

Government of Goa Directorate of Mines and Geology Request For Proposal

Selection Of

Project Management Unit(PMU) For

North Goa District Mineral Foundation (Trust)
And
South Goa District Mineral Foundation (Trust)

RFP No: -DMG/36/Auc Cell/DMF-PMU/2023

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The issue of this RFP does not imply that the Authority is bound to select an Applicant or to appoint the Selected Applicant, as the case may be, and the Authority reserves the right to reject all or any of the Proposals without assigning any reasons whatsoever.

The Applicant shall bear all its costs associated with or relating to the preparation and submission of its Proposal including but not limited to preparation, copying, postage, delivery fees, expenses associated with any demonstrations or presentations which may be required by the Authority or any other costs incurred in connection with or relating to its Proposal. All such costs and expenses will remain with the Applicant and the Authority shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for the same or for any other costs or other expenses incurred by an Applicant in preparation or submission of the Proposal, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Selection Process.

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATION

RFP	Request for Proposal
Manage	Y al G Division III al a G
NGDMFT	North Goa District Mineral Foundation (Trust)
SGDMFT	South Goa District Mineral Foundation (Trust)
PMKKY	Pradhan Mantri Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana
ТВ	Technical Bid
FB	Financial Bid
DMG	Directorate of Mines and Geology
TDF	Tender Document Fee
TPF	Tender Processing Fee
EDM	Earnest Money Deposit
TQ	Technical Qualification
LOA	Letter of Award

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

The State of Goa has set up North Goa District Mineral Foundation (Trust) (NGDMFT) and South Goa District Mineral Foundation (Trust) (SGDMFT) for utilization of District Mineral Fund collected from mining operations in the State with the objective of working for the benefit and interests of the people and areas affected by the mining related operations. The DMF is aligned to an important scheme of the Government of India, the Pradhan Mantri Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana(PMKKKY) that was launched in September 2015 to implement various developmental projects and welfare programs in the mining-affected areas with DMF. For this purpose, DMG (Directorate of Mines and Geology) intends to onboard a PMU (Project Management Unit) to help in the planning, supervising and monitoring of the works undertaken by the NGDMFT and SGDMFT in the State of Goa.

The DMF Trusts in Goa started taking up projects since the year 2015. Till date SGDMT has sanctioned an amount of Rs.27.11 crore for 24 projects and NGDMFT has sanctioned an amount of Rs.48.57 crore for 31 projects. The SGDMFT currently has a corpus of Rs.91 crore whereas the NGDFT has a corpus of Rs.86 crore.

Objective

To onboard a PMU at the state level to work closely with the NGDMFT and SGDMFT coordinate with various departments in identifying projects benefiting the mining affected areas, scrutinize proposals that will benefit these areas and community sustainability, monitoring of the execution, data handling and reporting.

1.2 Request for Proposals

Directorate of Mines and Geology, Government of Goa invites RFP in 2 bid format comprising of Technical Bid (TB) and Financial Bid (FB) for "Project Management unit for DMF". The RFP document for this may be downloaded from https://eprocure.goa.gov.in/or https://dmg.goa.gov.in/.

The sale of RFP document will commence on the next date of publication of this RFP notice and will close on the date specified on the RFP document. Financial Bids of the technically qualified bidders shall be opened before the successful bidders and evaluated before awarding of the contract.

Directorate of Mines and Geology reserves the right to reject all or any of the RFP without assigning any reason thereof. The RFP which is conditional/incomplete/belated/ without Earnest Money Deposit, Tender Processing Fee & Tender Document Fee will not be entertained.

1.3 Due diligence by Applicants

Applicants are encouraged to inform themselves fully about the assignment before submitting the Proposal by paying a visit to the Authority or sending written queries to the Authority.

1.4 Validity of the Proposal

The Proposal shall be valid for a period of 180 days from the Proposal Due Date (the "PDD").

1.5 Brief description of the Selection Process

The Authority has adopted a 2 stage selection process (collectively the "Selection Process") for evaluating the Proposals comprising technical and financial bids to be submitted mandatorily through e-tender process. However, two hard copies of the technical bids is to be submitted to the Authority before the bid due date. Financial bids are to be submitted through e-tender mode only. Physical submission of financial bid shall amount to immediate disqualification from the bid process. Only the technical bids will be opened first and a technical evaluation will be carried out. Based on this technical evaluation, a list of short-listed applicants shall be prepared. The applicants who have failed to qualify for short-listing will be disqualified and their financial bid will become invalid and will not be opened. Thereafter, financial bids of short-listed bids only will be opened. The bidder who quotes the lowest financial bid will be selected as "Successful Bidder".

1.6 Currency conversion rate and payment

The bid to be quoted in Indian Rupee (INR) only. All payments to the successful Bidder shall be made in INR in accordance with the provisions of this RFP.

1.7 Schedule of Selection Process

The Authority would endeavor to adhere to the following schedule:

SNO	Event Description	Date
1.	Last date for receiving	25-9-2023
1.	Queries /clarifications	23-7-2023
2	Pre-Proposal Conference	27-9-2023
3.	Authority response to queries	3-10-2023
	Proposal Due Date or PDD(Online	
4.	Submission Date)	10-10-2023(6.55 PM)
	Submission of Hard copies (Technical	
5.	Bid)	12-10-2023 (3 pm)
6	Opening of Technical Proposals	12-10-2023 (4 pm)
7.	Opening of Financial Bids	To be intimated later
8.	Letter of Award (LOA)	To be intimated later
9.	Signing of Agreement	To be intimated later
10.	Validity of Bid	180 days

1.8 Pre-Proposal Conference

The date, time and venue of Pre-Proposal Conference shall be:

Date: 27-9-2023

Time: 3 pm

Venue: Directorate of Mines and Geology, Panaji

The interested bidders those willing to participate in the pre-proposal have to send an email request indicating names of the participants and their ID proof.

