



**NOTIFICATION PERTAINING TO GLOBAL INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) -
BLOCKCHAIN SOLUTION**

1. About NPCI

National Payments Corporation of India (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 banks in India under the aegis of the Indian Banks' Association with majority shareholding by Public Sector Banks. Presently 56 banks are shareholders of NPCI. Out of which 19 are Public Sector Banks (PSB), 17 Private Sector Banks, 3 Foreign Banks, 7 Multi State Cooperative Banks and 10 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 five core values: Passion for Excellence, Integrity, Customer Centricity, Respect and Collaboration.

2. Solution Objective

The Express of Interest (EOI) is floated in order to enable bidders to propose their capability for developing distributed ledger technology / Blockchain in the payment domain. NPCI intends to develop a Resilient, Real Time and Highly Scalable Blockchain solution. It is proposed to develop this solution using an open source technology/framework/solution.

3. Cost of the EOI

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

The Bidders can procure the EOI document from NPCI's office at Unit no. 202, 2nd Floor, Raheja Titanium, CTS No. 201, Western Express Highway, Goregaon East, Mumbai 400 063, only upon payment of non-refundable amount of Rs. 11,800/- (INR Eleven thousand eight hundred only, inclusive of applicable Taxes), payable in the form of Demand Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled commercial bank in India favoring "NATIONAL PAYMENTS CORPORATION OF INDIA" payable at Mumbai.

EOI document containing detailed specifications and requirements with terms and conditions can be obtained by eligible Bidders on any working day during office hours from 10:30 hours to 18:30 hours till the stipulated last date for the purpose as mentioned in “EOI Schedule and Communication Address”, on payment of EOI cost along with authorization letter on the company letter-head mentioning the DD /Pay Order # included.

4. Due Diligence

The Bidders are expected to examine all instructions, terms and specifications stated in EOI. The Bid shall be deemed to have been submitted after careful study and examination of EOI. The Bid should be precise, complete and in the prescribed format as per the requirement of EOI document. Failure to furnish all information or submission of a bid not responsive to EOI or bid not meeting NPCI requirements will be at the Bidders’ risk and may result in rejection of the bid.

The Bidder is requested to carefully examine the EOI document and the terms and conditions specified therein and if there appears to be any ambiguity, contradictions, inconsistency, gap and/or discrepancy in the EOI document, Bidder should seek necessary clarifications by e-mail as mentioned in “EOI Schedule and Communication Address” through the pre-bid query format provided in the EOI.

5. Ownership of this EOI

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

6. Scope of Work

Detailed scope of work will be provided in the EOI document.

7. Eligibility Criteria for Bidders

Definition of Bidder

Only those Bidders who fulfill the following criteria are eligible to respond to the EOI. Bidder is defined as the vendor providing response to this EOI.

The Eligibility Criteria:

Mentioned below is the Eligibility Criteria:

1. Bidder can be a System Integrator with expertise in Blockchain Implementations or Blockchain OEM Company/Foundation or Blockchain start-up registered with Start-up India scheme of Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP).
2. Bidder should be a legal registered entity.
3. Bidder should not have been currently blacklisted by any Bank / institution in India or abroad.
4. Bidder should provide reference of at least 2 Blockchain implementations (global or domestic) which are currently in production and have live transactions taking place.
5. The Bidder must have at least 25 certified Blockchain professionals along with an implementation experience in Blockchain

NOTE: If any document submitted by the bidder in support of the eligibility criteria is found to be factually incorrect at any stage of evaluation, the bidder would be liable for disqualification at any stage of this project.

8. Other requirement

All requirements are mentioned in the EOI document.

9. EOI Schedule and Communication Address

The following is an indicative timeframe for the overall process. NPCI reserves the right to vary this timeframe at its absolute and sole discretion and in case of any variation; a notice/intimation will be published on the company's website. Changes to the timeframe will be relayed to the affected respondents during the process.

The EOI schedule is as follows:

Sr.No.	Description	Detailed Information
1	Name of Project	Selection of a vendor for Blockchain implementation for NPCI
2	Tender Reference Number	NPCI/EOI/18-19/IT/18
3	Date of commencement of sale of EOI document	26.03.2019
4	Last date and time for sale of EOI document	05.04.2019
5	Last date and time of receiving Bidders pre-bid queries in writing	12.04.2019
6	Date and Time of Pre-Bid Meeting	18.04.2019
7	Address of Pre Bid meeting location	National Payments Corporation of India, Unit no. 202, 2nd Floor, Raheja Titanium, CTS No. 201, Western Express Highway, Goregaon East, Mumbai 400 063
8	Last date and time for Bid Submission	23.04.2019 03.00 pm
9	Date and Time of Eligibility Criteria Response Opening(Envelope A)	23.04.2019 03.30 pm
10	Date and Time of Technical Bid Response Opening (Envelope B)	Eligible Bidders would be informed.
11	Name and Address for Communication	Head - IT-Procurement National Payments Corporation of India, Unit no. 202, 2nd Floor, Raheja Titanium, CTS No. 201, Western Express Highway, Goregaon East, Mumbai 400 063
12	Bid Related Queries	Ronnette Fernandes Contact: 7045958845 Email id : ronnette.fernandes@npci.org.in Bipin Badhe Contact: 9967034326 Email id : bipin.badhe@npci.org.in Vishal Kanvaty Contact: 8291898899 Email id : vishal.kanvaty@npci.org.in

		Prashant Awale Contact: 8108108650 Email id : prashant.awale@npci.org.in Benny Joseph Contact: 022 40503363 Email id : Benny.joseph@npci.org.in Note - Any and all pre-bid queries should be sent on all email ID's
13	Bid Cost	Rs.11,800/- (Rs.10, 000.00 plus applicable taxes, (Bid cost should be in Indian Rupees only)
14	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs. 5,00,000 (Rupees Five Lakhs only) (EMD should be in Indian Rupees only)

Note:

1. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend.
2. Date and Time & Address for Technical Bid Opening will be intimated later to the qualified Bidders.
3. Bid Cost: The Bidders can procure the EOI document from NPCI's office at Unit no. 202, 2nd Floor, Raheja Titanium, CTS No. 201, Western Express Highway, Goregaon East, Mumbai 400 063, on payment of non-refundable amount of Rs. 11,800/- (INR Eleven thousand eight hundred only, inclusive of all applicable taxes), payable in the form of Demand Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled commercial bank in India favoring "NATIONAL PAYMENTS CORPORATION OF INDIA" payable at Mumbai.
4. EMD should be in Indian Rupees only.
5. The bidder shall meet the requirements of Goods & Services Tax (GST)
6. Only the bidders who have procured the EOI document in time would be allowed to participate in the pre-bid meeting.
7. No replies will be provided to bidders who have not procured the EOI document within the timeline mentioned in the EOI schedule.
8. Only the pre-bid queries received on or before the last date of bid submission as per the above schedule would be replied