Expression of Interest

RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR, PATNA

Request for Expression of interest (REOI) is being invited from Registered Firms/Agencies/Society for the running of a newly constructed Tea Processing & Packaging Unit in Kishanganj District of Bihar.

The DEPARTMENT of RURAL DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR, in the public interest, in line with its policy of revival of tea Processing and Packaging factory, Kalidas Kismat Pothia, Kishanganj, has decided to LEASE OUT the TEA FACTORY to manage through a competitive and open bid process, in compliance with applicable laws, established norms, applicable guidelines of the department.

The principle objectives of this EOI is to transfer tea FACTORY on lease basis for a period of 10 years to selected organization and such organization is

- To undertake, revive / rejuvenate the existing Tea factory on 'as is where is' basis.
- To run the Tea Factory on Royalty basis, royalty will be paid to Government of Bihar on the basis of production of Tea.
- To protect the interest of small and marginal farmers who cultivate tea plantation, marginal tea leaves cultivators etc.
- To incapacitate Community based organizations(CBOs) such as SHGs/VOs/BLFs so that CBOs may be able to acquire and run Tea Factory. To handover CBOs in running condition in the long run say in 10 years, who may run Tea Factory successfully.
- Bid should be submitted on or before 3 PM dated 16.03.15
- Bid will be opened on same day at 3:30 PM

Interested firms may obtained further information from www.rdd.bih.nic.in,

Secretary,
Rural Development Department,
Bihar, Patna 16/2/15
NOTICE FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
HIRING OF AGENCY/ASSOCIATION OF AGENCIES FOR
BOUGHT LEAF CTC TEA MANUFACTURING FACTORY
POTHIA, KISHANGANJ

Expression of interest (EOI) is being invited from Registered Firms/Agencies / Society for the running of a newly constructed Tea Processing & Packaging Unit in Kishanganj District of Bihar.

The principle objectives of this EOI are as under.-
A. To rejuvenate the Tea factory;
B. To protect the interest of marginal tea leaves cultivators etc.

Location
The plant is located in an area of 10 acres in the midst of tea gardens at Kalidas Kismat, Pothia Block of Kishanganj District (Bihar). It is well connected by Golden Quadrilateral NH-31 with one of the biggest Tea Markets-Siliguri, W.Bengal (35kms). The nearest Airport Bagdogra (WB) is just about 25 Km from the plant. More than 50,000 acres of tea cultivation is being taken up in and around the plant site over the past decade. The plant has the machinery incorporating latest technology installed at a cost of Rs. 9.45 Crore including latest processing & packaging machinery and the Plant is insured with National Insurance Company with up to date payment of premium. A 500 Sq.ft well furnished office premises owned by the DRDA, Kishanganj will be available at a prime location in Siliguri (WB) along with the plant.

Capacity
The plant has a minimum installed capacity of 20 Lakhs Kg of CTC Tea/annum along with facilities for Blending & Packaging.

Interested agencies/Association of agencies must provide the following information substantiating that they are qualified to perform the services including –
1. Organizational profile/brochures, structure of the firm/organization.
2. Detailed descriptions of similar assignments carried out by Agency/Association of agencies in last three years.
3. 5 years of Experience in similar business etc.
4. Availability of appropriate Professional team with high level of competencies to handle tasks & responsibilities.
5. Intended Agency/Association of agencies should have Annual Average Turnover of Rs 10 crore or more in the last three financial years. Audited financial statements of the last three years should be attached.
6. Intended Agency/Association of agencies should have financial capability to carry out the assignment smoothly.
7. Name, address (Local & Nodal), facsimile number and email/website link of the Agency.
8. Notarized Affidavit that the concerned entity is not blacklisted by the Govt. of Bihar, Any other State Govt. or Govt. of India or any of its subsidiaries.

Terms & Conditions

A. Bids should be sent by Registered Post / Speed Post / Courier (In No Case by Hand) to Secretary, Rural Development Department, Bihar, Patna on or before 16th March 2015 till 03.00 P.M. Responses shall be opened by the Committee, formed by the Secretary, Rural Development Department, at 3.30 PM the same day, thereafter technically qualified firms will be issued RFP to them, and notified on the Departmental Website.

B. An Earnest money of Rs. 5.00 (Five) lakhs only in the form of Bank Demand Draft in favour of CEO-BRDS, Rural Development Department, Bihar, Patna payable at Patna is to be submitted along with the Technical response, refundable after bid process.

C. Successful Bidder will be required to deposit Rs. 1 crore as performance security/Bank Guarantee. At the end of the Contract period, the entire plant and machinery shall be handed over in working condition to DRDA, Kishanganj only after inspection by the DRDA or its authorized representative. Any damage to machineries will be compensated from the amount of performance security.

D. Earnest money of the successful bidder shall be forfeited if the bidder declines or fails to deposit performance security within 21 (twenty one days) working days of being called upon to do so after the approval of the EOI from the competent authority.

E. During the Contract period, Plant & Machinery including Building, Boundary Wall, Power System, Weigh Bridge and other assets shall be maintained by the successful bidder.

F. Priority for procurement of Tea leaves shall be given to the local small tea Growers (Tea growers with up to 25 Acres tea garden) and employment shall be given to local laborers on priority basis.

G. In case of any disputes relating to the finalization of bid the decision of the Secretary, Rural Development Department, Bihar, Patna shall be Final.

H. Interested agency/agencies may also provide suggestion in their response.

I. No Financial proposal submitted along with this EOI response.
The Agency will be shortlisted in accordance with the mentioned in this EOI documents based on their experience and financial capacity documents. The Information of eligibility criteria must be furnished in the prescribed tabular format and should be self-attested and all related documents should be attached. **Shortlisted firms will be asked to submit technical and financial proposals.** Interested Agency/Agencies may obtain any further information from the office during normal office hours i.e. 10 AM to 5 PM on every working day. The EOI may be delivered at the address given below by 16th March 2015 till 03.00 PM in a sealed envelope. The envelope should bear the name of the assignment for which EOI is being submitted.

**Period of Contract**

The main assignment will be for a period of 10 years and the maintenance and support assignment will be for another 10 years after the completion of the main assignment, which is subject to extension and is open for both individual firm as well as association of agencies.

The contract period shall be initially for **Ten years.** The successful bidder will also have to impart training to a federation of BPL Farmers/Labors to whom the Tea Processing Plant shall be ultimately handed over.

**Proposals to be submitted in the format available on Rural Development Department Website i.e.**

www.rdd.bih.nic.in
Address: Rural Development Department
Old Secretariat, Patna (Bihar)- 800015
E-mail – rlrsec-bih@nic.in

[Signature]

Secretary,
Rural Development Department,
Bihar, Patna
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Short listing will be made on above Information only. Attach supporting documents with this format. The Association of Agencies who have a joint venture or a sub consultancy agreement to complement their respective area of expertise, strengthen the technical responsiveness of their proposal and make available pool of experts.

I agree with the terms and conditions mentioned in the Expression of Interest for running the Tea Processing & Packaging Unit in the District of Kishanganj.

Signature of authorized representative and Seal of the Agency.

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