MUGHALSARAI-NEW BHAUPUR SECTION OF EASTERN DEDICATED FREIGHT CORRIDOR

PRE-QUALIFICATION FOR ELECTRICAL WORKS CONTRACT PACKAGE: 204

RESPONSES TO PRE-SUBMISSION QUERIES OF THE APPLICANTS

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1.	Section I ITA 14.2 2nd Para For construction turnover or financial data required for each year - Exchange rate prevailing on the last day of the respective calendar year (in which the amounts for that year is to be converted) was originally established.	Our Organization follows the Financial year from 1 st April to 31 st March the next year, in which case please advise on the exchange rates to be used for the Financial year 2013-14 where the financial values are as of 31 st March 2014	Please refer to 2 nd paragraph of ITA 14.2 in Section I [Instruction to Applicants], read with corresponding ITA in the Section II [Prequalification Data sheet].
2.	Section III 4.3 Design Experience Compliance requirement: All parties combined- Must meet requirement (or can be a specialist Sub-contractor or specialized design consultant)	We acknowledge that a specialist sub-contractor or specialized design consultant can be eligible for the qualifying in the design experience criteria. Please clarify if a specialist sub-contractor is also allowed to meet the design experience. In that case it is also allowed to subcontract construction activity to this specialist sub-contractor.	"Specialised subcontractor" and "specialised design consultant" stated in paragraph 4.3 [Design Experience], page 32 of PQ Document, are one and the same. Any entity which meets the requirements of the PQ Document for design experience can be proposed as specialised Subcontractor for design works.
3.	FORM CCC (i) Copy of Joint Venture for each contract should be submitted. (ii) Copy of letter of award	As both the information are confidential so we will not be able to provide documents regarding this. However we can provide self -attested information	In case it is not possible to submit the copy of JV agreement and / or copy of Letter of Award, the Applicant can submit a certificate from the Client

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	(LOA) for each contract should be submitted.	about JV and Customer. In our view that information will be sufficient for PQ submission Please confirm.	stating the member's share in the JV, Contract Amount and Date of Award of Work.
4.	Section I: Instruction to Applicants]> 4, Eligible applicants]>[4.2] An Applicant may be a firm that is a private entity, a government owned entity- subject to ITA 4.9 – or a combination of such entities in the for of a joint venture (JV) under an existing agreement or with the intent to enter into such an agreement supported by a letter of intent.	Can the proposed JV be an 'unincorporated JV'?	An unincorporated JV is also permitted.
5.	Section I: Instruction to Applicants Sub clause 25 Evaluation of applicants Sub clause 25.4 Only the qualifications of the Applicant shall be considered. In particular, the qualifications of a parent or other affiliated company that is not party to the Applicant under a JV in accordance with ITA 4.2 (or participating as a subcontractor as per ITA 25.2) shall not be considered.	Request you that while computing the technical and financial capacity of the applicant, the technical and financial capacity of their associate should also be eligible. Definition of associate with respect to the applicant: is one who directly/indirectly controls, or are controlled by, or are under common control.	Request not accepted. Provision(s) of PQ Document shall prevail.
6.	Section IV Form ELI 1.1	Please confirm that beneficial ownership is	Beneficial ownership means the ownership of

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	Copies of Beneficial ownership to be attached	referred to the immediate shareholders of the company and further beneficial ownership breakup need not be provided. Please also confirm that beneficial ownership, in case of joint stock company listed on the stock exchange market, shall refer to the immediate shareholders as resulting at the moments of the relevant declaration.	equity shares of the company. The Applicant should provide the list of equity shareholders holding more than 2% of the paid up share capital. The list of such shareholders should be certified by the Company Secretary or by the Director/Managing Director of the Company. The above would also be applied in case of Joint Stock Company listed on a Stock Exchange.
7.	Clause 1.8.2.8 In full recognition of these objectives and with full acceptance of the obligations the contractor shall execute the works taking into account all liabilities and risks that may be involved.	Please clarify what does liabilities and risks include.	These items shall be dealt with in the Bidding Document. DFCCIL is planning to conduct a Workshop with pre-qualified applicants to discuss any critical concerns and issues prior to issuance of bidding document
8.	Clause 1.8.2.6 In addition, the contractor shall undertake the rectification of defects and deficiencies for all permanent works falling under the purview of the Electrical and works contractor during the Defect liability period extending to a period of 24 months after the date of	Please confirm role and responsibilities during DLP which contractor will have to perform.	These items shall be dealt with in the Bidding Document. DFCCIL is planning to conduct a Workshop with pre-qualified applicants to discuss any critical concerns and issues prior to issuance of bidding document

