

**SECTION – I**

**INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

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**Conductor Package CD02** for supply of balance quantity of ACSR MOOSE Conductor for part of Diding – Dhalkebar – Bathnaha Transmission Line corresponding to Tower Package- TW02 associated with Arun-3 HEP in Nepal under Consultancy services to SAPDC.

### (GLOBAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING)

(Subject Bidding is applicable for Indian and Nepalese Bidders in line with terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents)

### **(SINGLE STAGE TWO ENVELOPE BIDDING under e-procurement)**

DATE OF ISSUANCE OF IFB : 27/01/2025

SPECIFICATION NO(S). : CC/NT/G-COND/DOM/A02/25/01011

FUNDING : DOMESTIC (by SAPDC)

- 1.0 This invitation for bids follows the e-procurement notice (Invitation for Bids) for the subject packages published on 27/01/2025 on POWERGRID's website and e-procurement portal given at para 5.0 below and on Government of India's Central Public Procurement Portal (<https://eprocure.gov.in>). Any Corrigendum and/or amendments, etc shall also be published only on the above website/portals.
- 2.0 SJVN Arun-3 Power Development Company Pvt. Ltd. (SAPDC), a company incorporated and registered on 25.04.2013 as a private limited company under the Nepalese Companies Act 2063 duly floated by single shareholder company of SJVN Ltd. (A CPSE under the Govt. of India), having its Registered Office at Madhyapur (Thimi) Municipality, Ward No. 16, Swagat Marg, House No. 3, Lokanthali, P.O. Box 5685, Kathmandu (hereinafter referred to as 'SAPDC' / 'Owner'/ 'Employer') has decided to set up, as an Owner, 400 kV D/C (Quad Moose) Diding – Dhalkebar - Bathnaha Transmission Line associated with Arun-3 HEP in Nepal.
- 2.1 Project Management Consultancy Services in respect of execution of said Project has been entrusted to Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (A Government of India Enterprise) incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, having its Registered Office at B-9, Qutab Institutional Area, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi – 110 016 (hereinafter referred to as 'POWERGRID' / 'Consultant') and its scope, interalia covers design, engineering, preparation of specifications including BOQ, technical and commercial bid documents, bid opening & evaluation, award recommendation, preparation of master network including time schedule for various project activities, assist in post award execution of contract, project management activities, supervision of testing & commissioning activities, certification of bills for release of payment by SAPDC, etc.
- 3.0 POWERGRID on behalf of SAPDC, therefore, invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the following packages for this project on Global Competitive Bidding basis (limited to Indian & Nepalese Bidders only) under secured e-procurement procedure:

**Conductor Package CD02 for supply of balance quantity of ACSR MOOSE Conductor for part of Diding – Dhalkebar – Bathnaha Transmission Line corresponding to Tower Package- TW02 associated with Arun-3 HEP in Nepal under Consultancy services to SAPDC.**

This Invitation for Bids extended through media, website or written communication or by any other means, and issuance of Bidding Documents as per para 5.0 below shall not be construed to mean that the prospective bidders to whom the Invitation for Bids has been extended and/or Bidding Documents have been issued is deemed to be an eligible bidder. The eligibility of the bidders shall be determined as per the provisions of Bidding Documents.

- 3.1 The scope of work covered under the subject packages shall include: design, manufacture, testing and supply on final destination at destination site basis of Conductors for the following Transmission Line(s) in Nepal, as detailed in the Bidding Documents:

| Package | Name of Transmission Lines                                             | Quantity of Conductors (in Kms) |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| CD02    | 400kV D/C (Quad Moose) Diding –Dhalkebar – Bathnaha Transmission Line. | 2799                            |

The above scope of work is indicative and the detailed scope of work is given in the Technical Specification (Volume-II) of the Bidding documents.

