

Request for Proposal (RFP)

For

Selection of Application Service Provider (ASP) for e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward Bidding Solution



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BID CONTROL SHEET

Tender Reference	RFP Ref. No: UCO/DIT/4334/2021-22 Date: 03/03/2022
Cost of Tender documents	Rs.5000 /- (Rupees Five Thousand Only)
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only in the form of PBG)
Date of issue of RFP	03/03/2022
Date of commencement of sale of tender document	03/03/2022
Last date for submitting queries for the Pre-bid Meeting	09/03/2022 up to 1:00 PM
Pre-Bid meeting Schedule	10/03/2022 at 11.30 A.M. (Meeting would be done through Video-Conferencing)
Last Date and Time for receipts of tender bids	30/03/2022 at 04:00 PM
Opening of technical bids	30/03/2022 at 04:30 PM
Opening of Price Bid	Will be informed subsequently to technically qualified bidders.
Address of Communication	Chief Manager, Head Office-2 Department of Information Technology 7th Floor, 3 & 4 DD Block, Sector -1 Salt Lake, Kolkata-700 064
Email address	hodit.proc@ucobank.co.in
Bids to be submitted	Tender box placed at: UCO BANK, Head Office-2, Department of Information Technology, 5th Floor, 3 & 4, DD Block, Sector – 1, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700 064.

Note: Bids will be opened in presence of the bidders' representatives (maximum two representatives per bidder) who choose to attend. In case the specified date of submission & opening of Bids is declared a holiday in West Bengal under the NI act, the bids will be received till the specified time on next working day and will be opened at 04:30 PM. UCO Bank is not responsible for non-receipt of responses to RFP within the specified date and time due to any reason including postal holidays or delays. Any bid received after specified date and time of the receipt of bids prescribed as mentioned above, will not be accepted by the Bank. Bids once submitted will be treated as final and no further correspondence will be entertained on this. No bid will be modified after the specified date & time for submission of bids. No bidder shall be allowed to withdraw the bid.

PART – I

1. Introduction

UCO Bank, a body corporate, established under the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act 1970, having its Head Office at 10, B.T.M. Sarani, Kolkata-700001, India, and its Department of Information Technology at 3 & 4, DD Block, Sector – 1, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700064, hereinafter called “the Bank”, is one of the leading public sector Banks in India having more than 3000+ Domestic Branches, two Overseas Branches one each at Singapore & Hong Kong Centres and 2300+ ATMs (including Biometric enabled ATMs), spread all over the country. All the branches of the Bank are CBS enabled through Finacle (Ver.10.X) as a Core Banking Solution.

2. Objective

UCO Bank intends to select Application Service Provider (ASP) for providing e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward bidding solution and against the above backdrop, UCO Bank invites Request for Proposal (RFP) from the prospective bidders having proven past experience and competence in the field of providing e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward bidding solution as per specification given in this RFP document.

Only those bidders, who satisfy the eligibility criteria mentioned in this RFP document need to respond.

3. Eligibility Criteria

Only those Bidders, who fulfill the following all eligibilities criteria, are eligible to respond to this RFP. Offers received from the bidders who do not fulfill any of the following eligibility criteria are liable to be rejected.

Sl. No.	Criteria	Proof of documents to be submitted
1.	Bidder should be a limited company(Public/Private)registered in India under the Companies Act, 1956/2013 for the last 3 years as on RFP issuance date. Companies registered as MSME Entrepreneur & still categorized as MSME as on RFP submission date.	1. Certificate of Incorporation issued by Registrar of Companies along with 2. Copies of Memorandum of Association 3. Copies of Articles of Association 4. Shareholding pattern 5. PAN, TAN, GSTIN Certificate and any other tax related document if applicable is required to be

	Bidder/Partner/Investor must adhere cross border sharing/FDI/FEMA and other regulatory guidelines of Govt. of India. The bidder should not be a subsidiary of a foreign company.	submitted along with the eligibility bid. Registration from DIC, KVIB, NSIC, KVIC, DIHH, UAA or any other body specified by Ministry of MSME.
2.	The bidder submitting the offer should have positive net-worth for the last three financial years i.e. 2018-19, 2019-20 & 2020-21. This must be the individual company turnover and not of any group of companies.	Copy of the audited balance sheet of the company showing net-worth of the company for the consecutive last three financial years (2018-19, 2019-20 & 2020-21) should be submitted along with Chartered Accountant Certificate.
3.	The bidder should have a minimum annual turnover of Rs. 2 Crore per year during the last three financial years i.e. 2018-19, 2019-20 & 2020-21. This must be the individual company turnover and not of any group of companies.	
4.	The service provider should have conducted minimum Fifty (50 nos.) e-procurement processes and One Thousand (1000 nos.) e-reverse / forward auctions for corporate clients, Government/PSU/Banks in India in last Two (02) years.	Documentary evidence with relevant copies of Purchase Order/SLA along with Satisfactory Working Certificates / Completion Certificates / Installation Reports / Project Sign-Offs including names of clients with Phone and Fax numbers, E-Mail IDs etc.
5.	Service Provider should be an ISO certified effective as on date for creating Marketplace and conducting of e-procurement activities.	Enclose the copy of the requisite certificate.
6.	Bidder should not have been debarred / black-listed by any bank or RBI or any other regulatory authority or Financial Institutions in India as on date of RFP submission.	Annexure-V should be submitted
7.	The service provider should ensure that there are no legal proceedings / inquiries / investigations have been commenced / pending against service provider by any statutory or regulatory or investigative agencies or any other	Self-declaration to this effect on the company's letterhead should be submitted.

	for which performance under the contract will get adversely affected / may get affected.	
8.	The service provider should have their Data Centre located only in India with a suitable DR setup for Business Continuity at a different seismic zone, with required hardware and software, application software etc.	Supporting documents to be submitted.
9.	The infrastructure provided by the service provider should be certified by authorised Information Security certifying agency (preferably empanelled by CERT IN). The service provider should have full-fledged SOC in place.	Certificate from respective authorised Information Security certifying agency (CERT IN) should be provided. Undertaking for SOC implementation on company's letterhead to be submitted.
10.	E-Procurement & e-Auction solution proposed by the service provider and related system should conform to the requirements of CVC guidelines, Central Govt. guidelines, STQC certified as per latest laws / Govt. / regulatory guidelines mentioned on it, validity of which may be verified from the certifying authority.	Recent copy of STQC certificate should be attached. An undertaking confirming CVC guidelines, Central Govt. guidelines, STQC certified as per latest laws / Govt. / regulatory should be provided.
11.	The service provider shall have complete IPR (Intellectual Property Rights) to the software.	A declaration stating the same and certifying that there is no other legal claims on the software or the IP have to be submitted along with technical bid.
12.	The bidder should be an OSD or their authorized representative in India. In case OSD participates in the tender process directly, authorized representative will not be permitted to participate in the same tender process.	Undertaking / Power of Attorney (PoA) from the OSD mentioning a clause that OSD will provide support services during warranty period if the bidder authorized by them fails to perform. In case of an authorized representative, a letter of authorization (OSD) from original manufacturer must be furnished in original duly signed & stamped (As

		per Annexure – XXVII).
13.	The e-procurement solution proposed by the service provider and related systems should conform to the requirements of the IT Act 2000 / 2008 including all amendments.	Recent copy of certificate should be attached showing validity period.
14.	The service provider should have its presence across the country (preferably Bank's Zonal Office locations as per Annexure - XVI) either its own office or it should have tie-up arrangement with other agencies for support.	The detailed list of the office addresses along with contact details to be submitted on company letter head. Self-declaration regarding tie-up arrangement in case the service provider is not having its presence to be submitted.

Note :- In this tender process either authorized representative / distributor / dealer in India on behalf of Principal OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturer), Original Solution Developer (OSD) or Principal OEM/OSD itself can bid but both cannot bid simultaneously. In such case OEM/OSD bid will only be accepted. If an agent / distributor submits bid on behalf of the Principal OEM/OSD, the same agent / distributor shall not submit a bid on behalf of another Principal OEM/OSD in the same tender for the same item or product.

The service provider must comply with all above-mentioned criteria. Non-compliance of any of the criteria will entail rejection of the offer summarily. Documentary Evidence for compliance to each of the eligibility criteria must be enclosed along with the bid together with references. Undertaking for subsequent submission of any of the required document will not be entertained under any circumstances. However, UCO Bank reserves the right to seek clarifications on the already submitted documents. Non-compliance of any of the criteria will entail rejection of the offer summarily. Any decision of UCO Bank in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the service provider.

PART – II

INVITATION FOR BIDS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Invitation For Bids

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is to invite proposals from eligible bidders desirous of taking up the project for selection of Application Service Provider (ASP) for providing e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward bidding solution. Sealed offers / Bids (Bid) prepared in accordance with this RFP should be submitted as per details given in the Bid Control sheet. The criteria and the actual process of evaluation of the responses to this RFP and subsequent selection of the successful bidder will be entirely at Bank's discretion.

2. Due Diligence

The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms and specifications in this RFP and study the RFP document carefully. Bid shall be deemed to have been submitted after careful study and examination of this RFP with full understanding of its implications. The Bid should be precise, complete and in the prescribed format as per the requirement of this RFP. Failure to furnish all information required by this RFP or submission of a Bid not responsive to this RFP in each and every respect will be at the Bidder's own risk and may result in rejection of the Bid and for which UCO Bank shall not be held responsible.

3. Tender Document And Fee

A complete set of tender document can be obtained from the following address during office hours on all working days on submission of a written application along with a non-refundable fee of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only) in the form of Demand Draft or Banker's Cheque in favour of UCO BANK, payable at Kolkata.

The tender document may also be downloaded from the bank's official website www.ucobank.com. The bidder downloading the tender document from the website is required to submit a non-refundable fee of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only) in the form of Demand Draft or Banker's Cheque in favor of UCO BANK, payable at Kolkata, or NEFT at the time of submission of the technical bid, failing which the bid of the concerned bidder will be rejected.

In case of bidders being an MSME under registration of any scheme of Ministry of MSME, they are exempted from the submission of Bid Security Declaration and the Tender Cost / Fee. A valid certificate in this regard issued by the Ministry of MSME has to be submitted.

The Bank details are as below:

Bank details for Tender Fee	Address for Obtaining printed copy of RFP
Account Number-18700210000755 Account Name- M/s H O DIT Branch- DD Block, Salt Lake branch IFSC- UCBA0001870 MICR-700028138	UCO Bank Head office, Department of Information Technology 7 th floor , 3&4 DD Block, Salt lake City, Sector-1, Kolkata – 700064 Ph. No.- 033- 4455 9324/9770

4. Earnest Money Deposit

The Bidder(s) must submit Earnest Money Deposit in the form of Performance Bank Guarantee valid for a period of 6 months together with a claim period of 30 days in favour of UCO Bank payable at Kolkata for an amount mentioned hereunder:

Particulars of Job to be undertaken	Earnest Money Deposit
Selection of Application Service Provider (ASP) for e-Procurement and Reverse / Forward Bidding Solution (Retendering)	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only)

Non-submission of Earnest Money Deposit will lead to outright rejection of the offer. The EMD of unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them on completion of the procurement process without any interest thereon. The EMD of successful bidder(s) will be returned to them on submission of Performance Bank Guarantee (s) either at the time of or before the execution of Service Level Agreement (SLA).

The Earnest Money Deposit may be forfeited under the following circumstances:

- If the bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity (180 days from the date of opening of bid).
- If the bidder makes any statement or encloses any form which turns out to be false, incorrect and / or misleading at any time prior to signing of contract and/or conceals or suppresses material information; and / or
- The selected bidder withdraws his tender before furnishing on unconditional and irrevocable Performance Bank Guarantee.
- The bidder violates any of the provisions of the terms and conditions of this tender specification.
- In case of the successful bidder, if the bidder fails:
 - To sign the contract in the form and manner to the satisfaction of UCO BANK.
 - To furnish Performance Bank Guarantee in the form and manner to the satisfaction of UCO BANK either at the time of or before the execution of

5. Rejection Of The Bid

The Bid is liable to be rejected if:

- i. The document doesn't bear signature of authorized person on each page signed and duly stamp.
- ii. It is received through E-mail.
- iii. It is received after expiry of the due date and time stipulated for bid submission.
- iv. Incomplete Bids, including non-submission or non-furnishing of requisite documents / Conditional Bids/ deviation of terms & conditions or scope of work/ incorrect information in bid / Bids not conforming to the terms and conditions stipulated in this Request for proposal (RFP) are liable for rejection by the Bank.
- v. Bidder should comply with all the points mentioned in the RFP. Non-compliance of any point will lead to rejection of the bid.
- vi. Any form of canvassing/lobbying/influence/query regarding short listing, status etc. will be a disqualification.
- vii. The bidder submits Incomplete Bids, including non-submission or non-furnishing of requisite documents / Conditional Bids / Bids not conforming to the terms and conditions stipulated in this Request for proposal (RFP).
- viii. Non-submission of Pre Contract Integrity Pact as per format given in Annexure – XIII.

6. Pre-Bid Meeting

The queries for the Pre-bid Meeting should reach us in writing or by email on or before the date mentioned in the Bid Control Sheet by e-mail to hodit.proc@ucobank.co.in. It may be noted that no query from any bidder shall be entertained or received after the above mentioned date. Queries raised by the prospective bidder and the Bank's response will be hosted at Bank's web site. No individual correspondence will be accepted in this regard.

Only authorized representatives, not more than two, of the bidder will be allowed to attend the Pre-bid meeting. Pre-Bid queries raised by the bidder(s) are to be submitted in the format given in Annexure-XII.

7. Modification And Withdrawal Of Bids

No bid can be modified by the bidder subsequent to the closing date and time for submission of bids. In the event of withdrawal of the bid by successful bidders, the Bid security declaration will be forfeited by the bidder.

8. Information Provided

The RFP document contains statements derived from information that is believed to be reliable at the date obtained but does not purport to provide all of the information that may be necessary or desirable to enable an intending contracting party to determine whether or not to enter into a contract or arrangement with Bank in relation to the provision of services. Neither Bank nor any of its employees, agents, contractors, or advisers gives any representation or warranty, express or implied as to the accuracy or completeness of any information or statement given or made in this RFP document.

9. Clarification Of Offer

To assist in the scrutiny, evaluation and comparison of offers/bids, UCO Bank may, at its sole discretion, ask some or all bidders for clarification of their offer/bid. The request for such clarifications and the response will necessarily be in writing and no change in the price or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered or permitted. Any decision of UCO Bank in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding on the bidder.

10. Late Bids

Any bid received by the Bank after the deadline (Date and Time mentioned in Bid Details table / Pre Bid / subsequent addenda / corrigenda) for submission of bids will be rejected and / or returned unopened to the bidder.

11. Issue Of Corrigendum

At any time prior to the last date of receipt of bids, Bank may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective bidder, modify the RFP document by a Corrigendum. Any such corrigendum shall be deemed to be incorporated into this RFP.

12. For Respondent Only

The RFP document is intended solely for the information to the party to whom it is issued ("the Recipient" or "the Respondent") and no other person or organization.

13. Disclaimer

Subject to any law to the contrary, and to the maximum extent permitted by law, Bank and its officers, employees, contractors, agents, and advisers disclaim all liability from any loss or damage (whether foreseeable or not) suffered by any person acting on or refraining from acting because of any information, including forecasts, statements, estimates, or projections contained in this RFP document or conduct ancillary to it whether or not the loss or damage arises in connection with any negligence, omission, default, lack of care or misrepresentation on the part of Bank or any of its officers, employees, contractors, agents, or advisers

14. MSME

As per recommendations of GOI, Bank has decided to waive off EMD and tender cost for NSIC registered MSME entrepreneurs.

- i. Exemption from submission of EMD and Tender Fee / Cost shall be given to bidders who are Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) and registered under provisions of the Policy i.e. registration with District Industries Centre (DIC) or Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) or Khadi and Industries Board (KVIB) or Coir Board or National Small Industries Commission (NSIC) or directorate of Handicrafts and Handlooms or Udyog Aadhaar Memorandum or any other body specified by Ministry of MSME. Bids received without EMD and tender cost from bidders not having valid NSIC registered documents for exemption will not be considered.
- ii. To qualify for EMD & Tender Fee / Cost exemption, firms should necessarily enclose a valid copy of registration certificate which is valid on last date of submission of the tender documents. MSME firms who are in the process of obtaining registration will not be considered for EMD & Tender Fee / Cost exemption. (Traders are excluded who are engaged in trading activity without value addition / branding / packing. In such a case they will have to submit EMD and Tender Cost).
- iii. MSME bidder has to submit a self-declaration accepting that if they are awarded the contract and they fail to sign the contract or to submit a Performance Bank Guarantee before the deadline defined by the Bank, they will be suspended for a period of three years from being eligible to submit bids for contracts with the Bank.
- iv. Bids received without EMD for bidders not having valid NSIC registered documents for exemption will not be considered. Bids received without EMD for bidders not having valid registration documents for exemption will not be considered. However, Performance Bank Guarantee has to be submitted by the bidder under any circumstance.

15. Costs Borne By Respondents

All costs and expenses incurred by Recipients / Respondents in any way associated with the development, preparation, and submission of responses, including but not limited to attendance at meetings, discussions, demonstrations, etc. and providing any additional information required by Bank, will be borne entirely and exclusively by the Recipient / Respondent.

16. No Legal Relationship

No binding legal relationship will exist between any of the Recipients / Respondents and Bank until execution of a contractual agreement.

17. Cancellation Of Tender Process

- a. UCO Bank reserves the right to accept or reject in part or full any or all offers at its sole discretion at any stage without assigning any reason thereof and without any cost or compensation therefor. Any decision of UCO Bank in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the bidders.
- b. The Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid in part or in full, and to cancel the Bidding process and reject all Bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or Bidders or any obligation to inform the affected Bidder or Bidders of the grounds for Bank's action.



18. Corrupt And Fraudulent Practices

As per Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) directives, it is required that Bidders / Suppliers / Contractors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts in pursuance of this policy:

“Corrupt Practice” means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of values to influence the action of an official in the procurement process or in contract execution

AND

“Fraudulent Practice” means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of contract to the detriment of the Bank and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the Bank of the benefits of free and open competition.

The Bank reserves the right to reject a proposal for award if it determines that the bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question.

The Bank reserves the right to declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a contract if at any time it determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract

19. Non-Transferrable Offer

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is not transferable. Only the bidder who has purchased this document in its name or submitted the necessary RFP price (for downloaded RFP) will be eligible for participation in the evaluation process.

20. Address Of Communication

Offers / bid should be addressed to the address given in bid control sheet.

21. Period Of Bid Validity

Bids shall remain valid for 180 (One Hundred and Eighty) days after the date of bid opening prescribed by UCO Bank. UCO Bank holds the rights to reject a bid valid for a period shorter than 180 days as non-responsive, without any correspondence. In exceptional circumstances, UCO Bank may solicit the bidder's consent to an extension of the validity period. The request and the response thereto shall be made in writing. Extension of validity period by the bidder should be unconditional and irrevocable. The Bid Security provided shall also be suitably extended. A bidder acceding to the request will neither be required nor be permitted to modify its bid. A bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. In any case the bid security of the bidders will be returned after completion of the process.

22. No Commitment To Accept Lowest Or Any Bid

UCO Bank shall be under no obligation to accept the lowest or any other offer received in response to this RFP and shall be entitled to reject any or all offers including those received late or incomplete offers without assigning any reason whatsoever. UCO Bank reserves the right to make any changes in the terms and conditions of purchase. UCO Bank will not be obliged to meet and have discussions with any vendor, and or to listen to any representations.