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	commissioning.		
9.	General Query	Please provide key dates and access dates for following:- (i) Embankment (ii) Ballast Fit (iii) Track fit	These items shall be dealt with in the Bidding Document. DFCCIL is planning to conduct a Workshop with pre-qualified applicants to discuss any critical concerns and issues prior to issuance of bidding document
10.	General Query	Please provide the following details: (i) Alignment details of the track. (ii) Crossing and Junction details with Indian Railway (iii) Location of SSP,TSS,SP and Indian railway connection	These items shall be dealt with in the Bidding Document. DFCCIL is planning to conduct a Workshop with pre-qualified applicants to discuss any critical concerns and issues prior to issuance of bidding document
11.	General Query	Please confirm whether following tax and duties exemption will be provided during project execution:- Excise duties, Custom duties, VAT/CST	The bidders may note that this DFCC project being funded by the World Bank, qualifies for exemption from payment of Customs Duty and Excise Duty on goods supplied / intended to be supplied to the project in terms of Government of India's Notification no. 84/97 – customs dated 11.11.1997 and Central

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			Excise Notification no. 108/95-C E Dated 28.08.1995 (read with all subsequent amendments including amendment dated 01.03.2008) respectively. However, while quoting the bid price, bidders are advised to ascertain exemptions of custom & excise duty and / or availability of deemed export benefits for goods required as inputs for completion of the Works under the World Bank Funded Projects. The bidders are also advised to ascertain the availability of the custom / excise exemptions for the goods supplied by their subcontractors used as input for the construction of Works.
			The above information shall be provided in the Bid Document. The issues pertaining to VAT and CST shall also be dealt with in the Bid
			Document.
12.	Clause 1.8.3. (iv) .d Construction of buildings for traction substations and	Request you to remove the construction of civil works from electrical contractor scope.	The civil works included in the scope of works in the PQ Document are generally confined to buildings

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	switching stations.		associated with Electrical Traction Works and cannot be excluded. Further details shall be provided in the Bidding Document. DFCCIL is planning to conduct a Workshop with pre-qualified applicants to discuss any critical concerns and issues prior to issuance of bidding document
13.	Clause 1.12 Utilities However there is always a possibility of some of the unidentified utilities being detected by the electrical works contractor during the course of the work. These utilities will be relocated by the electrical works contractor as per the provisions of the Bid document.	Please provide the details about unidentified utilities.	These items shall be dealt with in the Bidding Document. DFCCIL is planning to conduct a Workshop with pre-qualified applicants to discuss any critical concerns and issues prior to issuance of bidding document
14.	Clause 3.1.1 A sketch showing the alignment is attached as annexure 1	There is no sketch attached with PQ document. Please provide annexure 1.	Please refer to Sr. No. 25 of Addendum no. 4.
15.	Clause 3.2 Hydrology.	(i) Please provide	These items shall be dealt with in the Bidding Document. DFCCIL is planning to conduct a Workshop with pre-qualified applicants to discuss any critical

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16.	ITA 4. Eligible Applicants JV/ Consortium Participation	If Indian Subsidiary of the foreign company can participate as one of the Consortium partner with the supporting Eligibility of parent Company?	Any parent company and its subsidiary company can be members of the same JV. In such cases the credentials of the parent company shall be considered pursuant to ITA 25.4 as one member of the JV. Further, each member is required to fulfil the requirement(s) laid down in the PQ Document.
17.	ITA 4. Eligible Applicants JV/ Consortium Participation	In case the Foreign Entity is a JV Partner, please clarify, can the Indian Subsidiary of the Foreign Company participate as nominated Subcontractor	In case, a foreign entity is a JV partner, its Indian subsidiary can be proposed as specialised Subcontractor subject to the provisions of ITA 4.3 of Section I of the PQ Document.
18.	Applicants planning to subcontract more than 10% of total volume of work shall specify, in the Application Submission Form, the activity (ies) or parts of the works to be subcontracted along with complete details of the subcontractors and their qualification a+C11nd experience The subcontractors proposed shall be fully qualified for their	Please clarify, if the 10 %age mentioned In the 25.2 pertains to Specialized Sub contractor as mentioned EQC table only?	The percentage (30%) mentioned in ITA 25.2 of Section I, read with ITA24.3 of Section II is in addition to the proposed subcontracting to specialised Subcontractor(s).

