We hereby confirm that we [are in compliance of/ shall comply with] the O&M requirements specified in Clause 2.2.3.
- 20. I/ We hereby irrevocably waive any right or remedy which we may have at any stage at law or howsoever otherwise arising to challenge or question any decision taken by the Authority in connection with the selection of Applicants, selection of the Bidder, or in connection with the selection/ Bidding Process itself, in respect of the above mentioned Project and the terms and implementation thereof.
- 21. I/ We agree and undertake to abide by all the terms and conditions of the RFQ document.

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- 23. With respect to the details regarding security clearance provided in Appendix VI of my/our RFQ application, I/We accept and confirm to communicate to the Port Authority the changes in (a) Management Control of the Company/Companies and /or (b) Change of more than 10% in shareholding in the Company/Companies by any shareholder, within two weeks of change taking place.
- 24. {We agree and undertake to be jointly and severally liable for all the obligations of the Concessionaire under the Concession Agreement till occurrence of Financial Close in accordance with the Concession Agreement.}§

In witness thereof, I/ we submit this application under and in accordance with the terms of the RFQ document.

Yours faithfully,

Date: (Signature, name and designation of the Authorised Signatory)

Place: Name and seal of the Applicant/ Lead Member

Note: Paragraphs in square parenthesis may be omitted, if not applicable, or modified as necessary

<sup>§</sup> Omit if the Applicant is not a Consortium

#### ANNEX-I

# **Details of Applicant**

- 1. (a) Name:
  - (b) Country of incorporation:
  - (c) Nature of the Company (whether private or State-owned entity):
  - (d) Address of the corporate headquarters and its branch office(s), if any, in India:
  - (e) Date of incorporation and/ or commencement of business:
- 2. Brief description of the Company including details of its main lines of business and proposed role and responsibilities in this Project:
- 3. Details of individual(s) who will serve as the point of contact/communication for the Authority:
  - (a) Name:
  - (b) Designation:
  - (c) Company:
  - (d) Address:
  - (e) Telephone Number:
  - (f) E-Mail Address:
  - (g) Fax Number:
- 4. Particulars of the Authorised Signatory of the Applicant:
  - (a) Name:
  - (b) Designation:
  - (c) Address:
  - (d) Phone Number:
  - (e) Fax Number:

#### 5. In case of a Consortium:

- (a) The information above (1-4) should be provided for all the Members of the Consortium.
- (b) A copy of the Jt. Bidding Agreement, as envisaged in Clause 2.2.6(g) should be attached to the Application.
- (c) Information regarding the role of each Member should be provided as per table below:

Sl. No.	Name of Member	Role* {Refer Clause 2.2.6(d)}\$	Percentage of equity in the Consortium {Refer Clauses 2.2.6(a),(c) & (g)}
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

(d) The following information shall also be provided for each Member of the Consortium:

## Name of Applicant/ member of Consortium:

No.	Criteria	Yes	No
1.	Has the Applicant/ constituent of the Consortium been barred by the [Central/ State] Government, or any entity controlled by it, from participating in any project (BOT or otherwise)?		
2.	If the answer to 1 is yes, does the bar subsist as on the date of Application?		
3.	Has the Applicant/ constituent of the Consortium paid liquidated damages of more than 5% of the contract value in a contract due to delay or has been penalised due to any other reason in relation to execution of a contract, in the last three years?		

6. A statement by the Applicant and each of the Members of its Consortium (where applicable) or any of their Associates disclosing material non-performance or contractual non-compliance in past projects, contractual disputes and litigation/ arbitration in the recent past is given below (Attach extra sheets, if necessary):

<sup>§</sup> All provisions contained in curly parenthesis shall be suitably modified by the Applicant to reflect the particulars relating to such Applicant

# ANNEX-II

# Technical Capacity of the Applicant $^{@}$

(Refer to Clauses 2.2.2(A), 3.2 and 3.3 of the RFQ)

Applicant	Member	Project	Cate-	Experience*		
type #	Code*	Code**	gory <sup>§</sup>	(Equivalent Rs. crore)\$\$		
				Payments	Payments	Revenues
				made/ received	made for	appropriated
				for construction	development	from Eligible
				of Eligible	of Eligible	Projects in
				Projects in	Projects in	Categories 1
				Categories 3	Categories 1	and 2
				and 4	and 2	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Single entity	(2)	a (3)	(4)			
Applicant		b				
		c				
		d				
Consortium		1a				
Member 1		1b				
		1c				
		1d				
Consortium		2a				
Member 2		2b				
		2c				
		2d				
Consortium		3a				
Member 3		3b				
		3c				
		3d				
Consortium		4a				
Member 4		4b				
		4c				
		4d				
Aggregate Techn	ical Capacity=	Rupees	•••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Crores	

- <sup>®</sup> Provide details of only those projects that have been undertaken by the Applicant under its own name and/ or by an Associate specified in Clause 2.2.9 and/ or by a project company eligible under Clause 3.2.3(b). In case of Categories 1 and 2, include only those projects which have an estimated capital cost exceeding the amount specified in Clause 3.2.3(c) and for Categories 3 and 4, include only those projects where the payments made/received exceed the amount specified in Clause 3.2.4. In case the Application Due Date falls within 3 (three) months of the close of the latest financial year, refer to Clause 2.2.12.
- <sup>#</sup> An Applicant consisting of a single entity should fill in details as per the row titled Single entity Applicant and ignore the rows titled Consortium Member. In case of a Consortium, the row titled Single entity Applicant may be ignored. In case credit is claimed for an Associate, necessary evidence to establish the relationship of the Applicant with such Associate, in terms of Clause 2.2.9, shall be provided.
- \* Member Code shall indicate NA for Not Applicable in case of a single entity Applicant. For other Members, the following abbreviations are suggested viz. LM means Lead Member, TM means Technical Member, FM means Financial Member, OMM means Operation & Maintenance Member, OM means Other Member.
- \*\*Refer Annex-IV of this Appendix-I. Add more rows if necessary.

¥In the case of Eligible Projects in Categories 1 and 2, the figures in columns 6 and 7 may be added for computing the Technical Capacity of the respective projects. In the case of Categories 3 and 4, construction shall not include supply of goods or equipment except when such goods or equipment form part of a turn-key construction contract/EPC contract for the project. In no case shall the cost of land be included while computing the Technical Capacity of an Eligible Project.

**Note:** In case of Projects under Category-3, payments made/received for operation of Eligible Projects may be included

.§§ For conversion of US Dollars to Rupees, the rate of conversion shall be Rupees 76.1781 (Seventy Six decimal one seven eight one) to a US Dollar. In case of any other currency, the same shall first be converted to US Dollars as on the date 60 (sixty) days prior to the Application Due Date, and the amount so derived in US Dollars shall be converted into Rupees at the aforesaid rate. The conversion rate of such currencies shall be the daily representative exchange rates published by the International Monetary Fund for the relevant date

<sup>§</sup> Refer Clause 3.2.1.

#### ANNEX-III

# **Financial Capacity of the Applicant**

(Refer to Clauses 2.2.2(B), 2.2.4 (ii) and 3.4 of the RFQ)

# (In Rs. crore<sup>\$\$</sup>)

Applicant	Member		Net	Cash Acc	ruals		Net
type §	Code <sup>£</sup>						Worth€
		Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year
		1	2	3	4	5	1
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Single entity							
Applicant							
Consortium							
Member 1							
Consortium							
Member 2							
Consortium							
Member 3							
Consortium							
Member 4							
TOTAL							

# Name & address of Applicant's Bankers:....

<sup>\$</sup> An Applicant consisting of a single entity should fill in details as per the row titled Single entity Applicant and ignore the rows titled Consortium Members. In case of a Consortium, row titled Single entity Applicant may be ignored.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>£</sup>For Member Code, see instruction 4 at Annex-IV of this Appendix-I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>The Applicant should provide details of its own Financial Capacity or of an Associate specified in Clause 2.2.9.

<sup>\$\$</sup> For conversion of other currencies into rupees, see note below Annex-II of Appendix-I.

#### **Instructions:**

- 1. The Applicant/ its constituent Consortium Members shall attach copies of the balance sheets, financial statements and Annual Reports for 5 (five) years preceding the Application Due Date. The financial statements shall:
  - (a) reflect the financial situation of the Applicant or Consortium Members and its/ their Associates where the Applicant is relying on its Associate's financials:
  - (b) be audited by a statutory auditor;
  - (c) be complete, including all notes to the financial statements; and
  - (d) correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited (no statements for partial periods shall be requested or accepted).
- 2. Net Cash Accruals shall mean Profit After Tax+ Depreciation.
- 3. Net Worth<sup>c</sup>shall mean (Subscribed and Paid-up Equity + Reserves) less (Revaluation reserves + miscellaneous expenditure not written off + reserves not available for distribution to equity shareholders).
- 4. Year 1 will be the latest completed financial year, preceding the bidding. Year 2 shall be the year immediately preceding Year 1 and so on. In case the Application Due Date falls within 3 (three) months of the close of the latest financial year, refer to Clause 2.2.12.
- 5. In the case of a Consortium, a copy of the Jt. Bidding Agreement shall be submitted in accordance with Clause 2.2.6 (g) of the RFQ document.
- 6. The applicant shall also provide the name and address of the Bankers to the Applicant.
- 7. The Applicant shall provide an Auditor's Certificate specifying the net worth of the Applicant and also specifying the methodology adopted for calculating such net worth in accordance with Clause 2.2.4 (ii) of the RFQ document.