23. Errors And Omissions

Each Recipient should notify Bank of any error, omission, or discrepancy found in this RFP document in the form of pre-bid queries within the time as given in control sheet.

24. Acceptance Of Terms

A Recipient will, by responding to Bank RFP, be deemed to have accepted the terms as stated in the RFP

25. RFP Response

If the response to this RFP does not include the information required or is incomplete or submission is through Fax mode or through e-mail, the response to the RFP is liable to be rejected.

All submissions will become the property of Bank. Recipients shall be deemed to license, and grant all rights to, Bank to reproduce the whole or any portion of their submission for the purpose of evaluation, to disclose the contents of the submission to other Recipients who have registered a submission and to disclose and/or use the contents of the submission as the basis for any resulting RFP process, notwithstanding any copyright or other intellectual property right that may subsist in the submission or Banking documents.

26. Notification

Bank will notify the Respondents in writing as soon as possible about the outcome of the RFP evaluation process, including whether the Respondent's RFP response has been accepted or rejected. Bank is not obliged to provide any reasons for any such acceptance or rejection.

27. Erasures Or Alterations

The Bid should contain no alterations, erasures or overwriting except as necessary to correct errors made by the Bidder, in which case corrections should be duly stamped and initiated / authenticated by the person/(s) signing the Bid.

28. Clarifications on and Amendments to RFP document

Prospective bidders may seek clarification on the RFP document by letter/fax/e-mail till the date mentioned in the bid control sheet. Further, at least 7 days' time prior to the last date for bid-submission, the Bank may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to clarification(s) sought from prospective bidders, modify the RFP contents by amendment. Clarification /Amendment, if any, will be notified on Bank's website.

29. Language Of Bids

The bid as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the bid exchanged by the bidder and the Bank shall be in English language only.

30. Authorized Signatory

The bid shall be signed by a person or persons duly authorized by the Bidder with signature duly attested. In the case of a body corporate, the bid shall be signed by person who is duly authorized by the Board of Directors / Competent Authority of the bidder or having Power of Attorney.

The selected bidder shall indicate the authorized signatories who can discuss, sign negotiate, correspond and any other required formalities with the bank, with regard to the obligations. The selected bidder shall submit, a certified copy of the resolution of their Board certified by Company Secretary along with Power of Attorney duly stamped, authorizing an official or officials of the company to discuss, sign with the Bank, raise invoice and accept payments and also to correspond.

The bidder shall furnish proof of signature identification for above purposes as required by the Bank.

31. Submission of Offer - Three Bid System

UCO Bank will follow Three Bid System i.e. Separate Eligibility Bid – containing Eligibility Information, Tender Fee, Earnest Money Deposit OR certificate from Ministry of MSME (wherever required) and Pre Contract Integrity Pact (as per Annexure – XIII), Technical Bid – containing Technical Information and Commercial Bid – containing Price Information along with the soft copies duly sealed and super-scribed as – **RFP for selection of Application Service Provider (ASP) for providing e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward bidding solution** (Eligibility Bid), **RFP for selection of Application Service Provider (ASP) for providing e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward bidding solution** (Technical Bid) and – **RFP for selection of Application Service Provider (ASP) for providing e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward bidding solution** (Commercial Bid) should be put in a single sealed outer cover duly sealed and super-scribed as – **RFP for selection of Application Service Provider (ASP) for providing e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward bidding solution** as per the bid details given in the RFP.

Eligibility evaluation would be completed first followed by Technical & Functional evaluation. Thereafter, Price Information (Commercial Bid) of the eligible & technically qualified bidders will be opened and Lowest Bidder (L1) will be selected based on the Total Amount quoted in the commercial bid. The bids (along with soft copy preferably in non-optical drives) shall be dropped/submitted at UCO Bank's address given in Bid Control Sheet Table, on or before the date specified therein.

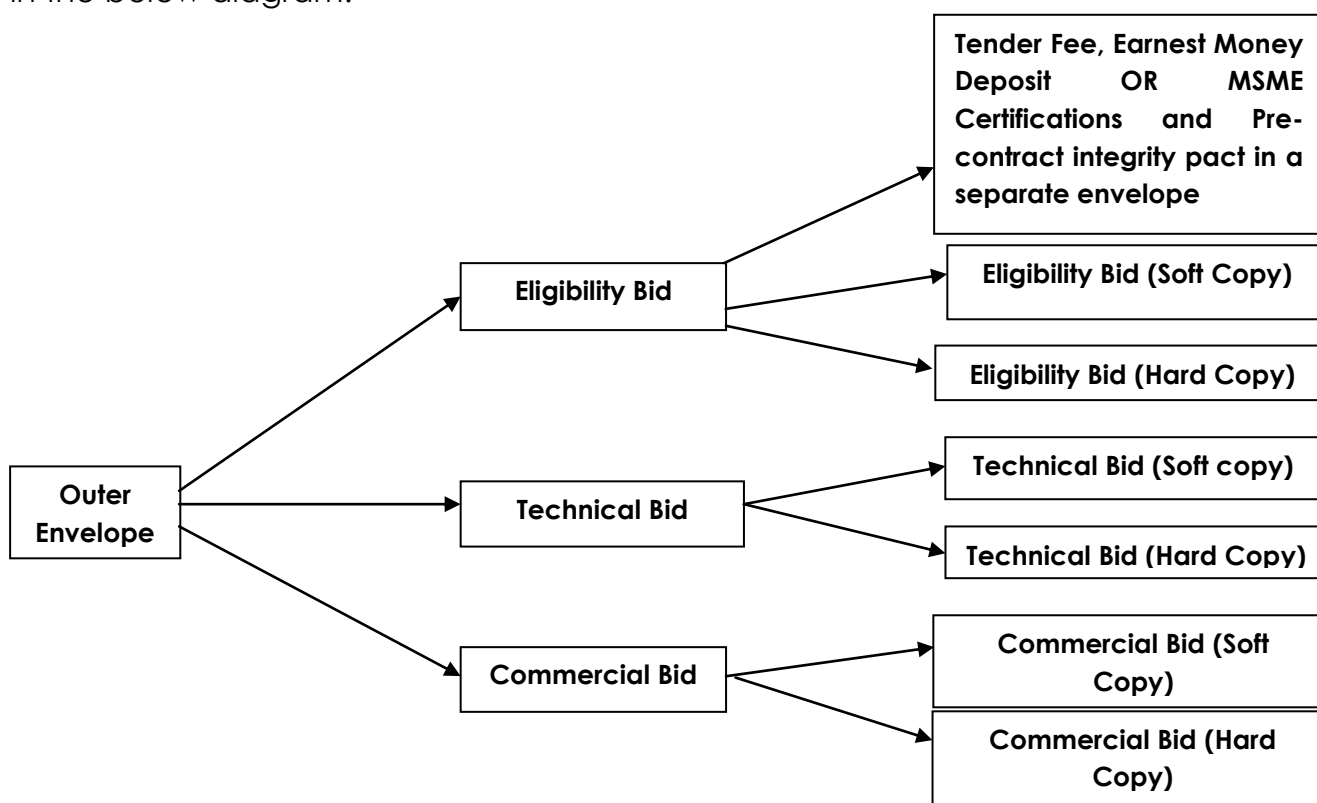
All envelopes must be super-scribed with the following information:

- Name of the Bidder
- Offer Reference
- Type of Offer (Eligibility or Technical or Commercial)

The Eligibility and Technical Offers should be complete in all respects and contain all information asked for, in the exact format of eligibility and technical specifications given in the RFP, except prices along with the Tender Fee, Earnest Money Deposit in the form of Bank Guarantee and the Pre Contract Integrity Pact on a non-judicial stamp paper of requisite value (**as per Annexure – XIII**). Tender Offer forwarding letter prescribed in **Annexure – I** should be submitted with the Eligibility / Technical Offer. The Eligibility and Technical offers must not contain any price information. UCO BANK, at its sole discretion, may not evaluate Eligibility or Technical Offer in case of non-submission or partial submission of eligibility or technical details. Any decision of UCO BANK in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the bidder. The Technical bid should have **documentary proof in support of Eligibility Criteria and Annexures**.

The entire RFP, Pre-bid responses along with all the Addenda and Corrigenda should be stamped & signed by the authorized signatory of the participating bidder and to be submitted to the Bank with all other documents as part of the Eligibility bid.

The envelopes separately should contain the documents in the order mentioned in the below diagram.



The Commercial Offer (Hard Copy) should contain all relevant price information as per **Annexure – XIX**.

All pages and documents in individual bids should be numbered as page no. – (Current Page No.) of page no – (Total Page No.) and should contain tender reference no. and Bank 's Name.

Note:

- a. The Technical bid should be complete in all respects and contain all information asked for, except prices. The documentary proof in support of all Eligibility Criteria should be submitted along with Eligibility Bid.
- b. One Separate envelope containing Tender Fee, Bid Security Declaration and Pre-Contract Integrity Pact should invariably be placed in Eligibility Bid envelope.
- c. If commercial bid is not submitted in a separate sealed envelope duly marked as mentioned above, this will constitute grounds for declaring the bid non-responsive.
- d. Bidders to submit a **masked commercial Bid** i.e. by hiding price commercial bid as per Annexure – XVIII with technical bid envelope to be submitted.
- e. If any inner cover / envelop of a bid is found to contain Eligibility/ Technical & Commercial Bids together then that bid will be rejected summarily.
- f. The Bank reserves the right to resort to re-tendering without providing any reason whatsoever. The Bank shall not incur any liability on account of such rejection.
- g. Canvassing of any kind or Bid submitted with false information will be a disqualification.
- h. The bidder is required to guarantee that rate fluctuations, changes in import duty and other taxes will not affect the Rupee value of the commercial bid over the price validity period.
- i. Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be in Indian Rupees, firm and not subject to any price escalation, if the order is placed within the price validity period.
- j. Further, subsequent to the orders being placed, the Bidder shall pass on to Bank all fiscal benefits arising out of reductions in Government levies /taxes.
- k. The Bank reserves the right to modify any terms, conditions and specifications of this request for submission of offer and to obtain revised bids

from the bidders with regard to such changes. The Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.

- l.** Printed literature (for specific product and version numbers) describing configuration and functionality should be provided to the Bank for the products proposed to be supplied for the project. It should be noted that the product proposed will have to be supplied with all the software updates/fixes, if any, and associated documents. The bidder shall not quote for the products, whose End of sale/ the OEM has declared End of Support/End of License.
- m.** The Bank reserves the right to resort to re-tendering without providing any reason whatsoever. The Bank shall not incur any liability on account of such rejection.
- n.** Bids once submitted shall not be returned to the Bidder in future.
- o.** The selected bidder must adhere to the terms of this RFP document.

32. Adoption of Integrity Pact

UCO Bank has adopted practice of Integrity Pact (IP) as per CVC guidelines. The Integrity Pact essentially envisages an agreement between the prospective vendors / bidders / sellers, who commit themselves to Integrity Pact (IP) with the Bank, would be considered competent to participate in the bidding process. In other words, entering into this pact would be the preliminary qualification. In case of bids for the purchase of Goods, Services, and Consultancy etc. not accompanied with signed IP by the bidders along with the technical bid, the offers shall be summarily rejected. The essential ingredients of the Pact include:

- i.** Promise on the part of the principal not to seek or accept any benefit, which is not legally available.
- ii.** Principal to treat all bidders with equity and reason
- iii.** Promise on the part of bidders not to offer any benefit to the employees of the Principal not available legally
- iv.** Bidders not to enter into any undisclosed agreement or understanding with other bidders with respect to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contract etc.
- v.** Bidders not to pass any information provided by the Principal as part of business relationship to others and not to commit any offence under PC/IPC Act.
- vi.** Foreign bidders to disclose the name and address of agents and representatives in India and Indian Bidders to disclose their foreign principals or associates.

- vii. Bidders to disclose any transgressions with any other company that may impinge on the anti-corruption principle.

Integrity Pact, in respect of a particular contract, shall be operative from the date IP is signed by both the parties till the final completion of the contract. Any violation of the same would entail disqualification of the bidders and exclusion from future business dealings. IP shall cover all phases of contract i.e. from the stage of Notice Inviting Tenders (NIT)/Request for Proposals (RFP) till the conclusion of the contract i.e. final payment or the duration of warrantee/guarantee. Format of IP is attached as **Annexure – XIII** for strict compliance.

The following Independent External Monitors (IEMs) have been appointed by UCO Bank, who will review independently and objectively, whether and to what extent parties have complied with their obligation under the pact.

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2. Shri Hare Krushna Dash

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All pages of Integrity Pact (IP) must be signed and stamped Integrity Pact (IP) should be deposited with IT Department undertaken procurement at the address mentioned along with RFP document.

33. Preference to Make in India

The policy of the Govt. of India to encourage "Make in India" and promote manufacturing and production of goods and services in India, "Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India), Order 2017 and the revised order issued vide GOI, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal trade, vide Order No. P-45021/2/2017-PP (BEII) dated 04.06.2020 will be applicable for this tender.

Purchase Preference: In procurement of all goods, services or works in respect of which Nodal Ministry/Department has communicated that there is sufficient local capacity and local competition, only "Class-I Local Supplier", as defined under the order, shall be eligible to bid irrespective of purchase value.

In procurements of goods or works which are divisible in nature, the "Class-I Local Supplier" shall get purchase preference over "Class-II Local Supplier" as well as "Non-Local Supplier", as per following procedure:

- Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is 'Class-I local supplier', the contract for full quantity will be awarded to L1.
- If L1 bid is not a 'Class-I local supplier', 50% of the order quantity in total shall be awarded to L1. Thereafter, the lowest bidder among the 'Class-I local supplier', will be invited to match the L1 price subject to Class-I local supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference, and the contract for that quantity shall be awarded to such 'Class-I local supplier' subject to matching the L1 price for remaining quantity and so on, and contract shall be awarded accordingly. In case some quantity is still left uncovered on Class-I local suppliers then such balance quantity may also be ordered on the L1 bidder.

In procurement of goods or works which are not divisible in nature and in procurement of services where the bid is evaluated on price alone, the 'Class-I local supplier' shall get Purchase Preference over 'Class-II Local Supplier' as well as 'Non Local Supplier' as per following procedure:

- Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is 'Class – I Local Supplier ', the contract will be awarded to L1.
- If L1 is not 'Class –I Local Supplier, the lowest bidder among the 'Class-I Local Supplier ', will be invited to match the L1 price subject to Class –I local suppliers quoted price falling with in the margin of purchase preference and the contract shall be awarded to such 'Class -I Local Supplier' subject to matching the L1 price.
- In case such lowest eligible 'Class-I local supplier' fails to match the L1 price, the 'Class-I local supplier ' with the next higher bid within the margin of Purchase Preference shall be invited to match the L1 price and so on and contract shall be awarded accordingly. In case of none of the 'Class-I Local Supplier' within the margin of Purchase Preference matches the L1 price, the contract may be awarded to the L1 bidder.
- "Class-II local supplier" will not get purchase preference in any procurement, undertaken by procuring entities.

33.1 For the purpose of Preference to Make in India, Order 2017 (PPP-MII Order):

- “Local content” means the amount of value added in India which shall be the total value of the item procured (excluding net domestic indirect taxes) minus the value of imported content in the item (including all customs duties) as a proportion of the total value, in percent.
- “**Class-I Local supplier**” means a supplier or service provider whose product or service offered for procurement has local content equal to or more than 50%.
- “**Class-II local supplier**” means a supplier or service provider, whose goods, services or works offered for procurement, has local content more than 20% but less than 50%.
- “**Non-Local Supplier**” means a supplier or service provider , whose goods , services or works offered for procurement , has local content less than or equal to 20%.
- “**Margin of purchase preference**” means the maximum extent to which the price quoted by a local supplier may be above the L1 for the purpose of purchase preference. The margin of purchase preference shall be 20%.

33.2 Verification of Local Content:

- a. The ‘Class-I local supplier’/‘Class-II Local Supplier’ at the time of tender, bidding or solicitation shall be required to indicate percentage of local content and provide self –certification that the item offered meets the local content requirement for ‘Class –I Local Supplier’/‘Class –II Local Supplier’, as the case may be. They shall also give details of the location(s) at which the local value addition is made.
- b. In case of procurement for a value in excess of Rs 10 Crores , the ‘Class-I Local Supplier/ ‘Class-II Local Supplier ‘ shall be required to provide a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant (in respect of suppliers other than companies) giving the percentage of local content.

The local supplier scope at the time of submission of bid shall be required to provide a certificate as per **Annexure-XXI** from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in the case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant (in respect of suppliers other than companies) giving the percentage of local content

The Bank shall follow all the guidelines/notifications for public procurement.

34. Restriction On Procurement Due to National Security

Any bidder from a country sharing a land border with India will be eligible to bid in this tender only if the bidder is registered with the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT). A copy of valid Certificate to be attached with the Bid. Certificate as per the Annexure-XXII to be attached along with the Bid. Vide Ministry of Finance OM No. 6/18/2019-PPD dated 23rd July 2020.

Reference is made to Government of India order F. No. 7/86/2020/BOA-I dated 07.08.2020 on restrictions on procurements from bidders from a country or countries, on grounds of defence in India, or matters directly or indirectly, related thereto, including national security.

- i. Any bidder from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to bid in this tender only if the bidder is registered with the Competent Authority.
- ii. "Bidder" (including the term 'tenderer', 'consultant' or 'service provider' in certain contexts) means any person or firm or company, including any member of a consortium or joint venture (that is an association of several persons, or firms or companies), every artificial juridical person not falling in any of the descriptions of bidders stated hereinbefore, including any agency branch or office controlled by such person, participating in a procurement process.
- iii. "Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India" for the purpose of this Order means: -
 - a. An entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - b. A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - c. An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - d. An entity whose beneficial owner is situated in such a country; or
 - e. An Indian (or other) agent of such an entity; or.
 - f. A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or
 - g. A consortium or joint venture where any member of the consortium or joint venture falls under any of the above

iv. The beneficial owner for the purpose of (iii) above will be as under:

In case of a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has a controlling ownership interest or who exercises control through other means.

Explanation:

- a. "Controlling ownership interest" means ownership of or entitlement to more than twenty-five per cent. of shares or capital or profits of the company;
- b. "Control" shall include the right to appoint majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholders agreements or voting agreements;
 - 1. In case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s) who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership;
 - 2. In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals;
 - 3. Where no natural person is identified under (1) or (2) or (3) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official;
 - 4. In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification of the author of the trust, the trustee, the beneficiaries with fifteen percent or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.
- v. An Agent is a person employed to do any act for another, or to represent another in dealings with third person.

The successful bidder shall not be allowed to sub-contract works to any contractor from a country which shares a land border with India unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority.

35. Other Terms and Conditions

Cost of preparation and submission of bid document: The bidder shall bear all costs for the preparation and submission of the bid. UCO Bank shall not be responsible or liable for reimbursing/compensating these costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

The Bank reserves the right to modify any terms, conditions and specifications of this request for submission of offer and to obtain revised bids from the bidders with regard to such changes. The Bank reserves its right to negotiate with any or all bidders. The Bank reserves the right to accept any bid in whole or in part.

The Bank reserves the right to reject any or all offers based on its own evaluation of the offers received, or on the basis of stability, capabilities, track records, reputation among users and other similar features of a bidder. When the Bank makes any such rejection, the Bank will not be bound to give any reason and/or justification in this regard to the bidder. The Bank further reserves the right to reject any or all offers or cancel the whole tendering process due to change in its business requirement.

Response of the Bid: The Bidder should comply all the terms and conditions of RFP.

The bidder is solely responsible for any legal obligation related to licenses during contract period for the solution proposed and Bidder shall give indemnity to that effect.

UCO Bank shall be under no obligation to accept the lowest or any other offer received in response to this offer notice and shall be entitled to reject any or all offers without assigning any reason whatsoever. UCO Bank has the right to re-issue tender/bid. UCO Bank reserves the right to make any changes in the terms and conditions of purchase that will be informed to all bidders. UCO Bank will not be obliged to meet and have discussions with any bidder, and / or to listen to any representations once their offer/bid is rejected. Any decision of UCO Bank in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the bidder.

36. Audit by Third Party

Bank at its sole discretion may appoint third party for auditing the activities of onsite services and operations of entire services provided to the Bank before issuance of Letter of Intent and during the contract period. The audit charges shall be borne by the service provider.

PART – III

BID OPENING AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. Stages of Evaluation

There would be a three (3) stage evaluation process.

The Stages are:

- I) Eligibility Criteria Evaluation
- II) Technical Evaluation
- III) Commercial Evaluation

The Eligibility Criteria would be evaluated first for the participating bidders. The bidders, who qualify all Eligibility Criteria as mentioned in clause 2.1, will be shortlisted for the Technical bid evaluation. A detailed technical evaluation would be undertaken for eligible bidders and only the technically qualified bidders would be shortlisted for commercial opening.

The Bank will open the eligibility and technical bids, in presence of bidders' representative(s) who choose to attend, at the time and date mentioned in Bid document on the date and venue mentioned in control sheet. The bidder's representatives who will be present shall sign the register evidencing their presence / attendance.

2. Evaluation Methodology

The objective of evolving this evaluation methodology is to facilitate the selection of the most cost-effective solution (Total Cost of Ownership) over contract period that appropriately meets the requirements of the Bank.

2.1 Eligibility Evaluation

The Bank will evaluate the technical response to the RFP of bidder who are found eligible as per the eligibility criteria mentioned in the RFP.

2.2 Technical & Functional Evaluation

- a. The proposals will be evaluated in three stages. In the first stage, i.e. Eligibility Evaluation as mentioned in Annexure – XV. In the second stage, Technical & Functional Evaluation as mentioned in Annexures – XVII, the bidders will be shortlisted, based on their responses. In the third stage, the commercial bids of the eligible & technically qualified bidders would be opened and evaluated.

- b. The Bank will evaluate the technical responses of the bidders who are found eligible as per the eligibility criteria mentioned in the RFP. There will be no scoring involved in the eligibility evaluation of the bidders.
- c. During the period of evaluation, bidders may be asked to provide more details and explanations about information provided in the proposals. Bidders should respond to such requests within the time frame indicated in the letter / e-mail seeking clarification / explanation.

Technical bid evaluation methodology that UCO Bank would adopt is given below:

- The requirements are given in Annexure – XVII,XXIV,XXVI.
- UCO Bank may, at its discretion, waive off any minor non-conformity or any minor irregularity in an offer/bid. This shall be final, conclusive and binding on all bidders and UCO Bank reserves the right for such waivers.
- The bidders should provide their response ('Y' or 'N') to the questionnaire in the column "Compliance" in Annexures – XXIII.
- The Responses should be as per the table below.

Response	Description
Y	Yes, Available
N	No, Not Available

- If any bidder provides response other than 'Y' or 'N' the same will be treated as Not Available i.e. 'N'.
- Bidder should comply with all the requirements given in Annexures – XVII,XXIII,XXIV,XXVI. Non-compliance to any of the requirement in Annexures may attract rejection of the proposal.

2.3 Commercial Evaluation

The commercial bids of only technically qualified bidders will be opened and evaluated by the Bank and the evaluation will take into account the following factors:

- a) The Bill of Material must be attached in Technical Bid as well as Commercial Bid. The format will be identical for both Technical Bid and Commercial Bid, except that the Technical bid should not contain any price information (with Prices masked). Technical bid without masked Bill of Materials will be liable for rejection. Any deviations from the Bill of Material / non-submission of prices as per the format shall make the bid liable for rejection.

- b) The L1 bidder will be selected on the basis of the amount quoted for the proposed solution quoted by them as per commercial bid. However, in case of any discrepancy in calculation, unit cost for components & services shall prevail and TCO will be calculated accordingly.
- c) The optimized TCO (Total Cost of Ownership) identified in the commercial bid would be the basis of the entire outflow of the Bank for undertaking the scope of work.
- d) In case there is a variation between figure and words, the value mentioned in words will be considered.
- e) In the event the vendor has **not quoted / not mentioned / left blank** item(s) in the commercial bid, for evaluation purposes the highest value for that item(s) among other submitted bids would be used to calculate the TCO, based on which the L1 bidder will be selected. However, for the purposes of payment and finalization of the contract, **the value of zero cost** in the unfilled item(s) would be used.

3. Normalization of bids:

The Bank has discretion to go through a process of Eligibility evaluation followed by the technical evaluation and normalization of the bids to the extent possible to ensure that eligible bidders are more or less on the same technical ground. After the normalization process, if the Bank feels that any of the bids needs to be normalized and that such normalization has a bearing on the price bids; the Bank may at its discretion ask all the eligible bidders to re-submit the technical and commercial bids once again for scrutiny.

The resubmissions can be requested by the Bank in the following two manners:

- Incremental bid submission in part of the requested clarification by the Bank.
- Revised submissions of the entire bid in the whole.

The Bank can repeat this normalization process at every stage of bid submission or till the Bank is satisfied. The eligible bidder/s have to agree that they have no reservation or objection to the normalization process and all the technically short listed bidders will, by responding to this RFP, agree to participate in the normalization process and extend their co-operation to the Bank during this process. The shortlisted bidder/s, by submitting the response to this RFP, agrees to the process and conditions of the normalization process.

PART – IV

SCOPE OF WORK

Bank will award the contract to the successful service provider(s) for a period of three years from the date of empanelment and the Successful service provider has to co-ordinate with the Bank for smooth execution of web e-tendering, e-reverse/ e-forward auctions as per the Scope of work given in Annexure–XVII,XXVI.

Detailed Scope of Work

1. The **Scope of Work** shall include the following and the service provider/s is/are requested to provide their **compliance in Yes / No** for each of the below-mentioned points:
 - i. The Application Service Provider (ASP) shall conduct the e-procurement (web tendering) activity.
 - ii. The ASP shall provide modular customized software for Web tendering events on per event basis.
 - iii. ASP using software should be compliant with
 - a. Provisions of the amended Information Technology Act, 2000 / 2008 including its amendments.
 - b. Central Vigilance Commission guidelines on use of e-Procurement.
 - iv. The software should broadly have the following modules / features:
 - a. Online posting of RFP
 - b. Online responses to RFP
 - c. Online Pre-bid Meeting (text-based)
 - d. Parameter driven online technical bid evaluation
 - e. Online commercial bid submission through reverse/ forward auctions.
 - f. Line item -wise bid submission
 - g. Supplier Registration
 - h. Rate Contract Management
 - i. User IDs and Passwords to be auto-generated without intervention either from the Bank or the Service Provider
 - j. Detailed end to end Audit Trail
 - k. User authentication using DSC (Digital Signature Certificate)
 - v. The Service provider should have their own infrastructure having Data Centre with all required hardware and software, application software with proper Backup facilities. The Service provider has to submit full details of hardware, software, application software, backup of data, Data storage

- period (entire contractual period), retrieval of required data from backups etc. along with the non-technical bid documents.
- vi. The Service provider has to inform details of Disaster Recovery Site location and its functions.
 - vii. The Service provider should be able to provide any module of the solution independently without dependency on any other module as per Schedule of Implementation mentioned above. The Bank may opt to start with one or few modules but reserves the right to utilize all modules at a later stage at the price quoted in the commercial bid without any escalation.
 - viii. Providing e-procurement platform / portal, e-procurement software, Robust and Secure Connectivity to access the portal, in compliance with the Bank's Security guidelines (Annexure - XXIV).
 - ix. Conducting actual web-based private e-Tender events on Internet.
 - x. Providing information related to Web tendering format at every stage.
 - xi. Service Provider will jointly work with the Bank in ensuring suppliers who have been identified, participate in online bidding.
 - xii. Obtaining Process-cum-Technical Compliance Statements from prospective Service providers.
 - xiii. Training all qualified service providers on participation in online bidding as well as on use of comprehensive use of online bidding tool and obtaining certificate to this effect from the service providers. The respective certificates should be handed over to the Bank by the service provider.
 - xiv. Mapping the selected business rules on to the online-bidding package.
 - xv. The Bank should be able to generate all the essential reports required for analysis of the online bidding, as well as historical data comprising of Bid history, suppliers login data, compliance statement, online bidding summary and price break ups , etc.
 - xvi. Handholding, Support and Help Desk services on connectivity & other technical issues while conducting the Online tender events at all locations of the UCO Bank conducting the events .
 - xvii. Online e-tender events will have to be carried out as specified by the Bank without disturbing any existing processing and other activities and at time of schedules as may be indicated by the Bank.
 - xviii. It shall be the responsibility of the successful service provider to ensure availability of connectivity to the suppliers. The arrangements for a fall back acceptable to the Bank especially from the security angle should be communicated to the suppliers participating in the e-tender process by the Service provider, well in advance, at least 15 days before the auction is conducted.
 - xix. The Service provider should be in a position to conduct an event within 15 days from the date of award of the Purchase Order. All responses to this RFP shall have to conform to this requirement and the Service provider shall categorically undertake to honour the commitment of meeting this

deadline. Failure to do so shall result in the Service provider being liable for disqualification. The commitment in this respect should form part of the Technical Bid from the Service provider.

- xx. The Bank reserves the right to add / amend / retain / delete any of the product features offered by the service provider subject to the Bank's requirements at that point in time.
- xxi. There should be provision for selection of L1, L2, L3 bidders in single e-procurement, e-forward/reverse bidding solution for multiple line items.
- xxii. There should be provision for displaying the bidders position and quoted bid price during live auction on dashboard.

2. Other Terms and Conditions

- i. Online e-Tender **events** will have to be carried out as specified by the Bank without disturbing any existing processing and other activities and at time schedules as may be indicated by the Bank.
- ii. The service providers shall submit, as a part of Technical bid, the infrastructure, hardware / software, Power supply, Network ports, connectivity etc. required to prepare the offices participating in the e-tenders. It would be the responsibility of the Service provider to ensure that all their requirements are met at Bank's site as well as at the sites of the Suppliers before the start of conducting the event.
- iii. Required technical details/brochure/s of such products / services offered by the Service provider duly supported by schematic diagrams and technical specifications of each component offered shall be furnished along with the reasons justifying the requirement/s for each such items/components, accessories and software products as part of the Technical Bid;
- iv. The Service provider will also provide the details regarding the redundancy available at their primary site in case of any eventuality.
- v. Service provider should be capable of providing support services at Head Offices / Zonal Offices of the Bank and attending to any calls promptly.
- vi. The Service provider shall provide references and contact details and any other details sought for by the Bank from time to time in respect of their implementation of similar projects undertaken by them in the last three years in the format specified in Annexure – XXV.
- vii. The Service provider shall furnish a photocopy of the Agreement with their Principals, if any in respect of e-procurement solution / services and products offered.
- viii. The documents supporting eligibility criteria and the product features as listed in Annexure – V shall be submitted along with the forwarding letter

and shall be put in the separate sealed envelope containing technical bid.

- ix. The Service provider shall commit in writing his readiness to carry out the online live e-Tender events using his infrastructure, software etc. within 15 days from the date of receipt of such request from any office of the UCO Bank.
- x. The proposed software, to be provided by the service provider, must have capability to support various e-bidding formats. Please list all the formats included in the software and mention application scenarios e.g. domestic, international, etc.
- xi. The e-procurement solution proposed by the Service provider and related systems should conform to the requirements of the IT Act 2000 / 2008 including its amendments.
- xii. The e-procurement solution proposed by the Service provider and related systems should conform to the requirements of CVC guidelines.
- xiii. The e-procurement solution proposed by the Service provider and related systems should conform to the requirements of Central Govt. guidelines on e-procurement.
- xiv. The documents supporting eligibility criteria and the product features as listed in Annexure - V shall be submitted along with the forwarding letter and shall be put in the separate sealed envelope containing technical bid.



3. Other Requirements

- i. The Service provider warrant that in the course of providing e-procurement services to the Bank, they shall not infringe upon any third party Patent, Copyright, Design, Trademark, or any other Intellectual Property Rights for hardware, system software and application software. The Service provider shall indemnify and at all times keep the Bank fully indemnified and hold harmless against any and all loss, damages, costs and expenses including Attorney's fees, which may be incurred as a result of any claim or action associated with such infringement. Further, the Supplier/ Firm will also indemnify the Bank against any such claims arising at any time either during the contract period or subsequently.
- ii. The offered product/services should be complied under the provisions of IT Act 2000 / 2008 including its amendments and CVC guidelines. The Service provider should provide documentary evidence confirming that their software is staged in a 'Data Centre Environment' and have been providing comprehensive support to the online event and supplier/ buyer helpdesk on the following parameters:

a) Number of staff on tech helpdesk.

- b) Number of concurrent events that can be conducted.
 - c) Number of bids handled during an event.
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- iii. The Service providers shall have in place a documented Quality and Audit process. A copy of the same shall be made available along with the technical bids.
 - iv. The entire process should be audited by a third party.
 - v. Legal complications and financial losses arising due to data piracy / privacy / system failures / security failures should be borne by the service provider.
 - vi. At the end of the contract period, the Bank-specific full data set of the entire contract period to be provided to the Bank in soft form. After that, the entire data set should be wiped out from the system on confirmation by the Bank and a certificate in this regard is to be submitted to the Bank.



PART – V

1. Order Details

The purchase order will be placed by UCO Bank, Head Office, DIT in the name of selected bidder as per requirement. The payment will be made by Head Office, DIT and the Performance Bank Guarantee for order will be required to be submitted at Head office. Any decision of the Bank in this regard will be final & conclusive and binding upon the vendor.

2. Schedule of Implementation

The selected service provider has to complete the implementation process as per Scope of Work mentioned in Annexure – XVII & XXVI within four (04) weeks from the date of issuance of Letter of Empanelment.

3. Contract Period

The tenure of the Contract will be for a period of **3 (Three) years** effective from the date of execution of the Service Level Agreement (SLA) unless terminated earlier by the Bank by serving 90 days' prior notice in writing to the selected bidder at its own convenience without assigning any reason and without any cost or compensation therefor. However, after the completion of initial period of 03 (Three) years, the contract may be extended/renewed for such further period and on such terms and conditions as would be decided by the Bank.

The performance of the selected bidder shall be reviewed every quarter and the Bank reserves the right to terminate the contract at its sole discretion by giving 90 days' notice without assigning any reasons and without any cost or compensation therefor. Any offer falling short of the contract validity period is liable for rejection.

The selected bidder is required to enter into a Service Level Agreement (SLA), the format whereof is to be supplied by the Bank.

4. Billing

The billing shall include Unit Price and GST / other taxes (if any), as applicable, which will be paid locally by the respective Zonal Offices / Head Office for which the e-Procurement service will be provided. In case of RRBs, payment will be made by respective RRBs under whose jurisdiction the e-Procurement process will be conducted.

5. Payment Terms

The purchase order will be placed by Bank's Offices / Branches in the name of selected service provider as per requirement. The payment will be released by the Purchase Order issuing office and the Performance Bank Guarantee for order will be required to be submitted in the same office. 100% of the amount for conducting a single procurement event will be paid on successful completion of the event by the Office requisitioning the tender event on submission of the following documents.

- a) Letter from the service provider for having conducted and completed an Event as per Bank's request along with necessary back papers.**
- b) Invoice giving full details of the Event, date of the Event etc.**
- c) Request letter for release of the payment**
- d) Confirmation letter from the respective department of the Bank who has initiated the Event.**

Uptime & Penalty

The Bidder shall perform its obligations under the agreement entered into with the Bank, in a professional manner.

If any act or failure by the bidder under the agreement results in failure or inoperability of systems and if the Bank has to take corrective actions, to ensure functionality of its property, the Bank reserves the right to impose penalty, which may be equal to the cost it incurs or the loss it suffers for such failures. If the Bidder fails to complete the due performance of the contract in accordance with the specification and conditions of the offer document, the Bank reserves the right either to cancel the order or to recover a suitable amount as deemed reasonable as Penalty / Liquidated Damage for non-performance.

Any financial loss to the Bank on account of fraud taking place due to Successful Bidder, its employee or their services providers' negligence shall be recoverable from the Successful Bidder along with damages if any with regard to the Bank's reputation and goodwill. Bank may impose penalty to the extent of damage to its any equipment, if the damage was due to the actions directly attributable to the staff of the Bidder

Penalties & Service Level Agreement

If the event is cancelled due to any technical fault/ failure on part of the service provider, no payment shall be made by the Bank for that event. If such failure occurs, penalty @ 10% of the "per event cost", subject to a maximum of Rs. 20,000/- will be levied. The penalty so calculated will either be adjusted with the future payments or will be separately realized from the service provider by invoking PBG submitted by the selected service provider.

The Bank reserves the right to cancel the Purchase Order, if the service provider fails to prove his readiness for carrying out online e-Tendering events within the stipulated period. In the event of such cancellation of order, the service provider shall not be entitled for any compensation.

Penalties, if any shall be calculated for every quarter and recovered from the Annual Technical Support/AMC/. For calculation of penalty during warranty period, ATS/AMC Cost will be considered which will be deducted from the payment being paid towards on-site support facility being availed during warranty period. Wherever applicable as stated above while effecting any payment, deduction towards LD payment will be made. Hence the bidder should raise the invoice deducting the penalty amount.

6. Liquidated Damage

Notwithstanding Bank's right to cancel the order, liquidated damages at 1% (One percent) of the undelivered portion of the order value per week will be charged for every week's delay in the specified delivery schedule subject to a maximum of 10% of the total cost of ownership. Bank will have right to recover these amounts by any mode such as adjusting from any payments to be made to the Vendor or from the performance Bank Guarantee. Liquidated damages will be calculated per week basis. Dispatch details shall be shared by the vendor regularly after handing over the consignment to the concerned Courier Agency/Indian Postal services.

If the selected Bidder fails to provide any of the services after starting of operations, as per the terms of this RFP, the Bank shall be entitled to charge penalty/ liquidated damages @ 5% of the monthly bill, per week or part thereof.

The Bank reserves its right to recover these amounts by any mode including adjusting from any payments to be made by the Bank to the Bidder. Bank may invoke the Bank Guarantee for further delay in in delivery & migration.

7. Paying Authority

The payments as per the Payment Schedule covered hereinabove shall be paid by DIT, Head Office. However, Payment of the Bills would be released, on receipt of advice / confirmation for satisfactory delivery and commissioning, live running and service report etc. Also the bidder has to submit the certificate of insurance covering all the risks during transit, storage, installation, commissioning, testing and handling including third party liabilities

Following Documents are to be submitted for Payment:

- Invoice in Duplicate

- Duly receipted Delivery Challans
- Original Octroi Receipts, if any
- Installation Report, counter signed by an authorized Bank official from the delivery site

8. Performance Bank Guarantee

The selected Bidder shall, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of Letter of Intent (LOI)/**Purchase Order** (PO) have to furnish a Performance Bank Guarantee, format as per Annexure VI issued by any scheduled commercial Bank (other than UCO Bank) equivalent to 3% of the project cost/**Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)** valid for a period of 36 months (36 months + a claim period of three (3) months) from the date of Letter of Intent (LOI)/**Purchase Order** (PO) for indemnifying any loss to the Bank.

The Performance Bank Guarantee shall act as a security deposit either in case the selected Bidder is unable to commence the project within the stipulated time or the commencement of the project is delayed inordinately beyond the acceptable levels, the Bank reserves the right to forfeit the same.

Further, the Bank reserves the right to invoke the Performance Bank Guarantee in case the selected Bidder is not able to fulfill any and/or all conditions specified in the document or is unable to complete the project within the stipulated time and such breach remains uncured within such period as mentioned in the Clauses of Termination/**Order Cancellation**. This is independent of the Liquidated Damages (LD) on delivery and installation.

The selected Bidder shall be responsible for extending the validity date and claim period of the Performance Bank Guarantee as and when it is due on the account of non-completion of the project and warranty period.

In case the Service Level Agreement/Contract is extended, the selected Bidder shall have to submit the Bank Guarantee equivalent to 10% of the project cost/Total Cost of Ownership (TOC) for the extended period along with a claim period of three (3) months.

9. Price Validity

The service provider shall keep the price valid for the entire contract period. Under no circumstances, Bank shall bear any increase in the prices and Bank may place the additional Purchase Orders to the selected bidder for any or all of the services at the agreed unit rate for line items as mentioned in the commercial format i.e. Annexure – XIX during the price validity period.

10. Single Point Of Contact

The selected bidder shall appoint a single point of contact, with whom Bank will deal, for any activity pertaining to the requirements of this RFP.

11. Right To Alter Number of Events

The Bank reserves the right to alter the number of events specified in the tender in the event of changes in requirements of the Bank. Any decision of UCO BANK in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding on the bidder. Bank reserves the right to alter the number of events at any time **not exceeding 25% of the total number of events** without prior notice to the selected bidder(s).

12. Preliminary Scrutiny

UCO Bank will scrutinize the offers to determine whether they are complete, whether any errors have been made in the offer, whether required technical documentation has been furnished, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether all the necessary information supported by documentary evidences are submitted as per prescribed method. Offers not meeting the prescribed guidelines and or with incorrect information or not supported by documentary evidence, wherever called for, would summarily be rejected. However, UCO Bank, at its sole discretion, may waive any minor non-conformity or any minor irregularity in an offer. UCO Bank reserves the right for such waivers and this shall be binding on all vendors.

13. Award Of Contract

The bidder who qualifies in the technical evaluation will qualify for commercial evaluation. The bidder whose bid has been determined to be responsive and who quotes the lowest price will be treated as L1 Bidder. Any decision of UCO Bank in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the bidder(s).

14. Taxes

- a. Bidder shall be solely liable for the payment of all taxes, duties, fines, penalties, etc., by whatever name called as may become due and payable under the local, state and/or central laws, rules and/or regulations as may be prevalent and as amended from time to time in relation to the services rendered pursuant to this agreement. The Bank may in its discretion, but without being bound to do so, make payment of Taxes, duties as aforesaid and in the event of such payment, Bank shall be entitled to deduct the payment so made from the payment due to Bidder in respect of Bills.

- b. The Bank shall not be liable nor responsible for collection and / or payment of any such taxes, duties, fines, penalties etc., by whatever name called, that are due and payable by bidder, under the local, state and/ or central laws, rules and /or regulations as may be prevalent and as amended from time to time.
- c. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Bank from deducting taxes deductible at source as required by any law/s or regulation/s. Bidder shall be responsible to report any non-receipt of certificate of taxes deducted at source within ninety (90) days of deduction of such taxes at source by the Bank to bidder. The Bank will not issue any duplicate certificate for deduction of taxes at source unless such request is made within ninety (90) days of the closure of the financial year.
- d. Bidder shall co-operate fully in the defence of any claim/s by any local, state or union authorities against The Bank with respect to any taxes and/or duties due and payable by bidder and /or individuals assigned by bidder under this agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing bidder shall upon request by The Bank, give to The Bank all documents, evidences in a form satisfactory to The Bank to defend such claim/s. Any claims filed against The Bank, the cost to be borne by the selected bidder.
- e. The payments which is/are **inclusive of GST and other taxes, fees etc.** as per the Payment Schedule covered herein above shall be paid by Department of Information Technology, UCO Bank, Head Office – Kolkata. However, Payment of the Bills would be released, on receipt of advice / confirmation for satisfactory delivery and commissioning, live running and service report etc. after deducting all penalties.

15. Confidentiality and Secrecy

The RFP document is confidential and is not to be reproduced, transmitted, or made available by the Recipient to any other party. The RFP document is provided to the Recipient on the basis of the undertaking of confidentiality given by the Recipient to Bank. Bank may update or revise the RFP document or any part of it. The Recipient acknowledges that any such revised or amended document is received subject to the same terms and conditions as this original and subject to the same confidentiality undertaking.

The Recipient will not disclose or discuss the contents of the RFP document with any officer, employee, consultant, director, agent, or other person associated or affiliated in any way with Bank or any of its customers, suppliers, or agents without the prior written consent of Bank.

The bidder/selected bidder must undertake that they shall hold in trust any Information received by them under the Contract/Service Level Agreement,

and the strictest of confidence shall be maintained in respect of such Information. The bidder has also to agree:

- To maintain and use the Information only for the purposes of the Contract/Agreement and only as permitted by BANK;
- To only make copies as specifically authorized by the prior written consent of Bank and with the same confidential or proprietary notices as may be printed or displayed on the original;
- To restrict access and disclosure of Information to such of their employees, agents, strictly on a "need to know" basis, to maintain confidentiality of the Information disclosed to them in accordance with this Clause, and
- To treat all Information as Confidential Information.
- The selected service provider acknowledges and agrees that all tangible and intangible information obtained, developed or disclosed including all documents, data, papers, statements, any business/customer information, trade secrets and process of the UCO Bank relating to its business practices in connection with the performance of services under this Agreement or otherwise, is deemed by the UCO Bank and shall be considered to be confidential and proprietary information ("Confidential Information"), solely of the UCO Bank and shall not be used/disclosed to anybody in any manner except with the written consent of The UCO Bank.
- The selected service provider shall ensure that the same is not used or permitted to be used in any manner incompatible or inconsistent with that authorized by the UCO Bank. The Confidential Information will be safeguarded and the selected service provider will take all necessary action to protect it against misuse, loss, destruction, alterations or deletions thereof.
- **Conflict of interest:** The Vendor shall disclose to BANK in writing, all actual and potential conflicts of interest that exist, arise or may arise (either for the Vendor or the Bidder's team) in the course of performing the Service(s) as soon as practical after it becomes aware of that conflict.
- **The successful Bidder is required to execute a Non-Disclosure Agreement to the bank as per bank's format before or at the time of execution of the Service Level Agreement.**

16. Compliance With Laws

The Vendor shall undertake to observe, adhere to, abide by, comply with and notify the Bank about all laws in force or as are or as made applicable in future, pertaining to or applicable to them, their business, their employees or their obligations towards them and all purposes of this Contract and shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend and protect the Bank and its employees/officers/staff/ personnel/ representatives/ agents from any failure or omission on its part to do so and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may Occurs or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligations arising therefrom.

All the employees/operator deployed by the Vendor for the digitization activity must comply with government's rules and regulations like Minimum Wages Act, Provident Fund, Labour Law, ESIC facility standard, CVC / RBI guidelines.

This indemnification is only a remedy for the Bank. The Vendor is not absolved from its responsibility of complying with the statutory obligations as specified above. Indemnity would be limited to court awarded damages and shall exclude indirect, consequential and incidental damages. However indemnity would cover damages, loss or liabilities suffered by the Bank arising out of claims made by its customers and/or regulatory authorities.

The Vendor confirms to Bank that it complies with all Central, State, Municipal laws and local laws and rules and regulations and shall undertake to observe, adhere to, abide by, comply with and notify Bank about compliance with all laws in force including Information Technology Act 2000 as amended from time to time or as are or as made applicable in future, pertaining to or applicable to them, their business, their employees or their obligation's towards them and for all purposes of this Contract, and shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend and protect Bank and its officers/staff/personnel/representatives/agents from any failure or omission on its part to do so and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may occur or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligation's arising therefrom.

The Vendor shall promptly and timely obtain all such consents, permissions, approvals, licenses, etc., as may be necessary or required for any of the purposes of this project or for the conduct of their own business under any applicable Law, Government Regulation/Guidelines and shall keep the same valid and in force during the term of the project, and in the event of any failure or omission to do so, shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend, protect and fully compensate Bank and its

employees/officers/staff/personnel/ representatives(agents from and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may Occurs or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligation's arising there from and Bank will give notice of any such claim or demand of liability within reasonable time to the Vendor.

The Vendor shall also provide a certificate from Statutory Auditor or Cost Auditor of the Company or from practicing Cost Accountant giving the percentage local contents as defined in PPP order issued by GOI from time to time and applicable for the said procurement/project

17. Force Majeure

Force Majeure is herein defined as any cause, which is beyond the control of the selected bidder or the Bank as the case maybe which they could not foresee or with a reasonable amount of diligence could not have foreseen and which substantially affect the performance, such as:

- Natural phenomenon, including but not limited to floods, droughts, earthquakes, epidemics,
- Situations, including but not limited to war, declared or undeclared, priorities, quarantines, embargoes,
- Terrorist attacks, public unrest in work area,

Provided either party shall within ten (10) days from the occurrence of such a cause notify the other in writing of such causes. The Selected bidder or the Bank shall not be liable for delay in performing his / her obligations resulting from any Force Majeure cause as referred to and / or defined above.

18. Completeness Of The Project

The project will be deemed as incomplete if the desired objectives of the project as mentioned in Section "Scope of Work" of this document are not achieved.

19. Acceptance Testing

The Bank will carry out the acceptance tests as per **Scope of Work Part – IV** supplied & implemented by the selected bidder as a part of the Project. The Vendor shall assist the Bank in all acceptance tests to be carried out by the Bank. The provisioned items will be deemed accepted only on successful acceptance of those products and the vendor would need to provision insurance of those items till successful acceptance. The Bank at its discretion may modify, add or amend the acceptance tests which then will have to be

included by the vendor. The Vendor shall arrange for the tests at the relevant sites in the presence of the officials of the Bank. The Vendor should ensure that the tests will involve trouble-free operation of the complete system apart from physical verification and testing and that there shall not be any additional charges payable by the Bank for carrying out this acceptance test.

20. Order Cancellation.

The Bank reserves its right to cancel/terminate the Order/Agreement in the event of occurrence of one or more of the following circumstances, that are not occasioned due to reasons solely and directly attributable to the Bank alone:

- a) The selected Bidder/Vendor commits a breach of any of the terms and conditions of the Letter of Intent/Purchase Order/Agreement;
- b) The selected Bidder/Vendor violates the Laws, Rules, Regulations, Bye-Laws, Guidelines, and Notifications etc.,;
- c) Serious discrepancy in the quality of service of selected Bidder/Vendor expected during the implementation, rollout and subsequent maintenance process;
- d) The selected Bidder/Vendor goes into liquidation voluntarily or otherwise;
- e) An attachment is levied or continues to be levied upon the selected Bidder/Vendor for a continuous period of 7 days upon the effects of the order;
- f) The progress regarding execution of the order by the selected Bidder/Vendor is found to be unsatisfactory;
- g) Non-compliance by the selected Bidder/Vendor of the scope of the job;
- h) Repetitive failure of the deployed personnel of the selected Bidder/Vendor to perform the job to the satisfaction of the Bank;
- i) The selected Bidder/Vendor fails to complete the assignment as per the timelines prescribed in the Work Order/ said Agreement/Contract and the extension, if any allowed.
- j) On the events of data piracy/privacy/system failures/security failures by the selected Bidder/Vendor;

- k) If deductions on account of liquidated damages exceed more than 10% of the total order price.

In case of cancellation/termination of Order/Agreement due to the above stated situations, the following consequences will entail:

- i. In case the selected Bidder/Vendor fails to deliver the ordered hardware, software, services and FM resources as stipulated in the delivery schedule, UCO BANK reserves the right to procure these deliverables from alternate sources at the risk, cost and responsibility of the selected Bidder/Vendor with the capping of 125% of the original quoted cost for such deliverable.
- ii. If the selected Bidder/Vendor does not perform satisfactorily or delays in execution of contract, UCO Bank reserves the right to get the balance order executed by another party of its choice, in this event the selected Bidder/Vendor is bound to make good with the capping of 125% of the original quoted cost for such deliverable, which UCO Bank may have to incur in executing the balance order. This clause is applicable, if for any reason, the order is cancelled.
- iii. UCO Bank reserves the right to recover any dues payable by the selected Bidder/Vendor under the contract from any amount outstanding to the credit of the selected Bidder/Vendor, including the bills and /or invoking the Performance Bank Guarantee under this Agreement.
- iv. In case of cancellation of order, any advance payments (except payment against ATS) made by the Bank to the selected Bidder/Vendor for implementation of project, would necessarily have to be returned to the Bank. If the selected Bidder/Vendor fails to return such payment within thirty (30) days, then the selected Bidder/Vendor have to return the amount to the Bank with interest @ 15% per annum, further the selected Bidder/Vendor would also be required to compensate the Bank for any direct loss suffered by the Bank due to the cancellation of the contract/purchase order and any additional expenditure to be incurred by the Bank to appoint any other Vendor. This is after repaying the original amount paid.
- v. The selected Bidder/Vendor shall be liable under this section if the contract/ purchase order has been cancelled in case the sum total of penalties and deliverables exceeds 10% of the TCO.

In case of order cancellation/termination, Bank will notify the selected Bidder/Vendor within Ninety (90) days' notice period inclusive of Thirty (30) days cure period before cancellation/termination of the Order/Agreement. However, it is clarified that the notice should specifically contain that the Ninety (90) days period for cancellation is inclusive of cure period of Thirty (30) days, if the selected Bidder/Vendor fails to cure within Thirty (30) days' time the notice for cancellation will become absolute. For the sake of clarity, the period of 90 (Ninety) days will begin from the date of receipt of termination/cancellation notice in accordance with Clause no. 42(in Part-V) of this Agreement. Any other mode of communicating the termination/cancellation of the Agreement will be deemed to be invalid.

The rights of the Bank enumerated above are in addition to the rights/remedies available to the Bank under the law(s) for the time being in force.

21. Indemnity

In consideration of the Bank having agreed to accept our offer in terms of Request for Proposal No. dated, We the Vendor **herein doth hereby agree and undertake that we shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Bank including its respective** Directors, Officers and Employees, from and against any claims, demands, actions, proceedings, damages, recoveries, judgements, costs, charges liabilities, losses arising out of all kinds of accidents, destruction, deliberate or otherwise, violation of applicable laws, regulations, guidelines and/or environmental damages, if any, during the **contract period or expenses of any nature and kind whatsoever and by whomsoever made in respect of the said Contract and any damage caused from and against all suits and other actions that maybe instituted or preferred against the Bank or which the Bank may have to bear, pay or suffer directly or indirectly due to omission or commission of any act on our part and/or on the part of our employees, representatives, agents and/or associates, sub-contractors in performance of the obligations enumerated under the said Request for Proposal and Service Level Agreement/Contract/Master Service Level Agreement dated _____;**

We the Vendor further irrevocably and unconditionally agree and undertake to hold the Bank harmless, indemnify and keep the Bank indemnified from any of its following acts and deeds, irrespective of the value, genuineness or enforceability of the aforesaid Contract/Agreement or insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganisation, dissolution, liquidation or change in ownership of UCO Bank or us or any other circumstance whatsoever which might otherwise constitute a discharge of the Vendor:

- a) material breach of any of the terms of the RFP/ SLA or breach of any representation or false representation or inaccurate statement or assurance**

or covenant or warranty of the service provider under these presents and/or Request for Proposal and Service Level Agreement/Contract/Master Service Level Agreement;

- b) infringement of any intellectual property right, patents, trademarks, copyrights or breach of confidentiality obligations etc., including any claims of infringement of any third-party copyright, patents or other intellectual property and/or any third-party claims on the Bank for malfunctioning of the equipment, software or deliverables or usage of any license, or such other statutory infringement in respect of all components provided to fulfil the scope of work under these presents and/or Request for Proposal and Service Level Agreement/Contract/Master Service Level Agreement;
- c) for any loss or damages caused to the Bank's premises or property, loss of reputation & loss of life etc., solely attributable due to the acts of the Vendor/Vendor's employees, representatives, agents and/or associates;
- d) non-compliance of the Vendor with the applicable laws and/or statutory obligations, if any, in performing its duties as a service provider under the said Request for Proposal and Service Level Agreement/Contract/Master Service Level Agreement;
- e) Negligence or gross misconduct attributable to the Vendor, its employees, representatives, agents and/or associates or any liabilities which pose significant risk;

We shall not enter into any settlement, compromise or make any statement (including failure to take appropriate steps) that may be detrimental to the rights, interest and reputation of the Bank (and/or its customers, users and service providers).

All indemnities shall survive notwithstanding the expiry or termination of Service Level Agreement/Contract/Master Service Level Agreement and we shall continue to be liable under the indemnities.

Any notice, request or other communication to be given or made under this indemnity shall be in writing addressed to either Party at the address stated in the aforesaid Agreement/Contract.

We hereby declare that this Indemnity is in addition to the Liquidated Damages as provided in these presents.

22. Publicity

- d. Any publicity by the selected bidder in which the name of the Bank is to be used should be done only with the explicit written permission of the Bank. The

Bidder shall not make or allow making a public announcement or media release about any aspect of the Contract unless The Bank first gives the Bidder its prior written consent.

23. Privacy And Security Safeguards

- e. The selected bidder shall not publish or disclose in any manner, without the Bank's prior written consent, the details of any security safeguards designed, developed, or implemented by the selected bidder under this contract or existing at any Bank location. The Selected bidder shall develop procedures and implementation plans to ensure that IT resources leaving the control of the assigned user (such as being reassigned, removed for repair, replaced, or upgraded) are cleared of all Bank Data and sensitive application software. The Selected bidder shall also ensure that all subcontractors who are involved in providing such security safeguards or part of it shall not publish or disclose in any manner, without the Bank's prior written consent, the details of any security safeguards designed, developed, or implemented by the selected bidder under this contract or existing at any Bank location.

24. Technological Advancements

The Selected bidder shall take reasonable and suitable action, taking into account economic circumstances, at mutually agreed increase / decrease in charges, and the Service Levels, to provide the Services to the Bank at a technological level that will enable the Bank to take advantage of technological advancement in the industry from time to time.

25. Guarantees

Selected bidder should guarantee that all the material as deemed suitable for the delivery and management for the RFP for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Hardware & Software required for Centralised Information Management System (CIMS). All hardware and software must be supplied with their original and complete printed documentation.

26. Exit Option And Contract Re-Negotiation

The Bank reserves the right to cancel the said Agreement/Contract in the event of happening one or more of the following conditions:

- a) Failure of the selected bidder/Vendor to accept the Letter of Intent/Purchase Order and/or failure to furnish the Performance Bank Guarantee within a period of fifteen (15) days of receipt of Letter of Intent/Purchase Order;

- b) Delay in commissioning the Project beyond the specified period;
- c) Delay in completion of the commissioning/implementation and acceptance tests/ checks beyond the specified periods;

Bank will notify the selected bidder/Vendor with Ninety (90) days' notice inclusive of a cure period of thirty (30) days before cancellation/termination. However, it is clarified that the notice should specifically contain that the Ninety (90) days period for cancellation is inclusive of a cure period of thirty (30) days, if the Vendor fails to cure within thirty (30) days' time, then the notice for cancellation will become absolute. For the sake of clarity, the period of Ninety (90) days will begin from the date of receipt of termination/cancellation notice in accordance with Clause no. 42 (in Part-V) of this Agreement. Any other mode of communicating termination/cancellation of the Agreement will be deemed to be invalid.

In addition to the cancellation of Purchase Order/said Agreement/Contract, the Bank reserves the right to appropriate the damages through invocation of Performance Bank Guarantee furnished by the selected bidder/Vendor.

Notwithstanding the existence of a dispute, and/or the commencement of arbitration proceedings, the Vendor will be expected to continue the services. The Bank shall have the sole and absolute discretion to decide whether proper reverse transition mechanism over a period of six (6) to twelve (12) months, has been complied with. In the event of the conflict not being resolved, the conflict will be resolved through Arbitration.

The Bank and the Vendor shall together prepare the Reverse Transition Plan. However, the Bank shall have the sole decision to ascertain whether such Plan has been complied with.

Reverse Transition mechanism would typically include service and tasks that are required to be performed / rendered by the Vendor to the Bank or its designate to ensure smooth handover and transitioning of Bank's deliverables, maintenance and facility management.

The reverse transition period may or may not be within the contract period. In case the reverse transition period falls within the contract period, all the terms & conditions, scope of work mentioned in the contract will hold good along with smooth handover and transitioning of Bank's deliverables to the Bank or its designates/nominees and no extra payment shall be paid by the Bank for such reverse transition.

However, if the reverse transition mechanism to be adopted after the expiry of the contract period, the Bank and the Vendor shall together prepare the Reverse Transition Plan for smooth handover and transitioning of Bank's deliverables to the Bank or its designates/nominees including maintenance and facility management. Though in such case the Bank shall have the sole authority to ascertain whether such Plan has been complied with, but the payment for such reverse transition would be determined on pro rata basis or on mutual consent of the Parties.

27. Termination For Convenience

The Bank, by a written notice for a period of ninety (90) days (both in words and figures) sent to the selected Bidder/Vendor, may terminate the said Agreement/Contract, in whole or in part, at any time at its convenience. The notice of termination shall specify that the termination is for Bank's convenience, the extent to which the performance of work under the said Agreement/Contract is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.

28. Termination For Insolvency

The Bank may at any time terminate the Contract by giving written notice **(90 days' notice period)** to the Bidder, if the Bidder becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the Bidder, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy, which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the Bank.

29. Termination For Default

The Bank, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of Contract, by written notice of default sent to the bidder, may terminate this Contract in whole or in part, if the bidder fails to perform any obligation(s) under the Contract.

In case of Termination for Default Bank will provide notice period of 90 days inclusion cure period of 30 days. However, it is clarified that the notice should specifically contain that the 90 days period for cancellation is inclusive of cure period of 30 days, if the Vendor fails to cure within 30 days' time the notice for cancellation will become absolute.

30. Consequences Of Termination

In the event of termination of the Contract due to any cause whatsoever, (whether consequent to the stipulated term of the Contract or otherwise), UCO

Bank shall be entitled to impose any such obligations and conditions and issue any clarifications as may be necessary to ensure an efficient transition and effective business continuity of the Service(s) which the Vendor shall be obliged to comply with and take all available steps to minimize loss resulting from that termination/breach, and further allow the next successor Vendor to take over the obligations of the erstwhile Vendor in relation to the execution / continued execution of the scope of the Contract.

In the event that the termination of the Contract is due to the expiry of the term of the Contract, a decision not to grant any (further) extension by UCO Bank, the bidder herein shall be obliged to provide all such assistance to the next successor bidder or any other person as may be required and as UCO Bank may specify including training, where the successor(s) is a representative/personnel of UCO Bank to enable the successor to adequately provide the Service(s) hereunder, even where such assistance is required to be rendered for a reasonable period that may extend beyond the term/earlier termination hereof.

Nothing herein shall restrict the right of UCO Bank to invoke the Performance Bank Guarantee and other guarantees, securities furnished, enforce the Deed of Indemnity and pursue such other rights and/or remedies that may be available to UCO Bank under law or otherwise.

The termination hereof shall not affect any accrued right or liability of either Party nor affect the operation of the provisions of the Contract that are expressly or by implication intended to come into or continue in force on or after such termination.

31. Service Level Agreement

- a.** The bidder shall perform its obligations under the service level agreement entered into with the Bank.
- b.** If any act or failure by the bidder under the agreement results in failure or inoperability of systems and if the Bank has to take corrective actions to ensure functionality of its property, the Bank reserves the right to impose penalty, which may be equal to the cost it incurs or the loss it suffers for such failures.
- c.** If the bidder fails to complete the due performance of the contract in accordance with the specification and conditions of the offer document, the Bank reserves its right either to cancel the order or to recover a suitable amount as deemed reasonable as Penalty for non-performance.
- d.** SLA violation will attract penalties as mentioned in the penalty clause.

- e. The selected bidder shall ensure uptime (to be calculated on monthly basis). The bank reserves the right to impose / waive any such penalty.
- f. The purchaser may without prejudice to its right to effect recovery by any other method, deduct the amount of penalty from any money belonging to the bidder in its hands (which includes the purchaser's right to claim such amount against bidder's Bank Guarantee) or which may become due to the Bidder. Any such recovery of penalty shall not in any way relieve the Bidder from any of its obligations to complete the works/services or from any other obligations and liabilities under the Contract.
- g. The selected bidder will also sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement and Service Level Agreement (SLA) with the Bank on a format prescribed by the Bank.**
- h. The selected bidder(s) shall be required to enter into a service level agreement (SLA) with UCO Bank, within 15 days of the award of the Bid through a Letter of Empanelment or within such extended period as may be specified.
- i. The SLA shall be based on the requirements of this RFP, the terms and conditions of purchase order, the letter of acceptance and such other terms and conditions as may be determined by the Bank to be necessary for the proper performance of the work in accordance with the Bid and the acceptance thereof, with terms and conditions contained in a Memorandum of Understanding to be signed at the time of execution of the Form of Contract.
- j. There shall be no variation(s) in or modification(s) in the terms of the Contract/ Service Level Agreement save and except by a written mutual consent signed by both the Parties i.e. the Bank and Vendor. Bank shall have the discretion/liberty to give effect to any amendment, modification etc. in the Contract/Service Level Agreement, if so required by Bank, sequel to any amendment(s)/ modification(s) etc. in the applicable Laws/Statutes including but not limited to amendment(s)/ modification(s) etc. in the existing Guidelines/ Instructions issued/to be issued by any Regulatory Authority.

32. Demonstration of the Product

UCO Bank reserves its right to carry out a demonstration of the product of the offered item(s). Bank may instruct eligible bidders to make technical presentation at Bank's Head Office, Kolkata for the proposed solution / service. Bidders will have to make such presentation at their own cost.

33. Verification

UCO Bank reserves the right to verify any or all statements made by the vendor in the Bid document and to inspect the vendor's facilities, if necessary, to establish to its satisfaction about the vendor's capacity to perform the job.

34. Dispute Resolution Mechanism

- a.** The Bidder and The Bank shall endeavour their best to amicably settle all disputes arising out of or in connection with the Contract in the following manner:
 - i.** The Party raising a dispute shall address to the other Party a notice requesting an amicable settlement of the dispute within seven (7) days of receipt of the notice.
 - ii.** The matter will be referred for negotiation between Deputy General Manager of The Bank / Purchaser and the Authorised Official of the Bidder. The matter shall then be resolved between them and the agreed course of action documented within a further period of 15 days.
- b.** In case any dispute between the Parties, does not settle by negotiation in the manner as mentioned above, the same may be resolved exclusively by arbitration and such dispute may be submitted by either party for arbitration within 20 days of the failure of negotiations. Arbitration shall be held in Kolkata and conducted in accordance with the provisions of Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof. Each Party to the dispute shall appoint one arbitrator each and the two arbitrators shall jointly appoint the third or the presiding arbitrator.
- c.** The "Arbitration Notice" should accurately set out the disputes between the parties, the intention of the aggrieved party to refer such disputes to arbitration as provided herein, the name of the person it seeks to appoint as an arbitrator with a request to the other party to appoint its arbitrator within 45 days from receipt of the notice. All notices by one party to the other in connection with the arbitration shall be in writing and be made as provided in this tender document.
- d.** The arbitrators shall hold their sittings at Kolkata. The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in English language. Subject to the above, the courts of law at Kolkata alone shall have the jurisdiction in respect of all matters connected with the Contract/Agreement even though other Courts in India may also have similar jurisdictions. The arbitration award shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the Parties and judgment may be entered thereon, upon the application of either party to a court of competent

jurisdiction. Each Party shall bear the cost of preparing and presenting its case, and the cost of arbitration, including fees and expenses of the arbitrators, shall be shared equally by the Parties unless the award otherwise provides.

- e. The Bidder shall not be entitled to suspend the Service/s or the completion of the job, pending resolution of any dispute between the Parties and shall continue to render the Service/s in accordance with the provisions of the Contract/Agreement notwithstanding the existence of any dispute between the Parties or the subsistence of any arbitration or other proceedings.

35. Arbitration

All dispute or differences whatsoever arising between the selected bidder and the Bank out of or in relation to the construction, meaning and operation, with the selected bidder, or breach thereof shall be settled amicably. If, however, the parties are not able to resolve any dispute or difference aforementioned amicably, the same shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Rules of Arbitration of the Indian Council of Arbitration and the award made in pursuance thereof shall be binding on the parties. The Arbitrator / Arbitrators shall give a reasoned award.

Work under the Contract shall be continued by the Selected bidder during the arbitration proceedings unless otherwise directed in writing by the Bank unless the matter is such that the work cannot possibly be continued until the decision of the arbitrator or of the umpire, as the case may be, is obtained and save as those which are otherwise explicitly provided in the Contract, no payment due to payable by the Bank, to the Selected bidder shall be withheld on account of the on-going arbitration proceedings, if any unless it is the subject matter or one of the subject matters thereof. The venue of the arbitration shall be at KOLKATA, INDIA.

36. Compliance with Applicable Laws of India

The Vendor shall undertake to observe, adhere to, abide by, comply with and notify the Bank **about all laws in force or as are or as made applicable in future**, pertaining to or applicable to them, their business, their employees or their obligations towards them and all purposes of this **Contract** and shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend and protect the Bank and its employees/officers/staff/ personnel/ representatives/ agents from any failure or omission on its part to do so and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may Occurs or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligations arising therefrom.

All the employees/operator deployed by the Vendor for the digitization activity must comply with government's rules and regulations like Minimum Wages Act, Provident Fund, Labour Law, ESIC facility standard, CVC / RBI guidelines.

This indemnification is only a remedy for the Bank. The Vendor is not absolved from its responsibility of complying with the statutory obligations as specified above. Indemnity would be limited to court awarded damages and shall exclude indirect, consequential and incidental damages. However indemnity would cover damages, loss or liabilities suffered by the Bank arising out of claims made by its customers and/or regulatory authorities.

The Vendor confirms to Bank that it complies with all Central, State, Municipal laws and local laws and rules and regulations and shall undertake to observe, adhere to, abide by, comply with and notify Bank about compliance with all laws in force including Information Technology Act 2000 as amended from time to time or as are or as made applicable in future, pertaining to or applicable to them, their business, their employees or their obligation's towards them and for all purposes of this Contract, and shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend and protect Bank and its officers/ staff/ personnel/ representatives/agents from any failure or omission on its part to do so and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may occur or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligation's arising therefrom.

The Vendor shall promptly and timely obtain all such consents, permissions, approvals, licenses, etc., as may be necessary or required for any of the purposes of this project or for the conduct of their own business under any applicable Law, Government Regulation/Guidelines and shall keep the same valid and in force during the term of the project, and in the event of any failure or omission to do so, shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend, protect and fully compensate Bank and its employees/officers/staff/personnel/ representatives(agents from and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may Occurs or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligation's arising there from and Bank will give notice of any such claim or demand of liability within reasonable time to the Vendor.

The Vendor shall also provide a certificate from Statutory Auditor or Cost Auditor of the Company or from practicing Cost Accountant giving the percentage local contents as defined in PPP order issued by GOI from time to time and applicable for the said.

37. Limitation Of Liability

- i. For breach of any obligation mentioned in this document, subject to point no. (iii), in no event the Vendor shall be liable for damages to the Bank arising under or in connection with this Agreement for an amount exceeding the total project cost/contract value.
- ii. The **selected Bidder/Vendor** will ensure Bank's data confidentiality and shall be responsible for liability arising in case of breach of any kind of security and/or leakage of confidential customer/Bank's related information to the extent of **the loss caused to the Bank**.
- iii. The limitations set forth in point no. (i) shall not apply with respect to:
 - a) claims that are the subject of indemnification pursuant to violation of Intellectual Property Rights and Ownership.
 - b) **damages occasioned by the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of selected Bidder/Vendor.**
 - c) damages occasioned by the **selected Bidder/Vendor** for breach of confidentiality obligations.
 - d) Regulatory or statutory **penalty** imposed by the Government or **any** Regulatory agency or non-compliance of statutory or regulatory guidelines applicable to the **Project**.
- iv) **The selected Bidder/Vendor will not be liable for any loss of profits, revenue, contracts or anticipated savings or and consequential or indirect loss or damages however caused.**

“Gross Negligence” means an indifference to, and/or a blatant violation of a legal duty with respect of the rights of others, being a conscious and voluntary disregard of the need to use reasonable care, which is likely to cause foreseeable grave injury or harm to persons, property, or both. Gross negligence involves conduct that is extreme, when compared with ordinary negligence. A mere failure to exercise reasonable care shall not be a gross negligence.

“Wilful Misconduct” means any act or failure to act with an intentional disregard of any provision of this RFP/Contract, which a party knew or should have known if it was acting as a reasonable person, which would result in injury, damage to life, personal safety, real property, harmful consequences to the other party, but shall not include any error of judgment or mistake made in good faith.

38. Amendment(s) in the Contract / Service Level Agreement

There shall be no variation(s) in or modification(s) in the terms of the Contract/ Service Level Agreement save and except by a written mutual consent signed by both the Parties i.e. the Bank and Vendor. Bank shall have the discretion/liberty to give effect to any amendment, modification etc. in the Contract/Service Level Agreement, if so required by Bank, sequel to any amendment(s)/ modification(s) etc. in the applicable Laws/Statutes including but not limited to amendment(s)/ modification(s) etc. in the existing Guidelines/ Instructions issued/to be issued by any Regulatory Authority.

39. Severability

If any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal, invalid, or unenforceable under any Applicable Law, and if the rights or obligations of the Parties under this Contract/ Service Level Agreement will not be materially and adversely affected thereby (a) such provision will be fully severable; (b) this Contract/Service Level Agreement will be construed and enforced as if such illegal, invalid, or unenforceable provision had never been comprised a part hereof; and (c) the remaining provisions of this Contract/ Service Level Agreement will remain in full force and effect and will not be affected by the illegal, invalid, or unenforceable provision or by its severance here from.

40. Blacklisting



GROUND FOR DISQUALIFICATION & BLACKLISTING

- (A)** Notwithstanding anything contained in this document, any Bidder/selected Vendor shall be disqualified when –
- i. any Bidder who have been black-listed or otherwise debarred by any Bank/Financial Institution/Central Government/State Government/any Central or State Undertaking or Corporation/Reserve Bank of India or any other Regulatory/Statutory Authority as on date of the publication of this Tender/Procurement;
 - ii. any bidder whose Contract/Agreement with any Bank/Financial Institution/Central Government/State Government/any Central or State Undertaking or Corporation/Reserve Bank of India or any other Regulatory/Statutory Authority has been terminated before the expiry of the Contract/Agreement for breach of any terms and conditions at any point of time during the last five years;
 - iii. any Bidder whose Earnest Money Deposit and/or Security Deposit have been forfeited by any Bank / Financial Institution/Central Government/ State Government/any Central or State Undertaking or Corporation/ Reserve Bank of

India or any other Regulatory/Statutory Authority, during the last five years, for breach of any terms and conditions.

- (B)** Further disqualification can be imposed by the Bank in accordance with the procedures established, which may include but not limited to the following grounds, either at the stage of Competitive Bidding or at the stage of implementation of the Contract:

Commission of any act of:

- i) submission of a bid, proposal or any other document that is known or should be known by the Bidder to be false, misleading or non- meritorious or to contain false information or concealment of information which will influence the outcome of the eligibility screening/selection process;
- ii) any documented unsolicited attempt by the Bidder to unduly influence the decision making process of the Bank while determining the eligibility screening/selection process in favour of the Bidder;
- iii) unauthorized use of one's name or using the name of another for purpose of bidding;
- iv) breach of the terms of a public contract by a wilful or material failure to perform in accordance with the terms thereof;
- v) withdrawal of a bid, or refusal to accept an award, or enter into contract with any Bank/Financial Institution/Central Government/State Government/ any Central or State Undertaking or Corporation/Reserve Bank of India or any other Regulatory Authority without any justifiable cause, after the Bidder had been adjudged as having submitted the lowest calculated Responsive Bid or highest rated Responsive Bid;
- vi) refusal or failure to furnish the required performance security within the prescribed time frame;
- vii) refusal to clarify or validate the Bid submitted, in writing, within a period of seven (7) calendar days from receipt of the request for clarification if sought by the Bank;
- viii) that may tend to defeat the purpose of the competitive bidding, such as but not limited to; an eligible Bidder not purchasing the bid documents or not complying with the requirements during the evaluation of bid or

habitually withdrawing from bidding or submitting letter of non-participation for at least three (3) times within a year, except for valid reasons;

- ix)** lack of integrity or honesty or fraud, bribery, collusion or conspiracy;
- x)** failure by the Bidder/Vendor, due to solely his fault or negligence, to mobilize and commence the work or perform within the specified time period, as specified in the Tender Document, including but not limited to the Request for Proposal/ Request for Quotation/ Agreement/Letter of Intention/Purchase Order etc.,;
- xi)** failure by the Bidder/Vendor to fully and faithfully comply with its contractual obligations without valid cause, or failure to comply with any written lawful instruction of the Bank or its representative(s) pursuant to the implementation of the Contract, which may include but not limited to the following:
 - a.** Employment of competent technical personal, competent engineers and/or work supervisors;
 - b.** Provision of warning signs and barricades in accordance with approved plans and specifications and contract provisions;
 - c.** Stockpiling in proper places of all materials and removal from the project site of waste and excess materials, including broken pavement and excavated debris in accordance with approved plans and specifications and contract provisions;
 - d.** Deployment of committed equipment, facilities, support staff and manpower; and
 - e.** Renewal of effectively date of the performance security after its expiry during the tenure of the Contract.
- xii)** assignment and subcontracting the Contract or any part thereof or substitution of key personnel named in the proposal without prior written approval by the Bank;
- xiii)** for the procurement of goods, unsatisfactory progress in the delivery of the goods by the manufacturer, supplier or distributor arising from his fault or negligence and/or unsatisfactory or inferior quality of goods, as may be provided in the contract;

- xiv)** for the procurement of consulting services, poor performance by the consultant of his services arising from his fault or negligence. The poor performance of the Consultant can include and may not be limited to defective design resulting in substantial corrective works in design and/or construction, failure to deliver critical outputs due to consultant's fault or negligence, specifying materials which are inappropriate, substandard, or way above acceptable standards, allowing defective workmanship or works by the contractor being supervised by the consultant etc.,
- xv)** for the procurement of infrastructure projects, poor performance by the contractor or unsatisfactory quality and/or progress of work arising from his fault or negligence as per the existing performance monitoring system of the Bank shall be applied, quality of materials and workmanship not complying with the approved specifications arising from the contractor's fault or negligence, wilful or deliberate abandonment or non-performance of the project or contract by the contractor resulting to substantial breach thereof without lawful and/or just cause.
- (C)** Any parameters described, *supra*, attributable to any Partner/Director shall be construed as disqualification for the Firm/Company, as the case may be.
- (D)** The Bank will have the discretion to disqualify the Bidder/Vendor and/or initiate the process for blacklisting the Bidder/Vendor and may also entail forfeiture of performance security furnished by the Bidder/Vendor. “

41. Non-disclosure

By virtue of Contract, as and when it is entered into between the Bank and the bidder, and its implementation thereof, the bidder may have access to the confidential information and data of the Bank and its customers. The bidder will enter into a Non-Disclosure Agreement to maintain the secrecy of Bank's data as per following:-

- a.** That the bidder will treat the confidential information as confidential and shall not disclose to any third party. The bidder will also agree that its employees, agents, sub-contractors shall maintain confidentiality of the confidential information.
- b.** That the bidder will agree that it shall neither use, nor reproduce for use in any way, any confidential information of the Bank without consent of the Bank. That the bidder will also agree to protect the confidential information of the Bank with at least the same standard of care and procedures used by them to protect its own confidential Information of similar importance. Without limitation of the foregoing, the bidder shall use reasonable efforts to advise the Bank immediately in the event that the successful bidder learns or has reason to

believe that any person who has had access to confidential information has violated or intends to violate the terms of the Contract to be entered into between the Bank and the bidder, and will reasonably cooperate in seeking injunctive relieve against any such person.

- c. That if the bidder hires another person to assist it in the performance of its obligations under the Contract, or assigns any portion of its rights or delegates any portion of its responsibilities or obligations under the Contract to another person, it shall cause its assignee or delegate to be bound to retain the confidentiality of the confidential information in the same manner as the Bidder is bound to maintain the confidentiality. This clause will remain valid even after the termination or expiry of this agreement.
- d. That the bidder will strictly maintain the secrecy of Bank's data.

42. Notices

Notice or other communications given or required to be given under the contract shall be in writing and shall be faxed/e-mailed followed by hand-delivery with acknowledgement thereof, or transmitted by pre-paid registered post or courier. Any notice or other communication shall be deemed to have been validly given on date of delivery if hand delivered & if sent by registered post than on expiry of seven days from the date of posting

43. Award Criteria

The commercial bids submitted by the service providers in Annexure - XIX will be evaluated as per price quoted and the Service provider, whose commercial offer has been determined as the lowest, will be named as 'L1' and the second lowest will be named as 'L2'. The 'L2' will be given a chance to match the price with 'L1' within 3 (three) days of communication. In case L2 agrees and matches the L1 price, the 2 vendors selected will be awarded the contract. The orders will be distributed between them in the ratio of 60% and 40% (on total annual requirement basis). In case if any line item quoted by L2 vendor found to be lower than the L1 vendor then L1 will be required to reverse match the least cost quoted by L2 for the respective line items to arrive at L1 cost. Likewise L2 would be required to match the least cost quoted by the L1 vendor. Bank's decision in this regard would be final and conclusive and binding upon the service providers.

In case, L2 vendor is not agreeing to match the L1 price the next lowest will be given a chance to match the L1 price. This process will be continued till Bank gets a second vendor who agrees to match the prices of L1. In case, none of

the above vendors is able to match the L1 price the whole quantity will be ordered to L1 only.

44. Locations

The e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward bidding processes will be carried out by Head Office, Zonal Offices, Training Centers, Branches / Offices and it's sponsored RRBs across the country including branches in Andaman Nicobar islands and Lakshadweep islands (**Annexure - XVI**).



Tender offer forwarding letter

RFP Ref No.: UCO/DIT/4334/2021-22 Date: 03.03.2022

To,
Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)
UCO Bank, Head Office-II
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata -700064

Dear Sir,

Sub: RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

With reference to the above RFP, having examined and understood the instructions including all Annexures, terms and conditions forming part of the Bid, we hereby enclose our offer for and RFP for **Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution**, as mentioned in the RFP document forming Technical as well as Commercial Bids being parts of the above referred Bid.

In the event of acceptance of our Technical as well as Commercial Bids by the Bank we undertake to commence RFP for **Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution** as per the terms & conditions of your purchase orders.

In the event of our selection by the bank for undertaking **Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution**, we will submit a Performance Guarantee for a sum equivalent to 3% of the project cost for a period of 39 Months (**36 months + 3 months of claim period**) effective from the month of execution of Service Level Agreement in favour of UCO Bank.

We agree to abide by the terms and conditions of this tender offer till 180 days from the date of commercial bid opening and our offer shall remain binding upon us which may be accepted by the Bank any time before expiry of 180 days.

Until a formal contract is executed, this tender offer, together with the Bank's written acceptance thereof and Bank's notification of award, shall constitute a binding contract between us.

We understand that the Bank is not bound to accept the lowest or any offer the Bank may receive

We enclose the following Demand draft(s)/Bank Guarantee:

1. DD No. Dated for Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only) &
2. BG No. _____dated _____as EMD for Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh only as Cost of RFP Document.

Dated this day of 2022

Signature:

(In the Capacity of)

Duly authorized to sign the tender offer for and on behalf of



General Details of the Bidder**A. Profile of Bidder**

1. Name of bidder:
2. Location
Regd. Office:
Controlling Office:
3. Constitution:
4. Date of incorporation & date of commencement of business:
5. Shareholding Pattern:
6. Major change in Management in last three years
7. Names of Banker /s

B. Financial Position of Bidder for the last three financial years

	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Net Worth			
Turnover			
Net Profit (Profit After Tax)			

N.B. Enclose copies of Audited Balance Sheets along with enclosures**C. Proposed Service details in brief**

- **Description of service :**
- **Details of similar service provided to banks in India specifying the number of Banks and branches**
 - In PSU banks
 - In non-PSU banks

Details of Experience in RFP in the field of Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

Sl. No.	Name of Organization	Period	
		From	To

N.B. Enclose copies of Purchase Orders as references.**Place:****AUTHORISED SIGNATORY****Date:****Name:****Designation:**

FORMAT OF EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (EMD)

(The Bidder shall fill in this Format in accordance with the instructions as indicated)

RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

To,
Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTB)
UCO Bank, Head Office-II
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata -700064

Sir,

I/We,..... (Authorized Signatory of the Bidder) submitted by the undersigned on behalf of the Bidder (M/s _____) either Sole or in Joint Venture, do hereby declare and accept the following:

(A) I/We understand according to your conditions, the bid must be supported by an Earnest Money Deposit.

(B) I/We accept that M/s _____ will automatically be suspended from being eligible for bidding or submitting proposals in any contract with the Bank for the period of time starting on **Bid Submission Date** if I/We are in breach of our obligation(s) under the Bid conditions, enumerated as under:

- 1)** if I/We withdraw the Bid during the period of validity i.e. **180 Days** from the Bid due date; or
- 2)** if I/We is/are awarded the Contract and fail to sign the Contract; or
- 3)** if I/We fail to submit an unconditional and irrevocable performance security before the deadline defined in the request for bid documents; or

4) if I/We make any statement or enclose any form which turns out to be false, incorrect and/or misleading at any time prior to signing of contract and/or conceals or suppresses material information; or

5) if I/We fail to submit the requisite documents as per the tender specification; or

6) if I/We violate any of the provisions of the terms and conditions of this tender specification.

(C) We understand this Earnest Money Deposit shall expire if we are not the successful Bidder, upon the earlier of (i) our receipt of your notification to us of the name of the successful Bidder or (ii)days after the expiration of our Bid.

Name of the Bidder*	
Name of the person duly authorized to sign the Bid on behalf of the Bidder**	
Designation of the person signing the Bid	
Signature of the person named above	
Official Seal	

Dated onthis day of(mention the month),..... (mention the year)
P.S.

(1) * In the case the Bid is submitted by an Entity (viz., Partnership Firm, LLP, Company, Joint Venture), specify the name of the Entity as the Bidder.

(2) ** The Person signing the Bid shall have the Power of Attorney given by the Bidder to execute the documents on behalf of the Bidder.

(3) In case of a Joint Venture, the Earnest Money Deposit must be in the name of all Members/Partners to the Joint Venture that submits the Bid.

PROFORMA FOR PERFORMANCE BANK GUARANTEE
(To be stamped in accordance with the stamp act)

1. In consideration of UCO BANK, a body corporate constituted under the Banking Companies (Acquisition & Transfer of Undertaking) Act, 1970, having its head office at 10 BIPLABI TRILOKYA MAHARAJ SARANI (BRABOURNE ROAD), Kolkata-700001 (hereinafter called "UCO BANK") having agreed to exempt **M/s** _____, a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 having its registered office at (Address of the selected bidder company) (hereinafter called "the said SELECTED BIDDER") from the demand, under the terms and conditions of UCO BANK's purchase order/ Letter of Intent bearing no.dated..... issued to the Selected bidder and an Agreement to be made between UCO Bank and the Selected bidder for a period of In pursuance of Request For Proposal no.....dated....., as modified, (hereinafter called "the said Agreement"), of security deposit for the due fulfillment by the said SELECTED BIDDER of the Terms and conditions contained in the said Agreement, on production of a Bank Guarantee for Rs.....(Rupees.....Only). We,.....[indicate the name of the bank ISSUING THE BANK GUARANTEE] (hereinafter referred to as "the Bank") at the request of [SELECTED BIDDER] do hereby undertake to pay to UCO BANK an amount not exceeding Rs.....against any loss or damage caused to or suffered or would be caused to or suffered by UCO BANK by reason of any breach by the said SELECTED BIDDER of any of the terms or conditions contained in the said Agreement.
2. We [indicate the name of the bank ISSUING THE BANK GUARANTEE] do hereby undertake to pay the amounts due and payable under this guarantee without any demur, merely on a demand from UCO BANK stating that the amount claimed is due by way of loss or damage caused to or breach by the said SELECTED BIDDER of any of the terms or conditions contained in the said Agreement or by reason of the SELECTED BIDDER'S failure to perform the said Agreement. Any such demand made on the Bank shall be conclusive as regards the amount due and payable by the Bank under this guarantee. However, our liability under this guarantee shall be restricted to an amount not exceeding Rs.....
3. We undertake to pay to UCO BANK any money so demanded notwithstanding any dispute or disputes raised by the SELECTED BIDDER in any suit or proceeding pending before any court or Tribunal relating thereto our liability under this

present being absolute and unequivocal. The payment as made by us under this bond shall be a valid discharge of our liability for payment there under and the SELECTED BIDDER for payment there under and the SELECTED BIDDER shall have no claim against us for making such payment.

4. We,[indicate the name of the Bank ISSUING THE GUARANTEE] further agree that the guarantee herein contained shall remain in full force and effect during the period that would be taken for the performance of the said Agreement and that it shall continue to be enforceable till all the dues of BANK under or by virtue of the said Agreement have been fully paid and its claims satisfied or discharged or till UCO BANK certifies that the terms and conditions of the said Agreement have been fully and properly carried out by the said SELECTED BIDDER and accordingly discharged this guarantee. Unless a demand or claim under this guarantee is made on us in writing on or before(Expiry of claim period), we shall be discharged from all liabilities under this guarantee thereafter.
5. We [indicate the name of Bank ISSUING THE GUARANTEE] further agree with UCO BANK that UCO BANK shall have the fullest liberty without our consent and without affecting in any manner our obligations hereunder to vary any of the terms and conditions of the said Agreement or to extend time of performance by the said SELECTED BIDDER from time or to postpone for any time, or from time to time any of the powers exercisable by UCO BANK against the said SELECTED BIDDER and to forebear or enforce any of the terms and conditions relating to the said agreement and we shall not be relieved from our liability by reason of any variation, or extension being granted to the said SELECTED BIDDER or for any forbearance, act or omission on the part of UCO BANK of any indulgence by UCO BANK to the said SELECTED BIDDER or by any such matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would, but for this provision, have effect of so relieving us.
6. This guarantee will not be discharged due to the change in the constitution of the Bank or the SELECTED BIDDER.
7. We, [indicate the name of Bank ISSUING THE GUARANTEE] lastly undertake not to revoke this guarantee during its currency except with the previous consent of UCO BANK in writing.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein:

- a. Our liability under this Bank Guarantee shall not exceed Rs..... (Rupees.....) Only.
- b. This Bank Guarantee shall be valid uptoand
- c. We are liable to pay the guaranteed amount or any part thereof under this Bank Guarantee only and only if you serve upon us a written claim or demand

on or before(date of expiry of Guarantee including claim period).

8. Dated the day of for [indicate the name of Bank]

Yours' faithfully,

For and on behalf of

_____ Bank

Authorised Official

NOTE:

1. Selected bidder should ensure that the seal and CODE No. of the signatory is put by the bankers, before submission of the bank guarantee.
2. Bidder guarantee issued by banks located in India shall be on a Non-Judicial Stamp Paper of requisite value as applicable to the place of execution.



**UNDERTAKING FOR NON-BLACKLISTING / NON-DEBARMENT OF THE BIDDER
TO BE STAMPED AS A DECLARATION & DULY ATTESTED BY A NOTARY**

**Sub: RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-
Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution**

- 1) I/We, Proprietor/Partner(s)/Director(s) of M/s..... hereby confirm that I/We have read and understood the eligibility criteria and fulfil the same.
- 2) I/We further confirm that all the information furnished by me/us, as per the requirement of the Bank, have been included in our bid.
- 3) I/We further hereby undertake and agree to abide by all terms and conditions and guidelines stipulated by the Bank. We understand that any deviation may result in disqualification of our bid.
- 4) *I/We further hereby declare that I/We have not been black-listed or otherwise debarred by any Bank/Financial Institution/Central Government/ State Government/any Central or State Undertaking or Corporation/ Reserve Bank of India or any other Regulatory Authority or any other Statutory Authority as on date of the publication of this Tender/Procurement.

(OR)

I/We further hereby declare that the Proprietorship Concern/Partnership Firm/Company/..... (if any other entity) namely M/s was blacklisted/debarred by.....(Name of the Authority who blacklisted/debarred) from taking part in their Tender/Procurement for a period ofyears w.e.f.to..... The period is subsisting/over on.....and now I/We is/are entitled to take part in Tender/Procurement.

- 5) I/We declare that no proceedings/inquiries/investigations have commenced/pending against me/us by any Statutory Authority/Regulatory Agency/Investigating Agency which may result in liquidation of company/ firm/proprietorship concern and/or may act as deterrent on the continuity of business and/or may hamper in providing the said services, as envisaged in this document.
- 6) I/We further hereby declare that no legal action is pending against me/us for any cause in any legal jurisdiction.

7) I/We undertake that adequate number of resources, if required by the Bank, will be deployed for the project to complete the assignment within the stipulated time.

***STRIKE OUT WHICH IS INAPPLICABLE**

(Deviation to the above if any, the Bidder must provide details of such action(s))

Signature (1) (2)

(duly authorized to sign)

Name:.....

Capacity in which as executed:.....

Name & registered address of the Bidder:.....

Seal of the Bidder to be affixed



Undertaking to abide by all by-laws / rules / regulations

(TO BE EXECUTED ON NON-JUDICIAL STAMP PAPER OF REQUISITE VALUE)

To,

The Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)

UCO Bank, Head Office – II

Department of Information Technology

5th Floor, 3 & 4 DD Block, Sector – 1

Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700064.

Sub: Declaration-Cum-Undertaking regarding compliance with all statutory requirements

In consideration of UCO Bank, a body corporate, constituted under Banking Companies (Acquisition & Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970 as amended from time to time having its Head Office at 10, Biplabi Trailokya Maharaj Sarani, Kolkata-700001 (hereinafter referred to as "Bank" which expression shall include its successors and assigns), we, M/s....., having its Registered Office at....., do hereby, having examined the RFP including all Annexure, confirm and agree to comply with all Laws, Rules, Regulations, By-Laws, Guidelines, Notifications etc.



We hereby undertake and agree to abide by all the terms and conditions stipulated by the Bank in the RFP Ref. No: UCO/DIT/4334/2021-22 Date: 03/03/2022 including all annexure, addendum, corrigendum and amendments, if any. We certify that the services offered shall be in conformity with the terms & conditions and Scope of Work stipulated in the annexures of the said RFP.

We do also hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agree and undertake to save and keep the Bank, including its respective directors, officers, and employees and keep them harmless from and against any claim, demand, losses, liabilities or expenses of any nature and kind whatsoever and any damage caused from and against all suits and other actions that may be instituted taken or preferred against the Bank by whomsoever and all losses, damages, costs, charges and expenses arising out of non-compliance with or non-adherence to any statutory/regulatory requirements and/or any other law for the time being in force.

We also confirm that payment to the engaged employees shall be made in consonance with the Minimum Wages Act in vogue and their duty hours will also be as per applicable labour laws of country.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2022 .

Place:

For M/s.[Seal and Signature(s) of the Authorized Signatory (s)]

Undertaking Letter on the selected bidder's letterhead for Central Minimum Wages Act & Labour Laws

To,
Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)
UCO Bank, Head Office-II
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700064

Sir,

Sub: RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

Further to our proposal dated in response to the Request for Proposal (Bank's tender No..... herein referred to as RFP) issued by Bank, we hereby covenant, warranty and confirm as follows:

In this regard we confirm that the employees engaged by our Company to carry out the services in your bank for the above said contract are paid minimum wages / salaries as stipulated in the Government (Central / State) Minimum Wages / Salaries act in force. All the employees/operator deployed by the selected bidder for the digitization activity must comply with government's rules and regulations like minimum wages act, Provident Fund and ESIC facility standard. We also indemnify the Bank against any action / losses / damages that arise due to action initiated by Commissioner of Labour for non-compliance to the above criteria.

We further authorize the Bank to deduct from the amount payable to the Company under the contract or any other contract of the Company with the Bank if a penalty is imposed by Labour Commissioner towards non-compliance to the "Minimum Wages / Salary stipulated by government in the Act by your company.

(Proof of compliance and labour license needs to be submitted along with the quotation)

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signatory

Designation

Bidder's corporate name

Place:

Date:

Undertaking Letter on the vendor's letterhead for GST Law

To,

**Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)
UCO Bank, Head Office-II
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata -700064**

Dear Sir,

Sub: RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

Further to our proposal dated, in response to the Request for Proposal (Bank's tender No. hereinafter referred to as "RFP") issued by Bank, we hereby covenant, warrant and confirm as follows:

We, the bidder M/s, hereby agree to comply with all applicable GST Laws including GST Acts, Rules, Regulations, Procedures, Circulars & Instructions thereunder applicable in India from time to time and to ensure that such compliance is done.

Yours faithfully,

For.....

Designation:

(Signature and seal of authorized person)

Bidder's corporate name:

Place:

Date:

Undertaking for Price Validity & Acceptance of all terms & conditions of RFP

To
Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)
UCO Bank, Head Office-II
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata -700064

Dear Sir,

Sub: RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

We understand that Bank is not bound to accept the lowest or any bid received and Bank may reject all or any bid. We shall keep the price valid for the entire contract period from the date of issuance of the first Work order.

If our bid is accepted, we are responsible for the due performance as per the scope of work and terms & conditions as per mentioned in RFP.

It is certified that the information furnished here in and as per the document submitted is true and accurate and nothing has been concealed or tampered with.

We have gone through all the conditions of bid and are liable to any punitive action for furnishing false information / documents.

Yours faithfully,

For.....

(Signature and seal of authorized person)

Place:

Date:

Undertaking for No Deviation

To
Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTB)
UCO Bank, Head Office-II
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata -700064

Dear Sir,

Sub: RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

Further to our proposal dated, in response to the Request for Proposal (Bank's tender No. hereinafter referred to as “RFP”) issued by Bank, we hereby covenant, warrant and confirm as follows:

We hereby agree to comply with all the terms and conditions / stipulations as contained in the RFP and the related addendums and other documents including the changes made to the original tender documents if any, issued by the Bank. The Bank is not bound by any other extraneous matters or deviations, even if mentioned by us elsewhere either in our proposal or any subsequent deviations sought by us, whether orally or in writing, and the Bank's decision not to accept any such extraneous conditions and deviations will be final and binding on us.

We undertake to execute Deed of Indemnity, Non-disclosure Agreement & provide Performance Bank Guarantee as per the annexure enclosed in the RFP, in case of emergence as a successful bidder.

Yours faithfully,

For.....

Designation:

(Signature and seal of authorized person)

Bidder's corporate name:

Place:

Date:

Certificate from Chartered Accountant (signed & stamped) showing company's financial position in last 3 years (annual turnover, Net profit / loss, Net-worth etc.)

	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Turnover			
Net Profit / Loss			
Net worth			



Format of Pre-Bid Queries to be submitted by the Bidder(s)**To be e-mailed in .doc format**

Name of the Bidder:

Name of the Contact Person of the Bidder:

Contact Number of the Contact Person:

Email id of the Contact Person:

RFP Page No.	RFP Clause No.	Original RFP Clause	Query sought/ Suggestions of the Bidder



PRE CONTRACT INTEGRITY PACT

(To be stamped as per the Stamp Law of the Respective State)

1. Whereas UCO Bank having its registered office at UCO BANK, a body corporate constituted under The Banking companies (Acquisition & Transfer Act of 1970), as amended by The Banking Laws (Amendment) Act, 1985, having its Head Office at 10, Biplabi Trailokya Maharaj Sarani, Kolkata-700001 acting through its Department of IT, represented by Authorised Signatory hereinafter referred to as the Buyer and the first party, proposes to Select application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution hereinafter referred to as Stores and / or Services. And M/s _____ having its registered office at _____ represented by _____

Authorised signatory, (which term, unless expressly indicated by the contract, shall be deemed to include its successors and its assignee), hereinafter referred to as the bidder/seller and the second party, is willing to offer/has offered the Stores and / or Services.

2. Whereas the Bidder/Seller is a private company/public company/partnership/registered export agency, constituted in accordance with the relevant law in the matter and the BUYER is a Public Sector Undertaking and registered under Companies Act 1956. Buyer and Bidder/Seller shall hereinafter be individually referred to as —Party or collectively as the —parties, as the context may require.

3. Preamble

Buyer has called for tenders under laid down organizational procedures intending to enter into contract /s for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution and the Bidder /Seller is one amongst several bidders /Proprietary Vendor /Customer Nominated Source/Licenser who has indicated a desire to bid/supply in such tendering process. The Buyer values and takes primary responsibility for values full compliance with all relevant laws of the land, rules, regulations, economic use of resources and of fairness / transparency in its relations with its Bidder (s) and / or Seller(s).

In order to achieve these goals, the Buyer will appoint Independent External Monitor(s) (IEMs) in consultation with Central Vigilance Commission, who will monitor the tender process and the execution of the contract for compliance with the principles mentioned above.

4. Commitments of the Buyer

4.1 The Buyer commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption and fraudulent practices and to observe the following principles:-

- (i)** No employee of the Buyer, personally or through family members, will in connection with the tender, or the execution of a contract demand, take a promise for or accept, for self or third person, any material or immaterial benefit which the person is not legally entitled to.
- (ii)** The Buyer will during the tender process treat all Bidder(s) /Seller(s) with equity and reason. The Buyer will in particular, before and during the tender process, provide to all Bidder (s) /Seller(s) the same information and will not provide to any Bidders(s) /Seller(s) confidential /additional information through which the Bidder(s) / Seller(s) could obtain an advantage in relation to the process or the contract execution.
- (iii)** The Buyer will exclude from the process all known prejudiced persons.

4.2 If the Buyer obtains information on the conduct of any of its employees which is a criminal offence under the Indian Legislation Prevention of Corruption Act 1988 as amended from time to time or if there be a substantive suspicion in this regard, the Buyer will inform to its Chief Vigilance Officer and in addition can initiate disciplinary action.



5 Commitments of the Bidder(s) /Seller(s):

5.1 The Bidder(s)/ Seller(s) commit itself to take necessary measures to prevent corruption. He commits himself to observe the following principles during his participation in the tender process and during the contract execution.

- (i)** The Bidder(s) /Seller(s) will not directly or through any other persons or firm, offer promise or give to any of the Buyer's employees involved in the tender process or the execution of the contract or to any third person any material or other benefit which he / she is not legally entitled to, in order to obtain in exchange any advantage during the tendering or qualification process or during the execution of the contract.
- (ii)** The Bidder(s) /Seller(s) will not enter with other Bidders / Sellers into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contracts, submission or non-submission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelization in the bidding process.
- (iii)** The bidder(s) /Seller(s) will not commit any offence under the Indian legislation, Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 as amended from time to time. Further, the Bidder(s) /Seller(s) will not use improperly, for purposes of competition or personal gain, or pass on to others, any information or

document provided by the Buyer as part of the business relationship, regarding plans, technical proposals and business details, including information constrained or transmitted electronically.

- (iv) The Bidder(s) /Seller(s) shall ensure compliance of the provisions of this Integrity Pact by its sub-supplier(s) / sub-contractor(s), if any, Further, the Bidder /Seller shall be held responsible for any violation/breach of the provisions by its sub-supplier(s) /Sub-contractor(s).
- (v) Foreign bidders to disclose the name and address of agents and representatives in India and Indian Bidders to disclose their foreign principals or associates.
- (vi) Bidders not to pass any information provided by the Principal as part of business relationship to others and not to commit any offence under PC/IPC Act.
- (vii) Bidders to disclose the payments to be made by them to agents/brokers or any other intermediary.

5.2 The Bidder(s) /Seller(s) shall ensure compliance of the provisions of this Integrity Pact by its sub-supplier(s) / sub-contractor(s), if any, Further, the Bidder /Seller shall be held responsible for any violation /breach of the provisions by its sub-supplier(s) /sub-contractor(s).



5.3 The Bidder(s) /Seller(s) will not instigate third persons to commit offences outlined above or be an accessory to such offences.

5.4 Agents / Agency Commission

The Bidder /Seller confirms and declares to the Buyer that the bidder/Seller is the original manufacturer/authorized distributor / stockiest of original manufacturer or Govt. Sponsored /Designated Export Agencies (applicable in case of countries where domestic laws do not permit direct export by OEMS of the stores and /or Services referred to in this tender / Offer / contract / Purchase Order and has not engaged any individual or firm, whether Indian or Foreign whatsoever, to intercede, facilitate or in any way to recommend to Buyer or any of its functionaries, whether officially or unofficially, to the award of the tender / contract / Purchase order to the Seller/Bidder; nor has any amount been paid, promised or intended to be paid to any such individual or firm in respect of any such intercession, facilitation or recommendation. The Seller / Bidder agrees that if it is established at any time to the satisfaction of the Buyer that the present declaration is in anyway incorrect or if at a later stage it is discovered by the Buyer that the Seller incorrect or if at a later stage it is discovered by the Buyer that the Seller/Bidder has engaged any such individual /firm, and paid or intended to pay any amount, gift, reward, fees, commission or consideration to such person, party,

firm or institution, whether before or after the signing of this contract /Purchase order, the Seller /Bidder will be liable to refund that amount to the Buyer. The Seller will also be debarred from participating in any RFP / Tender for new projects / program with Buyer for a minimum period of five years. The Buyer will also have a right to consider cancellation of the Contract / Purchase order either wholly or in part, without any entitlement of compensation to the Seller /Bidder who shall in such event be liable to refund agents / agency commission payments to the buyer made by the Seller /Bidder along with interest at the rate of 2% per annum above LIBOR (London Inter Bank Offer Rate) (for foreign vendors) and Base Rate of SBI (State Bank of India) plus 2% (for Indian vendors). The Buyer will also have the right to recover any such amount from any contracts / Purchase order concluded earlier or later with Buyer.

6. Previous Transgression

6.1 The Bidder /Seller declares that no previous transgressions have occurred in the last three years from the date of signing of this Integrity Pact with any other company in any country conforming to the anti-corruption approach or with any other Public Sector Enterprise in India that could justify Bidder's /Seller's exclusion from the tender process.

6.2 If the Bidder /Seller makes incorrect statement on this subject, Bidder /Seller can be disqualified from the tender process or the contract, if already awarded, can be terminated for such reason without any liability whatsoever on the Buyer.

7. Company Code of Conduct

Bidders /Sellers are also advised to have a company code of conduct (clearly rejecting the use of bribes and other unethical behavior) and a compliance program for the implementation of the code of conduct throughout the company.

8. Sanctions for Violation

8.1 If the Bidder(s) /Seller(s), before award or during execution has committed a transgression through a violation of Clause 5, above or in any other form such as to put his reliability or credibility in question, the Buyer is entitled to disqualify the Bidder(s) /Seller (s) from the tender process or take action as per the procedure mentioned herein below:

- (i) To disqualify the Bidder /Seller with the tender process and exclusion from future contracts.

- (ii) To debar the Bidder /Seller from entering into any bid from Buyer for a period of two years.
- (iii) To immediately cancel the contract, if already signed /awarded without any liability on the Buyer to compensate the Bidder /Seller for damages, if any. Subject to Clause 5, any lawful payment due to the Bidder/Seller for supplies effected till date of termination would be made in normal course.
- (iv) To encash Advance Bank Guarantees / Performance Bonds / Warranty Bonds, etc. which may have been furnished by the Bidder /Seller to the extent of the undelivered Stores and / or Services.

8.2 If the Buyer obtains Knowledge of conduct of Bidder /Seller or of an employee or representative or an associate of Bidder /Seller which constitutes corruption, or if the Buyer has substantive suspicion in this regard, the Buyer will inform to its Chief Vigilance Officer.

9. Compensation for Damages

9.1 If the Buyer has disqualified the Bidder(s) /Seller(s) from the tender process prior to the award according to Clause 8, the Buyer is entitled to demand and recover the damages equivalent to Earnest Money Deposit in case of open tendering.

9.2 If the Buyer has terminated the contract according to Clause 8, or if the Buyer is entitled to terminate the contract according to Clause 8, the Buyer shall be entitled to encash the advance Bank guarantee and performance bond / warranty bond, if furnished by the Bidder / Seller, in order to recover the payments, already made by the Buyer for undelivered Stores and / or Services.

10. Independent External Monitor(s)

10.1 The Buyer has appointed independent External Monitors for this Integrity Pact in consultation with the Central Vigilance Commission (Names and Addresses of the Monitors are given in RFP).

10.2 As soon as the integrity Pact is signed, the Buyer shall provide a copy thereof, along with a brief background of the case to the independent External Monitors.

10.3 The Bidder(s) / Seller(s) if they deem it necessary, May furnish any information as relevant to their bid to the Independent External Monitors.

10.4 If any complaint with regard to violation of the IP is received by the buyer in a procurement case, the buyer shall refer the complaint to the Independent External Monitors for their comments / enquiry.

10.5 If the Independent External Monitors need to peruse the records of the buyer in connection with the complaint sent to them by the buyer, the buyer shall make arrangement for such perusal of records by the independent External Monitors.

10.6 The report of enquiry, if any, made by the Independent External Monitors shall be submitted to MD & CEO, UCO Bank, Head Office at 10, Biplabi Trailokya Maharaj Sarani, Kolkata-700001 within 2 weeks, for a final and appropriate decision in the matter keeping in view the provision of this Integrity Pact.

10.7 The word "Monitor" would include both singular and plural.

11. Law and Place of Jurisdiction

This Integrity Pact is subject to Indian Laws, and exclusive Jurisdiction of Courts at Kolkata, India.

12. Other Legal Actions

The actions stipulated in this Integrity Pact are without prejudice to any other legal action that may follow in accordance with the provision of the extant law in force relating to any civil or criminal proceedings.

13. Integrity Pact Duration.

13.1 This Integrity Pact begins when both parties have legally signed it. It expires of order / finalization of contract.

13.2 If any claim is made/ lodged during this time, the same shall be binding and continue to be valid despite the lapse of this Integrity Pact as specified above, unless it is discharged / determined by MD & CEO, UCO Bank .

13.3 Should one or several provisions of this Integrity Pact turn out to be invalid, the reminder of this Integrity Pact remains valid. In this case, the parties will strive to come to an agreement to their original intentions.

14 Other Provisions

14.1 Changes and supplements need to be made in writing. Side agreements have not been made.

14.2 The Bidders (s)/ Sellers (s) signing this IP shall not initiate any Legal action or approach any court of law during the examination of any allegations/complaint by IEM and until the IEM delivers its report.

14.3 In view of nature of this Integrity Pact, this Integrity Pact shall not be terminated by any party and will subsist throughout its stated period.

14.4 Nothing contained in this Integrity Pact shall be deemed to assure the bidder / Seller of any success or otherwise in the tendering process.

15. This Integrity Pact is signed with UCO Bank exclusively and hence shall not be treated as precedence for signing of IP with MoD or any other Organization.

16. In the event of any contradiction between the Integrity Pact and its Annexure, the Clause in the Integrity Pact will prevail.

17. The Parties here by sign this Integrity Pact.

BUYER

Signature:

Authorized Signatory

Department of IT

Place:

Date:

Witness:

(Name & Address)

BIDDER /SELLER

Signature:

Authorized Signatory (*)

Witness:

(Name & Address)



NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT


(Confirmation of format should be enclosed with technical bid. Agreement to be executed on non-judicial stamp paper of requisite value by the selected bidder only.)

This Non-Disclosure Agreement is entered into on this day of..... 2022

BETWEEN

UCO Bank, a body corporate, constituted under the Banking Companies (Acquisition & Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970 as amended from time to time having its Head Office at No.10, BTM Sarani, Kolkata-700001 hereinafter referred to as "**the Bank**" (which expression shall unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context be deemed to mean and include its assigns, administrators and successors) **of the FIRST PART/ DISCLOSING PARTY**

AND

.....(Which expression shall unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context be deemed to mean and include its assigns, administrator and successors) of the **SECOND PART/ RECEIVING PARTY**
(Each of Bank and the vendor is sometimes referred to herein as a "**Party**" and together as the "**Parties**"). यूको बैंक  **UCO BANK**

WHEREAS the Vendor/Receiving Party is inter alia engaged for RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution as per the terms and conditions specified in the RFP Ref. No: UCO/DIT/4334/2021-22 Date: 03.03.2022. The Vendor/Receiving Party would be the single point of contact for this project.

WHEREAS Bank/Disclosing Party is inter alia engaged in the business of Banking; and

WHEREAS the Parties presently desire to discuss and/or consult with each other's business for the purposes of entering into Agreements for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution.

WHEREAS the Parties recognize that each other's business involves specialized and proprietary knowledge, information, methods, processes, techniques and skills peculiar to their security and growth and that any disclosure of such methods, processes, skills, financial data, or other confidential and proprietary information would substantially injure a Party's business, impair a Party's investments and

goodwill, and jeopardize a Party's relationship with a Party's clients and customers; and

WHEREAS in the course of consultation with respect to the potential business venture, the Parties anticipate disclosing to each other certain information of a novel, proprietary, or confidential nature, and desire that such information be subject to all of the terms and conditions set forth herein below;

NOW THEREFORE the Parties hereto, in consideration of the promises and other good and valuable consideration, agree such information shall be treated as follows:

1. Confidential Information. "**Confidential Information**" shall mean and include any information which relates to the financial and/or business operations of each Party, including but not limited to, specifications, drawings, sketches, models, samples, reports, forecasts, current or historical data, computer programs or documentation and all other technical, financial or business data, information related to each Party's customers, products, processes, financial condition, employees, intellectual property, manufacturing techniques, experimental work, trade secrets.

2. Use of Confidential Information. The Vendor/Receiving Party agrees not to use the Bank/Disclosing Party's confidential Information for any purpose other than for the specific consultation regarding the potential business venture. Any other use of such Confidential Information by the Receiving Party shall be made only upon the prior written consent from an authorized representative of the Disclosing Party which wishes to disclose such information or pursuant to subsequent agreement between the Parties hereto.

3. Restrictions. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 4 below, the Party receiving Confidential Information (the "**Receiving Party**") shall, for contract period of Three (3) years from the date of the last disclosure of Confidential Information made under this Agreement (except for personal customer data which shall remain confidential forever), use the same care and discretion to limit disclosure of such Confidential Information as it uses with similar confidential information of its own and shall not disclose, lecture upon, publish, copy, modify, divulge either directly or indirectly, use (except as permitted above under clause (2) or otherwise transfer the Confidential Information to any other person or entity, including taking reasonable degree of care and steps to:

(a) Restrict disclosure of Confidential Information solely to its concerned employees, agents, advisors, consultants, contractors and /or subcontractors with a need to know and not disclose such proprietary information to any other parties; and

(b) Advise all receiving Party's employees with access to the Confidential Information of the obligation to protect Confidential Information provided hereunder and obtain from agents, advisors, contractors and/or consultants an agreement to be so bound.

(c) Use the Confidential Information provided hereunder only for purposes directly related to the potential business venture.

4. Exclusions. The obligations imposed upon Receiving Party herein shall not apply to information, technical data or know how, whether or not designated as confidential, that:

(a) is already known to the Receiving Party at the time of the disclosure without an obligation of confidentiality;

(b) is or becomes publicly known through no unauthorized act of the Receiving Party;

(c) is rightfully received from a third Party without restriction and without breach of this Agreement;

(d) is independently developed by the Receiving Party without use of the other Party's Confidential Information and is so documented;

(e) is disclosed without similar restrictions to a third party by the Party owning the Confidential Information;

(f) is approved for release by written authorization of the Disclosing Party; or

(g) is required to be disclosed pursuant to any applicable laws or regulations or any order of a court or a governmental body; provided, however, that the Receiving Party shall first have given notice to the Disclosing Party and made a reasonable effort to obtain a protective order requiring that the Confidential Information and/or documents so disclosed be used only for the purposes for which the order was issued.

5. Return of Confidential Information. All Confidential Information and copies and extracts of it shall be promptly returned by the Receiving Party to the Disclosing Party at any time within thirty (30) days of receipt of a written request by the Disclosing Party for the return of such Confidential Information.

6. Ownership of Information. The Receiving Party agrees that all Confidential Information shall remain the exclusive property of the Disclosing Party and its affiliates, successors and assigns.

7. No License Granted. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as granting or conferring any rights by license or otherwise in any Confidential Information disclosed to the Receiving Party or to any information, discovery or improvement made, conceived, or acquired before or after the date of this Agreement. No disclosure of any Confidential Information hereunder shall be construed by the Receiving Party to be a public disclosure of such Confidential Information for any purpose whatsoever.