- 3.2 The delivery schedule for subject packages shall be the period as specified in ITB Sub-Clause 24.1(c).
- 3.3 Bidding will be conducted through the Global Competitive Bidding procedures as per the provisions of ITB/BDS and the contract shall be executed as per the provisions of the Contract. Bidders may note that the POWERGRID has uploaded its 'Works and Procurement Policy and Procedures' (WPPP) document along with its Modification/Amendment on "*Ineligibility of Firms for Participation in the Bidding Process*" and on "*Black-Listing of Firms / Banning of Business*" **and its updation** on POWERGRID's website referred to at para 5.0 below. It shall be noted that no other party, including the Bidder/Supplier, shall derive any right from this 'Works and Procurement Policy and Procedures' (WPPP) document or have any claim on the POWERGRID/Purchaser on the basis of the same. The respective rights of the POWERGRID/Purchaser and the Bidder/Supplier shall be governed by the Bidding Documents/Contract signed between the Purchaser and the Supplier for the respective packages. The provisions of the Bidding Documents shall always prevail over that of 'Works and Procurement Policy and Procedures' (WPPP) document in case of contradiction.
- 4.0 The detailed Qualifying Requirements (QR) are given in the Bidding Document.
- 5.0 Important Instruction for participation in subject e-Tendering:
- a) Bidders are requested to read the 'Bidders Manual and Pre-Requisite Document' available on '**POWERGRID Reverse Auction and Integrated Tendering (PRANIT)**' portal through website <https://etender.powergrid.in>

before proceeding for submission of bids. It is important to note that bidders can submit their bids online only through <https://etender.powergrid.in>.

- b) The complete Bidding Documents including tender drawings are available at POWERGRID's website <http://www.powergrid.in> as well as on portal <https://etender.powergrid.in>. However, in case of any contradiction between the Bidding Documents at POWERGRID's website and those at the portal, the latter shall prevail. Interested bidders shall download the Bidding Documents from the portal <https://etender.powergrid.in>, as per the provisions available therein. Interested bidders can download the Bidding Documents and commence preparation of bids to gain time. From e-Tendering portal, the bidders can download the bidding documents as a 'Guest' and/or after registering, **as detailed below at (6.0).**

The bidding documents are meant for the exclusive purpose of bidding against this specification and shall not be transferred to any parts or reproduced or used otherwise for any purpose other than for which they are specifically uploaded.

- c) Bidders shall ensure that their bids, complete in all respects, are submitted online through POWERGRID's e-tendering portal only. **No DEVIATION in this regard is acceptable.**

- 6.0 Interested bidders have to necessarily register themselves on the portal <https://etender.powergrid.in>, to participate in the bidding under this invitation for bids. It shall be the sole responsibility of the interested bidders to get themselves registered at the aforesaid portal.

The said registration shall be free of cost. On completion of registration process, the registering bidders will be provided with User ID and Log-In password.

**Kindly note that to submit the bids electronically, bidders must have a valid Class 3B Digital Certificate (signing and encryption / decryption certificate).**

Interested bidders may obtain further information regarding this IFB from the office of **Sr. Dy. General Manager (CS-G3) / Manager (CS-G3)**, POWERGRID at the address given at para 11.0 below from 15:00 hours to 17:00 hours on all working days.

For proper uploading of the bids on the portal namely <https://etender.powergrid.in> (*hereinafter referred to as the 'portal'*), it shall be the sole responsibility of the bidders to apprise themselves adequately regarding all the relevant procedures and provisions as detailed at the portal as well as by contacting from POWERGRID, as and when required, for which contact details are mentioned above below. The Employer in no case shall be responsible for any issues related to timely or properly uploading/submission of the bid in accordance with the relevant provisions of Section II – ITB of the Bidding Documents.

- 7.0 A pre-bid meeting will be held at the office of the Consultant at Gurgaon (Haryana), India on **05/02/2025 at 1130 Hrs.** to clarify the bidders various issues raised in accordance with clause 6.2 of ITB.

8.0 A Single Stage Two Envelope Bidding Procedure will be adopted and will proceed as detailed in the Bidding Documents.

8.1 Soft Copy Part of the Bids must be uploaded under Single Stage Two Envelope Bidding Procedure on the portal at or before **11:00 hours** on **27/02/2025**. The e-Procurement system would not allow any late submission of bids through the portal after due date & time as specified.