## ANNEX-IV

# **Details of Eligible Projects**

(Refer to Clauses 2.2.2(A), 3.2 and 3.3 of the RFQ)

# **Project Code:**

## **Member Code:**

Item	Refer	Particulars of the Project
	Instruction	
(1)	(2)	(3)
Title & nature of the project		
Category	5	
Year-wise (a) payments	6	
received/ made for		
construction, (b) payments		
made for development of		
PPP projects and/ or (c)		
revenues appropriated		
Entity for which the project	7	
was constructed/developed		
Location		
Project cost	8	
Date of commencement of		
project/ contract		
Date of completion/	9	
commissioning		
Equity shareholding	10	
(with period during which		
equity was held)		
Whether credit is being taken	15	
for the Eligible Experience of		
an Associate (Yes/ No)		

#### **Instructions:**

1. Applicants are expected to provide information in respect of each Eligible Projects in this Annex. The projects cited must comply with the eligibility criteria specified in Clause 3.2.3 and 3.2.4 of the RFQ, as the case may be. Information provided in this section is intended to serve as a back up for information provided in the Application. Applicants should also refer to the Instructions below.

- 2. For a single entity Applicant, the Project Codes would be a, b, c, d etc. In case the Applicant is a Consortium then for Member 1, the Project Codes would be 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d etc., for Member 2 the Project Codes shall be 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d etc., and so on.
- 3. A separate sheet should be filled for each Eligible Project.
- 4. Member Code shall indicate NA for Not Applicable in case of a single entity Applicant. For other Members, the following abbreviations are suggested viz. LM means Lead Member, TM means Technical Member, FM means Financial Member, OMM means Operation & Maintenance Member; and OM means Other Member. In case the Eligible Project relates to an Associate of the Applicant or its Member, write "Associate" along with Member Code.
- 5. Refer to Clause 3.2.1 of the RFQ for category number.
- 6. The total payments received/ made and/or revenues appropriated for each Eligible Project are to be stated in Annex-II of this Appendix-I. The figures to be provided here should indicate the break-up for the past 5 (five) financial years. Year 1 refers to the financial year immediately preceding the Application Due Date; Year 2 refers to the year before Year 1, Year 3 refers to the year before Year 2, and so on (Refer Clause 2.2.12). For Categories 1 and 2, expenditure on development of the project and/or revenues appropriated, as the case may be, should be provided, but only in respect of projects having an estimated capital cost exceeding the amount specified in Clause 3.2.3(c). In case of Categories 3 and 4, payments made/ received only in respect of construction should be provided, but only if the amount paid/received exceeds the minimum specified in Clause 3.2.4. Payment for construction works should only include capital expenditure, and should not include expenditure on repairs and maintenance.

**Note:** In case of Projects under Category-3, payments made/received for operation of Eligible Projects may be included.

- 7. In case of projects in Categories 1 and 2, particulars such as name, address and contact details of owner/ Authority/ Agency (i.e. concession grantor, counter party to PPA, etc.) may be provided. In case of projects in Categories 3 and 4, similar particulars of the client need to be provided.
- 8. Provide the estimated capital cost of Eligible Project. Refer to Clauses 3.2.3 and 3.2.4
- 9. For Categories 1 and 2, the date of commissioning of the project, upon completion, should be indicated. In case of Categories 3 and 4, date of completion of construction should be indicated. In the case of projects under construction, the likely date of completion or commissioning, as the case may be, shall be indicated.
- 10. For Categories 1 and 2, the equity shareholding of the Applicant, in the company owning the Eligible Project, held continuously during the period for which Eligible Experience is claimed, needs to be given (Refer Clause 3.2.3).

- 11. Experience for any activity relating to an Eligible Project shall not be claimed by two or more Members of the Consortium. In other words, no double counting by a consortium in respect of the same experience shall be permitted in any manner whatsoever.
- 12. Certificate from the Applicant's statutory auditor<sup>\$</sup> or its respective clients must be furnished as per formats below for each Eligible Project. In jurisdictions that do not have statutory auditors, the auditors who audit the annual accounts of the Applicant/ Member/Associate may provide the requisite certification.
- 13. If the Applicant is claiming experience under Categories 1 & 2<sup>£</sup>, it should provide a certificate from its statutory auditor in the format below:

Certificate from the Statutory Auditor regarding PPP projects <sup>Ф</sup>	
Based on its books of accounts and other published information authenticated by it this is to certify that	ch
We further certify that the total estimated capital cost of the project is Rs	re)
We also certify that the eligible annual revenues collected and appropriated by aforesaid project company in terms of Clauses 3.2.1 and 3.2.3 (d) of the RFQ durin past five financial years were Rscr. as per year-wise details noted below	g the
Name of the audit firm:	
Seal of the audit firm: (Signature, name and designation of the authorized signa	tory)
Date:	

<sup>\$</sup> In case duly certified audited annual financial statements containing the requisite details are provided, a separate certification by statutory auditors would not be necessary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>£</sup> Refer Clause 3.2.1 of the RFQ.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>Ф</sup> Provide Certificate as per this format only. Attach explanatory notes to the Certificate, if necessary. Statutory auditor means the entity that audits and certifies the annual accounts of company.

<sup>€</sup> Refer instruction no. 10 in this Annex-IV.

14. If the Applicant is claiming experience under Category 3 & 4\*, it should provide a certificate from its statutory auditors or the client in the format below:

Certificate from the Statutory Auditor/ Client regarding construction works <sup>©</sup>
Based on its books of accounts and other published information authenticated by it, {this is to certify that
We further certify that the total estimated capital cost of the project is Rs. cr. (Rupees
{It is further certified that the payments/receipts indicated above are restricted to the share of the Applicant who undertook these works as a partner or a member of joint venture/consortium.} <sup>a</sup>
Name of the audit firm:
Seal of the audit firm: (Signature, name and designation of
the authorized signatory).
Date:

<sup>\*</sup> Refer Clauses 3.2.1 and 3.2.4 of the RFQ

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>©</sup> Provide Certificate as per this format only. Attach Explanatory Notes to the Certificate, ifnecessary. Statutory auditor means the entity that audits and certifies the annual accounts of the company.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>Psi}$  In case the Applicant owned the Eligible Project and engaged a contractor for undertaking the construction works, this language may be modified to read: "this is to certify that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> This certification should only be provided in case of jobs/ contracts, which are executed as part of a partnership/ joint venture/ consortium. The payments indicated in the certificate should be restricted to the share of Applicant in such partnership/ joint venture/ consortium. This portion may be omitted if the contract did not involve a partnership/ joint venture/ consortium. In case where work is not executed by partnership/ joint venture/ consortium, this paragraph may be deleted.

15. In the event that credit is being taken for the Eligible Experience of an Associate, as defined in Clause 2.2.9, the Applicant should also provide a certificate in the format below:

# Certificate from Statutory Auditor/ Company Secretary regarding Associate<sup>\$</sup>

A brief description of the said equity held, directly or indirectly, is given below:

{Describe the share-holding of the Applicant/ Consortium Member in the Associate}

Name of the audit firm:

Seal of the audit firm: (Signature, name and designation of Date: the authorized signatory).

Date:

16. It may be noted that in the absence of any detail in the above certificates, the information would be considered inadequate and could lead to exclusion of the relevant project in computation of Technical Capacity

\$ In the event that the Applicant/ Consortium Member exercises control over an Associate by operation of law, this certificate may be suitably modified and copies of the relevant law may be enclosed and referred to.

£ In the case of indirect share-holding, the intervening companies in the chain of ownership should also be Associates i.e., the share-holding in each such company should be more than 50% in order to establish that the chain of "control" is not broken.

<sup>§</sup> In the event that the Applicant/ Consortium Member exercises control over an Associate by operation of law, this certificate may be suitably modified and copies of the relevant law may be enclosed and referred to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>£</sup> In the case of indirect share-holding, the intervening companies in the chain of ownership should also be Associates i.e., the share-holding in each such company should be more than 50% in order to establish that the chain of "control" is not broken

# ANNEX-V

# **Statement of Legal Capacity**

(To be forwarded on the letterhead of the Applicant/ Lead Member of Consortium)

# APPENDIX II

# Power of Attorney for signing of Application

(Refer Clause 2.2.5)

Know all men by these presents, We
(name of the firm and address of the registered office) do hereby irrevocably
constitute, nominate, appoint and authorise Mr/ Ms (name),
, who is presently employed with us/ the Lead Member of our
Consortium and holding the position of, as our true and
lawful attorney (hereinafter referred to as the "Attorney") to do in our name and on
our behalf, all such acts, deeds and things as are necessary or required in connection
with or incidental to submission of our application for pre-qualification and
submission of our bid for the "Mechanization of Berth No. 05 (Erstwhile Berth No. 4b) on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis at Haldia
Dock Complex" proposed or being developed by the Haldia Dock Complex, Syama
Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (the "Authority") including but not limited to
signing and submission of all applications, bids and other documents and writings,
participate in Pre-Applications and other conferences and providing information/
responses to the Authority, representing us in all matters before the Authority,
signing and execution of all contracts including the Concession Agreement and undertakings consequent to acceptance of our bid, and generally dealing with the
Authority in all matters in connection with or relating to or arising out of our bid for
the said Project and/ or upon award thereof to us and/or till the entering into of the
Concession Agreement with the Authority.
AND we hereby agree to ratify and confirm and do hereby ratify and confirm all acts, deeds and things done or caused to be done by our said Attorney pursuant to and in
exercise of the powers conferred by this Power of Attorney and that all acts, deeds
and things done by our said Attorney in exercise of the powers hereby conferred shall
and shall always be deemed to have been done by us.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE,, THE ABOVE NAMED PRINCIPAL HAVE EXECUTED THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY ON THIS
DAY OF 2
For
(Signature, name, designation and
(=-g, =g
address)
Witnesses:
1.
(Notarised)
2.

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Accepted	
(Signature)	
(Name, Title and Address of the Attorney)	
Notes:	

■ The mode of execution of the Power of Attorney should be in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down by the applicable law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common

seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.

