

Request for Proposal To

Engage the Consultants / Contractors to establish Permanent Power for proposed Smart Data Center at Chennai

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Checklist

The following items must be checked before the Bid is submitted:

- Demand Draft / Pay Order Rs.11,800/- (Rs Eleven Thousand Eight Hundred only <u>inclusive</u> of GST@18%) towards cost of Bid document in Envelope – 'A'. or Alternatively
- The bidder shall pay the bid cost in any one of the following modes.

Either Demand draft/ remittance proof in favour of "National Payments Corporation of India" payable at Mumbai" amounting to Rs.11,800/- (Rs.10,000/- plus GST @18 %) towards bid purchase cost. The wire transfer can be done to designated NPCI bank account as detailed below.

Electronic transfer to designated NPCI bank account as detailed below

Account Name: National Payments Corporation of India

Bank Name : HDFC Bank

Account No. : 00600530001133

IFSC Code : HDFC0000060

Branch : Fort 400023

- Demand draft in favour of "National Payments Corporation of India" payable at Mumbai.
- Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Bank Guarantee of INR 5,00,000/- (Rupee Five Lakh only) towards Bid Security in Envelope 'A'- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)
- Eligibility Criteria, Technical and Commercial Bids are prepared in accordance with the RFP document
- Envelope 'A'- Eligibility Bid and Technical Bid
- Envelope 'B'- Commercial Bid with break up detailed as mentioned in Annexure L (Commercial details)
- All the pages of Eligibility Criteria Response, Technical Bid and Commercial Bid are duly sealed and signed by the authorized signatory
- RFP document duly sealed and signed by the authorized signatory on each page is enclosed in Envelope 'A'
- Prices are quoted in Indian Rupees (INR)
- Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) enclosed in Annexure N, should be duly filled and signed in a Rs. 100 Stamp paper
- A duly self-attested declaration by the bidder to assure & comply with all standards / norms defined by Electrical Board or local body authorities in carrying out the work
- All relevant certifications, audit reports, etc. are enclosed to support claims made in the Bid in relevant Envelopes
- All the pages of documents submitted as part of Bid are duly sealed and signed by the authorized signatory

Abbreviations and Acronyms

The following abbreviations and acronyms defined in this RFP are as under

BG **Bank Guarantee** DC Data Centre EMD Earnest Money Deposit National Payments Corporation of India NPCI OEM **Original Equipment Manufacturer** RFP Request for Proposal PBG Performance Bank Guarantee TANGEDCO Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Ltd SITC Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning Current Transformer CT PΤ Potential Transformer TVM Tri Vector Meter

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S.No. Description **Request for Proposal to Engage the Consultants** 1 Name of Project / Contractors to establish Permanent Power for proposed Smart Data Center at Chennai 2 Tender Reference Number NPCI/RFP/2020-21/IT/01 3 10.04.2020 (To be downloaded from NPCI Website) Date of commencement Last date of receiving pre-bid 4 15.04.2020 17:00 Hrs clarifications in writing from vendors 5 Date and Time for Pre-bid Meeting 22.04.2020 17:00 Hrs 27.04.2020, 15:00 Hrs (through email to 6 Last date and time for Bid Submission Charles.d@npci.org.in) charles.d@npci.org.in Address for Bid Submission(mail the soft 4th Floor, VBC Solitaire, No:47 & 49, Bazullah Rd, 7 copy to the email ID given) Parthasarathi Puram, T. Nagar, Chennai, Tamil Nadu 600017(After the lock down is withdrawn) 27.04.2020, 17:00 Hrs. Date and Time of Eligibility & Technical 8 bid Opening Note: Technical Bids (Envelope -A) Commercial Bid to be submitted only by the technically qualified bidders after confirmation by NPCI with their best price with break up detailed as mentioned in Annexure M (Commercial details) in password Protected PDF document and Password Date and Time of Commercial Bid 9 to be shared upon request from NPCI. Opening NPCI reserves the right to discover the lowest price through <u>Reverse auction</u> OR <u>Price discussion</u> mechanism. NPCI will inform the method of price negotiation to technically qualified bidders. Head – Strategic IT Procurement National Payments Corporation of India, Unit no. 202, 2nd floor, Raheja Titanium, 10 Name and Address for communication CTS No. 201, Western Express Highway, Goregaon East, Mumbai 400063 Email id: charles.d@npci.org.in D J Charles | Contact: +91 98499 90809 11 **Bid Related Queries** Email id: prakash.jeyagopalan@npci.org.in Prakash J | Contact: +91 9500007512 Rs.11,800/- (Rs.10,000/- plus GST @18 %) 12 Bid Cost Rs.5,00,000/- (Rs Five lakh only) 13 **Bid Security**

Section 1 - Bid Schedule and Address

Note:

1. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders' representatives who choose to attend

2. The Bidder shall appoint a single point of contact, with whom NPCI will deal with, for any activity pertaining to the requirements of this RFP

3. NPCI reserves all rights to withdraw any part of the scope during this bid process and is advised bidders to provide their commercials discretely to the category of scope mentioned in Section 3

Section 2 – Introduction

2.1. About NPCI

NPCI is a Company registered under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 (corresponding to Section 8 of The Companies Act, 2013) with its Registered Office in Mumbai, India. NPCI was promoted by 10 (Ten) banks in India under the aegis of the Indian Bank's Association with majority shareholding by Public Sector Banks. Presently, 54 (Fifty-Four) banks are shareholders of NPCI. Out of which 17 (Seventeen) are Public Sector Banks (PSB), 17 (Seventeen) Private Sector Banks, 3 (Three) Foreign Banks, 10 (Ten) Multi State Cooperative Banks and 7 (Seven) Regional Rural Banks.

The vision, mission and values of NPCI are: Vision - To be the best payments network globally, Mission – Touching every Indian with one or other payment services and to make our mission possible, we live and work by six core values: Passion for Excellence, Collaboration, Customer Centricity, Agility, Security and Innovation.

NPCI, during its journey, has made a significant impact on the retail payment systems in the country. Dedicated to the nation by our former President, Shri Pranab Mukherjee, endorsed by the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi and later made the card of choice for the ambitious Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, RuPay is now a known name. RuPay is an indigenously developed Payment System – designed to meet the expectation and needs of the Indian consumer, banks and merchant eco-system. The alliances with international network partners (Discover Financial Services, Japan Credit Bureau and China Union Pay) provides valuable access to global acceptance footprint and offer world class payment solutions to RuPay cardholders.

NPCI aim is to transform India into a 'less-cash' society by touching every Indian with one or other payment services. With each passing year we are moving towards our vision to be the best payments network globally.

As a Sensitive National Infrastructure, NPCI is planning to build its own critical Smart Data Centers and has chosen Chennai & Hyderabad Cities being the strategic and fastest growing IT corridors in the country, for building its Smart Data Centre Infrastructure.

2.2. Objective of this RFP

National Payments Corporation of India proposes to appoint Electrical contractor to obtain 4 mVA electricity power initially & upgradable 10 mVA in future for Tier IV Smart Data Center on approximately 3.07 acres of land with a minimum built up area of 1.34 Lac sq.ft (approx.) at SIPCOT in Siruseri Village, Chennai. Broad scope is given below, kindly refer Section 3 for detail scope.

The Successful bidder will be responsible for:

a. Establishing Permanent power (initial 4 mVA) from the TANGEDCO reliable source to the premises including all execution work upto power charging

2.3.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.

2.4. 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. Also the decision of NPCI on rejection of bid shall be final and binding on the bidder and grounds of rejection of Bid should not be questioned during/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 as mentioned in Section-1.

Section 3 – Scope of Work

3.1.Scope of work

EB Execution Works

Coordinating with TANGEDCO & Liaising consultants for obtaining sanction for 4 mVA load sanction, dedicated feeders from nearby substation

SITC of Civil & Electrical works (Including lighting arrangement) for 33 kV bay extensions at SS as per TANGEDCO standards

Preparation & submission of application for Right of Way procedures, including charges for obtaining the ROW, along with coordination with all applicable government departments for securing their approvals.

End to End SITC of cable laying works from SS to site along with required electrical installations, including ROW Charges as per electricity board standards

SITC of Metering cubicle along with CT/PT, TVM & required accessories duly tested and approved makes as per electricity board standards

Indicative quantities given in BOQ, bidder shall be paid on actual quantities executed at site

All required hard copies of drawings & documents for statutory approvals & application submission will be in scope of contractor. NPCI will not provide any hard copies

Any other activities related to establish permanent power to the Smart Data Center site

Note: Statutory charges will be paid by NPCI on receiving the demand note from concerned officials, should not be included in the proposal NOTE.

Technical Compliance as per Annexure J

Section 4–Eligibility Criteria

4.1 Eligibility Criteria

The Eligibility Criteria are furnished below:

Sr. No.	MSME	Other than MSME
1	 The bidder is a Company registered under the Companies Act/ Partnership Act / LLP at least since last three (3) years. a) In case the bidder is the result of a merger / acquisition, at least one of the merging companies should have been in operation for at least two (2) years as on date of submission of the bid. b) In case the bidder is the result of a demerger / hiving off, at least one of the demerged company or resulting company should have been in operation for at least two (2) years as on the date of submission of bid. 	 The bidder is a Company registered under the Companies Act/ Partnership / LLP at least since last five (5) years. a) In case the bidder is the result of a merger / acquisition, at least one of the merging companies should have been in operation for at least five (5) years as on date of submission of the bid. b) In case the bidder is the result of a demerger / hiving off, at least one of the demerged company or resulting company should have been in operation for at least five (5) years as on the date of submission of bid.
2	The bidder should have reported minimum annual turnover of Rs.8 Crores as per audited financial statements in each of the last three financial years (i.e. 2017-2018,2018-2019 and 2019-2020) and should have reported profits (profit after tax) as per audited financial statements in at least two of last three financial years (i.e. 2017-2018,2018-2019 and 2019-2020). In case audited financial statements for 2019-2020 are not ready, then management certified financial statement shall be considered for 2019-2020; however, this exception is not available in case of previous financial years. In case the bidder is the result of a merger or acquisition or demerger or hive off, due consideration shall be given to the past financial results of the merging entity or demerged entity as the case may be for the purpose of determining the minimum annual turnover for the purpose of meeting the eligibility criteria; should the bidder be in operation for a period of less than 2 financial years. For this purpose, the decision of NPCI will be treated as final and no further correspondence will be entertained on this.	The bidder should have reported minimum annual turnover of Rs.12 Crores as per audited financial statements in each of the last three financial years (i.e. 2017-2018,2018-2019 and 2019-2020) and should have reported 5% profits (profit after tax) as per audited financial statements in at least two of last three financial years (i.e. 2017-2018,2018-2019 and 2019- 2020). In case audited financial statements for 2019- 2020 are not ready, then management certified financial statement shall be considered for 2019- 2020; however, this exception is not available in case of previous financial years. In case the bidder is the result of a merger or acquisition or demerger or hive off, due consideration shall be given to the past financial results of the merging entity or demerged entity as the case may be for the purpose of determining the minimum annual turnover for the purpose of meeting the eligibility criteria; should the bidder be in operation for a period of less than 2 financial years. For this purpose, the decision of NPCI will be treated as final and no further correspondence will be entertained on this.
3	Period of operations in required domain: Minimum 2 years preceding the bid participation or 2 execution of similar works of minimum 4 mVA capacity	Period of operations in required domain: Minimum 2 years preceding the bid participation or Minimum 2 successful execution of similar works of minimum 4 mVA capacity
4	The Bidder should not be currently blacklisted by any Bank or institution in India or abroad	The Bidder should not be currently blacklisted by any Bank or institution in India or abroad
5	Having branch office at both the places (Chennai and Hyderabad) with sufficient workforce to support in future NPCI SDC operation	Having branch office at both the places (Chennai and Hyderabad) with sufficient workforce to support in future NPCI SDC operation

Section 5 - Instruction to Bidders

The Bidding Document

5.1.RFP

RFP shall mean Request for Proposal. Bid, Tender and RFP are used to mean the same. The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms and conditions and technical specifications in the Bidding document. Submission of a bid not responsive to the Bidding Document in every respect will be at the Bidders risk and may result in the rejection of its bid without any further reference to the bidder. 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 in paper or electronic media without prior written permission from NPCI.

5.2.Cost of Bidding

The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and NPCI will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs.

5.3. Content of Bidding Document

The Bid shall be in 2 separate envelopes, Envelope A and B.

5.4. Clarifications of Bidding Documents and Pre-bid Queries

A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Documents may notify NPCI in writing at NPCI's address or through email any time prior to the deadline for receiving such queries as mentioned in Section 1.

Bidders should submit the queries only in the format given below, in an excel sheet:

Sr. No.	Document Reference	Page No	Clause No	Description in RFP	Clarification Sought	Additional Remarks (if any)	

Replies to all the clarifications, modifications received through mail and email will be posted on NPCI's website. Any modification to the bidding documents which may become necessary shall be made by NPCI by issuing an Addendum.

5.5. Amendment of Bidding Documents

- a) At any time prior to the deadline for submission of bids, NPCI may for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a Bidder, amend the Bidding Documents
- b) Amendments will be provided in the form of Addenda to the Bidding Documents, which will be posted in NPCI's website. Addenda will be binding on Bidders. It will be assumed that the amendments contained in such Addenda had been taken into account by the Bidder in its bid
- c) In order to afford Bidders reasonable time to take the amendment into account in preparing their bids, NPCI may, at its sole and absolute discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids, in which case, the extended deadline will be posted on NPCI's website
- d) From the date of issue, the Addenda to the tender shall be deemed to form an integral part of the RFP

5.6.Bid Price

Prices would be <u>exclusive</u> of all taxes. The bidder shall meet the requirements of the applicable Goods & Services Tax (GST).

5.7. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)

The Bidder is required to deposit Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) in the form of a Demand Draft / Pay order in favor of "National Payments Corporation of India" payable at Mumbai or Bank Guarantee issued by a scheduled commercial bank valid for six months, with a claim period of 12 months after the expiry of validity of the Bank Guarantee as per the statutory provisions in this regard, as per format in Annexure A1 or A2. No interest will be paid on the EMD.

5.8.Return of EMD

The EMDs of successful Bidder/s shall be returned / refunded after furnishing Performance Bank Guarantee as required in this RFP. EMDs furnished by all unsuccessful Bidders will be returned on the expiration of the bid validity / finalization of successful Bidder, whichever is earlier.

5.9. Forfeiture of EMD

The EMD made by the bidder will be forfeited if:

- a) Bidder withdraws its bid before opening of the bids
- b) Bidder withdraws its bid after opening of the bids but before Notification of Award
- c) Selected Bidder withdraws its bid / Proposal before furnishing Performance Bank Guarantee
- d) Bidder violates any of the provisions of the RFP up to submission of Performance Bank Guarantee
- e) Selected Bidder fails to accept the order within five days from the date of receipt of the order. However, NPCI reserves its right to consider at its sole discretion the late acceptance of the order by selected Bidder
- f) Bidder fails to submit the Performance Bank Guarantee within stipulated period from the date of acceptance of the Purchase Order. In such instance, NPCI at its discretion may cancel the order placed on the selected Bidder without giving any notice

5.10. Period of Validity of Bids

Bids shall remain valid for a period of 180 days after the date of bid opening as mentioned in Section 1 or as may be extended from time to time. NPCI reserves the right to reject a bid valid for a period shorter than 180 days as non-responsive, without any correspondence.

5.11. Extension of Period of Validity

In exceptional circumstances, prior to expiry of the bid validity period, NPCI may request the Bidders consent to an extension of the validity period. The request and response shall be made in writing. Extension of validity period by the Bidder should be unconditional and irrevocable. The EMD provided shall also be suitably extended. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting the bid Security.

5.12. Format of Bid

The bidder shall prepare two copies (one hard copy marked as ORIGINAL and <u>one soft copy</u>) of the <u>Technical Bid</u> <u>only</u>. In case of any discrepancy between them, the original shall govern. The commercial bid will be submitted as hard copy only.

5.13. Signing of Bid

The Bid shall be signed by the Bidder or a person or persons as the case may be, duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder. All pages of the bid, except for printed instruction manuals and specification sheets shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid. The bid shall contain no interlineations, erasures, or overwriting, except to correct errors made by the Bidder, in which case such corrections shall be initialed by the person or persons or persons signing the Bid. The bid shall be a person or persons duly authorized to bind the bidder to the contract. Such authority shall be either in the form of a written and duly stamped Power of Attorney (Annexure G) or a Board Resolution duly certified by the Company Secretary, which should accompany the bid.

5.14. Submission of Bid

The Bid shall be prepared in 2 different envelopes, Envelope A and Envelope B. Each of the 2 Envelopes shall then be sealed and put into an outer envelope marked as "**Request for Proposal to establish Permanent Power to NPCI Smart Data Center at Chennai**"

The inner and outer envelopes shall be addressed to NPCI at the address mentioned in Section 1. The inner envelopes shall indicate the name and address of the Bidder. If the outer envelope is not sealed and marked as indicated, NPCI will assume no responsibility for the bids misplacement or premature opening.

Envelope A - Eligibility Bid

The following documents as per the sequence listed shall be inserted inside Envelope A:

1 Bid Earnest Money in the form of Demand Draft <u>OR</u> Bid Earnest Money in the form of Bank Guarantee – format provided in Annexure A2 (Original Hard copy to be submitted)Scanned copy also need to be sent as part of the soft copy of Documents to be submitted)

- 2 Proof of Remittance of Bid Cost (Rs.11,800/-)
- 3 Bid Offer form (without price) Annexure B (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 4 Bidder Information Annexure C(Digitally signed soft copy)
- 5 Declaration of Clean Track Record by Bidder Annexure D (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 6 Declaration of Acceptance of Terms and Conditions Annexure E(Digitally signed soft copy)
- 7 Declaration of Acceptance of Scope of Work Annexure F(Digitally signed soft copy)
- 8 Power of Attorney for signing of bid Annexure G(Digitally signed soft copy)
- 9 Eligibility Criteria Compliance Matrix Annexure H (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 10 Client References Annexure I (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 11 Technical Compliance Annexure J (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 12 Three years audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statements, Auditors Reports & Notes to accounts(Digitally signed soft copy)
- 13 RFP document duly sealed and signed (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 14 All necessary supporting documents as per Annexures(Digitally signed soft copy)
- 15 Certificate of Incorporation(Digitally signed soft copy)
- 16 MSME Certificate (if applicable) (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 17 Self-declaration stating domain experience **OR** successful client implementation details. (**Digitally signed soft copy**)
- 18 Self-declaration stating bidder should not be associated with NPCI in any assignment related to Device Audit/Security Audit/Monitoring of device/Security monitoring. (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 19 Self-declaration stating that bidder will not remain associated with this RFP in any other capacity as a part of distribution channel provided such bidder becomes eligible for commercial evaluation as per this RFP. (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 20 Masked Price Bid (Annexure K & L) (Digitally signed soft copy)
- 21 Detailed Bill of Material for Software with line item details, giving quantity and functions (Masked Annexure M) (Digitally signed soft copy)

Technical Bid envelope shall not include any financial information. If the Technical Bid contains any financial information the entire bid will be rejected

Envelope B - <u>Commercial Bid to be submitted only by the technically qualified bidders after</u> <u>confirmation by NPCI.</u>

- 1 Commercial Bid Form Annexure K (Digitally signed & Password Protected PDF document to be submitted only after the Technical Evaluation)
- 2 Commercial Bid Annexure L (Digitally signed & Password Protected PDF document to be submitted only after the Technical Evaluation)
- 3 Detailed Bill of Material- Annexure M (Digitally signed & Password Protected PDF document to be submitted only after the Technical Evaluation)

Bids sealed in accordance with the instructions to Bidders should be <u>mailed to the email mentioned in the</u> <u>address as mentioned in the Section 1</u>. The offers should be made strictly as per the formats enclosed. No columns of the tender should be left blank. Offers with insufficient/inaccurate information and offers which do not strictly comply with the stipulations given in this RFP, are liable for rejection

5.15. Bid Currency

All prices shall be expressed in Indian Rupees only.