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	work proposed, and meet the specified criteria in Section III, failing which such sub-contractors will not be permitted to participate. The qualification and experience of sub-contractors proposed by the Applicant under ITA 24.3 will not be considered for evaluation of the Applicant. The Applicant on its own (without taking into account the qualification and experience of the sub-contractor) should meet the prequalification criteria.		
19.	Applicants planning to subcontract more than 10% of total volume of work shall specify, in the Application Submission Form, the activity (ies) or parts of the works to be subcontracted along with complete details of the subcontractors and their qualification a+C11nd experience The subcontractors proposed shall be fully qualified for their work proposed, and meet the specified criteria in Section III, failing which such sub-contractors will not be permitted to participate. The	Is there any restriction of engaging more than one subcontractor with 10% restriction for different Activity	There is no restriction in engaging more than one Subcontractor with 10% restriction for different activities.

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	qualification and experience of sub-contractors proposed by the Applicant under ITA 24.3 will not be considered for evaluation of the Applicant. The Applicant on its own (without taking into account the qualification and experience of the sub-contractor) should meet the prequalification criteria.		
20.	ITA 24.3 Maximum percentage of subcontracting permitted is 30% of the total value of the contract.	Please clarify if the 30% as mentioned in the ITA 24.3 is other than 10% mentioned in ITA 25.2.	In the subject Contract, the restriction for subcontracting under ITA 25.2 of Section I, read with ITA 24.3 of Section II, is 30% inclusive of 10%.
21.	ITA 24.3 Maximum percentage of subcontracting permitted is 30% of the total value of the contract.	Does it mean, Bidder can engage more than One Sub-Contractor however? .Each Sub-Contract value should not be exceed the limit of 30% of the contract value?	More than one Subcontractor can be proposed either for the same activity or for different activities subject to an overall limit of subcontracting not exceeding 30% of the value of Contract.
22.	4.2 (a)Specific Construction & Contract Management Experience (i) Satisfactorily and substantially ⁷ completed works as a prime contractor, joint venture member ⁸ , management contractor or sub- contractor ⁸ between 1st	 For JV Must meet requirement¹⁰ It is, understood that "All JV partners combined must meet the requirement" Pl Clarify 4 Project means 2 OHE &2 TSS/GSS contracts or it can be 1 OHE & 3 TSS/GSS 	 Please refer to PQ document item 4.2 (a) where the requirement for the JV has been clearly defined If the requirement is sought to be fulfilled with the four contracts, both the options would be permissible. Request not accepted.

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	January 2006 and application submission deadline: a) Less than or equal to four contracts totaling to a value equal to or more than US\$ 140 (one hundred and forty) million for works similar9 to present scope of works as given in section-VII. b) Above Contract(s) should include: 1) Overhead equipment (25 kV / 2 x 25 kV) work on Railway / Metro Railway Suburban rail Transit System for a minimum value of US\$ 20 (twenty) million in a single contract. 2) Traction Substation / Grid Sub-stations (110 kV or above) work for a minimum value of US\$ 20	 3. Requested to amend (a) as "Less than or equal to 4 contracts totalling to value equal to or more than US\$120 million for works similar to present scope of work as given in Section-VII" 4. Requested to include PPP/WB/ADB funded Transmission / Distribution Line work also, as allowed in case of Traction Substation at Sr no. 2) 	Provision(s) of PQ document shall prevail 4- Request not accepted Provision(s) of PQ document shall prevail
23.	EXP – 4.2 (b) Minimum construction experience in any one year in the following key activities successfully For the above and any other contracts completed and under implementation as prime contractor, joint venture member ¹¹ , management contractor or sub-contractor ¹¹ , between 1st Jan 2006 and	In reference to Foot Note12 please clarify: In case of JV If Each member has different TKM of OHE work completion certificate in different Years. Then which one of the understanding at (a) & (b) will be right option?	(a) and (b) It is clarified that the per annum production rate of any specific key activity of each partner of the JV in different years would be added to arrive the total experience of the applicant subject to meeting the criteria of one member 2. The requirement under 4.2 (b) is for "Construction,

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	application submission deadline, a minimum construction experience in any one year in the following key activities successfully completed ¹² : (i) Construction, testing & commissioning of 25 kV or 2x25 kV AC OHE (Overhead Equipment), for a minimum of 220 (Two hundred and twenty)TKM (Track Kilometers) (ii) Construction, testing & commissioning of Electrical Sub- stations (110kV or above) / Traction Sub stations (25 kV or 2x25 kV) – 2 (two) Nos.	quantum of OHE work each partner will be added to meet the 220 KM Say(N1+N2+N3+N4) OR (b) The production rate of the JV will be taken to meet the 220 KM Say (N1+N2+N3+N4) / no. Years 2. If Construction means only Erection ie Excluding Material Supply? d) If the production rate of Each participant will be calculated separately or For the participating JV.	testing and commissioning" and not only erection. It is clarified that the firm need not necessarily have supplied the material in the contract(s) in question d) This has already been clarified under (a) above
24.	Section – III, 4.2 (b) Minimum construction experience in any one years in the following Key Activities (i)	In a scenario wherein JV is a bidder and one of the JV member's have done 100 TKM of OHE in the year 2010 and the other member has done 130 TKM of OHE in the year 2009. Whether the JV will qualify for the said requirement of 220 TKM of OHE in one year as stated in the PQ?	Yes, for this purpose, individual members of the JV need not necessarily have gained the experience for execution of the Key activity in the same year.
25.	Section II PDS Clause ITA 17.1	We request you to extend the PQ submission date by 4 weeks from the current date.	Please refer Section II, Prequalification Data Sheet ITA - 17.1 &19.1, as amended through Addendum(s).

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26.	4.2(a) Specific Construction & Contract Management Experience (i) Satisfactorily and substantially completed works as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor or sub-contractor between 1st January 2006 and application submission deadline: a) Less than or equal to four contracts totalling to a value equal to or more than US\$ 140 (one hundred and forty) million for works similar to present scope of works as given in section-VII. b) Above Contract(s) should include: 1) Overhead equipment (25 kV / 2 x 25 kV) work on Railway / Metro Railway Suburban rail Transit System for a minimum value of US\$ 20 (twenty) million in a single contract. 2) Traction Substation / Grid Sub-stations (110 kV or above) work for a minimum value of US\$ 20 (twenty) million in a single contract.	As we have undergone similar work requirement DMRC, MEGA, RVNL & Core projects, based on their edibility requirement for their projects, we would request to modify the clause as below: (i) Satisfactorily and substantially completed works as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor or sub-contractor between 1st January 2006 and application submission deadline: a) Less than or equal to 6 (six) contracts totalling to a value equal to or more than US\$ 140 (one hundred and fourty) million for works similar to present scope of works as given in section-VII. b) Above Contract(s) should include: Option - 1: 1. One (01) Overhead equipment (25 kV / 2 x 25 kV) work on Railway / Metro Railway Sub-urban Rail Transit System and One (01) work of Traction Substation / Grid Sub-station (110 kv or above) totaling to a value equal to or more than	a) & b) Request not accepted. Provision(s) of PQ document shall prevail.

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		US\$ 40 (fourty) million. OR Option - 2: 1. Overhead equipment (25 kV / 2 x 25 kV) work on Railway / Metro Railway Sub-urban Rail Transit System and Transmission Lines (132kV and above) work of which minimum 30% value shall OHE work totaling to a value equal to or more than US\$ 40 (fourty) million through maximum (03) three contract. 2. Traction Substation / Grid Sub-stations (110 kV or above) work for a minimum value of US\$ 20 (twenty) million in a single contract.	
27.	4.2 (b) For the above and any other contracts completed and under implementation as prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor or sub-contractor, between 1st Jan 2006 and application submission deadline, a minimum construction experience in any one year in the following key activities successfully completed.	As given in Clause 4.2 (a) for use of credentials for the works which are 'satisfactorily and substantially completed' we would request you to allow the use of credentials for the works which are 'satisfactorily and substantially completed' for Clause 4.2 (b) and modify the clause as below: For the above and any other contracts satisfactorily and substantially completed as a prime contractor, joit	Any completed / handed over work or completed and handed over section, if applicable; pursuant to paragraph 4.2(b) shall be considered for qualification. However request for modification of 4.2(b) not accepted. Provision (s) of PQ document shall prevail.

