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To

: 1) The all CCFs, West Bengal

2) The all CFs, West Bengal

3) The all DDO/DFOs West Bengal

Sub

: Revised Norms for acceptance of tender with less than 3 qualified bids on 2nd

or subsequent calls

Ref

: Finance Department, Govt of WB Memorandum no.6989-F(Y) dated 19.11.2018.

With reference to above, please find enclosed herewith the copy of memorandum along with annexure I: "Checklist for accepting tender" as issued by the Finance Department, Audit branch, Govt. of West Bengal vide no. 6989-F(Y) dated 19.11.2018, in connection with revised norms for acceptance of tender with less than 3 qualified bids on 2nd or subsequent calls, for your perusal and taking necessary action.

They are requested to please take necessary action accordingly with immediate effect.

Encl: as above

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,

General West Bengal

Government of West Bengal Finance Department Audit Branch

No. 6989-F(Y) ·

Dated 19th November, 2018 Chech (1)

MEMORANDUM

Sub: Revised Norms for acceptance of tenders with less than 3 qualified bids on 2nd or subsequent calls

The State Government in order to facilitate expeditious implementation of development and welfare programmes of the State Government, the Finance Department introduced the Financial Adviser (FA) System in the year 2012 vide Finance Department Memo. No. 152-FB dated 27.04.2012 through which the Administrative and Financial Powers were decentralised and delegated to the Administrative Departments by incorporating an FA Setup as a specialised integrated branch of Finance Department within each Administrative Department.

2. Now in order to delegate higher financial power for acceptance of tenders with less than 3 qualified bidders in 2nd or subsequent calls, para II B and II C of FD Memo No. 925-F(Y) dated 14.02.2017 is revised as follows:

Para II B: Where the delegated power of the Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary-in-Charge (HoD) for according administrative approval is Rs. 10 crores, the HoD will be able to accept tenders with less than 3 bidders up to Rs 5 crores after verifying all the details as per the checklist (Annexure I) provided with this Memorandum. Similarly, for Departments having delegated financial power for according administrative approval up to Rs. 20 crores, tenders with less than 3 bidders can be accepted by the HoD up to Rs. 10 crores.

Para II C: Beyond the limits specified above, the files should be referred to Finance Department for acceptance along with specific recommendations of the FA and HoD in the Annexure I.

- 3. However, prior to such acceptance of tenders, the HoD shall examine:
 - i. Whether there was sufficient publicity given to the Tender in adequate no. of newspapers having appropriate territorial coverage and readership, Departmental Website (if any) and e-Tender Portal;
 - ii. Whether the EMD was received online through the e-Tender Portal;
 - iii. Whether the minimum mandatory period for submission of bids as per Financial Rules was available to bidders from the date of publication in newspapers, Departmental Website (if any) and e-Tender Portal;
 - iv. Whether the Tender Inviting Authority (TIA) has provided sufficient reasons justifying and recommending acceptance of the selected bid and finds the quoted rate reasonable;
 - v. Whether the Technical Criteria were reviewed and revised by the TIA, if necessary, before 2nd or subsequent calls of the Tender;
 - vi. Whether the Eligibility Criteria like Minimum Average Annual Turnover, Net Worth, Packages Tendered, Credentials, etc. did not restrict fair competition among the prospective bidders;
 - vii. Whether in case of Non-Schedule Item(s) market rates have been suitable assessed by the TIA to ascertain reasonability of quoted rate(s);
 - viii. Whether the Departmental Tender Committee has examined the Tender and recommended acceptance and found the quoted rate reasonable;
 - ix. Whether the Financial Adviser Setup has recommended acceptance or re-tender;
 - x. Any other aspects and factors as required and deemed fit.
- 4. Accordingly, Annexure-I of FD Memo No. 925-F(Y) dated 14.02.2017 as revised vide FD Memo No. 4378-F(Y) dated 13.07.2017 has been suitably modified and enclosed herewith.
- 5. This order comes into operation with immediate effect.

(H.K. Dwivedi)
Additional Chief Secretary to the
Government of West Bengal

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Annexure-1: Checklist for Accepting tenders with less than 3 bids on 2nd or subsequent calls FD Memo No. 6989-F(Y) dated 19th November, 2018

Estimated amount	
Amount put to tender	
In case of	First Call
Eligibility Criteria (Technical)	
(For procurement of services under QCBS/CQCCBS methods the details of marks, weightage, etc. are to be mentioned)	
Eligibility Criteria (Financial)	
(For procurement of services under QCBS/CQCCBS methods the details of marks, weightage, etc. are to be mentioned)	
Details of Publications of NIT Date of NIT:	
Minimum Period for submission of tender as per Rules:	7/14/21/
Minimum Period for submission actually allowed:	
No. of Newspapers where publication is to be made as per Rules:	1/2/3
Names of Newspapers in which publicity was actually made:	
Whether e-Tender:	Yes / No
Whether Earnest Money has been received online through e-Procurement Portal (wbtenders.gov.in):	Yes / No
If Extension of dates have been done, whether: 1. The period of extension is reasonable as per rules.	Yes / No
Corrigendum Notice has been published in at least one newspaper.	Yes / No
No. of Bidders: 1. Total no. of Bidders who responded:	
2. No. of technically qualified Bidders:	
(For procurement of services under QCBS / CQCCBS methods the details of scores are to be mentioned)	
In case of 2nd /	Subsequent Call
Whether Technical Criteria were reviewed before invi	iting 2 nd /Subsequent Call to ensure that the eligibility
criteria were not restrictive:	
1. If yes, whether revised or not:	
2. If no, why not revised:	
Revised Eligibility Criteria (Technical)	
(For procurement of services under QCBS/CQCCBS methods the details of marks, weightage, etc. are to be mentioned)	
Revised Eligibility Criteria (Financial)	
(For procurement of services under QCBS/CQCCBS methods the details of marks, weightage, etc. are to be mentioned)	

Details of Publications of NIT Date of NIT:	
Minimum Period for submission of tender as per Rules:	7/14/21/(Any other)
Minimum Period for submission actually allowed:	
No. of Newspapers where publication is to be made as per Rules:	1/2/3
Names of Newspapers in which publicity was actually made:	
Whether e-Tender:	Yes / No
Whether Earnest Money has been received online through e-Procurement Portal (wbtenders.gov.in):	Yes / No
If Extension of dates have been done, whether: 1. The period of extension is reasonable as per rules.	Yes / No
Corrigendum Notice has been published in at least one newspaper.	Yes / No
No. of Bidders: 1. Total no. of Bidders who responded:	
2. No. of technically qualified Bidders:	
(For procurement of services under	
QCBS/CQCCBS methods the details of marks,	
weightage, etc. are to be mentioned)	
Details of Financial Bids of only the technically	
qualified bidders	
In case of lowest financial bid based tender, whether and by what % the L ₁ Bid is: 1. Below/At par with/Beyond the amount put to tender:	
Below/At par with/Beyond prevalent market rates (for procurement of goods and services):	
Specific comments of TIA:	
Reasons justifying and recommending accept Newther the guested rate is reasonable:	tance of L _I bid:
2. Whether the quoted rate is reasonable: Specific recommendation of the Departmental Ten	der Committee:
 Views on the submission of TIA: 	
2. Whether the quoted rate is reasonable:	
Specific recommendation of the FA regarding acce	ptance/re-tender: