

Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited
(A Government of India Enterprise)
Response to Queries from Prospective Applicants

Project Management Consultancy Services for

Construction of Double Line Electrified Railway Track with Signalling & Telecommunication system and related infrastructure for Rewai-Vadodara section (Approx 922 Route Kms) of Phase-1 of the Western Dedicated Freight Corridor

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48.	7.2 7.3	91-93 93-94	<p>Vide para 7.2 (Pg 91-93), 69 positions of Key professionals Category B have been detailed. Vide para 7.3/Pg 93-94, the qualification of all the Pro-B have been stipulated as :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Minimum Bachelor's Degree in the relevant field ➤ General work experience > 12 Years ➤ Experience in same/similar position > 6 years <p>It is felt that role of all the 69 Pro-B in the project management differs from position of position. It is also felt that wide spectrum of professionals are available which otherwise are capable to the role and duties which Pro-B are expected to perform, but they do not strictly fulfil the qualification criteria laid down in para 7.3/ Pg 93-94.</p> <p>To supervise the work, the PMC organization is envisaged as under:-</p> <p>a) Core Management Team comprising of Pro A and Pro B persons. CMT will be responsible for overall planning, monitoring and controlling of supervision activities. It will also be responsible for laying standards and documentations for overall functioning of contract, design, quality, safety, environment, labour and R&R issues. No relaxation is required in the laid down criteria for Pro A and Pro B persons for Core Management Team. The location of CMT is envisaged at Delhi.</p> <p>b) Zonal Common Team will comprise of CRE-Civil/Electrical/S&T, Chief engineer- Quality/safety/environment which in turn will be supported by AREs. Thus the ZMT will consist of Pro A and Pro B personnel. The relaxation is required only for the category of ARE-Safety/Civil (B64), ARE-Safety/S&T (B-65) and ARE-Safety/Electric (B-66). It will allow the</p>	<p>Agreed. The requirement of Pro-B has been bifurcated in two sub-categories i.e Pro-B1 and Pro-B2. Please refer to item no. 1, 2 & 3 of Addendum-2 to the RFP Document in this regard.</p>

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			<p>personnel who has worked in the safety department of railways and have wide experience of safety related issues concerning railway projects and railway working, but holds only diploma degree. No relaxation is being requested for the persons responsible for quality, environment, R&R an Labour issues. The location of ZMT is envisaged at Jaipur.</p> <p>c) Zonal Field Team comprise of Resident engineers duly supported by AREs who will be posted at various locations of the project area i.e. between Rewari and vodadara. Since the AREs are responsible for actual execution of the work which is essentially a railway supervisors having diploma will be useful in controlling the execution at ground leve. The relaxation is requested for category codes – B30 to B34, B-39, B41, B42, B-46 to B-54 and B64 to 66. It is estimated that these categories will constitute only 40-45% of the total Persons in Pro –B category.</p> <p>Accordingly it is suggested to consider bifurcation of the Pro-B in two sub-categories i.e B1 and B2. For B1 category, the laid down qualification criteria will not be changed. For B-2 Category, following criteria is suggested:-</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="728 869 1579 1125"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3">(i) Suggested Criteria for B2 category</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Educational qualification</td> <td>Minimum Bachelor's Degree in relevant field</td> <td>Minimum Diploma in relevant field</td> </tr> <tr> <td>General work experience</td> <td>More than 6 years</td> <td>More than 12 years</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Experience in same/similar position</td> <td>More than 3 years</td> <td>More than 6 years</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The proposed list of B-2 category is enclosed as Annexure –A.</p>	(i) Suggested Criteria for B2 category			Educational qualification	Minimum Bachelor's Degree in relevant field	Minimum Diploma in relevant field	General work experience	More than 6 years	More than 12 years	Experience in same/similar position	More than 3 years	More than 6 years	
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49.	4.2	163	<p>It has been requested that replacement of person with equivalent or higher educational qualification and experience may be relaxed and the replacement may be allowed with the persons who fulfil the base criteria for educational qualification and experience as laid down in the RFP. It is relevant to mention that change of the professional will be required not by choice but by compulsion as execution of contract packages CT P-3 to 6 will take its due time. Moreover, the requirement of electrical and S&T personnel is required at a late stage. Due to these reasons it is not possible to hold the professional people for such a long period and thus replacement becomes unavoidable.</p>	<p>Agreed. “.... equivalent or better qualification....” means with respect to the basic requirement of qualification as specified in the RFP document. However, in case of ‘Key Experts’, “equivalent or better qualification” shall mean with respect to the expert being replaced.</p>

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50.	TOR, Clause 4.4, Item (Page 85)	PMC shall scrutinize the day consumption record of materials like cement.....	It is stated that "PMC shall scrutinize the day consumption record of materials like cement...." As the contracts are lump-sum design-build agreements this level of monitoring does not seem necessary. Please advise.	No change is required in the RFP document.														
51.	SCC, Clause 4.2.3 (Page 163)	Conditions for appointment of experts exceeding 06 months from the date of commencement of the Services.	For staff that have to wait 6 months or more after the signing of the contract, It is suggested that replacements satisfying hiring criteria be allowed should any of them be unable to mobilize.	Agreed. "... equivalent or better qualification..." means with respect to the basic requirement of qualification as specified in the RFP document. However, in case of 'Key Experts', "equivalent or better qualification" shall mean with respect to the expert being replaced.														
52.	Section 6 From of Contract Clause 4.3 (Page 164)	The permissible Travelling allowance and boarding and Lodging allowance is in sufficient not commensurate with the existing market practices/ status of the consult's experts	<p>We propose the following Travelling and Boarding allowances for your consideration and acceptance.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>S. No.</th> <th>Expert</th> <th>Domestic Travelling Allowance</th> <th colspan="3">Lodging Allowance (Rs.) Per Day</th> <th>Boarding allowance (Rs.) Per Day</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td> <td>Key Professional Staff (Category A) all Pro A and RE level and equivalent Pro B</td> <td>To and from Travelling charges for AC 1 from Project Site Office to the Place of inspection or travel by Air (Economy class) it will be admissible.</td> <td>10000</td> <td>9000</td> <td>8000</td> <td>2500/-</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	S. No.	Expert	Domestic Travelling Allowance	Lodging Allowance (Rs.) Per Day			Boarding allowance (Rs.) Per Day	1.	Key Professional Staff (Category A) all Pro A and RE level and equivalent Pro B	To and from Travelling charges for AC 1 from Project Site Office to the Place of inspection or travel by Air (Economy class) it will be admissible.	10000	9000	8000	2500/-	Please refer to item no. 4 of Addendum-2 to the RFP Document in this regard.
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			2.	All other Professional B	To and From Travelling Charges for AC 2 tier from Project site Office to the Place of inspection. In special case, with the permission of Employer, travel by Air (Economy class) will be admissible.	6000	4000	3000	1500/-	
			3.	Professional C	- do -	2000	1500	1000	1000/-	
53.	TOR, Clause 2.2 (Page 70)		The phrase "without limitation" is misleading and it is requested that it be deleted. It is requested that the phrase "review and approval of" be deleted and be replaced with the phrase "review and issuing of non-objection certificates regarding".							Both the issues have already been covered in Reply to Queries issued on May 30, 2013. Please refer to reply to Question No. 27. No further change is considered necessary.
54.	TOR, Clause 2.2, Last Sentence (Page 71)	Can the phrase "...shall ensure" be revised to read "...shall make be efforts to ensure..."?	The PMC cannot force a contractor to do something it does not want to do. Therefore, the change in the sentence is necessary.							The issue has already been covered in Reply to Queries issued on May 30, 2013. Please refer to reply to Question No. 14. No further change is considered necessary.

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55.	TOR, Clause 2.3, 2 nd Item (Page 71)		It is assumed that Contractors shall be responsible to create and maintain the reference points. Please confirm	The issue has already been covered in Reply to Queries issued on May 30, 2013. Please refer to reply to Question No. 16.
56.	TOR, Clause 3.1.1 (Page 73)		In continuation to your response of question number 10, we would like to confirm that the following 5 offices will be established: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Core Management Team Office in Delhi. 2. Zonal Management Team Office in Jaipur. 3. Three Zonal Team Offices at Jaipur, Ajmer, & Ahmebad. <p>Moreover, our understanding is that DFCC will provide (free of cost) the facility in item 1 and the contractors will provide the facilities in items 2 and 3.</p>	The issue has already been covered in Reply to Queries issued on May 30, 2013. Please refer to reply to Question No. 31 & 37 along with reply to Q. No. 10. Item No. 1 is to be arranged by the Consultant.
57.	TOR, Clause 3.9 & 3.10 (Page 73)		The word "Endorsement" does not reflect the work described in the clause and should be deleted from the title of Clause 3.9 and Clause 3.10.	The issue has already been covered in Reply to Queries issued on May 30, 2013. Please refer to reply to Question No. 17 & 18. No further change is considered necessary.
58.	TOR, Clause 4.4 Z (Page 85)		It is requested that the first sentence be removed as it is misleading.	The issue has already been covered in Reply to Queries issued on May 30, 2013. Please refer to reply to Question No. 29. No further change is considered necessary.
59.	TOR, Clause 5. c) (Page 86)		It is recommended that the following sentence be added: "However, ultimate liability and responsibility regarding the accurateness and correctness of design drawing, as well as the quality and execution of work, shall lie with the D&B Contractor." Please confirm	No addition is considered necessary since the meaning of the sub-clause is clear.
60.	TOR, 10.2 (Page 97)		In continuation to your reply of question number 30, since this will be outside of the PMC budget it should be paid directly by DFCC. Kindly confirm.	No change in the clause is considered necessary as already explained vide reply to Q. No. 30 earlier.

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61.	TOR, Clause 11 (Page 98)		In continuation to your response of question number 37, we would like to confirm that the office rent, furnishing, maintenance, etc. will be given free of cost by DFCC.	No. The same is to be arranged by the Consultant.
62.	GCC, Clause 3.5 (Page 151)		It is assumed that global insurance policies are acceptable, which was the case for the Engineering Consultancy Services. Please confirm.	Yes.
63.	Section 6, SCC, Clause 8.2, 1.(c) & (d) (Page 167)		The panel of Arbitrators is chosen by the Client. It is suggested that the Consultant be allowed to choose its own Arbitrator so that his interests may be properly represented and not from a panel predetermined by the Client.	No change in the Clause is considered necessary.