Hard Copy Part of the Bids must be submitted under Single Stage Two Envelope Bidding Procedure at the address given in BDS at or before 11:00 hours on **03/03/2025**. **In case Hard copy part of the bid is not received till the deadline for submission of the same prescribed by the POWERGRID/Purchaser, but the bidder has uploaded the soft copy part of the bid, the soft copy part of the first envelope bid uploaded on the portal shall be opened.** Such bids will be rejected during preliminary examination.

First Envelope i.e. Techno -Commercial Part shall be opened on **03/03/2025** in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address below at **11:30 hours** or may be viewed by the bidders by logging in to the portal. Second Envelope i.e. Price Part shall be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the time and date and at the address given in the intimation for opening of Second Envelope in accordance with Clause 25 of ITB or may be viewed by the bidders by logging in to the portal.

All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of **INR 3,04,02,000/- or NPR 4,86,43,200/- for Package CD02.**

Bid Security and Document Fee must be submitted either in physical form or paid online (for details refer Clause ITB 13 and Clause ITB 5.4). The aforesaid documents in physical form or documentary evidence of online payment of the specified amount to POWERGRID, should be submitted at the address given at para 11.0 below at or before **1100 Hrs. 03/03/2025**.

Power of Attorney, Joint Deed of Undertaking (if applicable), Joint Venture Agreement (if applicable), Integrity Pact must be submitted in physical form at the address given at para 11.0 below at or before 1100 Hrs. **03/03/2025**. POWERGRID shall not be responsible for any postal delay in respect of submission of hard copy part of the bids.

8.2 Under the Integrity Pact Program (IPP), a panel of Independent External Monitors (IEMs) comprising Sh. Nand Lal Singh and Sh. R. Govindrajan has been appointed by CVC. Correspondence, if any, to the panel of IEMs be addressed to the following:

Independent External Monitor  
C/o CGM (CS-P&S), Contract Services department  
Power Grid Corporation of India Limited,  
'Saudamini', 3rd Floor,  
Plot No. – 2, Sector – 29,  
Gurgaon – 122001, Haryana

E-mail IDs of IEMs:  
nlsingh3@gmail.com  
rgrvig@gmail.com

- 9.0 The POWERGRID reserves the right to conduct e-Reverse Auction (e-RA) in accordance with clause 29 of ITB.
- 10.0 POWERGRID reserves the right to cancel/withdraw this invitation for bids without assigning any reason and shall bear no liability whatsoever consequent upon such a decision.
- 11.0 All correspondence with regard to the above shall be to the following address.

(By Post/In Person)  
**Sr. DGM (CS-G3)/Manager (CS-G3)**  
Power Grid Corporation of India Limited  
'Saudamini', 3rd Floor, Plot No.-2, Sector-29  
Gurgaon (Haryana) - 122001.

Telephone Nos.: +91-124-282-3313/2371  
Mobile: +91- 9971399074/9205472330  
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[ankit@powergrid.in](mailto:ankit@powergrid.in)

For more information on POWERGRID, visit our site at:  
<http://www.powergrid.in>

- 12.0 Bidders are requested to open the following link for pre-requisite system settings of PRANIT portal and manual/video tutorial regarding information for bid submission:

[https://etender.powergrid.in/new\\_logon2/User\\_Help\\_Menu.html](https://etender.powergrid.in/new_logon2/User_Help_Menu.html)

In case any technical issue remains unresolved, Bidder may contact the ERP SRM Helpdesk support as per the details below:

- PRANIT Helpdesk Number - 0124-2823456 / 0124-5063900
- Working Time - 09.30 am to 05.30 pm
- Working days - Monday to Friday
- Holiday calendar of POWERGRID Corporate office Gurgaon shall be followed.

Bidders are advised to contact the Helpdesk minimum 2 working days before Bid Submission Deadline for assistance.

**Note-** At the time of submission of the bid, Bidders are required to make sure that:

1. The First Envelope excel with file named **"First Envelope and Bid Forms"** must be uploaded along with the bid.
2. The Second Envelope excel with file name as indicated on the RFx Parameters section under RFx information on the portal <https://etender.powergrid.in> must be uploaded along with the bid.

As per the provisions of the portal, it is mandatory to upload aforesaid excel files with titled as per above (*Bidders may refer user manuals at the portal <https://etender.powergrid.in> regarding submission of bid*).

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