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		venture member, management contractor or sub-contractor, between 1st Jan. 2006 and application submission dead line, a minimum construction experience in any one year in the following key activities (if a part of the section is completed and handed over to the client, that particular stretch should be deemed to be completed).	
28.	(ii) For the following specialized work, the Employer permits specialized sub-contractor who, between 1st January 2006 and application submission deadline, has successfully completed the work as under in one contract:-	As we have undergone similar work requirement DMRC, MEGA, RVNL & Core projects, based on their elibility requirement for their projects, we would request to modify the clause as below: For the following specialized work, the Employer permits	Request not accepted. Provision(s) of PQ document shall prevail. Please refer to serial number 7 of Addendum No. 4.
	Design, supply, installation, testing & commissioning of SCADA (Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition) System for Rail traction application/ Power Utilities based on TCP/IP protocol as per IEC 60870-5-104, including one OCC (Operation Control Centre) or RCC (Remote Control Centre) with a minimum of 24 (twenty four) RTUs (Remote Terminal Units) or	specialized sub-contractor who, between 1st January 2006 and application submission deadline, has successfully completed the work as under in any one year through multiple contracts:- Design, supply, installation, testing & commissioning of SCADA (Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition) System for Rail traction application/ Power	

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	switching posts.	Utilities with a minimum of 20 (twenty) RTUs (Remote Terminal Units).	
29.	4.3 Design Experience Successful completion of following key design activities in the completed works as Prime Design consultant or sub-design consultant or in-house designer between 1st January 2006 and application submission deadline: a) Designing of 25 kV / 2x25 kV overhead equipment on Railways / Metro Railways / Suburban Rail Transit System for a minimum length of 50 (fifty) TKM.	As you are aware that most of the large value projects awarded by client such as DMRC, RVNL, CORE, IR, etc. are EPC based and incorporate proven designs given by RDSO and other design consultants, we would request to modify the clause as below: Satisfactorily and substantially completion of following key design activities in the completed works as Prime Design consultant or sub-design consultant or in-house designer between 1st January 2006 and application submission deadline:	Request not accepted. Provision(s) of Bid Document as amended through Sr. No. 9 of Addendum no. 4 shall prevail.
	b) Designing of at least one TSS of 2x25 kV for Railway / Metro Railway / Suburban rail transit system *Design includes System design and detailed design.	a) Designing of 25 kV / 2x25 kV overhead equipment on Railways / Metro Railways / Suburban Rail Transit System for a minimum length of 50 (fifty) TKM. b) Designing of at least one TSS of 25 kV / 2x25 kV for Railway / Metro Railway / Suburban rail transit system.	
		(Content: *Design includes System design and detailed	

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		design to be deleted).	
30.	Section III. Qualification Criteria and Requirements Clause 4.2 (a) (ii)	SCADA eligibility for EDFC 204 Package Bhaupur-Mughalsarai 1. Indian Railway/RDSO has not developed TCP/IP base SCADA system till date, Traction SCADA system is working on the 600BPS/12BPS as of now. 2. As a expertise in TCP/IP based SCADA, In power utility, whatever project Indian vendors have executed, no where 24 RTUs are commissioned in one system. 3. In Bhaupur-Khurja Project/EDFC, Rewari- Makarpura Project/WDFC & Kanwariya/Mughalsarai/ED FC, eligibility requirements for Subcontractor for SCADA doesn't ask for TCP/IP based SCADA system credentials, however all these projects will be having TCP/IP based SCADA system. All most all RDSO approved vendors have traction	Please refer to serial number 7 of Addendum No. 4.
		SCADA expertise with 24 RTUs & they have TCP/IP based SCADA credential also, but they don't have TCP/IP based SCADA with	