5.16. Bid Language

The bid shall be in English Language.

5.17. Rejection of Bid

The bid is liable to be rejected if the bid document:

- a) Does not bear signature of authorized person.
- b) Is received through Fax/E-mail.
- c) Is received after expiry of the due date and time stipulated for Bid submission.
- d) Is incomplete/ incorrect.
- e) Does not include requisite documents.
- f) Is Conditional.
- g) Does not conform to the terms and conditions stipulated in this Request for Proposal.

h) If revised BOM is not shared within 3 days' post technical presentation (with commercials to IT procurement and BOM without commercials to business user team)

No bid shall be rejected at the time of bid opening including extensions, if any, except for late bids and those that do not conform to bidding terms.

5.18. Deadline for Submission

The last date of submission of bids is given in Section 1. However, the last date of submission maybe amended by NPCI and shall be notified through its website.

5.19. Extension of Deadline for submission of Bid

NPCI may, at its discretion, extend this deadline for submission of bids by amending the bidding documents which will be informed through NPCI website, in which case all rights and obligations of NPCI and Bidders will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

5.20. Late Bid

Bids received after the scheduled time will not be accepted by the NPCI under any circumstances. NPCI will not be responsible for any delay due to postal service or any other means.

5.21. Modifications and Withdrawal of Bids

Bids once submitted will be treated, as final and no further correspondence will be entertained on this. No bid will be modified after the deadline for submission of bids.

5.22. Right to Reject, Accept/Cancel the bid

NPCI reserves the right to accept or reject, in full or in part, any or all the offers without assigning any reason whatsoever. NPCI does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender and reserves the right to reject all or any bid or cancel the Tender without assigning any reason whatsoever. NPCI also reserves the right to re-issue the Tender without the Bidders having the right to object to such re-issue.

5.23. RFP Abandonment

NPCI may at its discretion abandon the process of the selection of bidder at any time before notification of award.

5.24. Bid Evaluation Process

The Bid Evaluation will be carried out in 2 stages:

Stage 1– Envelope 'A' i.e. Eligibility bid & Technical Bid will be evaluated. Only those Bidders who have submitted all the required forms, papers & comply with the RFP requirements and eligibility criteria (Section 4) will be considered for further evaluation

Stage2– Envelope 'B' of those Bidders who qualify the minimum eligible score (70 marks) in the scoring matrix (Section 7.3) will be considered for commercial evaluation. NPCI reserves the right to conduct Reverse Auction (RA) or Price discussion mechanism to arrive the exact price and successful bidder

5.25. Single bid

In the event of only one responsive bidder or only one bidder emerging after the evaluation process, NPCI may continue with the RFP process.

5.26. Price discovery method:

Bidder to submit their best price. NPCI reserves right to discover the lowest price through the <u>Reverse Auction</u> & may be further deliberated through PDC if so opted by NPCI management. If first Reverse Auction does not result successful, NPCI reserves the right to call technically qualified bidders for price discussion and declare the successful bidder through <u>Price discussion method</u> instead of conducting 2nd Reverse Auction. The decision with respect to conduct of 2nd Reverse Auction or otherwise shall be communicated to technically qualified bidders.

5.27. Contacting NPCI

From the time of bid opening to the time of Contract award, if any Bidder wishes to contact NPCI for seeking any clarification in any matter related to the bid, they should do so in writing by seeking such clarification/s from an authorized person. Any attempt to contact NPCI with a view to canvas for a bid or put any pressure on any official of the NPCI may entail disqualification of the concerned Bidder and/or its Bid.

5.28. Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)

Kindly refer Annexure-L for the NDA template. Bidders should accept all the terms in the Articles mentioned in the NDA and duly fill the details required, sign it in INR 100 Stamp paper. The duly signed NDA should also be enclosed and submitted as part of the Bid.

5.29. Safety, Environment and Health Requirements

The instructions issued herein are indicative and not exhaustive. Therefore, the contractor shall be responsible to ensure that adequate safety measures have been adopted in the course of execution of the contract in accordance with safety standards / statutory regulations, as applicable. The contractor shall be held responsible for non-compliance if any of the safety measures and delays, implications, injuries, fatalities and compensation arising out of such situations or incidents.

5.30. Indemnity and Insurance Policies

The Contractor shall indemnify, protect and save NPCI and hold NPCI harmless from and against all claims, losses, costs, damages, expenses, action suits and other proceedings, (including reasonable attorney fees), relating to or resulting from any act or omission or negligence or misconduct of Contractor and their employees and representatives, breach of the terms and conditions of the agreement or purchase order, false statement by Contractor, employment claims of employees of Contractor, third party claims arising due to infringement of Intellectual Property Rights, death or personal injury attributable to acts or omission of Contractor, violation of statutory and regulatory provisions including labour laws, laws related to Information Technology and Intellectual Property Rights, breach of confidentiality obligations or breach of representations and warranties.

In case of damages, loss or liabilities suffered by NPCI arising out of claims made by its customers and/or regulatory authorities, indemnity would be unlimited.

Section 6 - Bid Opening

Opening of Bids

Bids will be opened in 2 stages:

Stage 1 – In the first stage the Eligibility bid & Technical Bid i.e. Envelope 'A' will be opened.

Stage 2 – <u>Password Protected PDC Document of Commercial Bids (Sealed Commercial bids i.e. Envelope</u> <u>'B')</u> will be opened for technically qualified bidders for finalizing the prices through the Reverse Auction or the Price discussion method if so opted by NPCI management.

6.1. Opening of Eligibility and Technical Bids

NPCI will open Technical bids (Envelope 'A') in presence of Bidders or Bidders' representative(s) who choose to be present on the date, time and address mentioned in Section 1 or as amended by NPCI from time to time. The representatives of the Bidders would be required to produce an authorization letter from the Bidder/ Identity Card to represent them at the time of opening of the bids. Only one representative will be allowed to represent each Bidder. In case the Bidder or its representative is not present at the time of opening of bids, the bids will still be opened at the scheduled time at the sole discretion of NPCI. The bidder's representative who is present shall sign the register evidencing their attendance. In the event of the specified date of bid opening being declared a holiday for NPCI, the bids shall be opened at the appointed time and place on next working day. <u>Please Note, if the existing lockdown conditions continues NPCI will inform the Bidders on the process to be followed from time to time.</u>

6.2. Opening of Envelope B - Commercial Bids

Bidder to submit their best price. Commercial bids will be opened for either Reverse Auction <u>or</u> Price discussion method with technically qualified bidders if so opted by NPCI management. In case, Commercial evaluation will be done through Reverse Auction, Business Rules and Terms & Conditions and Procedures of Reverse Auction have been published on NPCI's website i.e. www.npci.org.in.

Section 7 - Bid Evaluation

7.1 Preliminary Examination of Eligibility Bids

NPCI will examine the bids to determine whether they are complete; whether the required information have been provided as underlined in the bid document; whether the documents have been properly signed and whether the bids are generally in order. Eligibility and compliance to all the forms and Annexure would be the first level of evaluation. Only those Bids which comply to the eligibility criteria will be taken up for further technical evaluation. NPCI may waive any minor informality, non-conformity or irregularity in a bid that does not constitute a material deviation provided such waiver does not prejudice or affect the relative ranking of any Bidder. If a Bid is not substantially responsive, it will be rejected by NPCI and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the nonconformity. NPCI's determination of bid responsiveness will be based on the content of the bid itself. NPCI may interact with the Customer references submitted by Bidder, if required.

7.2 Examination of Technical Bids

The Technical Evaluation will be based on the following broad parameters:

- a. Compliance to Technical Specifications as specified in the RFP.
- b. NPCI reserves the right to call for presentation and discussions on the approach of execution of project etc., from the short-listed Bidders based on the technical bids submitted by them to make an evaluation. Such presentations and minutes of meetings will become part of the technical bid.
- c. Review of written reply, if any, submitted in response to the clarification sought by NPCI, if any.
- d. Submission of duly signed compliance statement as stipulated in Annexures. Details / Brochures containing details about the proposed hardware are to be enclosed.
- e. To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of bids, NPCI may, at its discretion, ask any or all the Bidders for clarification and response shall be in writing and no change in the price or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered or permitted.
- f. NPCI may interact with the Customer references submitted by bidder, if required.
- g. NPCI reserves the right to shortlist bidders based on technical evaluation criteria.
- h. Bidder should re-submit 2 detailed Bill of material (BOM) (one **with** commercial to IT procurement team and another **without** commercial to user team) within **3 days** if there are any shortfall in BOM found during technical evaluation

Sr. No.	Description	Score				
	Part – A Financial Scoring					
1	 Financial Capability (20 marks) a) Annual Turnover (10 marks) > Rs. 20 Crores as per audited financial (10 marks) > Rs. 10 Crores and <=20 Crores as per audited financial (5 marks) b) Yearly Profits (10 marks) Profit after tax for last 2 financial years and above (10 marks) Profit after tax in last financial year (5 marks) 	20				
	Part – B Customer Reference					
1	1 Customer reference in India (5 marks) Minimum 1 reference with below details a. a. Customer name b. Industry (Manufacturing, Insurance, financial, etc.) c. Project Size d. Services offered e. Contact name, title, email and direct telephone number f. Warranty / Support issues					
Part – C Field Experience 1 "A" Grade license to execute the works at Chennai (5 marks)						
2 Experience in the field (20 marks) No .of Data Center projects executed > 2 (20 marks)						

7.3 Bidder's Scoring Matrix

	No .of Data Center projects executed <= 2 (15 marks) Other industry experience (10 marks)			
3	Dedicated feeder distance covered in a project (10 marks) Distance from feeder > 5 Kms (10 marks) Distance from feeder <= 5 Kms (5 marks)			
4	Specific Location experience (10 marks)			
5	Scale of projects (15 marks)			
6	Direct presence in Chennai & local support (10 marks)			
	Total Score of Part - A, B and C	100		

Scoring Matrix: Bidders scoring a minimum of **70%** marks in the scoring matrix would be eligible for the Bidder evaluation. If there are any changes in the BOM, bidders are expected to share the updated BOM with commercials to IT procurement and BOM without commercials to business user team within 3 days, bidders who do not share the BOM within 3 days will be disqualified.