- Wherever required, the Applicant should submit for verification the extract of the charter documents and documents such as a board or shareholders' resolution/power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Power of Attorney for the delegation of power hereunder on behalf of the Applicant.
- For a Power of Attorney executed and issued overseas, the document will also have to be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarised in the jurisdiction where the Power of Attorney is being issued. However, the Power of Attorney provided by Applicants from countries that have signed the Hague Legislation Convention 1961 are not required to be legalised by the Indian Embassy if it carries a conforming Appostille certificate.

#### APPENDIX III

# Power of Attorney for Lead Member of Consortium

(Refer Clause 2.2.5)

Whereas the Haldia Dock Complex, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata ("the Authority") has invited applications from interested parties for the "Mechanization of Berth No. 05 (Erstwhile Berth No. 4b) on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis at Haldia Dock Complex" (the "Project").

Whereas, it is necessary for the Members of the Consortium to designate one of them as the Lead Member with all necessary power and authority to do for and on behalf of the Consortium, all acts, deeds and things as may be necessary in connection with the Consortium's bid for the Project and its execution.

#### NOW THEREFORE KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS

We, ...... having our registered office at ....., M/s. ...... having our registered office at .......... M/s. ...... having our registered office at ....., and ...... having our registered office at ....., (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Principals") do hereby irrevocably designate, nominate, constitute, appoint and authorise M/S..... having its registered office at ....., being one of the Members of the Consortium, as the Lead Member and true and lawful attorney of the Consortium (hereinafter referred to as the "Attorney"). We hereby irrevocably authorise the Attorney (with power to sub-delegate) to conduct all business for and on behalf of the Consortium and any one of us during the bidding process and, in the event the Consortium is awarded the concession/contract, during the execution of the Project and in this regard, to do on our behalf and on behalf of the Consortium, all or any of such acts, deeds or things as are necessary or required or incidental to the prequalification of the Consortium and submission of its bid for the Project, including but not limited to signing and submission of all applications, bids and other documents and writings, participate in bidders and other conferences, respond to queries, submit information/ documents, sign and execute contracts and undertakings consequent to acceptance of the bid of the Consortium and generally to represent the Consortium in all its dealings with the Authority, and/ or any other Government Agency or any person, in all matters in connection with or relating to or arising out of the Consortium's bid for the Project and/ or upon award thereof till the Concession Agreement is entered into with the Authority.

# Appendix III

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AND hereby agree to ratify and confirm and do hereby ratify and confirm all acts, deeds and things done or caused to be done by our said Attorney pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred by this Power of Attorney and that all acts, deeds and things done by our said Attorney in exercise of the powers hereby conferred shall and shall always be deemed to have been done by us/ Consortium.

	IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE THE PRINCIPALS ABOY EXECUTED THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY ON THIS
OF	2
	For
(Signature)	
(Name & Title)	
	For
(Signature)	
(Name &	
Title)	
	For
(Signature)	
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(Name & Title)	
Tiuc)	

Witnesses:
1.
2.
(Executants)
(To be executed by all the Members of the Consortium)

# Notes:

- The mode of execution of the Power of Attorney should be in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down by the applicable law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.
- Also, wherever required, the Applicant should submit for verification the extract of the charter documents and documents such as a board or shareholders' resolution/ power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Power of Attorney for the delegation of power hereunder on behalf of the Applicant.
- For a Power of Attorney executed and issued overseas, the document will also have to be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarised in the jurisdiction where the Power of Attorney is being issued. However, the Power of Attorney provided by Applicants from countries that have signed the Hague Legislation Convention 1961 are not required to be legalised by the Indian Embassy if it carries a conforming Appostille certificate.

# APPENDIX IV

# **Joint Bidding Agreement**

(Refer Clause 2.13.2)

(To be executed o n Stamp paper of appropriate value)

	JOINT BIDDING AGREEMENT is entered into on this theday of 20
AMO	NGST
1.	{Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 /2013} and having its registered office at (hereinafter referred to as the "First Part" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context include its successors and permitted assigns)
AND	
2.	{Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 /2013} and having its registered office at (hereinafter referred to as the "Second Part" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context include its successors and permitted assigns)
AND	
3.	{Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 /2013 and having its registered office at (hereinafter referred to as the "Third Part" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context include its successors and permitted assigns)}
AND	
4.	{Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 /2013 and having its registered office at (hereinafter referred to as the "Fourth Part" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context include its successors and permitted assigns)}
	The above mentioned parties of the FIRST, SECOND, {THIRD and FOURTH} PART are collectively referred to as the "Parties" and each is individually referred to as a "Party"

 $<sup>^{\$}</sup>$  The number of Parties will be shown here, as applicable, subject however to a maximum of 6 (six).

#### WHEREAS.

- (A) Haldia Dock Complex, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (hereinafter referred to as the "Authority" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its administrators, successors and assigns) has invited applications (the Applications") by its Request for Qualification No. ... ... ... dated ... ... ... (the "RFQ") for prequalification and short-listing of bidders for ""Mechanization of Berth No. 5 on Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis" at Haldia Dock Complex for a concession period of thirty (30) years through public private partnership.
- (B) The Parties are interested in jointly bidding for the Project as members of a Consortium and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the RFQ document and other bid documents in respect of the Project, and
- (C) It is a necessary condition under the RFQ document that the members of the Consortium shall enter into a Joint Bidding Agreement and furnish a copy thereof with the Application.