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		24 RTUs. Request to amendment in SCADA subcontractor eligibility requirement as "Design, Supply, installation, testing & commissioning of SCADA (Supervisory Control And Data Acquision) Sytem for Rail traction application / power Utility with one OCC (Operation Control Centre) or RCC (Remote Control Centre) with a minimum of 24 (twenty four) RTUs (remote Terminal Units) or Switching Posts" for above subjected Pre Qualification.	
31	Section III Clause 4.2 a 4.2 Specific Construction & Contract Management Experience (i) Satisfactorily and substantially completed works as a prime contractor, joint vent ure member management contractor or sub- contractor between 1st January 2006 and application submission deadline: a)Less than or equal to four contracts totalling to a value equal to or more than US\$ 140	Kindly confirm whether 1) The total values of the 5 GIS substations constructed under a single contract i.e. 1 no 132/66 kV GIS and 4 nos 66/11 kV GIS satisfies the value more than USD 109 million. 2) Second Project completed in 2010 value of work is more than USD 81 million 3) Third project completed in 2010 value of work is more than USD 29 million. From the above the total value of three projects is USD 169 million. Kindly	This query being - applicant specific cannot be responded. The Applicant is advised to evaluate his specific project(s) with reference to the requirements of the PQ Document.

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	(one hundred and forty) million for works similar to present scope of works as given in section-VII.	confirm whether the above meets the qualifying criteria.	
32	Section III Clause 4.2 b (ii) Construction, testing & commissioning of Electrical Sub-stations (110 kV or above) / Traction Sub stations (25 kV or 2x25 kV) – 2 (two) Nos.	Please confirm whether a Contract already commissioned and handed over 1 year ago involving Design Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of complete electrical system consisting of 1 no 16 MVA 132/66 kV Station Transformer, 1 no. 100 M / A 132/11 kV Generator Transformer and other LT and HT switch gears with 132 kV Switch Yard having 2 main bus bars with bypass isolators for a 1 x 80 MW CPP can be considered to meet the qualifying criteria.	Please refer to response to query no. 31.
33	Section I Instruction to Applicants ITA 4	Kindly refer to the clause 4.2 of Instruction to Applicants and footnote on Page13. We understand the term JV means 'JV/Consortium', Kindly Clarify.	Association among firms that meet the requirements for JV agreement defined in the PQ document are acceptable.
34	Section IV. Application Forms Form CCC & Form OC	Details requested in Form CCC & Form OC are too exhaustive & confidential in nature to provide.	Requirement of FORM-OC has been abolished; hence there is no need to

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		In view of the above, it is requested to kindly remove these forms from submittals.	submit the FORM-OC. Please refer to serial number 12 of Addendum No. 4. Information in revised FORM-CCC is still to be provided by the Applicant.
35		Considering the elaborate working required on the prestigious project of DFCC for 390 Km on eastern corridor, we request for an extension in the PQ submission date by 6 weeks for which we will be highly obliged.	Please refer to response to query no. 25.
36.	ITA 4.2	Clause Description	Please refer to response to
		An Applicant may be a firm that is a private entity, a government-owned entity—subject to ITA 4.9 - or a combination of such entities in the form of a joint venture ("JV") under an existing agreement or with the intent to enter into such an agreement supported by a letter of intent. In the case of a JV, all members shall be jointly and severally liable for the execution of the Contract in accordance with the Contract terms. Query	query no. 33.

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		We understand, that An Applicant may be a single entity or any combination of entities in the form of joint venture or association (JVA)/Consortium with the formal intent, as evidenced by a letter of intent, to enter into an agreement or under an existing agreement. Kindly Confirm that applicant may be a Joint Venture Association or Consortium as well.	
37.	Form EXP- 4.2(b)	Clause Description Information Description of the key activities in accordance with Sub- Factor 4.2(b) of Section III: [insert response to inquiry indicated in left column] As mentioned in the format, "[insert response to inquiry indicated in left column]", no inquiry	In the left hand column of 2nd table (page 54) of Form 4.2(b), all the activities listed in Qualification Criteria No. 4.2(b) stated on page no. 32 to 34 of PQ Document are to be inserted and the corresponding information (Total executed quantities of those key activities) is to be filled in the right hand column.

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		has been given in the left column corresponding to the same.	
		Kindly clarify the inquiry with respect to which the "Information" column has to be filled.	