1.9 Communications

All communications including the submission of Proposal should be addressed to:

The Director

Directorate of Mines and Geology

Ground Floor of Institute Menezes Braganza,

Panaji, Goa - 403 001

Email: auction.dmg@goa.gov.in

1.10 The entire addendum, corrigendum and any other bid related details, if any,

will be communicated to the applicant through e-tender mode only. Such

documents shall become a part of the RFP.

1.11 All communications should contain the following information, to be marked at

the top in bold letters: RFP Notice No. for "Project Management Unit for North Goa

District Mineral Foundation (Trust) and South Goa District Mineral Foundation

(Trust)".

2. INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

2.1 Scope of Work

- To examine the proposals and projects received from the village panchayats, zilla panchayats and the Urban Local Bodies in the District, Government Departments, Boards, Corporations and State or Central Public Sector Undertakings or Individual Proposals routed through any of these agencies.
- 2. Scoping of new proposals, devising checklist/ criteria for selection of proposals, scrutinizing the proposals for its benefit, sustainability and feasibility.
- 3. Technical, financial and administrative evaluation of the proposal, monitoring execution of project including it's legal status, estimation and obtaining the document from the proponent.
- 4. To coordinate, consolidate, develop and devise the Perspective and Annual Plans and the Annual Budget of the Trusts along with the proposed schemes and projects within given timeframe.
- 5. To act as technical support for the Supervision and execution of the Annual Plan and the approved schemes and projects.

- 6. To act as a liasoning agency between the community and the DMF's to ensure that the projects identified reach out to the various mining affected stakeholders.
- 7. Working on the guidelines of the PMKKKY/DMF Rules for the identification of the affected areas and the affected person.
- 8. To prepare and maintain various reports, all agenda, minutes of the meetings and the action taken report of the Foundations.
- 9. To maintain the list of beneficiaries under various welfare programmes.
- 10. To prepare Annual Report after end of each financial year containing such information as deemed appropriate by the District Mineral Foundation Trusts.
- 11. To maintain Accounts of DMFTs in double entry accounting system.
- 12. To submit monthly reports to DMG/NGDMFT/SGDMFT
- 13. To assist in DMG in State Level Monitoring Committee meetings and any other meetings related to DMF
- 14. To undertake all other such activities, as directed by the Managing Committee and/or the Governing Council, that are necessary for the smooth functioning and management of the DMF Trusts.

PERIOD OF CONTRACT

The period of contract is 3 years from the date of signing the agreement with the Directorate of Mines and Geology. However, Government reserves the right to curtail the project period if the performance of the PMU is found not satisfactory by the NGDMFT, SGDMFT and the Government.

Estimated cost: Annual lump sum amount of Rs.55 lakh (fifth five lakh only) inclusive of all taxes.

Conditions of Eligibility of Applicants

2.2.1 Applicants must read carefully the minimum conditions of eligibility (the

"Conditions of Eligibility") provided herein. Proposals of only those Applicants who satisfy the Conditions of Eligibility will be considered for evaluation.

2.2.2 APPOINTING PMU FOR DMF FUNCTIONING

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Sr. No	Basic Requirement	Specific requirement Document Requiremen	
1	Registration	Legal Entity The bidder should be a Company registered under the Indian Companies Act 1956 or a Registered Partnership Firm or a Sole Proprietary Firm with GST registered in the State as on the bid submission date.	Copy of Registration /Certificate of Incorporation
		In the case of registered partnership firm all partners shall be liable, jointly or severally responsible during the bidding process and during the complete contract period in accordance with the terms of contract. The bid shall be signed so as to legally bind all partners, jointly and severally.	
2	Programme Management Experience	The Bidder should have at least one-year experience of working as PMU for DMF in any district of any State in India. project of consultancy in the mining sector in any State in India.	Experience certificate from competent authority.
3	Turnover	The Bidder should have achieved a total cumulative turnover of not less than Rs. 3.0 Crore during last 3 financial years(F.Y.2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23) and not less than	Certificate from statutory auditor/ audited financial statements for the three previous financial years ending March in FY 2020-21,

		Rs.50 lakh per year in each of three	2021-22 and 2022-23.
		financial years.	
4	Execution team	The Bidder should provide	Details of the team to be
		execution team as mentioned at	provided in the format
		Annexure - A.	attached at Annexure B.
5	Non	The bidder should not be	Letter of Undertaking
	Blacklisting	blacklisted by any Central / State	mentioned at Annexure C to
		Government institution or any	be given.
		other private agency.	

2.2.3RFP payments

Bidders participating in e-tendering have to make following payments through online payment Gateway on portal https://eprocure.goa.gov.in through direct pay by Internet Banking Payment, NEFT/RTGS

- (i) Tender Document Fee (TDF): Rs. 6000/-
- (ii) Tender Processing FEE (TPF): Rs. 3000/-
- (iii) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): Rs. 2,00,000/-

Note: Any payment made through RTGS/NEFT normally takes 24 hours for its reconciliation. Bidders are therefore advised to make the payments through NEFT/RTGS at two bank working days in advance before bid due date.

2.2.4 Other Terms and Conditions

- (a) The Agreement with the selected Agency will be entered into by the Directorate of Mines and Geology.
- (b) The schedule of payment will be mutually decided while signing the Agreement with the selected Agency release of payment shall be subject to efficient delivery of services to the satisfaction of NGMFT, DMFT and Government of Goa.
- (c) The selected Agency must have their own office premises to function in the State of Goa. Neither Government of Goa nor NGDMFT/SGDMFT will provide any office space for functioning of the Agency.

- (d) The entire team of the selected Agency must be stationed in the State of Goa and to be available for consultation/discussion/deliberation as and when required.
- (e) The team composition mentioned in the RFP is a minimum and mandatory requirement and the selected Agency if considered necessary may have more members the team within the overall annual lump sum charges quoted by them.
- (f) The team composition details as provided in the technical bid shall be valid for a period of three years. If the selected Agency desires to do any change in the team composition during the contract period, then the same shall be with the prior approval of the Directorate of Mines and Geology. Any such replacement of team member shall be equivalent or better qualified/experienced than the existing member.

2.3 **Conflict of Interest**

- 2.3.1 An Applicant shall not have a conflict of interest that may affect the Selection Process of the Consultancy (the "Conflict of Interest"). Any Applicant found to have a Conflict of Interest shall be disqualified. In the event of disqualification, the Authority shall forfeit and appropriate the PBG without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority hereunder or otherwise.
- 2.3.2 The Authority requires that the successful bidder provides professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold the Authority's interest paramount, avoid conflicts with other assignments or its own interests, and act without any consideration for future work. The successful bidder shall not accept or engage in any assignment that would be in conflict with its prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place it in a position of not being able to carry out the assignment in the best interests of the Authority.

2.4 Number of Proposals

No Applicant shall submit more than one Application for the RFP. An Applicant shall not be entitled to submit another application.

2.5 Cost of Proposal

The Applicants shall be responsible for all of the costs associated with the preparation of their Proposals and their participation in the Selection Process visits to the Authority etc. The Authority will not be responsible or in any way liable for such costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Selection Process.

2.6 **Acknowledgement by Applicant**

- 2.6.1 It shall be deemed that by submitting the Proposal, the Applicant has:
 - (a) made a complete and careful examination of the RFP;
 - (b) received all relevant information requested from the Authority;
 - (c)satisfied itself about all matters, things and information, necessary and required for submitting an informed Application and performance of all of its obligations thereunder;
 - (d) acknowledged that it does not have a Conflict of Interest; and
 - (e) agreed to be bound by the undertaking provided by it under and in terms hereof.

The Authority shall not be liable for any omission, mistake or error on the part of the Applicant in respect of any of the above or on account of any matter or thing arising out of or concerning or relating to RFP or the Selection Process, including any error or mistake therein or in any information or data given by the Authority.

2.7 Right to reject any or all Proposals

- 2.7.1 Notwithstanding anything contained in this RFP, the Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any Proposal and to annul the Selection Process and reject all Proposals, at any time without any liability or any obligation for such acceptance, rejection or annulment, and without assigning any reasons thereof.
- 2.7.2 Without prejudice to the generality of Clause 2.8, the Authority reserves the right to reject any Proposal if:

- (a) at any time, a material misrepresentation is made or discovered, or
- (b) the Applicant does not provide, within the time specified by the Authority, the supplemental information sought by the Authority for evaluation of the Proposal.

Misrepresentation/ improper response by the Applicant may lead to the disqualification of the Applicant. If such disqualification / rejection occurs after the Proposals have been opened and the highest ranking Applicant gets disqualified / rejected, then the Authority reserves the right to consider the next best Applicant, or take any other measure as may be deemed fit in the sole discretion of the Authority, including annulment of the Selection Process.

2.8 Clarifications

Applicants requiring any clarification on the RFP may send their queries to the Authority by e-mail so as to reach before the date mentioned in the Schedule of Selection Process at the address mentioned.

The Authority shall endeavor to respond to the queries within the period specified therein but not later than 7 (seven) days prior to the Proposal Due Date. The Authority will post the reply to all such queries through e-tender mode.

The Authority reserves the right not to respond to any questions or provide any clarifications, in its sole discretion, and nothing in this Clause 2.8 shall be construed as obliging the Authority to respond to any question or to provide any clarification.

2.9 Amendment of RFP

At any time prior to the deadline for submission of Proposal, the Authority may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to clarifications requested by an Applicant, modify the RFP document by the issuance of Addendum/ Amendment and posting it through e-tender process.

The amendments will be posted through on the e-tender process which will thus form part and parcel of the RFP and will be binding on all Applicants. All such amendments will be uploaded on the e-tender website.

In order to afford the Applicants a reasonable time for taking an amendment into account, or for any other reason, the Authority may, in its sole discretion, extend *Directorate of Mines and Geology* 14

2.10 PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL

Language

The Proposal with all accompanying documents (the "**Documents**") and all communications in relation to or concerning the Selection Process shall be in English language and strictly on the forms provided in this RFP. No supporting document or printed literature shall be submitted with the Proposal unless specifically asked for and in case any of these Documents is in another language, it must be accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in English, in which case, for all purposes of interpretation of the Proposal, the translation in English shall prevail.

2.11 Format and signing of Proposal

The Applicant shall provide all the information sought under this RFP. The Authority would evaluate only those Proposals that are received in the specified forms and complete in all respects. Submission of the complete Proposal through etender process, both technical and financial, is mandatory.

In addition, the Applicant shall prepare one original set of the Technical Proposal which should be exactly the same as that submitted through e-tender process and clearly marked "ORIGINAL". In addition, the Applicant shall submit 1 (one) copy of the technical Proposal, along with Documents, marked "COPY". In the event of any discrepancy between the original and its copies, the original shall prevail.