In the event of only one responsive bidder or only one bidder emerging after the evaluation process, NPCI may continue with the RFP process.

7.4 Evaluation of Commercial Bids:

NPCI reserves the right to discover the lowest price through the <u>Reverse Auction</u> & may be further deliberated through PDC if so opted by NPCI management. If first Reverse Auction does not result successful, NPCI reserves the right to call technical qualified bidders for price discussion and declare the successful bidder through <u>Price</u> <u>discussion method</u> instead of conducting 2nd Reverse Auction. The decision with respect to conduct of 2nd Reverse Auction or otherwise shall be communicated to technically qualified bidders. In case, Commercial evaluation will be done through Reverse Auction, Business Rules and Terms & Conditions and Procedures of Reverse Auction have been published on NPCI's website i.e. <u>www.npci.org.in</u>

7.5 Selection of bidder:

The bidder with lowest commercial bid identified through reverse auction process or price discussion method as the case maybe will be declared as the successful bidder and will be called L1 bidder for the required quantity. NPCI reserves the right to place the order with the L2 bidder, in case the L1 bidder refuses to accept the order or otherwise gets disqualified as per the terms of the RFP, provided the L2 bidder matches the price quoted by the L1 bidder. In case the 2nd lowest bidder is unable to match the L1 price, NPCI reserves the right to place order with the shortlisted L3 bidder and so on.

Section 8 - Terms and Conditions

8.1. Notification of Award / Purchase Order

After evaluation and selection of the bidder, as given in Clause 7.4 & 7.5, NPCI will send Notification of Award / Purchase Order to the selected Bidder after obtaining internal approvals and prior to expiration of the period of Bid validity. Once the selected Bidder accepts the Notification of Award the selected Bidder shall furnish the Performance Bank Guarantee to NPCI.

8.2. Term of the Order

The term of the Notification of Award/Purchase Order shall be for a period of 1 year wherein the price of the deliverables as specified in the RFP would be at a fixed rate.

8.3. Acceptance Procedure

- Within 5 days of receipt of Notification of Award/Purchase Order the successful Bidder shall send the acceptance.
- Failure of the successful Bidder to comply with the above requirements shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award.

8.4. Taxes and Duties

- All taxes deductible at source, if any, shall be deducted at as per then prevailing rates at the time of release of payments.
- Prices shall be exclusive of all taxes.
- The bidder shall meet the requirements of applicable Goods & Services Tax (GST)

8.5. Key Deliverables

8.5.1. EB Execution works: Preparation & submission of applications 33kV HT service connection of 4mVA demand for primary source (Shared / Dedicated feeder) from substation, Liaisoning with EB for getting Load sanction, Carrying out all works in compliance to electricity board standards and Availing EB supply, metering & all necessary co-ordination upto completion of the project

8.6. Delivery schedule

8.6.1. Permanent power: Establishing 4 mVA power at site within 6 months from the date of acceptance of PO

8.7. Delivery Address:

CHENNAI

National Payments Corporation of India, No. 6/D-6, SIPCOT IT Park, SIPCOT Industrial Estate, Siruseri, Egattur Village, Chennai –103

8.8. Penalty for default in delivery

If the successful bidder does not deliver & implement the solution as per the above delivery schedule, or such authorized extension of delivery period as may be permitted in writing by NPCI, NPCI shall impose a penalty as given below:

- Non Delivery of above at NPCI at the rate of 0.5% of the total Purchase Order value for each week's delay beyond the stipulated delivery period subject to a maximum of 5%.
- The bidder shall be responsible for the commencement of the Work after the acceptance of the Purchase Order (PO) within one month and if the work is not started without valid reason as per NPCI the penalty is applied at the rate of 0.5% of the total Purchase Order value for each week's delay beyond the commencement period of one month, subject to a maximum of 5%. Further NPCI reserves the right to cancel the Purchase Order.
- In case the delay exceeds 10 days beyond the stipulated delivery period of RFP, NPCI reserves the right to cancel the order without prejudice to other remedies available to NPCI
- Without any prejudice to NPCI's other rights under the Applicable Law, NPCI may recover the

liquidated damages, if any, accruing to NPCI, as above, from any amount payable to the supplier, as per the Agreement

8.9. Payment Terms:

S.No	Material	% of Amount payable
1	Payment shall be released within 30 days after delivery of materials to Site/Substation and submission of correct Invoice along with necessary supporting documents along with delivery report duly signed by NPCI officials	70%
2	Payment shall be releases after Installation/commissioning and power charge at site: Payment shall be released within 30 days after implementation, submission of correct invoice along with necessary supporting documents along with implementation/installation report duly signed by NPCI officials	30%
	Labour Works	
1	Payment shall be released within 30 days after the completion of all the execution and full Project works and submission of correct Invoice along with necessary supporting documents along with delivery report duly signed by NPCI officials	100%
	AMC after 1 st Year (per call basis)	Quarterly in Arrears

Above payment will be released within 30 days of receipt of correct invoices along with necessary documents / certificates duly signed by authorized NPCI official.

8.10. Confidentiality

The Bidder shall treat the details of the documents as secret and confidential. The Successful Bidder shall execute separate NDA on the lines of the draft provided in the **Annexure L** hereof.

In the event of disclosure of Confidential Information to a third party in violation of the provisions of this Clause, bidder shall use all reasonable endeavors to assist NPCI in recovering and preventing such third party from using, selling or otherwise disseminating of such information.

The Parties' obligations under this Section shall extend to the non-publicizing of any dispute arising out of this Agreement.

The terms of this clause shall continue in full force and effect for a period of 3 years from the date of disclosure of such Confidential Information.

In the event of termination of this Agreement, upon written request of the NPCI, the bidder shall immediately return the Confidential Information of NPCI, or at the NPCI's option destroy any remaining Confidential Information and certify that such destruction has taken place.

8.11. Indemnity

The bidder shall indemnify, protect and save NPCI and hold NPCI harmless from and against all claims, losses, costs, damages, expenses, action suits and other proceedings, (including reasonable attorney fees), relating to or resulting from any act or omission or negligence or misconduct of the bidder and its employees and representatives, breach of the terms and conditions of the agreement or purchase order, false statement by the bidder, employment claims of employees of the bidder, third party claims arising due to infringement of intellectual property rights, death or personal injury attributable to acts or omission of bidder, violation of statutory and regulatory provisions including labour laws, laws related to information technology and intellectual property rights, breach of confidentiality obligations, breach of warranty, etc.

Indemnity would be limited to court or arbitration awarded damages and shall exclude indirect, consequential and incidental damages and compensation. Bidder shall indemnify NPCI, provided NPCI promptly notifies the Bidder in writing of such claims and the Bidder shall have the right to undertake the sole defense and control of any such claim

8.12. Bidder's Liability

The selected Bidder will be liable for all the deliverables.

The Bidder's aggregate liability in connection with obligations undertaken under the purchase order, regardless of the form or nature of the action giving rise to such liability (whether in contract, tort or otherwise), shall be at actual and limited to the value of the contract/purchase order.

The Bidder's liability in case of claims against NPCI resulting from willful and gross misconduct, or gross negligence, fraud of the Bidder, its employees, contractors and subcontractors, from infringement of patents, trademarks, and copyrights or other Intellectual Property Rights or breach of confidentiality obligations shall be unlimited.

8.13. Obligations of the Bidder

Standard of Performance: The Bidder shall perform the services and carry out their obligations with all due diligence, efficiency and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional standards and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate technology and safe and effective equipment materials and methods. The Bidder shall always act in respect of any matter relating to this Contract or to the services as faithful advisor to NPCI and shall at all times support and safeguard NPCI's legitimate interests in any dealings with third parties.

Prohibition of Conflicting Activities: The Bidder shall not engage and shall cause their personnel not to engage in any business or professional activities that would come in conflict with the activities assigned to them under this RFP.

8.14. Order Cancellation

NPCI reserves its right to cancel the order in the event of one or more of the following situations, that are not occasioned due to reasons solely and directly attributable to NPCI alone;

- i. Delay in initiating the works beyond the two months without assigning any valid reason after the acceptance of Purchase Order.
 - OR
 - ii. Serious discrepancy in the quality of service expected.

iii. If a Bidder makes any statement or encloses any form which turns out to be false, incorrect and/or misleading or information submitted by the bidder turns out to be incorrect and/or bidder conceals or suppresses material information.

In case of order cancellation, any payments made by NPCI to the Bidder for the particular service would necessarily have to be returned to NPCI with interest @ 15% per annum from the date of each such payment. Further the Bidder would also be required to compensate NPCI for any direct loss incurred by NPCI due to the cancellation of the Purchase Order and any additional expenditure to be incurred by NPCI to appoint any other Bidder. This is after repaying the original amount paid.