#### **NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows:**

# 1. Definitions and Interpretations

In this Agreement, the capitalised terms shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning ascribed thereto under the RFQ.

#### 2. Consortium

- 2.1 The Parties do hereby irrevocably constitute a consortium (the "Consortium") for the purposes of jointly participating in the Bidding Process for the Project.
- 2.2 The Parties hereby undertake to participate in the Bidding Process only through this Consortium and not individually and/ or through any other consortium constituted for this Project, either directly or indirectly or through any of their Associates.

#### 3. Covenants

The Parties hereby undertake that in the event the Consortium is declared the selected Bidder and awarded the Project, it shall incorporate a special purpose vehicle (the "SPV") under the Indian Companies Act, 1956 for entering into a Concession Agreement with the Authority and for performing all its obligations as the Concessionaire in terms of the Concession Agreement for the Project.

#### 4. Role of the Parties

The Parties hereby undertake to perform the roles and responsibilities as described below:

(a) Party of the First Part shall be the Lead member of the Consortium and shall have the power of attorney from all Parties for conducting all business for and on behalf of the Consortium during the Bidding

Process and until the Appointed Date under the Concession Agreement when all the obligations of the SPV shall become effective;

- (b) Party of the Second Part shall be {the Technical Member of the Consortium;}
- {(c) Party of the Third Part shall be the Financial Member of the Consortium; and}
- {(d) Party of the Fourth Part shall be the Operation and Maintenance Member/ Other Member of the Consortium.}

#### 5. Joint and Several Liability

The Parties do hereby undertake to be jointly and severally responsible for all obligations and liabilities relating to the Project and in accordance with the terms of the RFQ, RFP and the Concession Agreement, till such time as the Financial Close for the Project is achieved under and in accordance with the Concession Agreement.

#### 6. Shareholding in the SPV

6.1 The Parties agree that the proportion of shareholding among the Parties in the SPV shall be as follows:

First Party:
Second Party:
{Third Party:}
{Fourth Party:}

- 6.2 The Parties undertake that a minimum of 26% (twenty six per cent) of the subscribed and paid up equity share capital of the SPV shall, at all times till the second anniversary of the date of commercial operation of the Project, be held by the Parties of the First, {Second and Third} Part whose experience and net worth have been reckoned for the purposes of qualification and shortlisting of Applicants for the Project in terms of the RFQ.
- 6.3 The Parties undertake that each of the Parties specified in Clause 6.2 above shall, at all times between the commercial operation date of the Project and the second anniversary thereof, hold subscribed and paid up equity share capital of SPV equivalent to at least 5% (five per cent) of the Total Project Cost.
- 6.4 The Parties undertake that they shall collectively hold at least 51% (fifty one per cent) of the subscribed and paid up equity share capital of the SPV at all times until the second anniversary of the commercial operation date of the Project.

- 6.5 The Parties undertake that they shall comply with all equity lock-in requirements set forth in the Concession Agreement.
- 6.6 The Parties undertake that the O&M Member shall subscribe and hold at least 10% (ten per cent) of the subscribed and paid up equity shares in the SPV in terms of the Concession Agreement.}

# 7. Representation of the Parties

Each Party represents to the other Parties as of the date of this Agreement that:

- (a) Such Party is duly organised, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its incorporation and has all requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement;
- (b) The execution, delivery and performance by such Party of this Agreement has been authorised by all necessary and appropriate corporate or governmental action and a copy of the extract of the charter documents and board resolution/power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Agreement for the delegation of power and authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Consortium Member is annexed to this Agreement, and will not, to the best of its knowledge:
  - (i) require any consent or approval not already obtained;
  - (ii) violate any Applicable Law presently in effect and having applicability to it;
  - (iii) violate the memorandum and articles of association, by-laws or other applicable organisational documents thereof;
  - (iv) violate any clearance, permit, concession, grant, license or other governmental authorisation, approval, judgement, order or decree or any mortgage agreement, indenture or any other instrument to which such Party is a party or by which such Party or any of its properties or assets are bound or that is otherwise applicable to such Party; or
  - (v) create or impose any liens, mortgages, pledges, claims, security interests, charges or Encumbrances or obligations to create a lien, charge, pledge, security interest, encumbrances or mortgage in or on the property of such Party, except for encumbrances that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or prospects or business of such Party so as to prevent such Party from fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement;

- (c) this Agreement is the legal and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms against it; and
- (d) there is no litigation pending or, to the best of such Party's knowledge, threatened to which it or any of its Affiliates is a party that presently affects or which would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or prospects or business of such Party in the fulfillment of its obligations under this Agreement.