However, submission of financial proposal shall be through e-tender process only and the <u>Applicant shall not make any physical submission of financial proposal.</u> In event, if any <u>Applicant makes physical submission of financial proposal, the Applicant shall be disqualified from the bid process</u>.

The Proposal, and its copy, shall be typed or written in indelible ink and signed by the authorised signatory of the Applicant who shall 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 Proposal shall be initialed by the person(s) signing the Proposal. The Proposals must be properly signed by the authorised representative (the "Authorised Representative") as detailed below:

- (a) by the proprietor, in case of a proprietary firm; or
- (b) by a partner, in case of a partnership firm and/or a limited liability partnership; or
- (c) by a duly authorised person holding the Power of Attorney, in case of a Limited Company or a corporation;

Applicants should note the Proposal Due Date, for submission of Proposals. Except as specifically provided in this RFP, no supplementary material will be entertained by the Authority, and that evaluation will be carried out only on the basis of Documents received by the closing time of Proposal Due Date. Applicants will ordinarily not be asked to provide additional material information or documents subsequent to the date of submission, and unsolicited material if submitted will be summarily rejected. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority reserves the right to seek clarifications.

2.12 Technical Proposal

Applicants shall submit the technical proposal in the formats as mentioned in the eligibility conditions, technical qualification.

While submitting the Technical Proposal, the Applicant shall, in particular, ensure that:

- a) all forms are submitted in the prescribed formats and signed by the prescribed signatories;
- b) Power of Attorney, if applicable, is executed as per Applicable Laws;

The Technical Proposal shall not include any financial information relating to the Financial Proposal.

The Authority reserves the right to verify all statements, information and documents, submitted by the Applicant in response to the RFP. Any such

verification or the lack of such verification by the Authority to undertake such verification shall not relieve the Applicant of its obligations or liabilities hereunder nor will it affect any rights of the Authority thereunder.

In case it is found during the evaluation or at any time before signing of the Agreement or after its execution and during the period of subsistence thereof, that one or more of the eligibility conditions have not been met by the Applicant or the Applicant has made material misrepresentation or has given any materially incorrect or false information, the Applicant shall be disqualified forthwith if not yet appointed as the successful bidder either by issue of the LOA or entering into of the Agreement, and if the Selected bidder has already been issued the LOA or has entered into the Agreement, as the case may be, the same shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein or in this RFP, be liable to be terminated, by a communication in writing by the Authority without the Authority being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Applicant or Independent Engineer, as the case may be.

In such an event, the Authority shall forfeit and appropriate the PBG the Authority for, *inter alia*, time, cost and effort of the Authority, without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority.

2.13 Financial Proposal

Applicants shall submit the financial proposal through e-tender mode only in the format prescribed therein clearly indicating the total cost (inclusive of all taxes) in both figures and words, in Indian Rupees, and signed (digitally) by the Applicant's Authorized Representative. In the event of any difference between figures and words, the amount indicated in words shall prevail. In the event of a difference between the arithmetic total and the total shown in the Financial Proposal, the lower of the two shall prevail. Applicant shall not make any physical submission of financial proposal. In event, if any Applicant makes physical submission of financial proposal, the Applicant shall be disqualified from the bid process.

2.14 Submission of Proposal

The Applicants shall submit the Proposal through e-tender process with all pages numbered serially and by giving an index of submissions. Each page of the submission shall be initialed by the Authorized Representative of the Applicant as per the terms of the RFP. In addition, the Applicant shall submit hard bound copy of Technical Proposal, which should be exactly the same as that submitted through e-

tender process. However, the Financial Proposal has to be through e-tender process only and the Applicant shall not make physical submission of Financial Proposal.

2.14.1 Physical submission of hard bound copy of Technical Proposal must be sealed in an envelope which will bear the address of the Authority, RFP Notice number, and the name and address of the Applicant. It shall bear on top, the following:

"PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT FOR NORTH GOA DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION (TRUST) AND SOUTH GOA DISTRICT MANAGEMENT FOUNDATION (TRUST)"

If the envelope is not sealed and marked as instructed above, the Authority assumes no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the contents of the Proposal submitted and consequent losses, if any, suffered by the Applicant.

- 2.14.2 The aforesaid envelope marked "Technical Proposal" shall contain all the documents mentioned in the technical qualification section.
- 2.14.3 The completed Proposal must be submitted through e-tender process on or before the specified time on Proposal Due Date. Physical submission of Technical Proposal must also be made on or before the specified time on Proposal Due Date. Proposals submitted by fax or e-mail shall not be entertained.
- 2.14.4 The Proposal shall be made in the Forms specified in this RFP. Any attachment to such Forms must be provided on separate sheets of paper and only information that is directly relevant should be provided. This may include photocopies of the relevant pages of printed documents. No separate documents like printed annual statements, company brochures, copy of contracts etc. will be

entertained.

2.15 Proposal Due Date

2.15.1 Proposal should be submitted at or before the Proposal Due Date specified in the manner and form as detailed in this RFP. The Applicant shall automatically receive receipt through e-tender process upon submission of the Proposal through e-tender process. However, a receipt of physical submission of Technical Proposal should be obtained from the person specified therein.

2.15.2 The Authority may, in its sole discretion, extend the Proposal Due Date by issuing an Addendum.

2.16 Late Proposals

Proposals received by the Authority after the specified time on Proposal Due Date shall not be eligible for consideration and shall be summarily rejected.

2.17 Modification/substitution/withdrawal of Proposals

2.17.1 The Applicant may modify, substitute, or withdraw its Proposal after submission, provided that written notice of the modification, substitution, or withdrawal is received by the Authority prior to Proposal Due Date. No Proposal shall be modified, substituted, or withdrawn by the Applicant on or after the Proposal Due Date.

