



# 2 x 660 MW THERMAL POWER PROJECT (UNIT 3 & 4) IB THERMAL POWER STATION, BANHARPALLI, ORISSA

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

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## **PART I**

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

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This RFP is not an agreement and is neither an offer nor invitation by the Owner to the prospective Bidders or any other person. The purpose of this RFP is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in the formulation of their Bid pursuant to this RFP. This RFP includes statements, which reflect various assumptions and assessments arrived at by the Owner in relation to the Project. Such assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this RFP may not be complete, accurate, adequate or correct. Each Bidder should therefore, conduct its own investigations and analysis and should check the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and completeness of the assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this RFP and obtain independent advice from appropriate sources.

Information provided in this RFP to the Bidder(s) is on a wide range of matters, some of which may depend upon interpretation of law. The information given is not intended to be an exhaustive account of satisfactory requirements and should not be regarded as a complete or authoritative statement of law. The Owner accepts no responsibility for the accuracy or otherwise for any interpretation or opinion on law expressed herein.

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The Owner also accepts no liability of any nature whether resulting from negligence or otherwise howsoever caused arising from reliance of any Bidder upon the statements contained in this RFP.

The Owner may, in its absolute discretion but without being under an obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information, assessment or assumptions contained in this RFP.

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#### 1.0 OPGC BACKGROUND

Orissa Power Generation Corporation Limited is a company incorporated under the Companies Act 1956, India ("OPGC" or the "Owner"). OPGC started as a wholly owned company of the Government of Orissa (the "GoO") with the main objective of establishing, operating and maintaining large thermal power generating stations. In the pursuit of its objective, OPGC established lb thermal power station having two units of 210 MW each in the lb valley area of Jharsuguda District in the state of Orissa (units 1 and 2) ("ITPS"). The plant has been in operation since 1996. The entire generation from these units is contracted to GRIDCO, the state owned trading company/bulk supplier, on the basis of a long-term power purchase agreement.

As a part of the reform process in the energy sector, GoO divested 49% of the equity in favour of AES Corporation of USA (AES) in early 1999.

AES is engaged in the business of developing, financing, constructing, owning and operating power generating facilities around the world. Headquartered in Arlington, Virginia, USA, AES owns and operates a diverse and growing portfolio of generation and distribution businesses with the capacity to serve in 27 countries on 5 continents. AES power plants encompass a broad range of technologies and fuel types, from coal to gas to renewable such as wind, hydro and biomass. AES's operating plants have an electrical output of more than 40,000 MW. AES subsidiaries include operating facilities and development activities around the world.

As part of its capacity addition program OPGC intends to establish 2X660 MW (gross) coal based Unit 3 and 4 (Project) adjacent to the existing plant at the above location. The Project is being developed, owned and shall be operated by the Owner.

## 2.0 REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Owner has already sought bids, vide Request for Proposal issued on 18-Nov-2010 ("Main Plant RFP"), from Bidders for the engineering, procurement and supply of equipment along with custom clearance at port & inland transportation of the equipment up to Site and Technical Field Services for providing advice on storage of equipment, erection, testing and commissioning of the equipment related to the Main Plant having installed capacity of 2X660 MW. The Owner is in receipt of Techno-commercial bids in response to the Main Plant RFP which have been opened on 18-May-2011.

With this Request for Proposal ("RFP"), through International Competitive Bidding ("ICB"), Owner seeks Techno Commercial Bid and Price Bid ("Bid(s)") from eligible Bidders, ("Bidder(s)"), who meet the Qualification Requirements stated in the Instructions to Bidders for the design and construction of civil works, taking delivery of, unloading, handling and storage of Free Issue Material at Site, transportation of Free Issue Material within the Site, erection, installation, testing, commissioning and construction related

warranties of the Main Plant AND design, engineering and procurement of the Equipment and services comprising of design, permitting, fabrication, construction, civil works, installation, commissioning, start-up, testing, warranties and related services in relation to the Balance of Plant for the Project as per the scope of work indicated in section 3.4 below. The Bidder shall be required to provide a binding fixed Price Bid with guaranteed delivery, performance and completion schedule. The parties will then negotiate in good faith to enter into a definitive Contract(s) substantially in the form indicated in Part – IV of RFP.

The information available to Bidders in the RFP consists of the following five (5) parts.

PART I: Instruction to Bidders

PART II: Stage I Bid - Techno Commercial Bid (Bid Formats)

PART III: Stage II Bid - Price Bid (Bid Formats) Indicative Only

PART IV: Contract

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Volume – II: Technical Specifications
Volume – III: Technical Proposal Sheets

Volume – IV: Specifications for erection,

commissioning and testing of Main

Plant package

Annexure II: Geotechnical Investigation Report
Annexure III: OPGC – Health & Safety Plan Guide

PART V: Reference Documents:

Volume A - Environmental Impact Assessment Report

<u>PART – I</u>: This Part is meant for Bidders' guidance only and shall be used by the Bidders for preparation and submission of their Bids. This document shall be retained by the Bidders.

<u>PART – II</u>: The Techno Commercial Bid has two sections; (a) Annexure A featuring covering letter along with the Bid Security in the form of Bank Guarantee and (b) Annexure B featuring covering letter along with appendices from 1 to 18 to be completed by the Bidder and submitted along with the relevant information and documents. Completed and agreed Appendices 1 to 18 shall form part of the Contract(s) to be executed.

<u>PART – III</u>: The Price Bid formats provided in this Part are indicative only and the final formats shall be provided when Price Bids are called for subsequent to completion of the

Techno Commercial Bid evaluation process. All the agreed Appendices shall form part of the Contract(s) to be executed.

<u>PART – IV</u>: This part has two sections: (a) The Contract and its appendices and (b) The Technical Specifications (Volume I to IV). Bidders shall submit their Bids based on the Contract and the Technical Specifications. The agreed Technical Specifications and Contract will become part of the signed Contract at the time of award of contract (s). The documents, forming Part IV, is to be retained by the Bidder.

<u>PART – V</u>: These documents are for the reference of Bidders to prepare and submit their Bids and these shall be retained by them.

#### 3.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### 3.1 General

The information in this section is provided for the general guidance of the Bidders

Owner and its corporate office	Orissa Power Generation Corporation Limited 7th Floor, Fortune Towers, Bhubaneswar , Orissa, India - 751024
Consultants to Project	Development Consultant Private Limited, India, Black &Veatch India Private Limited, India
Project	OPGC II - 2x660 MW (gross) Coal based super- critical power plant at ITPS complex
Location	Village: Banaharpalli, Dist: Jharsaguda Orissa, India - 768234 Latitude: 21° 48' North, Longitude: 83° 52' East
Source of Coal	Manoharpur and Dip side Manoharpur coal mines allocated to OPGC by Ministry of Coal, Government of India with a reserve of approximately 530 MMT. Coal shall be sourced from the nearby mines of MCL till OPGC's own captive mine becomes operational
Access to site	Road – Belpahar on NH-200 is 18 km from ITPS  Rail - Belpahar on Howrah- Mumbai railway line is around 18 km from ITPS

Air Port – Bhubaneswar/Kolkata
Sea Port – Paradip/Vizag

# 3.2 Project Status

The project is in an advanced stage of development. The current status is given below.

Land for the power plant	Land required for the construction of Units 3 and 4 is in the possession of OPGC.
Permits and Clearances	Environment, forest, aviation and other statutory permits required for construction of power plant have been received from respective government authorities.
Water	Water required for construction and operation of Units 3 and 4 has been allotted from Hirakud reservoir. A dedicated water channel exists from Hirakud reservoir to the ITPS.
Power Evacuation	Construction of transmission line for evacuation of 50% of power to GRIDCO is being completed. A dedicated transmission line of approx 40 Kms for evacuation of balance 50% of power will be constructed by Powergrid, the Central Transmission Utility.
PPA	50% of the power generated shall be sold to GRIDCO through a long term PPA based on CERC norms and balance 50% will be sold through mix of long term PPA (Case1 bids) and short / medium term sales.
Coal supply and transport	The captive coal block is in an advanced stage of development. Section 6(1) notification for private land acquisition has been completed. Processing of forest clearance is completed at district level and the proposal is being moved to Ministry of Environment and Forest for stage-I clearance. Approval of interim linkage for supply of coal from necessary mines of MCL is at an advanced stage
	Dedicated railway network (Merry Go Round system (MGR)) of approx 50 kms will be

constructed for transporting coal from coal mine	
to ITPS. Land acquisition and other permits	
required for construction is in progress	

## 3.3 Project Structure

The Project will be financed on a non-recourse basis. The electric capacity and energy output from the Project will be sold under long term PPA and/or on merchant basis. It is important that the Project is properly structured in terms of risk allocation between various counterparties involved with the Project (such as the Owner, Bidder, Financing Parties, Off-taker, and the fuel supplier) to enable the Financing Parties to accept the Project risk profile. To this end, any Bid submitted by a Bidder shall not expose the Project to any risks, including commercial and technical risks, which would not be acceptable to the Financing Parties. Owner has applied to Ministry of Power, Government of India to obtain "Mega Power Project (MPP)" status for the Project.

## 3.4 Scope of Work

The Scope of work ("Scope") shall comprise of two (2) packages as mentioned below, to be completed on fixed price basis with guaranteed delivery, performance and completion schedule.

## Package 1: Supply of:

- (a) Equipment (i) Design, (ii) engineering, (iii) manufacturing, (iv) procurement of equipment and materials, (v) inspection and testing of equipment at supplier's/subcontractor's works, (vi) insurance, (vii) packing and dispatch (viii) ocean transportation in case of Offshore Supplies and (ix) rectifying or remedying defects during the Warranty Period;
- (b) Special Tools;
- (c) Spares.

#### Package 2: Services comprising of:

- (a) Design and engineering related to the civil works, erection and installation of the Equipment and the Free Issue Material at Site;
- (b) All services and procurement of all clearances necessary for importation and custom clearance of the Equipment, Special Tools and Spares at Port;
- (c) All services related to transportation and procurement of all clearances necessary for inland transportation and delivery of the Equipment, Special Tools and Spares to Site;
- (d) Unloading, storage and in-site transportation of the Equipment, Special Tools, Spares and Free Issue Material at the Site:

- (e) Erection, testing and commissioning of all Equipment and Free Issue Material of the Project;
- (f) Insurance for all the services included in Package 2.

The Bidder shall work in coordination with and under technical advice of the Main Plant Contractor to undertake storage of the Equipment, Special Tools & Spares related to Main Plant at the Site and design of civil works, erection, testing & commissioning of the Free Issue Material of the Main Plant.

The BOP shall be designed to facilitate the Facility to provide a minimum capacity of 2x660 MW (gross) at the guaranteed conditions specified in the Contract. The design of the proposed BOP must be proven, reliable, meet the requirements of the Contract and the purpose of the Project. Bidders shall exercise their own discretion in optimizing the reliability, maintainability, operational flexibility, environmental impacts, and cost impacts, while proposing a configuration of equipment that shall meet the performance guarantees, and meeting the requirement and intent of the Technical Specifications. Bidder's willingness to accept the risks associated with plant design will form an important part of the commercial evaluation.

The detailed scope and Technical specifications are included in of Part – IV.

#### 4.0 BIDDING PROCESS

The Owner intends to conduct a bidding process based on an ICB process.

#### 4.1 Two Stage Bidding Process

The bidding process will be a two stage process as enumerated below.

#### (i) Stage I: Techno-Commercial Bid (including Qualification)

The Owner intends to qualify Bidders who meet the Qualification Requirements and declare them as Qualified Bidders. The Techno-Commercial Bids of the Qualified Bidders that are responsive to the requirements of the RFP will be evaluated as per the criteria specified in section 7.7 of Instructions to Bidders. If the Techno Commercial Bid of a Qualified Bidder meets the specified requirements, then such Qualified Bidder will be declared as a Shortlisted Bidder.

## (ii) Stage II: Price Bid

The Shortlisted Bidders will be asked to submit Price Bids. Price Bids will be evaluated as per the evaluation criteria specified in section 8.8 of the Instructions to Bidders. The Shortlisted Bidder who submits a Price Bid that is responsive to the requirements of the RFP will be evaluated and will be declared as the Successful Bidder to whom the Contract will be awarded for performing the Work.

## 4.2 Bidding Schedule

## 4.2.1 Stage I: Techno-Commercial Bid (including Qualifications)

Date of issue of RFP	18-July-2011
Last date of collecting RFP from OPGC	08-Aug-2011
Last date for receipt of written questions from Bidders, if any	05-Sep-2011
Pre-Bid Meeting	12-Sep-2011
Distribution of Owner's written response to Bidders' questions, if any	23-Sep-2011
Bid Submission Date of Techno Commercial Bids	21-Oct-2011
Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid	21-Oct-2011
Completion of Techno Commercial Bid evaluations (indicative)	31-Dec-2011

### 4.2.2 Stage II: Price Bid

Invitation to submit the Price Bid to the Shortlisted Bidders (indicative)	Q1 2012
Bid Submission Date of Price bid	Q1 2012
Bid Opening Date of Price Bid	Q1 2012
Contract Signing (Indicative)	Q1 2012

#### 5.0 QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Bidders shall meet both the technical and financial Qualification Requirements stated in section 5.2, section 5.3 and section 5.4 to become a Qualified Bidder.

#### 5.1 Definitions

'Net worth' shall mean the sum total of the paid up share capital and free reserves. Free reserve means all reserves credited out of the profits and share premium account but does not include reserves credited out of the revaluation of the assets, write back of depreciation provision and amalgamation. Further any debit balance of Profit and Loss account and miscellaneous expenses to the extent not adjusted or written off, if any, shall be reduced from paid up share capital plus reserves and surplus.

**'Parent Company'** shall mean a company that owns at least fifty one percent (51%) of the voting rights, either directly or indirectly, in the Bidder.

"Affiliate Company or Affiliate Companies" shall mean a company that either directly or indirectly controls or is controlled by or is under common control of the same person which controls the concerned party, and control means ownership by one company of at least twenty six percent (26%) of voting rights of the other company.

## 5.2 Technical Qualification Requirement of Bidders

The Bidder should meet any one of the qualifying routes stipulated in 5.2.

## 5.2.1 Qualification Route – A (Power Plant EPC Route):

The Bidder shall satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) The Bidder shall be an engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) organization; AND,
- (b) Bidder shall have executed, in the last ten (10) years, as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid, large industrial projects on an EPC basis in the area of power, steel, oil and gas, petro-chemical, fertilizer and / or any other process industry with total value of such projects not less than Indian Rupees Ten Thousand Million (Rs.10,000 Million) and at least one of such projects shall have a contract value of not less than Indian Rupees Three Thousand Million (Rs.3,000 million), further such projects shall have been in successful operation for a period of not less than one (1) year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid; AND,
- (c) Bidder shall have executed contracts on EPC basis, excluding in-house power projects as well as power projects for its Affiliate Companies, three (3) power plants of which at least one coal / lignite / combined cycle power plant of installed capacity not less than 300 MW has been commissioned during the last fifteen (15) years, as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid, in India and has been in successful operation for at least one (1) year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid. In addition the Bidder at present shall be executing one contract on EPC basis of the entire Balance of Plant & Systems comprising, coal/lignite handling plant, ash handling plant, cooling tower, water treatment, waste water treatment, demineralisation plant and circulating water system including civil and structural works for at least one coal / lignite based power plant of unit capacity not less than 500 MW.

#### 5.2.2 Qualification Route – B (Balance of Plant EPC Route):

The Bidder shall satisfy the following requirements:

(a) The Bidder shall be an engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) organization; AND,

- (b) Bidder shall have executed, in the last ten (10) years, as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid, large industrial projects on an EPC basis in the area of power, steel, oil and gas, petro-chemical, fertilizer and / or any other process industry with total value of such projects not less than Indian Rupees Ten Thousand Million (Rs.10,000 million) only and at least one of such projects shall have a contract value of not less than Indian Rupees Three Thousand Million (Rs.3,000 million) only, further such projects shall have been in successful operation for a period of not less than one (1) year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid; AND,
- (c) Bidder shall have executed contracts on EPC basis excluding in-house power projects as well as power projects for its Affiliate Companies, of the entire Balance of Plant & Systems comprising, Coal/lignite handling plant, Bottom ash and Fly Ash handling plant, cooling tower, water treatment, waste water treatment, demineralisation plant circulating water system, including civil and structural works for at least one coal / lignite based power plant of installed capacity not less than 400 MW having each unit of 200 MW capacity during last ten (10) years, as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid, which has been in successful operation for a period not less than one (1) year from the date of synchronisation of the Plant and as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid; AND;
- (d) Bidder shall have erected and commissioned one steam generator and steam turbine generator of unit capacity not less than 500 MW or presently carrying out erection and commissioning of one steam generator and steam turbine generator of unit capacity not less than 500 MW;

#### 5.2.3 Qualification Route – C (In-house / Affiliate Project EPC Route):

The Bidder shall satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) The Bidder shall be an engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) organization for in-house projects or projects for its Affiliate Companies; AND,
- (b) Bidder shall have executed, in the last ten (10) years, as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid, large industrial projects on an EPC basis (with or without civil) in the area of power and steel and oil & gas and petro-chemical industries with total value of such projects not less than Indian Rupees Ten Thousand Million (Rs.10,000 million) only and at least one of such projects shall have a contract value of not less than Indian Rupees Three Thousand Million (Rs.3,000 million) only, further such projects shall have been in successful operation for a period of not less than (1) one year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid; AND,
- (c) Bidder shall have executed, in the last fifteen (15) years, as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid, three (3) power plants for its Affiliate Companies, of which at least one (1) coal/lignite/combined cycle power plant of

- minimum 500 MW installed capacity should have been in successful operation for a period of not less than one (1) year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid; AND,
- (d) Bidder shall also have executed at least two (2) large industrial projects on an EPC basis in the area of power, steel, oil and gas, petro-chemical industry for external clients excluding its Affiliate Company, with each project not less than Indian Rupees Two Thousand Million (Rs.2,000 million) only in the last five (5) years, as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid, which shall have been in successful operation for a period of not less than one (1) year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid. In addition, the Bidder at present shall be executing at least one (1) large industrial project for external clients excluding Affiliate Companies, in the area of oil and gas/petro-chemical industry on EPC basis with contract value not less than Indian Rupees Ten Thousand Million (Rs. 10,000 Million) only;

### 5.3 Common Technical Requirements to be met by the Bidder

The common conditions that shall be met by the Bidders are given below.

- 5.3.1 Bidder shall furnish along with Bid, the proof of Tie-up with Engineering Consultancy Company, having experience of detailed engineering of at least two (2) 210 MW or one (1) of 500 MW or above of coal fired power stations, till completion of the Project; <u>AND/OR</u>,
  - Bidder having in-house engineering set up shall submit the details to the satisfaction of Owner of infrastructure of engineering set up, details of staff, computer facilities and software used for thermal projects along with the Bid document and shall also submit the documentary proof of substantially executed Balance of Plant Package with in-house engineering set-up of at least two (2) 210 MW or one (1) 500 MW or above thermal power projects. The Bidder shall confirm that the in-house engineering set-up shall be available till completion of the Project. In case Owner is not satisfied with the in house engineering capability of Bidder, the Bidder will engage a reputed engineering consultant for detail engineering of BOP and integration of BOP with Main Plant which confirmation shall be provided by the Bidder. The decision of the Owner with regard to the acceptability of the in-house engineering consulting capabilities will be final and binding; AND,
- **5.3.2** Bidder shall not appoint Owner's Engineering Consultant as their Engineering Consultant. Bidders having tie-up with Owner's Engineering Consultant shall be rejected; AND,
- 5.3.3 Bidder shall have an adequate field service organization to provide the necessary field erection testing and commissioning and management services required to successfully erect, test and commission the equipment/system of entire power plant as required by the bidding documents. In case, Owner is not satisfied with the in-house field service organization for field erection testing and commissioning capability of Bidder,

the Bidder shall engage a reputed field services organization for field erection testing and commissioning of entire power plant with confirmation shall be provided by the Bidder. The decision of the Owner with regard to the acceptability of the in-house testing and commissioning capabilities will be final and binding; AND,

- 5.3.4 Bidder shall submit end user's certificate to establish his credential with respect to qualifying requirements stated above. The certificates obtained from Affiliate Companies or the companies under same management, as the Bidder, as defined in the Companies Act 1956 will not be considered for qualifying under route A and B. Bidders who get qualified through routes A and B shall have to furnish an undertaking that the company from whom the above certificates has been obtained is not an Affiliate Company and is neither under the same management, as the Bidder. Such certificate shall be duly verified by a Chartered Accountant or Company Secretary practicing in India.
- **5.3.5** Subcontractors: The Bidder shall comply with the following criteria for selection of sub- contractor/s:
  - (a) Sub- contractor/s proposed by the Bidder for executing various systems either supply or services or supply and services should have executed at least one (1) project or carried out similar services of similar type of capacity as per Annexure – 1 (for individual BOP equipment) which should be in successful operation for at least one (1) year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial bid. The selection of sub-contractor by the Successful Bidder shall be subject to approval of the Owner; AND,
  - (b) Sub-contractor/s proposed by the Bidder or the major equipments to be supplied shall be sourced from reputed manufacturers who have supplied minimum one (1) number of such equipment of at least 75% of specified capacity during last five (5) years from the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial bid which should be in successful operation for at least one (1) year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial bid.

## 5.4 Financial Qualification Requirements of Bidder

The Bidder shall meet all financial qualification requirements mentioned in section 5.4 of Instructions to Bidders. If any Bidder is not able to meet the financial qualification requirements, as below, on its own, the Parent Company of the Bidder, shall be required to meet the stipulated Annual Turnover and Net Worth requirements. In such an event, the Bidder would be required to furnish along with its Techno Commercial Bid, a letter of undertaking from the Parent Company, supported by board resolution, as per the format provided in RFP, pledging unconditional and irrevocable financial support for meeting the obligations of the Bidder as a result of the execution of the contract by the Bidder in case of award.

#### 5.4.1 Annual Turnover

The average annual turnover of the Bidder in the three (3) financial years immediately preceding the Bid Submission Date of Techno Commercial Bid shall be not less than Rs. 10,000 Million (Indian Rupees Ten Thousand Million) or the equivalent foreign currency.

For the purpose of evaluation, the annual turnover in foreign currency will be converted to equivalent Indian Rupees based on the TT selling exchange rate specified by State Bank of India (SBI) on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid.

## 5.4.2 Net Worth

The net worth of Bidder, as of the last day of the last quarter prior to the Bid Submission Date of Techno Commercial Bid, shall be not less than Rs 2,000 Million (Indian Rupees Two Thousand Million) or the equivalent foreign currency.

For the purpose of evaluation, the net worth in foreign currency will be converted to equivalent Indian Rupees based on the TT selling exchange rate specified by State Bank of India (SBI) on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid.

#### 5.4.3 Credit Line/Cash Flow

The unutilized line of credit for fund based and non-fund based limits with cash and bank balances including fixed deposits of the Bidder as of a date not earlier than 15 days prior to the Bid Submission Date of Techno Commercial Bid, duly certified by the bankers shall be not less than Rs. 10,000 Million (Indian Rupees Ten Thousand Million) or the equivalent foreign currency. If certificates from more than one bank are submitted, the certified unutilized limits shall be of the same date from all such banks.

Where another company of the group acting as the treasury center is responsible for treasury management of the Bidder having combined credit/guarantee limit for the whole group, the Bidder would be required to provide a banker's certificate regarding the unutilized line of credit for fund based and non-fund based limits together with cash and bank balances including fixed deposits available to such treasury center. Further, treasury centre shall certify that out of the aforesaid limits certified by the bankers', the Bidder shall have access to the line of credit not less than the specified amount above. In proof of this, the Bidder shall furnish along with its Techno Commercial Bid, a letter of undertaking from the treasury center, supported by a resolution passed by the board of directors of the holding company, pledging unconditional and irrevocable financial support for the execution of the Contract by the Bidder in case of award.

For the purpose of evaluation, the net worth in foreign currency will be converted to equivalent Indian Rupees based on the TT selling exchange rate specified by State Bank of India (SBI) on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid.

# 6.0 GENERAL BIDDING GUIDELINES AND INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS (APPLICABLE FOR BOTH STAGE – I AND STAGE – II BIDDING)

## 6.1 Interpretation

Capitalized terms used but not defined in the RFP shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Instructions to Bidders.

## 6.2 Inspection Prior to Bid

#### Bidders shall -

- i. Become familiar with the Site and the surrounding areas, the Technical Specifications, Contract and other information set forth in the RFP, and
- ii. Make a complete and careful examination to determine the nature and extent of the difficulties and hazards associated with the performance of the Work and other work hereunder, including without limitation:
  - Location of the Site and Facility;
  - Condition of the Site and the surrounding areas;
  - Proximity of the Facility to adjacent facilities and structures;
  - Nature of the soil, sub-soil, terrain, groundwater and other subsurface condition of the Site, including pre-existing Underground and In-Ground Facilities;
  - Nature and quality of the Fuel, and such Fuel transportation and delivery systems;
  - Existence of any Hazardous Substance and its disposal or treatment, including any Work necessary to prevent the migration of Hazardous Substances including the contamination of water resources:
  - Existence of any historical artifacts, including any Work necessary to avoid disturbing such artifacts;
  - Condition of the roads and waterways in the vicinity of the Site, including the conditions affecting shipping and transportation, access, disposal, handling and storage of materials;
  - Nature and location of local communities;
  - Applicable Laws, Permits, import and clearance procedures, Taxes and real estate rights;
  - Ambient conditions;
  - Local weather conditions; and
  - Any other matters that might affect the schedule, performance, engineering, design, supply or construction of the BOP and Main Plant.

## 6.3 Bidders' Due Diligence Complete

The submission of a Bid shall be conclusive evidence that the Bidder has familiarized itself with all conditions. Further, it shall be deemed that by submitting the Bid, the Bidder has:

- i. made a complete and careful examination of the RFP;
- ii. received all relevant information requested from the Owner;
- iii. accepted the risk of inadequacy, error or mistake in the information provided in the RFP or furnished by or on behalf of the Owner relating to any of the matters referred to in this Section 6.3; and
- iv. agreed to be bound by the undertakings provided by it under and in terms hereof.

The Owner shall not be liable for any omission, mistake or error with respect to any of the above or on account of any matter or thing arising out of or concerning or relating to the RFP or the bidding process, including any error or mistake therein or in any information or data given by the Owner.

The cost of visiting the Site and collecting information for the purpose of submission of the Bid shall be to the Bidders' account.

#### 6.4 Requests for Clarifications

If the Bidder has any doubt as to the meaning or intent of any sections hereof or requires additional information, the Bidder may request such additional information or clarification from Owner. Owner shall be obliged to consider only written requests, either by facsimile or by email within the last date for receipt of written questions from Bidders.

Owner shall endeavour to respond to such requests but shall not be obliged to do so. In instances, where the Owner, at its discretion makes any responses, that it believes to be of significance to all Bidders, such responses will be made available to all Bidders who have confirmed their intention to Bid.

If the Bidder's question is proprietary in nature, Owner may make an exception and provide an answer only to the Bidder who raised the question; all attempts shall be made to provide the response in a generic format suitable to be sent to all Bidders. All questions and clarifications shall be submitted to Owner not later than the date of Pre Bid Meeting indicated in Section 4.2. Clarifications sought after this date shall not be considered in any manner and shall be deemed not to have been received.

Should the accumulation of changes to the RFP necessitate an extension to the Bid Submission Date, Owner may extend such date. All changes to the RFP including any extension to the Bid Submission Date will be made formally by issuance of an amendment to the request for proposals (collectively the "Amendments"). Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of all Amendments issued to RFP when the Amendment is received, and additionally, Bidders shall confirm that all Amendments have been incorporated in the preparation of their Bid.

#### 6.5 Additional set of RFP

Prospective Bidders may obtain additional copies of the RFP from the Owner subject to payment of cost of the RFP. All requests for such additional copies shall be submitted not less than 15 days before the Bid Submission Date of Techno Commercial Bid.

#### 6.6 Amendments Issued to this RFP

The Owner reserves the right to issue any Amendments to the RFP without assigning any reason thereto. The Amendment(s) will be notified to all prospective Bidders through e-mail, followed by post-confirmative copy of the email, and such Amendment(s) will be binding on them. Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of each Amendment(s) by e-mail, in writing, by registered mail, air courier or facsimile, with specific reference to the title and date of issuance of the relevant Amendment.

In response to such Amendments, if the Bidder has already submitted its Bid prior to issue of such Amendments/corrigenda, either they shall submit their addendum Bid, only responding to this Amendment(s) marked on the envelope as "Addendum Bid" or they shall be free to resubmit a fresh Bid marked on the envelope as "Amended Bid" and the original Bid submitted by such Bidder shall be returned un-opened on the Bid Opening Date.

At any time prior to the deadline of submission of Bids, the Owner may, for any reason, whether at its own initiatives or in response to a clarification by a prospective Bidder, modify the RFP through Amendment(s).

The Owner may, at its sole discretion, extend the Bid Submission Date of the Bids, in order to allow the prospective bidders a reasonable time in which to take the Amendment(s) into account in preparing their Bids.

#### 6.7 Bid Preparation – Exceptions/Deviations

- a) Each Bidder shall list in the space provided on the Bid data form in Appendix No. 7 and 8 all exceptions or conflicts between its Bid and the Technical Specifications and Contract. If more space is required for this listing, additional pages may be added. If the Bidder takes no exceptions, it shall write "None" in the space provided.
- b) If the Bidder takes exception, all such exceptions shall be specific in nature and carefully referenced to the applicable page number, clause number, and section title of the Technical Specifications and Contract. If the Bidder proposes deletion of specification language and substitution of revised language, such deletion and substitution shall be carefully presented by typing complete paragraphs or clauses of the original Technical specification / Contract language and incorporating the substitute language. Proposed deletions shall be set off by brackets, thus: (delete this language), and proposed substitute language shall be indicated by underlining, thus: [substitute this language]. Exceptions which are general, which make reference to the Bidder's standard terms and conditions, or which make reference to the Bidder's descriptive information as a whole will not be acceptable. Bids which do

not comply with these requirements for the presentation of exceptions may be rejected.

c) If a Bid includes express or implied exceptions that are not listed as required, the requirements of the Technical Specifications and Contract shall govern. The Bidder shall not alter any part of the Technical Specifications and Contract in any way, except by stating his exceptions. Bidder shall mention with such deviations/exceptions the cost of withdrawal of such deviations/exceptions as per Bid forms. Irrespective of the amount of such cost of withdrawal so stated by the Bidders, the Owner reserves the right to evaluate each and every exception/deviation and load to the total price quoted by the Bidder, the costs so decided by the Owner.

#### 6.8 Bid Submission

The Bidder has to submit the Bid for the entire Scope of Work as per section 3.4 of the Instructions to Bidders.

Bidder shall submit its Bid clearly mentioning under which route he is qualified to Bid specified in section 5.2 of the Instructions to Bidders and in no case, Bidder shall submit multiple Bids qualifying through different qualifying routes.

The Bid shall be submitted in the form of printed document(s) along with an electronic copy(s) as specifically mentioned in section 7.3 of the Instructions to Bidders. The Bidders shall take all responsibility for submitting the Bids within the prescribed Bid Submission Date. The Owner will not accept as valid reason or be responsible for any postal delay or non-receipt/non-delivery of the Bids.

The Bid and its copy or copies shall be typed or written in indelible ink and signed by the authorised signatory of the Bidder who shall also initial each page in blue ink. For printed and published documents, only the cover shall be initialed. The Bid shall contain page numbers and shall be bound together in hard cover.

#### 6.9 Language

The Bid prepared by the Bidder, and all correspondence and documents relating thereto, shall be in the English language. English shall be the binding and controlling language for all matters relating to the meaning or interpretation of the RFP and Bid.

#### 6.10 Corrections and Erasures

No erasures or over writings shall be permissible. Bidders shall clearly indicate changes using strike through and rewrite any required minor changes with clear approval signified by initials of the person(s) signing the Bid.

All alterations, omissions, additions, changes or any other amendments made in the Bid shall be initialed by the person(s) signing the Bid.

## 6.11 Extension of Bid Submission / Bid Opening Date

Owner may, at its sole discretion, decide to extend the Bid Submission Date and / or Bid Opening Date. In such a case, all rights and obligations of Owner and that of Bidders previously subject to the Bid Opening Date will thereafter be subject to the new Bid Opening Date.

#### 6.12 Modification and Withdrawal of Bids

The Bidder may modify, substitute or withdraw its Bid after submission, provided that written notice of the modification, substitution or withdrawal is received by the Owner prior to the Bid Submission Date.

The modification, substitution or withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked and declared in accordance with this Section 6.12, with the envelopes being additionally marked "MODIFICATION", "SUBSTITUTION" or "WITHDRAWAL", as appropriate.

No Bid shall be modified, substituted or withdrawn by the Bidder on or after the Bid Submission Date. No Bid shall be withdrawn during the period between the Bid Submission Date and the expiration of the Bid validity period. Withdrawal of a Bid during this period may result in the forfeiture of the Bid Security.

## 6.13 Rejection of Bids

Any Bid received by the Owner after the expiry of the Bid Submission Date will be rejected outright and returned to the Bidder. The Bidders must take all responsibility of submitting the Bids within the prescribed Bid Submission Date. The Owner will not accept as valid reason or be responsible for any postal delay or non-receipt/non-delivery of the Bids.

Bids submitted by fax or email will not be treated as valid and rejected outright.

Bids not containing all the information sought in the complete bidding documents may be rejected.

The Bidder has to submit the Bid for the entire Scope of Work as per section 3.4 of the Instructions to Bidders and, the Owner may reject the Bid not containing the full Scope.

Once the deviations as submitted along with the Techno Commercial Bid documents are resolved at mutually agreed terms and conditions with all the participating Bidders, no further deviations will be accepted in Price Bid and Price Bids submitted with any deviations shall be liable for rejection.

#### 6.14 False or Misleading Claims

If the Bidder conceals any material information or makes a wrong statement or misrepresents facts or makes a misleading statement, in any manner whatsoever, in order to create circumstances for the acceptance of the Bid, the Owner may in its absolute discretion exclude or reject any Bid that in the reasonable opinion only of the Owner contains any false or misleading claims or statements. The Owner has no liability to any person for excluding or rejecting any such Bid.

#### 6.15 Owner's right to accept any Bid and to reject any or all Bids

Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid or to annul the bidding process and reject all Bids at any time prior to contract award, without assigning any reasons thereof and Owner shall not entertain any claim whatsoever on this account. The Bidder shall have no claim on Owner in case his Bid is rejected or the bidding process is annulled.

### 6.16 Bidding cost

The Bidder shall bear all costs and expenses associated with the preparation and submission of its Bid and Owner shall under no circumstances be responsible or liable for any such costs, regardless of, without limitation, the conduct or outcome of the bidding, evaluation and selection process.

#### 6.17 Bid clarifications

During the Bid evaluation, the Owner may, at its discretion, ask the Bidder for clarifications on its Bid. Based on Owner's evaluation, and at Owner's sole discretion, Bidders may be given an opportunity to clarify their Bids in all respects to achieve compliance with the Contract and Technical Specifications. Bid clarifications shall be made in writing and addressed to Owner as specified in section 3.1 of Instructions to Bidders.

#### 6.18 Bid Validity Period

## 6.18.1 Initial Bid Validity

All Bids, not rejected for any other reason, shall remain valid for a period of 270 (Two Hundred Seventy) days in case of Techno Commercial Bid (Stage I) and 180 (One Hundred Eighty) days in the case of Price Bid (Stage II) from the respective Bid Submission Dates or any extension thereof ("Initial Bid Validity Period"). Each Bid shall indicate that it is a firm and irrevocable offer. Non-adherence to this requirement will be a ground for declaring the Bid as non-responsive. In case of the Bidder revoking or withdrawing/canceling his Bid, varying any term in regard thereof during the validity period of the RFP without the written consent of the Owner, the Bid submitted shall be liable for rejection and will entail forfeiture of the Bid Security paid/submitted along with the Bid. On completion of the validity period as above, unless the Bidder withdraws its Bid in writing, it will be deemed to be valid until such time that the Bidder formally (in writing) withdraws its Bid.

## 6.18.2 Extension of Initial Bid Validity Period

In exceptional circumstances, the Owner may request all the Bidders to consent to an extension of the period of validity of their respective Bids. The request and the response

thereto will be made in writing. Extension of validity period by the Bidder must be unconditional. In case of Shortlisted Bidders, the Bid Validity Period of the Techno Commercial Bid shall be extended till the same date of the Bid Validity of the Price Bid. The Bid Security will also have to be accordingly extended.

## 6.19 Ownership of Bids and Responses

Without affecting any intellectual property rights, which may exist a Bid submitted in a response to this RFP, all Bids submitted will become the property of the Owner. Without limiting this section, the Owner reserves the right to copy and reproduce, for Owner's own internal use, responses for the purposes of evaluation, clarification, negotiation and/or contract execution and anything else related to these purposes. In addition, the Owner will retain (soft and hard) copies of all responses, evaluation, negotiation or such other materials as are required for the discharge of its legal obligations and in order to efficiently and effectively manage any contract entered into with a Bidder.

### 6.20 Details and Signature of Bidder

The Bid shall contain the name, residence and place of business of person (s) making the Bid and shall be signed by the Bidder with his usual signature. Bids by a company shall be signed by an authorized representative and a power of attorney/authorization on its behalf shall accompany the Bid.

## 6.21 Fraud and Corruption

Bidders are expected to observe the highest standard of ethics from RFP stage till execution of Contract and not to indulge in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice. In pursuit of this policy, the Owner defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:

"corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action in the procurement process or in Contract execution;

"fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a Contract to the detriment of the Owner and includes collusive practices among Bidders (prior to or after Bid submission) designed to establish Bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels and to deprive the Owner of the benefits of competition;

"coercive practice" means impairing or harming or threatening to impair or harm directly or indirectly, any person or property to influence any person's participation or action in the Bidding Process;

"undesirable practice" means (i) establishing contact with any person connected with or employed or engaged by the Owner with the objective of canvassing, lobbying or in any manner influencing or attempting to influence the Bidding Process; or (i) having a conflict of interest as stated in Section 6.21; and

**"restrictive practice"** means forming a cartel or arriving at any understanding or arrangement among Bidders with the objective of restricting or manipulating a full and fair competition in the Bidding Process.

#### 6.22 Conflict of Interest

Bidders must state in its bid, any circumstances, arrangements, understandings or relationships that constitute, or may reasonably be considered to constitute, an actual or potential conflict of interest with its obligations under this RFP or under any contract which may be negotiated or executed with the Owner. Bidders and their employees, agents, advisers and any other person associated with the Bidder must not place themselves in a position which may, or does, give rise to a conflict of interest (or a potential conflict of interest) between the interests of the Owner or any other interests during the Bidding Process.

## 6.23 Disqualification of Bidders

Any entity which has been barred by the Central, State or other Government in India, or any entity controlled by it, or in the jurisdiction of the Bidder barred from participating in any project of the nature of the Power Facility, and the bar subsists as of date of the issue of RFP, shall not be eligible to submit a Bid.

A Bidder, shall in the last 3 (Three) years, reckoned from the Bid Submission Date of Techno Commercial Bid, not have defaulted on any contract, as evidenced by imposition of a award by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitration award against the Bidder or have been expelled from any project or contract, or have had any contract terminated for breach of such Bidder and such bidder shall not be eligible to submit a Bid.

A Bidder submitting more than one Bid, even though such Bidder meets more than more than one qualifying routes as indicated in section 5.2, will be disqualified. A single proprietary firm/entity shall not submit multiple Bids even though the individual Bids are submitted under different names/entities. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids so submitted.

#### 6.24 Bid Ownership

Bid submitted by the Bidder within the Bid submission date shall become the property of the Owner and the Owner shall have no obligation to return the same to the Bidder.

#### 6.25 Ethics and transparency

Owner will adhere to highest ethical standards and transparency in the bidding process and is in the process of adopting the Integrity Pact Program of Transparency International. The Successful Bidder shall enter into an Integrity Pact with the Owner. For further details, the bidder may visit the website <a href="https://www.transparency.org">www.transparency.org</a> of

Transparency International. Bidder shall provide an undertaking that if Bidder is declared as Successful Bidder it shall enter into the Integrity Pact with Owner. The Owner may reject the Bid which does not include this undertaking as provided in covering letter (Annexure B).

## 6.26 Confidentiality

Information relating to examination, evaluation and recommendation for selection of Successful Bidder will not be disclosed to any person who is not officially concerned with the process or is not a retained professional advisor advising the Owner in relation to, or matters arising out of, or concerning the bidding process. The Owner will treat all information, submitted as part of the Bid, in confidence and will require all those who have access to such material to treat the same in confidence. The Owner may not divulge any such information unless it is on a need basis and it is directed to do so by any statutory entity that has the power under law to require its disclosure or is to enforce or assert any right or privilege of the statutory entity and/or the Owner or as may be required by law or in connection with any legal process. In the event the Owner is required to divulge any information, it will make best endeavours to maintain confidentiality of the information held by it and divulge only that information which it is required to.

# 7.0 STAGE - I BIDDING PROCEDURE APPLICABLE (QUALIFYING AND TECHNO-COMMERCIAL BID)

#### 7.1 Collection of RFP Document

The Bidders shall collect the RFP document in person from OPGC office at 7th Floor, Fortune Tower, Bhubaneswar, Orissa, India by paying Rupees Fifty Thousand Only (Rs 50,000/-) or US Dollar One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Only (USD 1,250/-) in form of Demand Draft or Pay Order issued from any scheduled bank in favor of "Orissa Power Generation Corporation Limited", payable at Bhubaneswar, Orissa, India. The payment may also be made by fund transfer through RTGS / NEFT transaction to the account no.

\_\_\_\_\_ of Orissa Power Generation Corporation Limited along with the covering letter from the Bidder, attaching the transferring bank advice, confirming that the transfer was requested for by the Bidder. The last date for collecting RFP is as per the Bidding Schedule mentioned in section 4.2.

#### 7.2 Techno Commercial Bid Preparation and Submission

Bidder shall submit the Techno Commercial Bid in the formats provided as per Part - II of the RFP. Guidelines mentioned below shall be used for submitting the Techno Commercial Bid.

#### 7.3 Techno Commercial Bid Submission

Bidder shall include with its Techno Commercial Bid a signed copy of each Amendment issued (if any) during the Bidding period. The following electronic file types are acceptable: Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Adobe Acrobat, Microsoft Project and Primavera.

The Bidder shall submit one original set of the Techno Commercial Bid pursuant to this RFP clearly marking "ORIGINAL". In addition, the Bidder shall submit three (3) copies of the Techno Commercial Bid clearly marked as "COPY". The Bidder shall also provide 2 soft copies on a compact disc (CD). In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the soft copy, the original shall prevail.

The Techno Commercial Bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink and signed by the authorized signatory of the Bidder who shall also initial each page in blue ink. In case of printed and published documents, only the cover shall be initialed. All the alterations, omissions, additions or any other amendments made to the Techno Commercial Bid shall be initialed by the person(s) signing the Techno Commercial Bid. The Techno Commercial Bid shall contain page numbers and shall be bound together in hard cover.

The Bid security and the Techno Commercial Bid (electronic and hard copies) shall be submitted in two separate sealed envelopes with the Bidder's name and address clearly indicated. The envelope containing Bid Security shall be superscribed as "Bid Security" and the envelope containing "Techno Commercial Bid" shall be superscribed as "Techno Commercial Bid"

### First Envelope

• Bid Security as per the Bid Security form (Annexure-A)

#### **Second Envelope**

- Covering letter from the Bidder as per Annexure B
- Declaration and authorisations as per section A of the Covering Letter of the Bidder.
- Organizational Details and qualifications as per section B of the Covering Letter of the Bidder
- Techno-Commercial Bid details as per section C of the covering letter of the Bidder

If the envelopes are not sealed and marked as instructed above, the Owner assumes no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the contents of the Techno Commercial Bid and consequent losses, if any, suffered by the Bidder.

It is essential that the Bidder submits the Techno Commercial Bid as per above covering letter and the requested information is provided by the Bidder as per Appendix 1 to 18 of the covering letter.

Techno Commercial Bids that are not prepared and submitted in accordance with these submission requirements may be considered non-compliant and rejected.

Techno Commercial Bids received up to 14.00 hrs (Indian Standard Time (IST)) on the date mentioned in Section 4.2 and "Bid Security" and "Techno Commercial Bid" shall be opened on the same day at 15.00hrs (IST) in the office of the Owner.

The Bidder shall provide all information sought under this RFP. The Owner will evaluate only those Techno Commercial Bids that are received in the required formats [Appendix 1 to 17] and complete in all respects. Incomplete and/or conditional Techno Commercial Bids may be liable to rejection.

Techno Commercial Bids received by the Owner after the specified time on the Techno Commercial Bid Submission Date shall not be eligible for consideration and shall be summarily rejected.

## 7.4 Bid Security

## 7.4.1 Bid Security to be submitted by Bidders

Bidders must furnish a Bid Security in favour of OPGC in the aggregate amount of Indian Rupees Forty Crores (Rs 40,00,00,000/-) (the "**Bid Security**"). The Bid Security must be in form as indicated below and must be issued by either a nationalised bank or a recognized scheduled bank domiciled or licensed to conduct business in India. It is advisable for Bidders to check with OPGC in advance of the Techno Commercial Bid Submission Date as to the acceptability of the proposed issuing bank.

#### 7.4.2 Forms of Bid Security

The Bid Security offered shall be in one of the following alternative forms as indicated (i) and (ii) below and subject to approval of the Owner. The other conditions applicable are also mentioned below.

- i. An account payee pay order or demand draft drawn in any nationalised bank or any recognized scheduled bank domiciled or licensed to conduct business in India in favour of Orissa Power Generation Corporation Ltd, payable at Bhubaneswar.
- ii. An irrevocable valid and fully enforceable bank guarantee, from an Indian Nationalized Bank or from a recognized scheduled bank domiciled or licensed to conduct business in India and acceptable to the Owner, in favour of Orissa Power Generation Corporation Ltd, Bhubaneswar, as per the format indicated in Annexure A.

No interest shall be payable by the Owner on the above Bid Security. The Bid Security shall be made payable without any condition to the Owner and shall be valid for a period of 365 days from the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid.

## 7.4.3 Consequence of Non Submittal of Bid Security

Techno Commercial Bid not accompanied by the requisite Bid Security or Techno Commercial Bid accompanied by Bid Security of inadequate value or not valid for a period of 365 days from the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid shall not be entertained and shall be returned to the Bidders without being opened.

## 7.4.4 Bid Security Forfeiture

The Bid Security furnished by the Bidder shall be forfeited:

- a) If a Bidder withdraws or modifies unilaterally its Techno Commercial Bid during the period of Techno Commercial Bid validity period; or
- b) If, during evaluation of Price Bids, the Owner ascertains that there is discrepancy in the Bid price due to arithmetical error, and on communicating such error to the Bidder, the Bidder does not accept the proposed correction of errors; or
- c) If the Bidder does not withdraw any deviations listed in deviation statement at the cost of withdrawal indicated by it; or.
- d) if, in the event that the Techno Commercial Bid validity period is extended by Owner as provided for in section 6.18 above, and the Bidder fails to comply with any condition of re-validation or confirmation or fails to deliver a replacement Bid Security within the timeframe notified by Owner;
- e) In the case of Successful Bidder, if such Bidder fails within the specified time limit to:
  - i. furnish the acceptance of letter of award; or
  - ii. fails to submit Contract Performance Guarantee/Security.

## 7.4.5 Return of Bid Security

- a) The Bid Security of the Successful Bidder to whom a Contract is awarded, will be returned after the said Bidder has submitted the Contract Performance Security specified in the Contract and the Contract Performance Security is accepted by the Owner after due verification in accordance with the OPGC's procedure in force from time to time.
- b) Upon the successful Bidder's furnishing of Contract Performance Security, the Bid Security of all unsuccessful Bidders will be returned as early as possible, but not later than 60 days after expiration of the period of Techno Commercial Bid validity prescribed by the Owner including extension thereof, if any.

#### 7.5 Contract Performance Security

In the event of contract award, the Successful Bidder shall be required to submit Contract Performance Security, of an amount specified in the Contract in the form prescribed in the

Contract.

#### 7.6 Evaluation Criteria

The Bids submitted by the Bidders would be opened in presence of the Owner's Engineer/Consultant. The evaluation of the Bids will be carried out by the Owner's Engineer/Consultant.

#### 7.7.1 Techno Commercial Bid Evaluation Process

The Techno Commercial Bids will be evaluated on two aspects:

- (a) Qualifying Requirement Evaluation, and
- (b) Technical and Commercial Evaluation

Owner will simultaneously evaluate the qualification documents and Techno Commercial Bids submitted by the bidders. During this process if any Bidder is found not meeting the qualifying requirement, then its Techno Commercial Bids will not be reviewed further.

## 7.7.2 Qualifying Requirement Evaluation

The Bidder shall comply with all the conditions of qualifying requirements mentioned in the Section 5.0. Non compliance with any of these criteria will result in outright rejection of the Bidder's proposal.

## 7.7.3 Technical and Commercial Bid Evaluation

#### 7.7.3.1Technical Bid Evaluation

The technical bid will be evaluated primarily from the deviations proposed by the Bidders. In the event of any contradiction, Owner reserves the right to price load based on the worst parameters that can be interpreted for non-compliance to the Technical Specification. If the Bidder has not explicitly indicated any of the technical data, scope, scheme or details required for unambiguous assessment, the Owner may price load based on the worst possibility or parameters considered by any other Bidder. The Bidder shall provide price implication for withdrawal of the technical deviations as per format Appendix – 7 of Part – II.

If a Bid includes express or implied exceptions that are not listed as required, the requirements of the Technical Specifications and Contract shall govern. The Bidder shall not alter, in any way, any part of the Technical Specifications and Contract except by stating his exceptions. Bidder shall state such deviations/exceptions the cost of withdrawal of such deviations and exceptions as per Bid forms. Irrespective of the amount of such cost of withdrawal so stated by the Bidders, the Owner reserves the right to evaluate each and every exception and deviation and load to the total price quoted by the Bidder, the costs so decided by the Owner.

#### 7.7.3.2Commercial Bid Evaluation

The deviations to commercial issues of Part – IV (Contract) proposed by Bidders and price implication for withdrawal of these deviations shall be furnished as per Appendix – 8 of Part – II. In the event of any conflict, Owner reserves the right to price load based on the worst commercial conditions that can be interpreted for non-compliance to the Technical Specification and Contract. If the Bidder has not explicitly indicated any information required for unambiguous assessment, the Owner may price load based on the worst possibility or commercial conditions considered by any other Bidder.

## 8.0 STAGE II BIDDING PROCEDURE (PRICE BID)

#### 8.1 Price Bid Submission

The Price Bid format provided in Part – III of the RFP document is indicative only. However, Shortlisted Bidders shall be asked to submit the Price Bid in a sealed envelope as per the updated format that will be provided at that point of time.

The Shortlisted Bidder shall submit one (1) original set and one (1) copy of the Price Bid (together with original/copy required to be submitted along therewith pursuant to this RFP), clearly marked "ORIGINAL" and "COPY" respectively.

The Owner will evaluate only those Price Bids that are received in the required formats and complete in all respects. Incomplete and/or conditional Price Bids may be subject to rejection. Price Bids that are not prepared and submitted in accordance with section 8.1 may be considered non-compliant and rejected.

The Price Bid shall be submitted in a sealed envelop super scribed "Price Bid for 2X660 MW BOP Package for OPGC". If the envelopes are not sealed and not marked as instructed above, the Owner assumes no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the contents of the Price Bid and consequent losses, if any, suffered by the Shortlisted Bidder.

The Shortlisted Bidder shall submit its complete Price Bid in hard copies by 14:00 (IST) on the respective submittal dates specified in section 4.2 of Instructions to Bidders and will be opened on the same day at 15.00hrs (IST) in the office of the Owner.

Price Bids received by the Owner after the specified time on the Price Bid Submission Date shall not be eligible for consideration and shall be summarily rejected.

#### 8.2 Price Bid

Shortlisted Bidder shall furnish its price as per the Price Bid formats.

Bidders shall familiarise themselves with the laws, rules and regulations prevailing in India and consider the same while developing and submitting their Price Bid.

The price quoted shall remain firm till the end of Price Bid validity period and in the event

of Contract award shall remain firm till the completion of Contract obligations.

The price once offered shall remain firm as above and no adjustment shall be allowed for variation of costs of labour and materials, fluctuation in foreign currency or any other cost component affecting the total cost in fulfilling the obligations under the Contract.

## 8.3 Price in Figures and Words

The Shortlisted Bidder shall quote both in figures and in words in the Price schedule forming part of the Price Bid. In Price Bid, the price of each item shall be entered and total indicated for all items. In the event of any discrepancy between original and any copy, the original shall govern. If any ambiguities are observed in the subtotal and total given in words and figures, the following procedure shall be followed to resolve such ambiguity:

- When the total price quoted by the Shortlisted Bidder in figures and words differ and the price indicated in words is lower than that indicated in figures, the Bid price in words shall be taken as correct Bid price.
- When the total price quoted by the Shortlisted Bidder in figures and words tally but found incorrect based on the total amount worked out from subtotal, then subtotal quoted by the Bidder shall be taken as correct to arrive at the total.
- When it is not possible to ascertain the correct Bid price by either of above methods, the price quoted in words shall be taken as correct.
- If there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected.

If the Shortlisted Bidder does not accept the correction of errors, its bid will be rejected.

## 8.4 Price Bid Validity

All Price Bids shall be binding and valid for a period of One Hundred and Eighty days (180) from the Bid Submission Date of Price Bid or any extension thereof.

#### 8.5 Price Bid Currency

Shortlisted Bidder shall quote a fixed price comprising Indian Rupee and US Dollar. No other currencies will be accepted by Owner. For the purpose of evaluation, Bid price will be converted to equivalent Indian Rupees based on the TT selling exchange rate specified by State Bank of India (SBI) on the Bid Opening Date.

The Bid Price shall not be indexed to any other currency or basket of currencies and accordingly no escalation on account of foreign exchange rate shall be permitted.

#### 8.6 Price Bid - Taxes and Duties

The Price Bid shall include all taxes and duties inclusive of custom duty, central and local taxes and duties, service tax, cess as applicable seven (7) days prior to Bid Submission Date of Price Bids and the break-up of these taxes and duties, in amount and absolute rate terms, shall be clearly indicated in Price Bid as per Price Bid formats.

Non inclusion or omission of the requested break-up of taxes and duties on the part of the Bidder shall be construed as inclusive of such duties or taxes in his quoted price.

The taxes, duties, levies etc prevailing during the contract period shall be paid as applicable. However, any benefit arising on account of any decrease in taxes and duties, change in tax regime etc would be passed on to the Owner.

For the sake of clarity on taxes and duties leviable on supply and services, the Price Bid should indicate the price for goods and services for the packages specified at section 3.4 of the Instructions to Bidders and the tax incidence for such packages separately in the specified schedules.

For the purpose of factoring the incidence of taxes and duties etc:

- The Bidder shall assume that the Project qualifies as "Mega Power Project" and factor the applicable exemptions/concessions including the Deemed Export Benefits. While the Owner shall provide the necessary documents to facilitate the above exemptions/concessions/benefits, the Bidder shall be solely responsible for obtaining the exemptions/concessions/benefits including compliance with any conditions;
- If the project does not qualify as "Mega Power Status" for any reason, the Owner shall reimburse the applicable taxes and duties based on documentary evidence;
- With respect to offshore supply of goods, the title of goods shall be transferred to Owner on High Sea sale;
- With respect to onshore supply of goods manufactured by the Bidder and supplied ex-factory the title of goods shall be transferred to Owner on exfactory basis;
- With respect to onshore inter-state bought out goods and dispatched to site, the title of goods shall be transferred to Owner by way of in-transit sale;
- The Owner will issue Form "C" with respect to inter-state supply of goods;

## 8.7 Price Bid Evaluation (Indicative)

Price bid evaluation will consider the following criteria:

i. <u>Milestone Payment Schedule:</u>

Present Value for Milestone Payment Schedule for each Shortlisted Bidder

shall be computed based on the discounting factor of 10.50%. Lowest Present Value for Milestone Payment Schedule quoted by the bidder will be taken as base and the Present Value for Milestone Payment Schedule of other bidders will be compared with the base to arrive at differential.

## ii. Price adjustment for Guaranteed Performance parameters

Auxiliary Consumption (Kwh): The lowest Auxiliary Consumption will be taken as base and the Auxiliary Consumption proposed by other Bidders will be compared with the base to arrive at differential Auxiliary Consumption. Price will be loaded for the differential Auxiliary Consumption by multiplying with Bid Evaluation Factor (BEF) of Rs 92,600/- for each one (1) Kwh increase in Auxiliary Consumption.

#### iii. Price Adjustment for Technical and Commercial Deviations

The price adjustment sought by the Shortlisted Bidders while seeking Technical and Commercial Deviations, as per the Techno Commercial Bid, shall be considered for this purpose.

- iv. <u>Price adjustment under Mega Power Project Policy of Government of India,</u> if applicable;
- v. <u>Price adjustment for inspection and expediting expenses of the Owner,</u> <u>Related Contractors/Consultants as determined by the Owner;</u>
- vi. <u>In-house engineering capability, Project management capability, Construction management capability and resources and Safety Management,</u>
- vii. Any additional parameters necessary for the reasonable comparison of bids as determined by the Owner;

The summation of above price adjustment is "Total Price Adjustment for Deviations" (TPAD)

#### 8.8 Successful Bidder

TPAD shall be added to Bid price to arrive at Total Evaluated Bid Price. The Bidder with the lowest Total Evaluated Bid Price will be declared the Successful Bidder unless the Owner in its discretion determines otherwise.

Save and except as provided in this RFP, the Owner shall not entertain any correspondence with any Bidder in relation to the acceptance or rejection of any Price Bid.

#### 8.9 Contract Award

Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Price Bids submitted by Shortlisted Bidders and further reserves the right not to award the Contract to the lowest evaluated Shortlisted Bidder or not at all.

At this time, the Owner intends to complete the Work. However, due to uncertainties in the industry, this RFP does not obligate Owner to award a Contract or to proceed with the Project.

#### 9.0 EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENT

Successful Bidder agrees to enter into the Contract with the Owner substantially in the form and substance enclosed in Part IV, containing the terms and conditions. The parties may agree to enter into separate Contracts for the supply of goods and services at a later date e.g., offshore supply of goods, offshore supply of services, onshore supply of goods, onshore supply of services etc as specified in clause 3.4 of the Instructions to Bidders.

### 9.1 Contract Performance Security

In the event of award of the Contract, the Successful Bidder shall be required to submit security in accordance with the requirements of the Contract.

#### 9.2 Governing Law

The governing law for the Contract is Indian Law. The Owner reserves the right to amend the governing law to any other applicable law on the basis of the submissions made by the Bidders while submitting Techno-Commercial Bids for the BOP RFP as well as submissions made by the Bidders while submitting Bids for the Main Plant RFP.

## 9.3 Dispute Resolution

Any dispute resolution, arising from or in connection with the bidding process or this RFP, will be resolved by reference to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in Bhubaneswar or to the writ jurisdiction of the High Court of Orissa, as relevant.

# ANNEXURE 1 Qualification Requirement for individual BOP equipment

#### 1.0 ERECTION CONTRACTORS

Bidder by itself or Bidder's nominated erection contractor(s) shall have erected and provided commissioning assistance for, at least two (2) units of 500 MW steam generator and steam turbine & generator which have been in successful operation for at least one (1) year from the date of synchronisation and as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid:

#### 2.0 COAL HANDLING PLANT

The Bidder shall have executed one (1) bulk material handling plant of minimum 1,000 TPH of coal, other minerals or cement of equivalent volumetric capacity (essentially comprising of conveying and crushing) including mechanical and electrical works involving design, manufacture/procurement, supply, erection, testing & commissioning, which has been commissioned during last 10 (ten) years, which has been in successful operation for at least one year from the date of synchronisation of the plant and as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid:

#### 3.0 ASH HANDLING PLANT

The Bidder shall have executed at least one (1) ash handling plant during last ten (10) years involving design, engineering, manufacture/procurement, supply and commissioning comprising the following systems which has been in successful operation for at least one (1) year from the date of synchronisation of the plant and as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid:

- (i) Bottom ash handling system comprising jet pump system or scraper conveyor system in conjunction with water impounded bottom ash hopper designed for 50% of specified capacity of the plant in TPH (dry ash basis) or more for pulverized coal fired boilers
- (ii) Pneumatic fly ash handling system for conveying fly ash from ESPs by either pressure conveying system or vacuum conveying system designed for 50% of specified capacity of the plant in TPH per stream and pneumatic fly ash transportation system for transporting fly ash over distance of not less than 50 % of specified distance including fly ash storage silos.
- (iii) Wet type ash (bottom ash & fly ash) disposal system comprising ash slurry pumps and piping for 50% of specified capacity of the plant in TPH.

The Bidder who is a supplier of ash handling systems but does not meet the requirements under clause 2.1 above in full can also participate provided he has executed at least the following systems of ash handling plant involving design,

engineering, manufacture, supply, supervision on erection and commissioning and the plant systems have been in successful operation in at least 1 (one) plant for at least 1 (one) year from the date of synchronisation of the plant, during the last 10 (ten) years and as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid and shall have been installed for pulverized coal fired boiler units generating not less than 40 TPH of ash per boiler.

- (i) Bottom ash handling system comprising either a jet pump system in conjunction with water impounded Bottom Ash Hopper or submerged scraper chain conveyor system or dry bottom ash system.
- (ii) Fly Ash Handling System for conveying fly ash from ESPs in dry form (involving pneumatic conveying systems of vacuum or pressure type) or in wet (slurry) form
- (iii) Collaborate(s)/associate(s) with party(ies) who meet(s) either the total requirement or the balance part under clause 2.1 above which the bidder himself is not able to meet.

#### 4.0 INDUCED DRAUGHT COOLING TOWER

The Bidder shall have designed, constructed and commissioned during last 10 (ten) years at least 1 (one) number induced draught cooling tower with cross flow splash / film type fill or counter flow splash / film type fill in RCC construction with cooling water flow not less than 26000 m³/hr OR of 200 MW unit which is in successful operation for at least 1 (one) year from the date of synchronisation of the plant and as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid. The reference cooling tower shall be of same type as is being offered by the Bidder.

#### 5.0 WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The Bidder shall have designed, supplied, erected and commissioned during last 10 (ten) years at least 1 (one) each of the following plants which are in successful operation for at least 1 (one) year from the date of synchronisation of the plant and as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid.

- i. DM plant of minimum capacity of 60m<sup>3</sup>/hr consisting of maximum 2 (two) streams capable of producing outlet water quality with silica and conductivity not more than 0.02 ppm as SiO<sub>2</sub> and 0.2 micro mho/cm respectively.
- ii. Water treatment/waste water treatment plant (including civil works), each with a total capacity of at least 1000 cum/hr comprising of clarifiers/tube settlers/thickeners or a combination there.

#### 6.0 SWITCHYARD / SUB-STATION:

The Bidder shall have designed, supplied, erected and commissioned at least one

number 400 kV Switchyard/ Sub-Station during last 10 years which should be in successful operation for at least one year as on the Bid Opening Date of Techno Commercial Bid.