8.15. Termination of Purchase Order/Contract

For Convenience: NPCI, by written notice sent to Bidder, may terminate the Purchase Order/ contract in whole or in part at any time for its convenience giving three months prior notice. The notice of termination may specify that the termination is for convenience the extent to which Bidder's performance under the contract is terminated and the date upon which such termination become effective. NPCI may consider request of the bidder for pro-rata payment till the date of termination.

For Insolvency: NPCI at any time may terminate the contract by giving written notice to Bidder, if Bidder becomes bankrupt or insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to Bidder, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy that has accrued or will accrue thereafter to NPCI.

For Non-Performance: NPCI reserves its right to terminate the contract in the event of Bidder's repeated failures (say more than 3 occasions in a calendar year to maintain the service level prescribed by NPCI).

8.16. Effect of Termination

• The Bidder agrees that it shall not be relieved of its obligations under the reverse transition mechanism notwithstanding the termination of the assignment.

- Same terms (including payment terms) which were applicable during the term of the contract should be applicable for reverse transition services
- The Bidder agrees that after completion of the Term or upon earlier termination of the assignment the Bidder shall, if required by NPCI, continue to provide facility to NPCI at no less favorable terms than those contained in this RFP. In case NPCI wants to continue with the Bidder's facility after the completion of this contract then the Bidder shall offer the same terms to NPCI.
- NPCI may make such prorated payment for services rendered by the Bidder and accepted by NPCI at the sole discretion of NPCI in the event of termination, provided that the Bidder is in compliance with its obligations till such date. However, no payment for "costs incurred, or irrevocably committed to, up to the effective date of such termination" will be admissible. There shall be no termination compensation payable to the Bidder.
- NPCI may make payments of undisputed amounts to the Bidder for services rendered till the effective date of
 termination. Termination shall be without prejudice to any other rights or remedies NPCI may be entitled to
 hereunder or at law and shall not affect any accrued rights or liabilities or either party nor the coming into force
 or continuation in force of any provision hereof which is expressly intended to come into force or continue in
 force on or after such termination.
- Upon cancellation of contract/completion of period of service, the Bidder should peacefully handover the legal
 possession of all the assets provided and obtains discharge from NPCI. NPCI also reserves the right to assign
 or allot or award the contract to any third party upon cancellation of the availed services.

8.17. Force Majeure

Force Majeure shall mean war, strike, hostility acts of public enemy, civil commotion, sabotage, fires, flood explosion, epidemics, pandemics and acts of God/natural calamities such as fire, flood earthquake and hurricane or any operation of the forces of nature that the Parties could not foresee, or reasonably make provision for or insure against the same.

b) Payment in the event of force majeure

If a war, or other circumstances outside the control of both parties, arises/continues after the contract is made so that either party is prevented from fulfilling his contractual obligations, or under the law governing the contract, the parties are released from further performance, then NPCI shall pay only such amounts which is due and payable to the Contractor for the works done by the Contractor.

c) The Contractor shall give a notice to the NPCI the Contractor's intention to make a claim for an extension of time within 14 (Fourteen) days of the circumstances for such a claim becoming known to the Contractor. The notice shall be followed as soon as possible by the claim with full supporting details.

d) NPCI may at its sole discretion grant such extension of time for completion as may be reasonable and justified. NPCI shall notify the Contractor accordingly

8.18. Resolution of Disputes

All disputes or differences between NPCI and the bidder shall be settled amicably. If, however, the parties are not able to resolve them, the same shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the applicable Indian Laws, and the award made in pursuance thereof shall be binding on the parties. Any appeal will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of courts at Mumbai.

NPCI and the successful Bidder shall make every effort to resolve amicably by direct informal negotiation; any disagreement or dispute arising between them under or in connection with this RFP.

If, however, NPCI and successful Bidder are not able to resolve them, following dispute resolution mechanism shall be applied:

- In case of Dispute or difference arising between NPCI and the successful Bidder relating to any matter arising out of or connected with this RFP, such disputes or difference shall be settled in accordance with the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996. The arbitral tribunal shall consist of 3 arbitrators, one each to be appointed by NPCI and the successful Bidder. The third Arbitrator shall be chosen by mutual discussion between NPCI and the successful Bidder.
- 2. Arbitration proceedings shall be held at Mumbai, and the language of the arbitration proceedings and that of all documents and communications between the parties shall be English;
- 3. The decision of the majority of Arbitrators shall be final and binding upon NPCI and Successful Bidder. The cost and expenses of Arbitration proceedings will be paid as determined by mutual chosen third Arbitrator. However, the expenses incurred by each party in connection with the preparation, presentation, etc., of its proceedings as also the fees and expenses paid to the arbitrator appointed by such party or on its behalf shall be borne by each party itself; and

- 4. Where the value of the contract is Rs.1.00 Crore and below, the disputes or differences arising shall be referred to the Sole Arbitrator. The Sole Arbitrator should be appointed by mutual consent between the parties.
- 5. Any appeal will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of courts at Mumbai.

8.19. Compliance with Applicable Laws of India

The Bidder confirms to NPCI that it complies with all Central, State, Municipal laws and local laws and rules and regulations and shall undertake to observe, adhere to, abide by, comply with and notify NPCI about compliance with all laws in force including Information Technology Act 2000, or as are or as made applicable in future, pertaining to or applicable to them, their business, their employees or their obligations towards them and for all purposes of this RFP, and shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend and protect NPCI and its officers/staff/personnel/representatives/agents from any failure or omission on its part to do so and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may occur or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligations arising there from.

The Bidder shall promptly and timely obtain all such consents, permissions, approvals, licenses, etc., as may be necessary or required for any of the purposes of this RFP or for the conduct of their own business under any applicable Law, Government Regulation/Guidelines and shall keep the same valid and in force during the term of the RFP, and in the event of any failure or omission to do so, shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend, protect and fully compensate NPCI and its employees/officers/staff/personnel/ representatives/agents from and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may occur or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligations arising there from.

8.20. Legal Compliances:

The Bidder confirms to NPCI that its personnel/ employees/staff are covered under the provision of various Acts enacted for the protection and benefits of workmen /employees /staff or otherwise such as Employees State Insurance Act and Employees Provident Fund Miscellaneous Provision Act etc. and such other Acts like Profession Tax Act etc. as applicable and that Bidder is duly registered under the provisions of the said Acts and is complying with the provisions of the Acts.

The Bidder shall allow NPCI as well as regulatory authorities to verify books in so far as they relate to compliance with the provisions of these Acts and shall provide on demand by NPCI & regulatory authorities such documentary proof as may be necessary to confirm compliance in this regard. NPCI shall not be responsible in any event to the employees of Bidder for any of their outstanding claims or liability in that regard. NPCI shall not be responsible for any claim or demand made by such personnel for their dues outstanding against Bidder. Bidder indemnifies and shall keep NPCI indemnified from any of such claims/ losses/ damages and demands by any of its personnel, if any, raised on NPCI.

8.21. Intellectual Property Rights:

All rights, title and interest of NPCI in and to the trade names, trademark, service marks, logos, products, copy rights and other intellectual property rights shall remain the exclusive property of NPCI and Bidder shall not be entitled to use the same without the express prior written consent of NPCI. Nothing in this RFP including any discoveries, improvements or inventions made upon with/by the use of the Bidder or its respectively employed resources pursuant to contract shall either vest or shall be construed so that to vest any proprietary rights to the Bidder. Notwithstanding, anything contained in this RFP, this clause shall survive indefinitely, even after termination of this Purchase Order.

8.22. Applicable Law and Jurisdiction

Applicable Law: The Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the Indian Law. The jurisdiction and venue of any action with respect to the subject-matter of this Agreement shall be the Courts of Mumbai in India and each of the parties hereto submits itself to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of such courts for the purpose of any such action.

8.23. No Damage of NPCI Property

Bidder shall ensure that there is no loss or damage to the property of NPCI while executing the Contract. In case, it is found that there is any such loss/damage due to direct negligence/non-performance of duty by any personnel, the amount of loss/damage so fixed by NPCI shall be recovered from Bidder.

8.24. Fraudulent and Corrupt Practice

"Fraudulent Practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of the project and includes collusive practice among Bidder's (prior to or after Bid submission) designed to establish Bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the NPCI of the benefits of free and open competition.

"Corrupt Practice" means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of value, pressurizing to influence the action of a public official or a NPCI official in the process of project execution. NPCI will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing the project.

8.25. Governing Language

All correspondences and other documents pertaining to this Agreement shall be in English only.

8.26. Addresses for Notices

Following shall be address of NPCI and Bidder NPCI address for <u>notice purpose</u>: Managing Director& CEO **National Payments Corporation of India** 1001A, B wing 10th Floor, 'The Capital', Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051

Supplier's address for notice purpose :(To be filled by supplier)

Section 9 - Documents forms to be put in Envelope A

Annexure A-1 Bidder's Letter for EMD

То

The Chief Executive Officer National Payments Corporation of India, 1001A, B wing 10th Floor, 'The Capital', Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051

Subject: RFP# NPCI/RFP/2020-21/IT/01 dated 10.04.2020 "Request for Proposal to establish permanent power to NPCI Smart Data Center at Chennai".

We have enclosed an EMD in the form of a Demand Draft No.____ issued by the branch of the _____Bank, for the sum of Rs.____ (Rupees ____). This EMD is as required by clause5.7 of the Instructions to Bidders of the above referred RFP.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(Signature of the Bidder) Printed Name: Designation: Seal: Date: Business Address:

Annexure A-2 Bid Security (Bank Guarantee)

[Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office]

National Payments Corporation of India: _____

Date: _____

BID GUARANTEE No.: _____

We have been informed that ______ (hereinafter called "the Bidder") has submitted to you its bid dated (hereinafter called "the Bid") for the execution of ______under RFP No.