2.17.2 The modification, substitution, or withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked, and delivered with the envelopes being additionally marked "MODIFICATION", "SUBSTITUTION" or "WITHDRAWAL", as appropriate.

2.17.3 Any alteration / modification in the Proposal or additional information or material supplied subsequent to the Proposal Due Date, unless the same has been expressly sought for by the Authority, shall be disregarded.

2.18 Performance Security

2.18.1 The Applicant, by submitting its Application pursuant to this RFP, shall be

deemed to have acknowledged that without prejudice to the Authority's any other right or remedy hereunder or in law or otherwise, its Performance Security shall be forfeited and appropriated by the Authority as the mutually agreed pre-estimated compensation and damages payable to the Authority for, *inter alia*, the time, cost and effort of the Authority in regard to the RFP, including the consideration and evaluation of the Proposal, under the following conditions:

- (a) If an Applicant engages in any of the Prohibited Practices.
- (b) if the Applicant is found to have a Conflict of Interest.
- (c) if the Selected Applicant commits a breach of the Agreement.

2.18.2 An amount equal to 3% of the Agreement Value shall be deemed to be the Performance Security. The Applicant shall submit the Performance Security in the form of Bank Guarantee ("Performance Bank Guarantee") in favour of Directorate of Mines and Geology issued by any nationalized/scheduled bank having their branch in Goa and payable in Goa and valid for a period three years.

EVALUATION PROCESS

2.19 Evaluation of Proposals

2.19.1 The Authority shall open the Technical Proposals on the Proposal Due Date, in the presence of the Applicants who choose to attend. The Technical Proposal submitted through e-tender process shall be opened first followed by the physically submitted envelope marked "Technical Proposal". Upon evaluation technical proposal and short listing of eligible applicants, the Financial Proposal shall be opened through e-tender process for which a date will be intimated to the short listed applicants by giving an advance notice of at least 3 working days.

2.19.2 Proposals for which a notice of withdrawal has been submitted shall not be opened.

2.19.3 Prior to evaluation of Proposals, the Authority will determine whether each Proposal is responsive to the requirements of the RFP. The Authority may, in its sole discretion, reject any Proposal that is not responsive hereunder. A Proposal shall be considered responsive only if:

- (a) the Technical Proposal is received in the form as mentioned in the RFP.
- (b) it is received by the Proposal Due Date including any extension thereof
- (c) it contains all the information (complete in all respects) as requested in the RFP;
- (d) it does not contain any condition or qualification; and
- (e) it is not non-responsive in terms hereof.
- 2.19.4 The Authority reserves the right to reject any Proposal which is non-responsive and no request for alteration, modification, substitution or withdrawal shall be entertained by the Authority in respect of such Proposals.
- 2.19.5 After the technical evaluation, the Authority shall prepare a list of prequalified and short-listed Applicants for opening of their Financial Proposals. A date, time and venue will be notified to all Applicants for announcing the result of evaluation and opening of Financial Proposals. Before opening of the Financial Proposals, the list of pre-qualified and shortlisted Applicants along with their Technical Score will be read out. The opening of Financial Proposals shall be done in presence of respective representatives of Applicants who choose to be present.

The Authority will not entertain any query or clarification from Applicants who fail to qualify at any stage of the Selection Process.

- 2.19.5 Applicants are advised that Selection shall be entirely at the discretion of the Authority. Applicants shall be deemed to have understood and agreed that the Authority shall not be required to provide any explanation or justification in respect of any aspect of the Selection Process or Selection.
- 2.19.6 Any information contained in the Proposal shall not in any way be construed as binding on the Authority, its agents, successors or assigns, but shall be binding against the Applicant if the work is subsequently awarded to it.

2.20 Confidentiality

Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation, and recommendation for the selection of Applicants shall not be disclosed to any person who is not officially concerned with the process or is not a retained professional adviser advising the Authority in relation to matters arising out of, or concerning the Selection Process. The Authority shall treat all information, submitted as part of the Proposal, in confidence and shall require all those who have access to such material to treat the same in confidence. The Authority may not divulge any such information unless 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 Authority or as may be required by law or in connection with any legal process.

2.21 Clarifications

2.21.1 To facilitate evaluation of Proposals, the Authority may, at its sole discretion, seek clarifications from any Applicant regarding its Proposal. Such clarification(s) shall be provided within the time specified by the Authority for this purpose. Any request for clarification(s) and all clarification(s) in response thereto shall be in writing.

2.21.2 If an Applicant does not provide clarifications sought within the specified time, its Proposal shall be liable to be rejected. In case the Proposal is not rejected, the Authority may proceed to evaluate the Proposal by construing the particulars requiring clarification to the best of its understanding, and the Applicant shall be barred from subsequently questioning such interpretation of the Authority.

APPOINTMENT OF THE SUCESSFUL BIDDER

2.22 Negotiations

2.22.1 The Successful Bidder may, if necessary, be invited for negotiations. The negotiations shall not be for reducing the price of the Proposal, but will be for re-

confirming the obligations under this RFP. Issues such as understanding of the RFP, methodology and quality of the work plan shall be discussed during negotiations. In case the Successful Bidder fails to reconfirm its commitment, the Authority reserves the right to designate the next ranked bidder as the Successful Bidder and invite it for negotiations.

2.22.3 Issue of Letter of Award

After selection, a Letter of Award (the "LOA") shall be issued, in duplicate, by the Authority to the successful bidder and the successful bidder shall, within 7 (seven) days of the receipt of the LOA, sign and return the duplicate copy of the LOA in acknowledgement thereof. In the event the duplicate copy of the LOA duly signed by the Selected Applicant is not received by the stipulated date, the Authority may, unless it consents to extension of time for submission thereof, appropriate the Bid Security of such Applicant.

