



Notification pertaining to Request for proposal (RFP) for “Supply & Installation of Network Cards”

1.1 About NPCI:

National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) is a registered company under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 with its Registered Office, C9 Building, RBI Premises, Bandra kurla Complex, Bandra, Mumbai, India. NPCI is promoted by 10 Banks in India under the aegis of the Indian Banks Association with majority shareholding by Public Sector Banks.

The 10 promoter banks are State Bank of India, Punjab National Bank, Canara Bank, Bank of Baroda, Bank of India, Union Bank, ICICI Bank Ltd, HDFC Bank Ltd, Citibank N.A., and HSBC. The vision, mission and objectives of NPCI are to operate for the benefit of all the Member Banks and the common man at large.

1.2 Objective of NPCI:

1. CORE OBJECTIVE

Consolidate, integrate and standardize the multiple retail electronic & paper based payment systems in India into a uniform system which is secure, robust, scalable, user friendly and cost effective.

2. FINANCIAL INCLUSION OBJECTIVE

Making banking services available to common man across the country.

3. OVERVIEW:

NPCI would be an operator for various retail electronic payment systems including switching of card transactions and running nationwide ACH. NPCI has also launched Interbank Mobile Payment Service (IMPS) which is a real time secure payment service through mobile (this has been further extended to Internet and ATM channels). NPCI also plans to operate a National Card Payment Scheme in its brand name.

1.3 Objective of this RFP:

National Payments Corporation of India proposes to procure additional 8 Network Cards for Cisco Core Switches C6509 & 8 nos. network cords for Core firewall ASA5580 for expansion of network connectivity at Data Center Mumbai and Data Center Chennai.

1.4 Cost of the RFP

The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid and NPCI will, in no case, be held responsible or liable for these costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

The Bidders shall submit the cost of the RFP non-refundable amount of Rs.5,000/- (INR Five Thousand Only), plus service taxes extra payable in the form of Demand Draft/Pay order from any Scheduled Commercial bank in India favoring “**NATIONAL PAYMENTS CORPORATION OF INDIA**” payable at **Mumbai**. This RFP document is non-transferable and cost of RFP document is non-refundable.

RFP document containing detail specifications and requirements with terms and conditions can be obtained by eligible Bidders on any working day during office hours from 10:30 hrs. to 16:30hrs. on payment of RFP cost in the form of Demand Draft / Pay Order from registered office of NPCI at:

13th Floor, R Tech Park,
off western express highway,
Nirlon Complex, Near HUB mall ,
Goregaon-East, Mumbai – 400063

1.5 Due Diligence

The Bidders are expected to examine all instructions, terms and specifications stated in this RFP. The Bid shall be deemed to have been submitted after careful study and examination of this RFP document. The Bid should be precise, complete and in the prescribed format as per the requirement of this RFP document. Failure to furnish all information or submission of a bid not responsive to this RFP will be at the Bidders' risk and may result in rejection of the bid. NPCI is not bound to disclose the grounds for rejection of the Bid. The decision of NPCI regarding the final declaration of the successful Bidder shall be final. Also the grounds for rejection of Bid should not be questioned after the final declaration of the successful Bidder.

The Bidder is requested to carefully examine the RFP documents and the terms and conditions specified therein, and if there appears to be any ambiguity, contradictions, inconsistency, gap and/or discrepancy in the RFP document, Bidder should seek necessary clarifications by e-mail mentioned in Section-1

1.6 Ownership of this RFP

The content of this RFP is a copy right material of National Payments Corporation of India. No part or material of this RFP document should be published on paper or electronic media without prior written permission from NPCI.

1.7 Scope of Work:

Supply& installation of Network card in Cisco Core Switch C6509 & Core firewall ASA5580 at Mumbai & Chennai Location. The Cards have to be configured with Core Switch and Core Firewall at both the locations.

2.0 Eligibility Criteria

2.1 Pre-requisite:

The Bidder should possess the requisite experience, resources and capabilities in providing the services necessary to meet the requirements, as described in Para 4.2 below. The Bidder should also possess the technical know-how and the financial wherewithal that would be required to complete the scope of work. The Bid must be complete in all respects and should cover the entire scope of work as stipulated in the document. Bidders not meeting the Eligibility Criteria will not be considered for further evaluation.

2.2 Eligibility Criteria:

The invitation to Bid is open to all Bidders who qualify the Eligibility Criteria as given below:

2.2.1 The Bidder should be a company registered under the Indian Companies Act, 1956 since the last three years.

2.2.2 The Bidder should have minimum annual turnover of Rs.50 Cr. during the last three financial years. (2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11).

2.2.3 The Bidder should have authorization from OEM Vendor to quote for their products. OEM Vendor Authorizations form to be attached (Format as given in Annexure-D).

2.2.4 The Bidder should be a profit making company in the last Financial Year

2.2.5 The Bidder should not be currently blacklisted by any bank / institution in India or abroad.

2.3 Eligibility Criteria Response Sheet

2.3.1 The Bidders should complete the Eligibility Criteria Response Sheet as given in **Annexure E**.

2.3.2 Failure to provide the desired information and documents may lead to disqualification of the Bidder.

3.0 BID Schedule and Address

S.No.	Description	
	Name of Project	RFP for Supply and Installation of Network Cards
1	Tender Reference Number	NPCI:RFP:2012-13/0002 dated 19.04.2012
2	Date of Commencement of Issue of Bidding Document	19.04.2012
3	Last date and time for Issue of Bidding Documents	27.04.2012
4	Last date and time of receiving vendor Pre-bid clarifications in writing	30.04.2012
5	Date and Time of Pre-bid Meeting	No Pre-Bid Meeting
6	Last date and time for	04.05.2012 15.00 Hrs.

	Submission of Bids	
7	a) Date and Time of Technical Bid Opening b) Date and Time of Commercial Bid Opening	04.05.2012 16.00 Hrs. Will inform eligible Bidder
8	Address for Sale of Bidding Document, Place of Bid Submission and Opening of Bids	National Payments Corporation of India, 13th Floor, R Tech Park, off western express highway, Nirlon Complex, Near HUB mall , Goregaon-East, Mumbai – 400063
9	Name and Address for Communication	National Payments Corporation of India Prashant Awale–Sr. Manager Procurement 13th Floor, R Tech Park, off western express highway, Nirlon Complex, Near HUB mall , Goregaon-East, Mumbai – 400063 E-mail: Prashant.awale@npci.org.in
10	Bid Related Queries	Mr. Prashant Awale:+9181081 08650 Email:prashant.awale@npci.org.in Mr. Tushar Talegaonkar: +9181081 22815 Email:tushar.talegaonkar@npci.org.in
11	Bid Cost	Rs.5,000.00 +Service tax
12	EMD/Bid Security	Rs.1,00,000.00

Note:

1. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders' representative who chooses to attend.
2. Date and Time of Commercial Bid Opening will be intimated later.
3. **Bid Cost:** DD/ Pay order shall be made in favor of “National Payments Corporation of India” of amount Rs. 5,000/- plus Service taxes extra (Non-Refundable) payable at Mumbai.