Furthermore, we understand that, according to your conditions, bids must be supported by a bank guarantee.

At the request of the Bidder, we ______ hereby irrevocably undertake to pay you without any demur or protest, any sum or sums not exceeding in total an amount of Rs._____/-(Rupees ______ only) upon receipt by us of your first demand in writing accompanied by a written statement stating that the Bidder is in breach of its obligation(s) under the bid conditions, because the Bidder:

(a) Has withdrawn its Bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder in the Form of Bid; or

(b) Having been notified of the acceptance of its Bid by NPCI during the period of bid validity, (i) fails or refuses to execute the Contract document; or (ii) fails or refuses to furnish the performance security, if required, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

This guarantee will expire:

(a) If the Bidder is the successful bidder, upon our receipt of copies of the contract signed by the Bidder and the performance security issued to you upon the instruction of the Bidder; or

(b) if the Bidder is not the successful bidder, upon the earlier of (i) our receipt of a copy of your notification to the Bidder of the name of the successful bidder; or(ii) twelve months after the expiration of the Bidder's Bid.

Consequently, any demand for payment under this guarantee must be received by us at the Office on or before that date.

[Signature]

Annexure B - Bid Offer Form (without Price)

(Bidder's Letter Head)

OFFER LETTER

Date:

To The Chief Executive Officer National Payments Corporation of India 1001A, B wing 10th Floor, 'The Capital', Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051

Dear Sir,

Subject: RFP No. NPCI/RFP/2020-21/IT/01 dated 10.04.2020 for "Request for Proposal to Engage the below "Consultants / Contractors to establish Permanent Power for proposed Smart Data Center at Hyderabad".

We have examined the above referred RFP document. As per the terms and conditions specified in the RFP document, and in accordance with the schedule of prices indicated in the commercial bid and made part of this offer.

We acknowledge having received the following addenda / corrigenda to the RFP document.

Addendum No. / Corrigendum No.	Dated

While submitting this bid, we certify that:

- 1. Prices have been quoted in INR.
- 2. The prices in the bid have not been disclosed and will not be disclosed to any other bidder of this RFP.
- 3. We have not induced nor attempted to induce any other bidder to submit or not submit a bid for restricting competition.
- 4. We agree that the rates / quotes, terms and conditions furnished in this RFP are for NPCI and its Associates.

If our offer is accepted, we undertake, to start the assignment under the scope immediately after receipt of your order. We have taken note of Penalty clauses in the RFP and agree to abide by the same. We also note that NPCI reserves the right to cancel the order and order cancellation clause as per terms and condition would be applicable. We understand that for delays not attributable to us or on account of uncontrollable circumstances, penalties will not be levied and that the decision of NPCI will be final and binding on us.

We agree to abide by this offer till 180 days from the last date stipulated by NPCI for submission of bid, and our offer shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted by NPCI any time before the expiry of that period.

Until a formal contract is prepared and executed with the selected bidder, this offer will be binding on us. We also certify that the information/data/particulars furnished in our bid are factually correct. We also accept that in the event of any information / data / particulars are found to be incorrect, NPCI will have the right to disqualify /blacklist us and forfeit bid security.

We undertake to comply with the terms and conditions of the bid document. We understand that NPCI may reject any or all of the offers without assigning any reason whatsoever.

As security (EMD) for the due performance and observance of the undertaking and obligation of the bid we submit herewith Demand Draft bearing no. ______ dated ______ drawn in favor of "National Payments Corporation of India" or Bank Guarantee valid for _____ days for an amount of Rs. _____ (Rs. _____ only) payable at Mumbai.

Yours sincerely,

Authorized Signature [In full and initials]: Name and Title of Signatory: Name of Company/Firm: Address

Annexure C Bidder Information

(Bidder's Letter Head)

	Details of the Bidder					
1	Name of the Bidder					
2	Address of the Bidder					
3	Constitution of the Company (Public Ltd/ Pvt. Ltd)					
4	Details of Incorporation of the Company.	Date: Ref#				
5	Valid Sales tax registration no.					
6	Valid Service tax registration no.					
7	Permanent Account Number (PAN)					
8	Goods & Services Tax (GST) Registration Numbers					
9	City					
10	State					
11	Pin Code / State Code					
12	GSTIN Number					
13	HSN Number					
14	Name & Designation of the contact person to whom all references shall be made regarding this tender					
15	Telephone No. (Cell # and Landline # with STD Code)					
16	E-Mail of the contact person:					
17	Fax No. (with STD Code)					
18	Website					
Financial Details (as per audited Balance Sheets) (in Cr)						
19	Year	2017-18	2018-19	2019-2020		
20	Net worth					
21	Turn Over					
22	РАТ					

Dated this......2020

(Signature)

(Name)

Duly authorized to sign Bid for and on behalf of

(In the capacity of)

Annexure D - Declaration for Clean Track Record

(Bidder's Letter Head)

То

The Chief Executive Officer National Payments Corporation of India 1001A, B wing 10th Floor, 'The Capital', Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051

Sir,

I have carefully gone through the Terms & Conditions contained in the RFP document to engage the Consultants/Contractors to establish Permanent Power for proposed Smart Data Centre at Chennai - RFP No. NPCI/RFP/2020-21/IT/01 dated 10.04.2020 hereby declare that my company has not currently been debarred/black listed by any Government / Semi Government / Private organizations in India / abroad. I further certify that I am competent officer and duly authorized by my company to make this declaration.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature of the Bidder) Printed Name Designation Seal Date: Business Address:

Annexure E - Declaration for Acceptance of RFP Terms and Conditions

(Bidder's Letter Head)

То

The Chief Executive Officer National Payments Corporation of India 1001A, B wing 10th Floor, 'The Capital', Bandra - Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051

Dear Sir,

I have carefully gone through the Terms & Conditions contained in the RFP document for selection of vendor to establish permanent power for NPCI Smart Data Center at Chennai - RFP No. NPCI/RFP/2020-21/IT/01 dated 10.04.2020. I declare that all the provisions of this RFP/Tender Document are acceptable to my company. I further certify that I am an authorized signatory of my company and am, therefore, competent to make this declaration.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature of the Bidder) Printed Name Designation Seal Date: Business Address:

Annexure F - Declaration for Acceptance of Scope of Work

(Bidder's Letter Head)

То

The Chief Executive Officer National Payments Corporation of India 1001A, B wing 10th Floor, 'The Capital', Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051

Sir,

I have carefully gone through the Scope of Work contained in the RFP document for selection of vendor for Request for Proposal to establish permanent power for NPCI Smart Data Center at Chennai -. I declare that all the provisions of this RFP / Tender Document are acceptable to my company. I further certify that I am an authorized signatory of my company and am, therefore, competent to make this declaration.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature of the Bidder) Printed Name Designation Seal Date: Business Address

Annexure G - Format Power of Attorney

(On Stamp paper of relevant value)

Know all men by the present, we _______ (name of the company and address of the registered office) do hereby appoint and authorize _______ (full name and residential address) who is presently employed with us holding the position of _______ as our attorney, to do in our name and on our behalf, deed and things necessary in connection with or incidental to our proposal to Engage the Consultants /Contractors to establish Permanent Power for proposed Smart Data Center at Chennai NPCI/RFP/2020-21/IT/01 dated 10.04.2020 in response to the RFP by NPCI, including signing and submission of all the documents and providing information/responses to NPCI in all the matter in connection with our bid. We hereby agree to ratify all deeds and things lawfully done by our said attorney pursuant to this Power of Attorney and that all deeds and things done by our aforesaid attorney shall always be deemed to have been done by us.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2020. For _____

(Signature)

(Name Designation and Address)

Accepted

(Signature) (Name Designation) Date: Business Address:

Annexure H - Eligibility Criteria Compliance (Bidder's Letter Head)

	Eligibility Criteria						
Sr. No.	MSME	Other than MSME	Compliance Yes/No	Documentary proof to be attached			
1	 The bidder is a Company registered under the Companies Act/ Partnership Act / LLP at least since last three (3) years. c) In case the bidder is the result of a merger / acquisition, at least one of the merging companies should have been in operation for at least two (2) years as on date of submission of the bid. In case the bidder is the result of a demerger / hiving off, at least one of the demerged company or resulting company should have been in operation for at least two (2) years as on the date of submission of bid 	 The bidder is a Company registered under the Companies Act/ Partnership / LLP at least since last five (5) years. a) In case the bidder is the result of a merger / acquisition, at least one of the merging companies should have been in operation for at least five (5) years as on date of submission of the bid. b) In case the bidder is the result of a demerger / hiving off, at least one of the demerged company or resulting company should have been in operation for at least five (5) years as on the date of submission of bid. 		 Certificate of incorporation MSME registration certificate (if applicable) 			
	The bidder should have reported minimum annual turnover of Rs.8 Crores as per audited financial statements in each of the last three financial years (i.e. 2017-2018,2018-2019 and 2019-2020) and should have reported profits (profit after tax) as per audited financial statements in at least two of last three financial	The bidder should have reported minimum annual turnover of Rs.12 Crores as per audited financial statements in each of the last three financial years (i.e. 2017-2018,2018-2019 and 2019-2020) and should have reported 5% profits (profit after tax) as		Standalone financial Audited balance sheets & Profit /loss statement			
	years (i.e. 2017-2018,2018-2019 and 2019-2020).	per audited financial statements in at least two of last three financial years (i.e. 2017-2018,2018-2019 and 2019-2020).		Signed Statutory Auditor's Report			
2	In case audited financial statements for 2019-2020 are not ready, then management certified financial statement shall be considered for 2019-2020; however, this exception is not available in case of previous financial years. In case the bidder is the result of a merger or acquisition or	In case audited financial statements for 2019-2020 are not ready, then management certified financial statement shall be considered for 2019-2020; however, this exception is not available in case of previous financial years. In case the bidder is the result of a merger or acquisition or demerger or hive off, due consideration shall be given to the past		Notes to Accounts and Schedules forming part of accounts to be submitted.			
	demerger or hive off, due consideration shall be given to the past financial results of the merging entity or demerged entity as the case may be for the purpose of determining the minimum annual turnover for the purpose of meeting the eligibility criteria; should the bidder be in operation for a period of less than 2 financial years. For this purpose, the decision of NPCI will be treated as final and no further correspondence will be entertained on this.	financial results of the merging entity or demerged entity as the case may be for the purpose of determining the minimum annual turnover for the purpose of meeting the eligibility criteria; should the bidder be in operation for a period of less than 2 financial years. For this purpose, the decision of NPCI will be treated as final and no further correspondence will be entertained on this.		Complete financial statements duly signed / approved by Auditor			