2.22.4 Execution of Agreement

After acknowledgement of the LOA as aforesaid by the successful bidder, it shall execute the Agreement within the period mentioned.

2.22.5 Commencement of assignment

The successful bidder shall commence the work within 14 (Fourteen) days of the date of the Agreement. If the successful bidder fails to either sign the Agreement or commence the assignment as specified herein, the Authority may invite the second ranked bidder for negotiations. In such an event, the EMD of the first ranked Applicant shall be forfeited.

2.26 Proprietary data

All documents and other information provided by the Authority or submitted by an Applicant to the Authority shall remain or become the property of the Authority. Applicants and the successful bidder, as the case may be, are to treat all information as strictly confidential. The Authority will not return any Proposal or any information related thereto. All information collected, analysed, processed or in whatever manner provided by the successful bidder to the Authority in relation to

the task of Independent Engineer shall be the property of the Authority.

3.CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

3.1 Evaluation of Technical Proposal

- 3.1.1 In the first stage, proposal of each applicant shall be scrutinized to establish "Responsiveness". Each Applicant's proposal shall be checked for compliance with the submission requirements set forth in this RFP. Any of the following conditions shall cause the Proposal to be "Non-responsive":
 - a) Proposals that are incomplete, i.e. not accompanied by any of the applicable formats.
 - b) Proposal not received by the due date and time
 - c) Proposal having Conflict of Interest
 - d) Proposal being conditional in nature
 - e) Applicant submitting or participating in more than one Proposal.
 - f) Applicant delaying in submission of additional information or clarifications sought by Authority as applicable;
 - g) Bidder makes any misrepresentation in contravention to the terms of this RFP
- 3.1.2 The Evaluation Committee appointed by the Authority shall carry out its evaluation considering the information furnished by the Applicants and applying the eligibility criteria specified in this RFP.

3.2 Financial Proposal Evaluation

- 3.2.1 After the evaluation of Technical Proposals is completed and the Technically Qualified Applicants are finalized, Authority may notify those Applicants whose proposals were not considered as per conditions of RFP indicating that their Financial Proposal will not be opened. The Authority shall simultaneously notify the technically qualified firms indicating the date and time set for opening of the Financial Proposals.
- 3.2.2 The Financial Proposals shall be opened publicly in the presence of the

Applicants' representatives who choose to attend. The name of the Applicant and the proposed prices shall be read aloud and recorded when the Financial Proposals are opened on e-tender mode Authority shall prepare minutes of the public opening.

3.2.2. The Evaluation Committee will determine whether the Financial Proposals are complete, unqualified and unconditional. The cost indicated in the Financial Proposal shall be deemed as final and reflecting the total cost of services. Omissions, if any, in costing any item shall not entitle the firm to be compensated and the liability to fulfil its obligations as per the TOR within the total quoted price shall be that of the Independent Engineer.

3.3 Cost Based Selection Approach

- 3.3.1 The selection is based on least cost basis among the technically qualified Applicants.
- 3.3.2 Applicant submitting the lowest Financial Proposal shall be the selected bidder.
- 3.3.3 The successful bidder shall be the first ranked Applicant (L1 Applicant). The second ranked Applicant (L2 Applicant) shall be kept in reserve and may be invited for negotiations in case the L1 Applicant withdraws, or fails to comply with the requirements. In case the L1 Applicant withdraws or get disqualified for any reason, the L2 Applicant will be awarded the work only if the applicant agrees to match the financial proposal of the L1 Applicant.

4. FRAUD AND CORRUPT PRACTICES

4.1 The Applicants and their respective officers, employees, agents and advisers shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the Selection Process. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this RFP, the Authority shall reject a Proposal without being liable in any manner

whatsoever to the Applicant, if it determines that the Applicant has, directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice (collectively the "**ProhibitedPractices**") in the Selection Process. In such an event, the Authority shall, without prejudice to its any other rights or remedies, forfeit and appropriate Performance Security, as the case may be, as mutually agreed genuine pre-estimated compensation and damages payable to the Authority for, *inter alia*, time, cost and effort of the Authority, in regard to the RFP, including consideration and evaluation of such Applicant's Proposal.

- 4.2 Without prejudice to the rights of the Authority under Clause 4.1 hereinabove and the rights and remedies which the Authority may have under the LOA or the Agreement, if an Applicant or Independent Engineer, as the case may be, is found by the Authority to have directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice during the Selection Process, or after the issue of the LOA or the execution of the Agreement, such Applicant shall not be eligible to participate in any tender or RFP issued by the Authority during a period of 2 (two) years from the date such Applicant, as the case may be, is found by the Authority to have directly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice, as the case may be.
- 4.3 For the purposes of this Section, the following terms shall have the meaning hereinafter respectively assigned to them:
 - (a) "corrupt practice" means (i) the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of any person connected with the Selection Process (for avoidance of doubt, offering of employment to or employing or engaging in any manner whatsoever, directly or indirectly, any official of the Authority who is or

has been associated in any manner, directly or indirectly with the Selection Process or the LOA or has dealt with matters concerning the Agreement or arising therefrom, before or after the execution thereof, at any time prior to the expiry of one year from the date such official resigns or retires from or otherwise ceases to be in the service of the Authority, shall be deemed to constitute influencing the actions of a person connected with the Selection Process); or (ii) save as provided herein, engaging in any manner whatsoever, whether during the Selection Process or after the issue of the LOA or after the execution of the Agreement, as the case may be, any person in respect of any matter relating to the Project or the LOA or the Agreement, who at any time has been or is a legal, financial or technical Independent Engineer/ adviser of the Authority in relation to any matter concerning the Project;

- (b) "**fraudulent practice**" means a misrepresentation or omission of facts or disclosure of incomplete facts, in order to influence the Selection Process;
- (c) "coercive practice" means impairing or harming or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any persons or property to influence any person's participation or action in the Selection Process;
- (d) "undesirable practice" means (i) establishing contact with any person connected with or employed or engaged by the Authority with the objective of canvassing, lobbying or in any manner influencing or attempting to influence the Selection Process; or (ii) having a Conflict of Interest; and
- (e) "restrictive practice" means forming a cartel or arriving at any understanding or arrangement among Applicants with the objective of restricting or manipulating a full and fair competition in the Selection Process.

5. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

- 5.1 A maximum of two representatives of each interested bidder shall be allowed to participate on production of an authority letter from the Applicant.
- 5.2 During the course of Pre-Proposal Conference, the Applicants will be free to seek clarifications and make suggestions for consideration of the Authority. The Authority shall endeavor to provide clarifications and such further information as it may, in its sole discretion, consider appropriate for facilitating a fair, transparent and competitive Selection Process.
- **5.3** Every page of the written query must be signed and stamped by the Authorized signatory. The scanned copy of the written query must be sent by email to the official id of the Authority on or before the due date. The hard copy of the written queries must reach the Authority office on or before date mentioned above.

6.MISCELLANEOUS

- 6.1 The Selection Process shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of India and the Courts in the State in which the Authority has its headquarters shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all disputes arising under, pursuant to and/or in connection with the Selection Process.
- 6.2 The Authority, in its sole discretion and without incurring any obligation or liability, reserves the right, at any time, to:
 - (a) suspend and/or cancel the Selection Process and/or amend and/or supplement the Selection Process or modify the dates or other terms and conditions relating thereto;
 - (b) consult with any Applicant in order to receive clarification or further information;

- (c) retain any information and/or evidence submitted to the Authority by, on behalf of and/or in relation to any Applicant; and/or
- (d) Independently verify, disqualify, reject and/or accept any and all submissions or other information and/or evidence submitted by or on behalf of any Applicant.
- 6.3 It shall be deemed that by submitting the Proposal, the Applicant agrees and releases the Authority, its employees, agents and advisers, irrevocably, unconditionally, fully and finally from any and all liability for claims, losses, damages, costs, expenses or liabilities in any way related to or arising from the exercise of any rights and/or performance of any obligations hereunder, pursuant hereto and/or in connection herewith and waives any and all rights and/or claims it may have in this respect, whether actual or contingent, whether present or future.
- All documents and other information supplied by the Authority or submitted by an Applicant shall remain or become, as the case may be, the property of the Authority. The Authority will not return any submissions made hereunder. Applicants are required to treat all such documents and information as strictly confidential.
- 6.5 The Authority reserves the right to make inquiries with any of the clients listed by the Applicants in their previous experience record.

ANNEXURE - A

TEAM	TEAM COMPOSITION				
Sr.No	Role	Quantity	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Work Experience	
1	Team Leader #	1	Ph.D./Post Graduate	10 years of relevant work experience	
2	Program Coordinator#	1	Post Graduate/ Graduate	7 years of relevant work experience.	
3	Project Officer	4 (North Goa 2 South Goa 2)	Graduate/Master's degree	3 years of work experience for graduates and minimum 2 years for master's degree in project management.	
4	Accountant	2 (North Goa 1 South Goa 1)	B.com/ BBA from reputed Government institution.	2 years of relevant work experience.	

[#] Either Team Leader or the Program coordinator provided should have minimum 1 year experience in DMF management in any State in India.

2.2.3 Responsibilities of each team members;

1. Team Leader

Ph.D. /Post Graduate from reputed Government Institution with at least 10 years of relevant work experience, consisting of at least 5 years' experience of working with a government body while leading team in social development sector.

Responsibilities

- Responsible for overall functioning of the Planning and Monitoring Unit (PMU)
- Build & Maintain high performing Team in PMU

- Provide effective program management, managing human and financial resources to effectively achieve the objective of DMF
- Act as formal channel of communication between the different organization and the District Mineral Foundation (DMF)
- Report to the Chairman/Member Secretary DMF

2. Program Coordinator

Post Graduate/Graduate from reputed Government Institution with at least 7 years of relevant work experience, experience consisting of at least 3 years experience of working with a government body while leading team in social development sector.

Responsibilities

- Conceptualize project execution strategy for improved public service delivery.
- Ensure that deliverable is achieved in timely manner
- Capacity Building of Project Team and follow up actions thereby.
- Need assessment and gap identification within the preview of PMKKKY Guidelines.
- Formulation of long-term perspective plans, medium-term plans and Annual Action plan.
- Field visits and monitoring of projects undertaken under DMFT
- Report to the Team Leader

3. Project Officer

Graduate/Master's degree in a relevant area such as business management, rural management, social work, agriculture, socio-economic, developmental studies, sustainable studies, social innovation & entrepreneurship, social work in rural development and/or related field.

Minimum 3 years of work experience for graduates and minimum 2 years for master's degree in project management/ monitoring & evaluation/ policy advocacy in fields related to skill development and livelihood.