## 8. Termination

This Agreement shall be effective from the date hereof and shall continue in full force and effect until the Financial Close of the Project is achieved under and in accordance with the Concession Agreement, in case the Project is awarded to the Consortium. However, in case the Consortium is either not prequalified for the Project or does not get selected for award of the Project, the Agreement will stand terminated in case the Applicant is not pre-qualified or upon return of the Bid Security by the Authority to the Bidder, as the case may be.

# 9. Miscellaneous

- 9.1 This Joint Bidding Agreement shall be governed by laws of {India}.
- 9.2 The Parties acknowledge and accept that this Agreement shall not be amended by the Parties without the prior written consent of the Authority.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE PARTIES ABOVE NAMED HAVE EXECUTED AND DELIVERED THIS AGREEMENT AS OF THE DATE FIRST ABOVE WRITTEN.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

For and on behalf of

LEAD MEMBER by: SECOND PART

(Signature)(Signature)(Name)(Name)(Designation)(Designation)(Address)(Address)

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

For and on behalf of THIRD PART

For and on behalf of FOURTH PART

(Signature) (Signature)
(Name) (Name)
(Designation) (Designation)
(Address) (Address)

#### Notes:

- 1. The mode of the execution of the Joint Bidding Agreement should be in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down by the Applicable Law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.
- 2. Each Joint Bidding Agreement should attach a copy of the extract of the charter documents and documents such as resolution / power ofattorney in favour of the person executing this Agreement for the delegation of power and authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Consortium Member.
- 3. For a Joint Bidding Agreement executed and issued overseas, the document shall be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarized in the jurisdiction where the Power of Attorney has been executed.

#### APPENDIX V

# **Guidelines of the Department of Disinvestment**

(Refer Clause 1.2.1)

No. 6/4/2001-DD-II Government of India Department of Disinvestment Block 14, CGO Complex New Delhi.

Dated 13th July, 2001.

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

# Sub: Guidelines for qualification of Bidders seeking to acquire stakes in Public Sector Enterprises through the process of disinvestment

Government has examined the issue of framing comprehensive and transparent guidelines defining the criteria for bidders interested in PSE-disinvestment so that the parties selected through competitive bidding could inspire public confidence. Earlier, criteria like net worth, experience etc. used to be prescribed. Based on experience and in consultation with concerned departments, Government has decided to prescribe the following additional criteria for the qualification/ disqualification of the parties seeking to acquire stakes in public sector enterprises through disinvestment:

- (a) In regard to matters other than the security and integrity of the country, any conviction by a Court of Law or indictment/ adverse order by a regulatory authority that casts a doubt on the ability of the bidder to manage the public sector unit when it is disinvested, or which relates to a grave offence would constitute disqualification. Grave offence is defined to be of such a nature that it outrages the moral sense of the community. The decision in regard to the nature of the offence would be taken on case to case basis after considering the facts of the case and relevant legal principles, by the Government of India.
- (b) In regard to matters relating to the security and integrity of the country, any charge-sheet by an agency of the Government/ conviction by a Court of Law for an offence committed by the bidding party or by any sister concern of the bidding party would result in disqualification. The decision in regard to the relationship between the sister concerns would be taken, based on the relevant facts and after examining whether the two concerns are substantially controlled by the same person/persons.
- (c) In both (a) and (b), disqualification shall continue for a period that Government deems appropriate.

- (d) Any entity, which is disqualified from participating in the disinvestment process, would not be allowed to remain associated with it or get associated merely because it has preferred an appeal against the order based on which it has been disqualified. The mere pendency of appeal will have no effect on the disqualification.
- (e) The disqualification criteria would come into effect immediately and would apply to all bidders for various disinvestment transactions, which have not been completed as yet.
- (f) Before disqualifying a concern, a Show Cause Notice why it should not be disqualified would be issued to it and it would be given an opportunity to explain its position.
- (g) Henceforth, these criteria will be prescribed in the advertisements seeking Expression of Interest (EOI) from the interested parties. The interested parties would be required to provide the information on the above criteria, along with their Expressions of Interest (EOI). The bidders shall be required to provide with their EOI an undertaking to the effect that no investigation by a regulatory authority is pending against them. In case any investigation is pending against the concern or its sister concern or against its CEO or any of its Directors/ Managers/ employees, full details of such investigation including the name of the investigating agency, the charge/ offence for which the investigation has been launched, name and designation of persons against whom the investigation has been launched and other relevant information should be disclosed, to the satisfaction of the Government. For other criteria also, a similar undertaking shall be obtained along with EOI.

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(A.K.Tewar) Under Secretary to the Government of India

# APPENDIX -VI

# **Information for SecurityClearance**

(Applicants to provide information in the revised formats provided below)

Revised formats for seeking Security Clearance for Bidders to be provided in line with Ministry of Shipping letter vide F.No.PD-24018/12/2014-SCC dated 12/02/2016.