3	Period of operations in required domain: Minimum 2 years preceding the bid participation or 2 execution of similar works of minimum 4 mVA capacity	Period of operations in required domain: Minimum 2 years preceding the bid participation or 2 execution of similar works of minimum 4 mVA capacity	Self-declaration to be provided by bidder along with customer references
4	The Bidder should not be currently blacklisted by any Bank or institution in India or abroad	The Bidder should not be currently blacklisted by any Bank or institution in India or abroad	Declaration letter from the bidder as per Annexure D
5	Having branch office at both the places (Chennai and Hyderabad) with sufficient workforce to support in future NPCI SDC operation	Having branch office at both the places (Chennai and Hyderabad) with sufficient workforce to support in future NPCI SDC operation	Proof of GST Copy and Branch office address of both locations

Dated this......2020

(Signature)

(Name) Duly authorized to sign Bid for and on behalf of (In the capacity of)

Annexure I- Client Reference

(Bidder's Letter Head)

Sr. No	Particulars	Details
1	Name of the Organization	
2	Contact Person Name and Designation	
3	Phone Number of the Contact person	
4	Email Address of the Contact person	

(Signature)

(Name) Duly authorized to sign Bid for and on behalf of (In the capacity of)

Annexure – J Technical Compliance				
	Total Bay Extension Charges			
1.0	Point of supply from EB substation to Main building with necessary civil work, cable trench, cable/structure routing, cabling, termination as per below requirements. Note: The cost shall be including from EB substation to building			
a b	EB Substation to 33KV RMG HT Panel through underground cable (cable trench / RCC cable trench or ACSR conductor with Pole structure & foundation Infrastructure work up to our point of EB supply shall be considered	1	LS	
С	The route of 33KV HT line shall be study at site & local EB substation to Proposal Building		20	
	Power Source Execution			
d	Charges towards digging, excavation of normal soil, cable trenches of required size for 1000mm wide x 1200mm deep trench, providing sand bed, bricks, warning tap, truff etc., Back filling the same for laying HT cables inside / outside building as per drawing.	3000	Mts.	
e	Charges of manhole chamber sizes of 1200mm x 1200mm as above sl.no: 19.3d including necessary four side brick required.	200	No.s	
1.1	Supply, Laying, testing & commissioning of 33KV 3CX400sqmm. XLPE (E) Aluminium Armoured cable as per the enclosed technical specification with all accessories as required	3000	Mts.	
1.2	Supply, fixing, testing & commissioning of Indoor heat shrinkable cable termination suitable for 33KV 3CX400sqmm. XLPE (E) Aluminium Armoured cable with all accessories as required.	2	Ends	
1.3	Supply, fixing, testing & commissioning of straight through joint kit (Outdoor type) with heat shrinkable kit including ferrules and other jointing materials for XLPE aluminium conductor cable of 33KV grade as required 3CX400sqmm. XLPE (UE) Aluminium Armoured cable with all accessories as required.	10	Ends	
	Total Bay Extension Charges			
1.0	Point of supply from EB substation to Main building with necessary civil work, cable trench, cable/structure routing, cabling, termination as per below requirements. Note: The cost shall be including from EB substation to building			
a b	EB Substation to 33KV RMG HT Panel through underground cable (cable trench / RCC cable trench or ACSR conductor with Pole structure & foundation Infrastructure work up to our point of EB supply shall be considered			
C C	The route of 33KV HT line shall be study at site & local EB substation to Proposal Building	1 LS		
	Power Source Execution			
d	Charges towards digging, excavation of normal soil, cable trenches of required size for 1000mm wide x 1200mm deep trench, providing sand bed, bricks, warning tap, truff etc., Back filling the same for laying HT cables inside / outside building as per drawing.	3000	Mts.	
e	Charges of manhole chamber sizes of 1200mm x 1200mm as above sl.no: 19.3d including necessary four side brick required.	200	No.s	
1.1	Supply, Laying, testing & commissioning of 33KV 3CX400sqmm. XLPE (E) Aluminium Armoured cable as per the enclosed technical specification with all accessories as required	3000	Mts.	
1.2	Supply, fixing, testing & commissioning of Indoor heat shrinkable cable termination suitable for 33KV 3CX400sqmm. XLPE (E) Aluminium Armoured cable with all accessories as required.	2	Ends	

Annexure – J Technical Compliance

1.3	Supply, fixing, testing & commissioning of straight through joint kit (Outdoor type) with heat shrinkable kit including ferrules and other jointing materials for XLPE aluminium conductor cable of 33KV grade as required 3CX400sqmm. XLPE (UE) Aluminium Armoured cable with all accessories as required.	10	Ends
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Note:

- Cable make should be KEI / POLYCAB / RR CABLE
- Cable LUGs and GLANDs should be DOWELLS / COMET
- Termination kit should be RAYCHEM / BIRLA 3 M / M-SEAL
- Any Other MAKE / Material specifications should be confirmed with NPCI before execution

Section 10 - Documents to be put in Envelope 'B'

Annexure K–Commercial Bid Form

(Bidder's Letter Head)

(To be included in Commercial Bid Envelope)

То

NPCI

Dear Sirs,

Re: RFP No. NPCI/RFP/2020-21/IT/01 dated.10.04.2020 for "Request for Proposal to Engage Consultants/Contractors to establish permanent power for NPCI Smart Data Center at Chennai".

Having examined the Bidding Documents placed along with RFP, we, the undersigned, offer to provide the required infrastructure in conformity with the said Bidding documents for the sum of Rs..................(Rupees______) (exclusive of taxes) or such other sums as may be ascertained in accordance with the Schedule of Prices attached herewith and made part of this Bid.

We undertake, if our Bid is accepted, to provide _______ for the above purpose within the stipulated time schedule. We agree to abide by the Bid and the rates quoted therein for the orders awarded by NPCI up to the period prescribed in the Bid which shall remain binding upon us. Until a formal contract is prepared and executed, this Bid, together with your written acceptance thereof and your notification of award, shall constitute a binding Contract between us.

We undertake that, in competing for (and, if the award is made to us, in executing) the above contract, we will strictly observe the laws against fraud and corruption in force in India.

We have complied with all the terms and conditions of the RFP. We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any Bid you may receive.

Dated this......2020

(Signature)

(Name)

(In the capacity of)

Duly authorized to sign Bid for and on behalf of

Section 10 - Documents to be put in Envelope 'B'

Annexure L – Commercial Bid Details

(Bidder's Letter Head)

S.NO	DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
1	33KV BAY EXTENSION WORKS	Material	
2	33KV UG CABLE WORKS	Material	
3	Labour Charges	Job	
1	AMC after 1 st year (per call basis)	1	
	Total (Exclusive of taxes)		

(Amount in Rs)

All prices are exclusive of taxes.

Annexure M – Detailed Bill of Materials

(Bidder's Letter Head)

Line Item Wise Prices

(Details of all line items of the Commercial Bid, including AMC charges)

		QTY	UOM	Rate	Amount
	Total Bay Extension Charges				
1.0	Point of supply from EB substation to Main building with necessary civil work, cable trench, cable/structure routing, cabling, termination as per below requirements. Note: The cost shall be including from EB substation to building				
а	EB Substation to 33KV RMG HT Panel through underground cable (cable trench / RCC cable trench or ACSR conductor with Pole structure & foundation				
b	Infrastructure work up to our point of EB supply shall be considered	1	LS		
С	The route of 33KV HT line shall be study at site & local EB substation to Proposal Building				
	Power Source Execution				
d	Charges towards digging, excavation of normal soil, cable trenches of required size for 1000mm wide x 1200mm deep trench, providing sand bed, bricks, warning tap, truff etc., Back filling the same for laying HT cables inside / outside building as per drawing.	3000	Mts.		
E	Charges of manhole chamber sizes of 1200mm x 1200mm as above sl.no: 19.3d including necessary four side brick required.	200	No.s		
1.1	Supply, Laying, testing & commissioning of 33KV 3CX400sqmm. XLPE € Aluminium Armoured cable as per the enclosed technical specification with all accessories as required	3000	Mts.		
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1.4	AMC after 1 st year (per call basis)	1			
Total (Exclusive of taxes)					

Annexure N - Non-Disclosure Agreement

NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT (NDA)

This Non-Disclosure Agreement ("**Agreement**") is made and entered on this ------ day of -----, 2020 ("**Effective Date**") between

NATIONAL PAYMENTS CORPORATION OF INDIA, a company incorporated in India under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 (corresponding to Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013) and having its registered office at 1001A, B Wing, 10th Floor, The Capital, Plot 70, Block G, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051, Maharashtra, CIN: U74990MH2008NPL189067 (Hereinafter referred to as "Disclosing Party", which expression shall mean and include unless repugnant to the context, its successors and permitted assigns);

AND

_____, a company/Partnership/Sole Proprietor/Association of People/ and having its registered office at ______ CIN;______ (Hereinafter referred to as "**Receiving Party**", which expression shall mean and include unless repugnant to the context, its successors and permitted assigns).