Responsibilities

- Map out existing support that exists in different areas through the focused group and facilitate dialogue with project stakeholder in village and line department for effective implementation of programs.
- Prepare baseline in consultation with Project Coordinator and arrange for evaluation of program.
- Identify gaps and suggests innovative solution in the high and low priority sectors identified by DMF
- Incorporate local aspirations in the different projects implemented by the line department
- Ensure collaboration and partnership with different sectors to promote convergence and avoid duplication
- Report to the Project Coordinator
- Any other duties as may be assigned by Team Leader

4. Accountant

B.com/ BBA with minimum 2 years of relevant work experience in accounting and accounts management as well as exceptional hands-on capability on excel sheets/spread sheet.

Responsibilities

• To maintain double entry accounting system for DMFTs.

- Maintain day-to-day book of account
- Maintain all records, ledger and relevant documents of the PMU
- Ensure timely submission of account and utilization certificates by the implementing agencies.
- Prepare Progress Report
- Help and facilitate the auditing process
- Process Bills and Vouchers for PMU
- Prepare and submit the Annual Budget and financial report
- Process salaries and reimbursement claims of staff of the Planning and Monitoring Unit (PMU)
- Liaison with the bank on various issues and prepare bank reconciliation statements.
- Comply with all statutory and legal requirements of PMU in a timely manner
- Comply with all auditory requirements of the PMU in a timely manner
- Report to the Team Leader, Planning and Monitoring Unit
- Any other duties as may be assigned by Team Leader.

ANNEXURE "B" CV's of the proposed PMU Team (Duly signed by HR)

Sr NO	Name of Resource	Present Designation	Highest Qualification	Area of Expertise	Years of association with the bidder	Total Experien ce (in years)	Propos ed Position /Role	Total Experience in DMF Management
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ANNEXURE - C

Letter of Undertaking

То
Sir, Sub: Undertaking of acceptance of the Terms and Conditions as mentioned in the RFP
Ref: Tender No dated
I/We have gone through the Terms and Conditions, Scope of Work and will abide by them.
I/We hereby confirm that our Company was not blacklisted by any State Government/ Central Government/ State or Central Public Sector Undertakings. We also hereby confirm that our EMD/ Security Deposit were not forfeited by any State Government / Central Government / State or Central Public Sector Undertakings due to our non-performance, non-compliance with the conditions etc.
I/We hereby declare that all the particulars furnished by us in this RFP are true to the best of my/our knowledge and we understand and accept that if at any stage, the information furnished is found to be incorrect or false, we are liable for disqualification from this tender and also are liable for any penal action that may arise due to the above.
I/We certify that we are liable and responsible for any disputes arising out of Intellectual Property Rights.
In case of violation of any of the conditions above, I/We understand that I/ We are liable to be blacklisted.
Yours Faithfully,
For Signature Name: Designation:

Note:

- 1) Declaration on the company's letter head should be submitted as per the format given above.
- 2) If the bidding firm has been blacklisted earlier by any State Government / Central Government / State or Central Public Sector Undertakings, in such case the details should be provided.

ANNEXURE "D" DETAILS OF THE ORGANIZATION

No.	Details	Responses
1	Name of the bidding firm	
2	Registered Office with full address	
3	Telephone No(s)	
4	e-mail address	
5	Website URL	
6	Incorporation status of the firm (public limited / private limited etc.)	
7	Year of Establishment	
8	Date of registration	
9	Name & Designation of Authorized Signatory	
10	Income Tax Registration No.	
11	GST Registration No.	
12	Name, Address, email, Phone nos. and Mobile Number of Contact Person(s)	

(Authorized Si	gnatory)
Name:	
Designation &	Authority:
Place:	Date:
<u>I/We</u>	hereby declare that all the particulars furnished above are true to
the best of my	our knowledge and we understand and accept that if at any stage, the
information furi	nished is found to be incorrect or false, we are liable to be blacklisted.

ANNEXURE "E"

Authorization Letter Format

(To be presented by the authorized person at the time of Financial Bid Opening in their Official letterhead)

Tender No:
To,
The Director
Directorate of Mines and Geology
Ground Floor ofInstitute Menezes Braganza,
Panaji, Goa - 403 001
Dear Madam,
SUB: Authorization Letter for attending the Bid Opening
This has reference to your above for the tender so specified
Mr. /Miss. / Mrs is hereby authorized to attend the
bid opening of the above tender on behalf of me / our organization.
The specimen signature is attested
Specimen Signature of Representative
Signature of Authorizing Authority
Name & Designation of Authorizing Authority

FINANCIAL BID

Financial Bid has to be submitted as per the below format in online mode only and Financial Bid of only those bidders will be opened who qualify as per TQ requirements.

FINANCIAL BID FORMAT (Online Mode Only)

Particulars	Amount (Inclusive of all taxes)
	(in Rupees)
Annual lump sum charges (inclusive	
of all taxes)	

Financial Terms and Conditions:

- (g) Financial bid shall be inclusive of all taxes. No charges of whatsoever nature would be paidadditional to the cost mentioned above.
- (h) The bidder must use only the format provided in the e-tender website for submitting the financials. Any other formats/ forms will not be accepted and such tenders will be rejected.
- (i) The bidder must provide the Financial Bid strictly in e-tender mode only. Hardcopies of the Financial Bid should not be submitted.
- (j) The annual lump sum charges quoted must be firm and final and shall not be subject to any upward modifications on any account whatsoever.
- (k) The annual lump sum charges quoted shall be valid for the entire contract period of 3 (three) years without any escalation.
- (l) It must be clearly understood that the Terms and Conditions and Specifications are intended to be strictly enforced. No escalation of cost in the RFP by the Bidder will be permitted throughout the period of contract or throughout the period of completion of contract including extended period, whichever is later on account of any reasons whatsoever.
- (m) The lump sum charges shall be equally shared by the NGDMFT and SGDMFT for which separate invoices must be submitted.