Revised Performa for Security Clearance:

**I.** Details in respect of Company/ Firm (Indian/Foreign):

S.	 Full Firms/I	Name Bidders	Date registration the Company	Office, Office	s of Head Regional and red Office	Previous name of the company, if any	Details of earlier approvals, if any (ref.No. & date)

# II. Details in respect of Directors.

SI. No.	Full Name of Board of Directors	Present position held with date (since when)	Date of Birth	Parenta ge	Present and Permanent Address	Nationality	Passport No.and issue date, if any	Contact Address & telephone number
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# III. Details of Shareholders (All firms/companies/entities/individual having shareholding more than 10%).

Sl.	Full	Parent	Date of	Permanent	Present	Present	Nationality (if	% of shares
No	Name	age	Birth	Address	Address	position	Holding dual	held in the
		Father/				held in the	Nationality,	Company
		Mother				Company if	both must be	
						any	clearly	
							mentioned)	

# I. Details of Criminal cases, if any against the company/Director(s) as per Annexure.

# **Annexure**

# Self declaration for company of Director(s) for whom security clearance is sought

b. Name and address of owners, promoters and directors	of the comp	eany:						
1								
2								
3								
4								
c. Is the company owners, promoters of directors listed a	bove the su	bject of any						
1. Preventive detention proceedings(PSA/NSA etc.)	:	Yes/No						
2. Criminal proceedings	:	Yes/No						
d. If yes, please provide following details								
1. Detention / Case /FIR/warrant number	:							
2. Police station /District / Agency	:							
3. Section of Law	:							
4. Name and place of the court	:							
e. The above mentioned details are in respect of both India and	l any other f	oreign country.						
<b>Note:</b> The above self declaration is required to be filled and signed the company.	by the author	orized signatory of						

# APPENDIX VII

# Undertaking for entering into Operation & Maintenance (O&M) agreement (To be submitted on the letterhead of the Applicant/lead member of the consortium)

Ref:-	Date:
To The General Manager(Engg), Haldia Dock Complex Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port , Kolkata Haldia Township – 721607 West Bengal, India	
Sub: "Mechanization of Berth No. 5 (erstwhile berth Finance, Operate, Transfer ("DBFOT") basis" at Ha concession period of thirty (30) years  Dear Sir,	
We hereby agree that we	irrevocably enter into an ving O & M experience as I of at least 5 (five) years
We also confirm that the Operation & Maintenance Contracto experience as set forth in clause no. 2.2.3 of RFQ document.	r shall meet the O & M
We shall further ensure that the Name, Credentials and exper Maintenance Contractor shall be provided to Syama Prasad Mood required to be done so by Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Ko evaluation and Security Clearance.	kerjee Port, Kolkata when
Thanking you	
For and on behalf of (Applicant/ Lead Member):	
Signature: (Authorised Representative and Signatory) Name of Person: Designation:	

#### APPENDIX -VIII

# Government of India Ministry of Shipping (Ports Wing)

No.PD-24018/8/2009 - PD.III

New Delhi-1, dated the 2nd August, 2010

To

The Chairman, All Port Trusts

**Sub:- Policy for preventing private sector monopoly in Major Ports.** 

Sir,

In pursuance of private sector participation guidelines, 1996 for the Port Sector and with a view to ensure healthy competition and smooth award of the projects for capacity augmentation at the Major Ports, the Central Government hereby directs all Major Ports under Section 111 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963, to follow the following Policy while awarding projects to private parties through Public Private Partnership (PPP) route so as to avoid private sector monopoly in the Major Ports. This policy is in supersession of this Ministry's letters No.PD-25021/13/2002-Pvt dated 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2002, No.PD-12013/2/2005-JNPT dated 26th September, 2007 and No.PD-11015/2/2006-VPT dated 1st October, 2008.

#### 2. Policy

If there is only one private terminal/berth operator in a port for a specific cargo, the operator of that berth or his associates shall not be allowed to bid for the next terminal/berth for handling the same cargo in the same port.

For the purpose of this policy, the terms

- (i) 'Operator' includes consortium members of the bidder:
- (ii) 'Associates' means, in relation to the Applicant/Consortium member, a person who controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such Applicant/Consortium Member (the Associate). As used in the definition, the expression "control" means, with respect to a person which is a company or corporation, the ownership, directly or indirectly, or more than 50% (fifty per cent) of the voting shares of such person, and with respect to a person which is not a company or corporation, the power to direct the management and policies of such person by operation of law.
- (iii) 'Berth' shall have the same meaning as "Wharf' given in Section 2 (za) of the MPT Act, 1963.
- (iv) 'Specific Cargo' means (i) containers (ii) liquid bulk, (iii) dry bulk or (iv) Multipurpose/other general cargo.
- 3. The policy shall be applicable with immediate effect and shall apply to request for Qualification (RFQs) issued on or after this date.

- 4. It is also directed that the above provisions may be incorporated by the Major Ports in the Request for Qualification & Request for Proposal to give effect to the policy in relevant cases.
- 5. This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Law and Justice, Department of Legal Affairs and approval of Hon"ble Minister of Shipping.

Yours faithfully,

(Geetu Joshi) Director Tel No. 23321672