Disclosing Party and Receiving Party shall hereinafter be jointly referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party".

NOW THEREFORE

In consideration of the mutual protection of information herein by the parties hereto and such additional promises and understandings as are hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

Article 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to maintain in confidence the various Confidential Information, which is provided between Disclosing Party and Receiving Party to perform the considerations (hereinafter called "Purpose") set forth in below:

Purposes:

- 1. 2. 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Article 2: DEFINITION

For purposes of this Agreement, "**Confidential Information**" means the terms and conditions, and with respect to Disclosing Party, any and all information in written, representational, electronic, verbal or other form relating directly or indirectly to the Purpose (including, but not limited to, information identified as being proprietary and/or confidential or pertaining to, pricing, marketing plans or strategy, volumes, services rendered, customers and suppliers lists, financial or technical or service matters or data, employee/agent/ consultant/officer/director related personal or sensitive data and any information which might reasonably be presumed to be proprietary or confidential in nature) excluding any such information which (i) is known to the public (through no act or omission of the Receiving Party in violation of this Agreement); (ii) is lawfully acquired by the Receiving Party from an independent source having no obligation to maintain the confidentiality of such information; (iii) was known to the Receiving Party prior to its disclosure under this Agreement; (iv) was or is independently developed by the Receiving Party without breach of this Agreement; or (v) is required to be disclosed by governmental or judicial order, in which case Receiving Party shall give the Disclosing Party prompt written notice, where possible, and use

reasonable efforts to ensure that such disclosure is accorded confidential treatment and also to enable the Disclosing Party to seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy at Disclosing Party's sole costs.

Article 3: NO LICENSES

This Agreement does not obligate the Disclosing Party to disclose any particular proprietary information; to purchase, sell, license, transfer, or otherwise dispose of any technology, services, or products; or to enter into any other form of business, contract or arrangement. Furthermore, nothing contained hereunder shall be construed as creating, conveying, transferring, granting or conferring to the Receiving Party any rights, license or authority in or to the Confidential Information disclosed to the Receiving Party under this Agreement or to any information, discovery or improvement made, conceived, or acquired before or after the date of this Agreement. No disclosure of any Confidential Information hereunder shall be construed to be a public disclosure of such Confidential Information by the Receiving Party for any purpose whatsoever. This Agreement does not create a joint venture or partnership between the parties.

Article 4: DISCLOSURE

- 1. Receiving Party agrees not to use the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information for any purpose other than for the specific purpose as mentioned in Article 1. Receiving Party agrees and undertakes that it shall not, without first obtaining the written consent of the Disclosing Party, disclose or make available to any person, reproduce or transmit in any manner, or use (directly or indirectly) for its own benefit or the benefit of others, any Confidential Information save and except both parties may disclose any Confidential Information to their Affiliates, directors, officers, representatives, agents, employees or advisors of their own or of Affiliates on a "need to know" basis to enable them to evaluate such Confidential Information in connection with the negotiation of the possible business relationship; provided that such persons have been informed of, and agree to be bound by obligations which are at least as strict as the recipient's obligations hereunder. For the purpose of this Agreement, Affiliates shall mean, with respect to any party, any other person directly or indirectly Controlling, Controlled by, or under direct or indirect common Control with, such party. "Control", "Controlled" or "Controlling" shall mean, with respect to any person, any circumstance in which such person is controlled by another person by virtue of the latter person controlling the composition of the Board of Directors or owning the largest or controlling percentage of the voting securities of such person or by way of contractual relationship or otherwise.
- 2. The Receiving Party shall use the same degree of care and protection to protect the Confidential Information received by it from the Disclosing Party as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information of a like nature, and in no event such degree of care and protection shall be of less than a reasonable degree of care.
- 3. The Disclosing Party does not make any representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of Confidential Information. The Disclosing Party shall not be in any way responsible for any decisions or commitments made by Receiving Party in relying on the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information.

Article 5: RETURN OR DESTRUCTION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The Receiving party agree that upon termination of this Agreement or at any time during its currency, at the request of the Disclosing Party, the Receiving Party shall promptly deliver to the Disclosing Party the Confidential Information and copies thereof in its possession or under its direct or indirect control, and shall destroy all memoranda, notes and other writings prepared by the Receiving Party or its Affiliates or directors, officers, employees or advisors based on the Confidential Information and promptly certify such destruction.

Article 6: INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

The Receiving Party hereto acknowledge and agree that it would be impossible or inadequate to measure and calculate the Disclosing Party's damages from any breach of the covenants set forth herein. Accordingly, the Receiving Party agrees that in the event of a breach or threatened breach by the Receiving Party of the provisions of this Agreement, the Disclosing Party will have no adequate remedy in money or damages and accordingly the Disclosing Party, in addition to any other right or remedy available, shall be entitled to injunctive relief against such breach or threatened breach by the Receiving Party shall be entitled to recover its costs and fees, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred in obtaining any such relief. If the Receiving Party is aware of a suspected or actual breach of this Agreement from Receiving Party's side, it shall (i) promptly notify the Disclosing Party in writing immediately; and

(ii) take all reasonable and essential steps to prevent or stop any suspect or actual breach of this Agreement; (iii) Receiving Party shall cooperate with any and all efforts of the Disclosing Party to help the Disclosing Party regain possession of Confidential Information and prevent its further unauthorized use.

Article 7: NON-WAIVER

No failure or delay by either party in exercising or enforcing any right, remedy or power hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise or enforcement of any right, remedy or power preclude any further exercise or enforcement thereof or the exercise of enforcement of any other right, remedy or power.

Article 8: DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Notwithstanding anything contained in Article 6 and the express rights of the Disclosing party contained and provided thereto, If any dispute arises between the parties hereto during the subsistence or thereafter, in connection with or arising out of this Agreement, the dispute shall be referred to arbitration under the Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 (or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and rules framed thereunder from time to time) by a sole arbitrator appointed by Disclosing Party Arbitration shall be held in Mumbai, India. The proceedings of arbitration shall be in the English language. The arbitrator's award shall be final and binding on the parties.

Article 9: GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

This Agreement shall be governed exclusively by the laws of India and jurisdiction shall be vested exclusively in the courts at Mumbai in India.

Article 10: NON-ASSIGNMENT

This Agreement shall not be amended, modified, assigned or transferred by Receiving Party without the prior written consent of Disclosing Party.

Article 11: TERM

This Agreement shall remain valid from the effective date till the time the Receiving Party is receiving Confidential Information or until the termination of this Agreement, whichever is later. This Agreement may be terminated by either Party by giving prior written notice of sixty (60) days to the other Party. However, the Receiving Party shall not be entitled to terminate this Agreement if there is subsisting business engagement between the Parties. Irrespective of the termination, the obligation of the Receiving Party to protect Confidential Information disclosed under this Agreement shall survive termination of this Agreement and shall remain in effect indefinitely.

Article 12: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS, Media Disclosure, Publicity and Public Interaction

12.1 Receiving Party shall not use or permit the use of Disclosing Party's names, logos, trademarks or other identifying data, or infringe Patent, Copyrights or interact with media for any disclosure of findings or otherwise discuss or make reference to Disclosing Party in any notices to third Parties, any promotional or marketing material or in any press release or other public announcement or advertisement, however characterized, without Disclosing Party's prior written consent.

12.2 Any interaction by the Receiving Party with media for any disclosure of findings, publicity, public interactions for undue advantage and/or any association whatsoever of Disclosing Party, without express consent/approval from Disclosing Party, shall result in breach, and for every incident of breach the Receiving Party shall be liable to pay the Disclosing Party, an amount which Disclosing Party, in its sole and absolute discretion, deems fit. This shall be without prejudice to the right of Disclosing Party to peruse any other right or remedy available to it under law.

Article 13: INDEMNITY

In the event the Receiving Party discloses, disseminates or releases any Confidential Information received from the Disclosing Party, except as provided in this agreement, such disclosure, dissemination or release will be deemed a material breach of this Agreement and the Receiving Party shall stop its breach of this agreement

immediately and indemnify Disclosing party against losses resulting from its default, including the reasonable legal costs, which have been incurred by Disclosing party to investigate the default.

Article 14: GENERAL

- 1. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to confer any rights/remedies under or by reason of this Agreement on any third party.
- 2. Any notices or communications required or permitted to be given hereunder may be delivered by hand, deposited with a nationally recognized overnight carrier, electronic-mail, or mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, in each case, to the address of the other party first indicated above (or such other addressee as may be furnished by a party in accordance with this paragraph). All such notices or communications shall be deemed to have been given and received (a) In the case of personal delivery or electronic-mail, on the date of such delivery, (b) In the case of delivery by a nationally recognized overnight carrier, on the third business day following dispatch and (c) In the case of mailing, on the seventh working business day following such mailing.
- 3. This Agreement and the confidentiality obligations of the Parties under this Agreement supersedes all prior discussions and writings with respect to the Confidential Information and constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and any additional agreement, if any, shall be binding along with that relevant Agreement in addition to this Non Disclosure Agreement without affecting the provisions of this agreement. In the event where only this agreement is existing than the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail. If any term or provision of this Agreement is determined to be illegal, unenforceable, or invalid in whole or in part for any reason, such illegal, unenforceable, or invalid provisions or part(s) thereof shall be stricken from this Agreement or modified, rewritten or interpreted to include as much of its nature and scope as will render it enforceable. The remaining provisions will continue in full force and effect.
- 4. Any breach of any provision of this Agreement by Receiving Party hereto shall not affect the Disclosing party's non-disclosure and non-use obligations under this Agreement.
- 5. The Parties agree that all Confidential Information shall remain the exclusive property of the Disclosing Party and its affiliates, successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives as of the Effective Date written above.

NATIONAL PAYMENTS CORPORATION OF INDIA	TYPE COMPANY NAME
By:	By:
Name:	Name:
Designation:	Designation: