

Minutes of Pre-Bid Conferences for Procurement of First Line Anti TB Drugs against IFB NO. UNOPS, India/TB Drugs/001/ 2007, dt. 19/7/2007, held on August 1, 2008 at 1100 hrs at India International Centre, New Delhi.

The following were present from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

- Dr. L.S. Chauhan DDG, Central TB Division
- Mr. Arun Baroka, Director in-charge, TB
- Mr. J.S. Choudhary, Director, SSM.
- Dr. P. Saxena, CMO, CTD.

The following were present from UNOPS:-

- Dr. Sunil Bhargava, Regional Director, APO Bangkok
- Dr. Gabor Szalay, Chief Procurement Officer
- Mr. Ramesh Chandra, Procurement Coordinator
- Ms. Stephanie Kunkel, Legal Advisor, UNOPS Bangkok
- Mr. Vikram Singh, National Procurement Officer

Representatives of the following companies attended the Pre Bid Conference:-

1. Mr. Ashish Dutta from Alembic Limited,
2. Mr. Rajesh Kumar Tarika from Nicholas Piramal India Ltd.
3. Mr. Anil Chaudhry from Hospimax,
4. Mr. Arun Kr. Sharma from Pharmimax India
5. Mr. Raman V. Subramanian & Ashish Srivastav from Novartis India Limited (Sandoz)
6. Mr. Mukul Jerath from Lupin Limited.
7. Mr. John Abraham from Parental Drugs (India) Ltd.
8. Mr. Rajan Sharma from Vikrant Life Sciences
9. Mr. Ranjit Singh from Bharat Parenterals Ltd.
10. Mr. B.S. Rajput from Concept Pharma Ltd.

At the outset all participants, bidders were informed about the following corrections to be made in the bid document

First Line Anti TB Drugs

1. Replace the last date of purchase of bid documents at paragraph no 6 of IFB given as “September 4th” with “September 3rd, 2007”.
2. Payment Clauses no. 16, point no (iii) to be read as (ii)
3. Page no. 112, Category II B, instead of HRX should be read as HREX.

The queries raised by the bidders and clarifications with regard to Bid documents for First Line & Second Line Anti TB Drugs are given as under:-

| S.No. | Query Raised | Reply/Clarification |
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| 1. | Whether the Registration Certificate as mentioned in ITB 6.4 (b) clause is applicable only to foreign manufactures. | It was clarified that the Indian bidders who have a manufacturing license issued by the National Regulatory Authority (NRA) (CDSCO) will be treated as registered with the NRA. |
| 2. | If Certification required for item# 5 | It was clarified that since the qualification form (Form- |

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| | of documents to be submitted along with (Form-15) has to be self certified. | 15) in section 8 has to be issued by the relevant Country Authority, the above document also needs to be certified by relevant authority. |
| 3. | Whether the procurement under GFATM funds will attract the same exemption benefits as in case of procurement under World Bank assistance. | It was clarified that the exemptions benefit are the same in both the cases of procurement. |
| 4. | Whether in case of experience clause of similar completed contracts if the criteria of qualification will be Cumulative, if a bidder bids for more than one schedule. | The necessary amendments will be issued. |
| 5. | One of the bidders mentioned that in Form no. 5, Bid Security Form, the required validity of bid security has been given as 28 days after the expiry of the Bid Validity, whereas it is mentioned as February 20 th 2008. | Bid Security validity period will be applicable as mentioned in the BDS. |
| 6. | A question was asked with regard to the shelf life of the drugs as given in the General Technical Specifications. | It was clarified that shelf life requirement of the drugs will remain same as mentioned in the Bid Document |
| 7. | A number of bidders sought clarification with regard to the payment for the samples being drawn by inspecting agency/testing laboratory. | It was clarified that the cost of the samples drawn for testing purposes will be paid to the supplier on production of requisite documents. |
| 8. | On a query from one of the bidders about the insurance of goods during transit. | It was clarified that the necessary amendments to the bid document will be issued in this regard. |
| 9. | A question was raised about the CFR term. | It was informed to all the bidders that term CFR where ever used in the bid document shall be treated as deleted. |
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The bidders were informed that the minutes of the pre-bid conference shall be published in the website of UNOPS and TBC India. Bidders are requested to go through the websites. Bidders were informed that in case of any further information/clarification, they may contact Chief Procurement Officer at UNOPS, New Delhi Office.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to officers of the Ministry and the representatives of the Industry.

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