8. Breach. In the event the Receiving Party discloses, disseminates or releases any Confidential Information received from the Disclosing Party, except as provided above, such disclosure, dissemination or release will be deemed a material breach of this Agreement and the Disclosing Party shall have the right to demand prompt return of all Confidential Information previously provided to the Receiving Party and in such case, the Receiving party shall be bound to return all information within 30 days from the date of such demand. The provisions of this paragraph are in addition to any other legal right or remedies, the Disclosing Party may have under the Law for the time being in force.

9. Arbitration and Equitable Relief.

(a) Arbitration. The Parties shall endeavor to settle any dispute/difference arising out of or relating to this Agreement through consultation and negotiation. In the event no settlement can be reached through such negotiation and consultation, the Parties agree that such disputes shall be referred to and finally resolved by arbitration under the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 and the rules made thereunder from time to time. The arbitration shall be held at city of Head Office of member Bank. The language used in the arbitral proceedings shall be English. The arbitration proceeding shall be conducted by a panel of three arbitrators, each party shall appoint his own arbitrator and the two appointed arbitrators shall appoint the third arbitrator who shall act as presiding Arbitrator.

(b) Equitable Remedies. The Parties agree that in event of breach of any of the covenants contained in this Agreement due to negligence/fault/lack of the Receiving Party, the Disclosing party shall have, in addition to any other remedy, the right:

- i) To obtain an injunction from a court of competent jurisdiction restraining such breach or threatened breach; and
- ii) To specific performance of any such provisions of this Agreement. The Parties further agree that no bond or other shall be required in obtaining such equitable relief and the Parties hereby consent to the issuance of such injunction and to the ordering of specific performance.

(c) Legal Expenses: If any action and proceeding is brought for the enforcement of this Agreement, or because of an alleged or actual dispute, breach, default, or misrepresentation in connection with any of the provisions of this Agreement, each Party will bear its own expenses, including the attorney's fees and other costs incurred in such action.

(d) Indemnification: The Receiving Party shall indemnify the Bank and hold the Bank harmless against any loss caused to it as a result of the non-performance or improper performance of this Agreement by the Receiving Party, or its servants or agents to perform any aspect of its obligations forming part of the subject matter of this Agreement.

10. Term. This Agreement may be terminated by either Party giving sixty (60) days' prior written notice to the other Party; provided, however, the obligations to protect the Confidential Information in accordance with this Agreement shall survive for a period of three (3) years from the date of the last disclosure of Confidential Information made under this Agreement (except for personal customer data which shall remain confidential forever).

11. No Formal Business Obligations. This Agreement shall not constitute create, give effect to or otherwise imply a joint venture, pooling arrangement, partnership, or formal business organization of any kind, nor shall it constitute, create, give effect to, or otherwise imply an obligation or commitment on the part of either Party to submit a proposal or to perform a contract with the other Party or to refrain from entering into an agreement or negotiation with any other Party. Nothing herein shall be construed as providing for the sharing of profits or loss arising out of the efforts of either or both Parties. Neither Party will be liable for any of the costs associated with the other's efforts in connection with this Agreement. If the Parties hereto decide to enter into any licensing arrangement regarding any Confidential Information or present or future patent claims disclosed hereunder, it shall only be done on the basis of a separate written agreement between them.

12. General Provisions.

(a) Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of India.

(b) Severability. If one or more of the provisions in this Agreement is deemed void by law, then the remaining provisions shall remain valid and continue in full force and effect.

(c) Successors and Assigns. This Agreement will be binding upon the successors and/or assigns of the Parties, provided however that neither Party shall assign its rights or duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party.

(d) Headings. All headings used herein are intended for reference purposes only and shall not affect the interpretation or validity of this Agreement.

(e) Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. Any amendments or modifications of this Agreement shall be in writing and executed by a duly authorized representative of the Parties.

(f) Jurisdiction of Court: All disputes under this Non-Disclosure Agreement are subject to the jurisdiction of Courts at City of Head office of Individual member Bank in India.

(g) Two original sets of Non-Disclosure Agreement are executed and retained by either parties, Bank and _____ (the selected vendor)

The Parties, by the signature of their authorized representatives appearing below, acknowledge that they have read and understood each and every term of this Agreement and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions.

For and on behalf of

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Signature: _____

Name: _____

Designation: _____

Date: _____

for and on behalf of

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(The selected bidder)

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Designation: _____

Date: _____

ELIGIBILITY COMPLIANCE

Sl. No.	Criteria	Proof of documents to be submitted	Compliance (Yes/No)
1	<p>Bidder should be a limited company(Public/Private)registered in India under the Companies Act, 1956/2013 for the last 3 years as on RFP issuance date.</p> <p>Companies registered as MSME Entrepreneur & still categorized as MSME as on RFP submission date.</p> <p>Bidder/Partner/Investor must adhere cross border sharing/FDI/FEMA and other regulatory guidelines of Govt. of India.</p> <p>The bidder should not be a subsidiary of a foreign company.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Certificate of Incorporation issued by Registrar of Companies along with 2. Copies of Memorandum of Association 3. Copies of Articles of Association 4. Shareholding pattern 5. PAN, TAN, GSTIN Certificate and any other tax related document if applicable is required to be submitted along with the eligibility bid. <p>Registration from DIC, KVIB, NSIC, KVIC, DIHH, UAA or any other body specified by Ministry of MSME.</p>	
2.	The bidder submitting the offer should have positive net-worth for the last three financial years i.e. 2018-19, 2019-20 & 2020-21.This must be the individual company turnover and not of any group of companies.	Copy of the audited balance sheet of the company showing net-worth of the company for the consecutive last three financial years (2018-19, 2019-20 & 2020-21) should be submitted along with Chartered Accountant Certificate.	
3.	The bidder should have a minimum annual turnover of Rs. 2 Crore per year during the last three financial years i.e. 2018-19, 2019-20 & 2020-21. This must be the individual company turnover and not of any group of companies.		

4.	The service provider should have conducted minimum Fifty (50 nos.) e-procurement processes and One Thousand (1000 nos.) e-reverse / forward auctions for corporate clients, Government/PSU/Banks in India in last Two (02) years.	Documentary evidence with relevant copies of Purchase Order/SLA along with Satisfactory Working Certificates / Completion Certificates / Installation Reports / Project Sign-Offs including names of clients with Phone and Fax numbers, E-Mail IDs etc.	
5.	Service Provider should be an ISO certified effective as on date for creating Marketplace and conducting of e-procurement activities.	Enclose the copy of the requisite certificate.	
6.	Bidder should not have been debarred / black-listed by any bank or RBI or any other regulatory authority or Financial Institutions in India as on date of RFP submission.	Annexure-VI should be submitted	
7.	The service provider should ensure that there are no legal proceedings / inquiries / investigations have been commenced / pending against service provider by any statutory or regulatory or investigative agencies or any other for which performance under the contract will get adversely affected / may get affected.	Self-declaration to this effect on the company's letterhead should be submitted.	
8.	The service provider should have their Data Centre located only in India with a suitable DR setup for Business Continuity at a different seismic zone, with required hardware and software, application software etc.	Supporting documents to be submitted.	

9.	<p>The infrastructure provided by the service provider should be certified by authorised Information Security certifying agency (preferably empanelled by CERT IN).</p> <p>The service provider should have full-fledged SOC in place.</p>	<p>Certificate from respective authorised Information Security certifying agency (CERT IN) should be provided.</p> <p>Undertaking for SOC implementation on company's letterhead to be submitted.</p>	
10.	<p>E-Procurement & e-Auction solution proposed by the service provider and related system should conform to the requirements of CVC guidelines, Central Govt. guidelines, STQC certified as per latest laws / Govt. / regulatory guidelines mentioned on it, validity of which may be verified from the certifying authority.</p>	<p>Recent copy of STQC certificate should be attached.</p> <p>An undertaking confirming CVC guidelines, Central Govt. guidelines, STQC certified as per latest laws / Govt. / regulatory should be provided.</p>	
11.	<p>The service provider shall have complete IPR (Intellectual Property Rights) to the software.</p>	<p>A declaration stating the same and certifying that there is no other legal claims on the software or the IP have to be submitted along with technical bid.</p>	
12.	<p>The bidder should be an OSD or their authorized representative in India. In case OSD participates in the tender process directly, authorized representative will not be permitted to participate in the same tender process.</p>	<p>Undertaking / Power of Attorney (PoA) from the OSD mentioning a clause that OSD will provide support services during warranty period if the bidder authorized by them fails to perform.</p> <p>In case of an authorized representative, a letter of authorization (OSD) from original manufacturer must be furnished in original duly signed & stamped (As per</p>	

		Annexure – XXVII).	
13.	The e-procurement solution proposed by the service provider and related systems should conform to the requirements of the IT Act 2000 / 2008 including all amendments.	Recent copy of certificate should be attached showing validity period.	
14.	The service provider should have its presence across the country (preferably Bank's Zonal Office locations as per Annexure - XVI) either its own office or it should have tie-up arrangement with other agencies for support.	The detailed list of the office addresses along with contact details to be submitted on company letter head. Self-declaration regarding tie-up arrangement in case the service provider is not having its presence to be submitted.	
	<p>Note :- In this tender process either authorized representative / distributor / dealer in India on behalf of Principal OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturer), Original Solution Developer (OSD) or Principal OEM/OSD itself can bid but both cannot bid simultaneously. In such case OEM/OSD bid will only be accepted. If an agent / distributor submits bid on behalf of the Principal OEM/OSD , the same agent / distributor shall not submit a bid on behalf of another Principal OEM/OSD in the same tender for the same item or product.</p> <p>The service provider must comply with all above-mentioned criteria. Non-compliance of any of the criteria will entail rejection of the offer summarily. Documentary Evidence for compliance to each of the eligibility criteria must be enclosed along with the bid together with references. Undertaking for subsequent submission of any of the required document will not be entertained under any circumstances. However, UCO Bank reserves the right to seek clarifications on the already submitted documents. Non-compliance of any of the criteria will entail rejection of the offer summarily. Any decision of UCO Bank in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the service provider.</p>		

List of Zonal Offices

Sl. No.	Service Centers required by Bank	Own or Franchisee	Distance from Banks requirement	Contact person, designation, Mobile and email-id & address etc.
1	AHMEDABAD			
2	AJMER			
3	AGARTALA			
4	BALASORE			
5	BANGALORE			
6	BEGUSARAI			
7	BHUBANESHWAR			
8	BURDWAN			
9	BHOPAL			
10	BHAGALPUR			
11	CHANDIGARH			
12	COIMBATORE			
13	CHENNAI			
14	DEHRADUN	यूको बैंक  UCO BANK		
15	DHARAMSALA			
16	ERNAKULAM			
17	GUWAHATI			
18	HOOGHLY			
19	HARYANA			
20	HYDERABAD			
21	INDORE			
22	JAIPUR			
23	JALANDHAR			
24	JODHPUR			
25	JORHAT			
26	KANPUR			
27	KOLKATA			
28	LUCKNOW			
29	MEERUT			
30	MUMBAI			
31	NAGPUR			
32	NEWDELHI			
33	PATNA			
34	PUNE			

35	RAIPUR			
36	RANCHI			
37	SALLAKE			
38	SAMBALPUR			
39	SHIMLA			
40	SURAT			
41	SURI			
42	VARANASI			

Note: Escalation Matrix is to be provided for all the locations wherever the selected service provider will have its office.



Functional and Technical Requirements

Sl. No	Product Feature	Description	Compliance (Yes / No)
1	Modular	The various stages of the e-Tender should be modular and should be capable of being implemented independent of each other.	
2	Event Creation & Posting	1. Should support: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Rate Contracts ii. General Tenders iii. Single/Multiple Envelope Bidding iv. Open Tender where any Supplier can bid v. Limited Tender where only limited Suppliers can bid vi. ICB (International Competitive Bidding) vii. NCB(National Competitive Bidding) viii. Single/Multiple Currency Bidding and provision to add currencies as required ix. Goods Tender - quote for line items x. Works Tender – quote in % of the estimated cost 2. Creation of a new e-Tender and setting up the parameters 3. Provision to raise Indent online. 4. Aggregate Indents for similar products /works 5. Create a Tender out of approved Indent 6. Provision of showing upcoming tenders	
3	Tender Notice Creation	1. Tender notice to be floated in any format - Colour, Fonts, Size etc. 2. Notices are visible to Suppliers only after it is approved 3. System should allow to Archive Tenders to be restored 4. System should allow Cancelled Tender to be revived 5. Provision to categorize Tender as New, Live, Archive, Cancelled, etc. for ease 6. Flexible Search module allows a Tenders to be searched on multiple parameters 7. Provision for image to be attached with Tender Notice 8. Assign unique internal reference number to a Tender for internal use	

4	Online Pre-bid Meeting	Provision for Online Pre-bid meeting	
5	Tender Work Flow	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provision for inviting EOI and issuing RFP to only pre-qualified service providers of EOI 2. Inbuilt check to ensure that incomplete bids in any manner is not accepted 3. Bid withdrawal option such that Supplier is allowed to withdraw bid, that they might have submitted on or before due date and time 4. Tender Promotion - emails to be sent to all registered Suppliers 5. Ability to set maximum size of single file upload and maximum size for multiple file upload depending upon tender requirements. 6. Ability for uploading various types of documents 	
6	Supplier Registration & Administration	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New Supplier Registration facility 2. Buyer can select if Supplier Approval is to be done automatically or manually 3. Buyers should be able to reject Supplier 4. Buyers should be able to black list a Supplier 5. Buyers should have to manage Supplier for his own Department/Organization, 	
7	Online Bid Opening	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tender Opening links does not get activated before due date and time. 2. In case of multi envelope Tender, unless the first stage (envelope) is completed, the second stage (envelope) cannot be opened 3. System to support co-signing facility i.e. the remarks can be given by 2 or more officers and the same can be digitally signed by both officers with their respective Digital Certificate 4. As a stage gets completed the comparative chart of Suppliers gets auto generated 5. Rejected Supplier does not qualify for next round (envelope) automatically 6. System should have the facility to export data to spread sheet like excel 7. System should support online Tender Opening where Suppliers can participate online from their respective offices 8. Buyer can chose to share entire bid of other Suppliers or just the summary 9. System should have a provision such that Suppliers can mark their presence online when they try to participate in online Tender opening event 	

		10. System should have a provision that Buyer can see the name of Suppliers who are present online at time of Online Tender Opening event,	
8	Auction Formats	1. Reverse / Forward / Multi Currency including Rank bidding, Anonymous & Alias bidding, Multi Line bidding, Multiple Lot bidding, Package Auction and / or any other formats in masking form	
9	Parameters	Defining and Setting of:- 1. Opening Price, Historic Price, Reserve Price, Landed & Base Price, Decrement price, Bid factor 2. Start and End Time 3. Automatic and Manual Extensions and Closing rules 4. Data validation rules , Auction Rules like lowest / highest bid wins or highest / lowest quality wins etc., 5. Uploading file attachments 6. Placing of exit Bids etc.	
10	Messaging	Broadcast message to Suppliers during the auction for information and clarifications	
11	Administration	Administration features like 1. Buyer & Supplier registration 2. Supplier administration 3. Roles and Rights Control 4. Checking the login status of the participants 5. Combination of various auction formats 6. Starting/stopping/ modifying auctions 7. Categories, system preferences etc. 8. Masking of Suppliers – Suppliers identity is not revealed to others who are participating in the bidding process. 9. No manual intervention to be necessary for creation of passwords and aliases by suppliers.	

12	Reports	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The software should be capable of generating detailed reports in Excel/HTML/PDF and any other format specified by the Bank. 2. The software should be capable of providing the event wise bid histories, Supplier wise, Product wise, date wise reports 3. Actual savings report, category wise reports , transaction based reports , aggregated reports per category cross suppliers 4. System should have the provision to generate L1, L2, L3 chart dynamically 5. Visibility to reports is granted through the use of report privileges like Admin Reports, Originator Reports and Service provider Reports. These privileges will be granted by the organization administrator Audit Trails - Logs to be available for all user transactions & administrative actions. 	
13	Scalability	The solution should be scalable to meet the requirements of the Bank for the next 3 years from the date of issuance of LOI	
14	User Interface	GUI based Wizard Driven Configuration Customized Look & Feel , Graphical Representation, Online/Onscreen help features , Auto scaling graph etc.	
15	Mandatory features	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fast response during bidding. 2. Admin should be able to monitor user connectivity 3. Portal must be available on 24 x 7 basis 4. Online Maintenance support must be available 24x7 basis 	
16	Security Considerations	Whether the application is secure from making any temporary distortion in the electronic, posting of tender notice, just to mislead certain vendors? If yes, whether any automatic systems alert is provided in the form of daily exception report in the application in this regard?	
b.		Whether application ensures that the tender documents issued to / downloaded by service providers are complete in shape as per the approved tender documents including all its corrigenda?	
c.		Is there any check available in the application to detect and alert about the missing pages to the tenderer, if any?	
d.		Whether application ensures that all the corrigendum issued by the Competent Authority are being fully communicated in proper fashion to all service	

	providers including those who had already purchased/downloaded the bid documents well ahead of the due date and before uploading the corrigendum?	
e.	Whether system is safe from sending discriminatory communication to different service providers about the same e-tendering process?	
f.	Whether e-procurement solution has also been customized to process all type of tenders viz. Limited / Open / Global Tenders?	
g.	Whether online Public Tender opening events feature are available in the application?	
h.	Whether facilities for evaluation / loading of bids, strictly in terms of criteria laid down in bid documents are available in the application?	
i.	Whether sufficient safeguards have been provided in the application to deal with failed attempt blocking?	
j.	Whether application is safe from submission of fake bids?	
k.	Whether encryptions of bids are done at clients end?	
l.	Whether safety against tampering and stealing information of submitted bid, during storage before its opening is ensured?	
m.	Whether application is safe from siphoning off and decrypting the clandestine copy of a bid encrypted with Public key of tender opening officer?	
n.	Whether application is safe from mutilation / sabotage or otherwise rendering the encrypted bid in the e-tender box during storage to make it unreadable / invalid in any form, before opening of the bids?	
o.	Whether introduction of special characters / executable files etc. by users are restricted in the application?	
p.	Whether validity check of DSC is being done at server end?	
q.	Whether system supports the feature that even though if a published tender is being deleted from the application, system does not allow permanent deletion of the published tender from the Database?	
r.	Whether sufficient security features are provided in the application for authentication procedure of the system administrator like ID, password, digital signature, biometric etc?	
s.	Whether audit trails are being captured in the	

		application on media not prone to tampering, such as optical write once?	
t.		Whether log shipping feature is available, where a separate dedicated server receives the logs from the application over a web service in real time?	
u.		Whether integrity and non-tampering is ensured in maintaining the server clock synchronization and time stamping?	
v.		Whether application generates any exception report / system alerts etc. to indicate the resetting of the clock, in case the application for time stamping is killed at the server level and time is manipulated?	
w.		Whether application ensures that the quotes from various service providers with their name are not being displayed to anyone including to the Organization during carrying out of the e-reverse auctioning process?	
x.		Whether application is fit for usage complying with the requirements of tender processing viz. Authenticity of tenderer, non-repudiation and secrecy of information till the actual opening of tenders.	
y.		Whether any comprehensive third party audit as per statutory requirement and also as per the requirements of e-tender processing (compliance to IT Act 2000 / 2008) was got conducted before first putting it to public use?	
z.		Whether application complies with the CVC's Guidelines on Security considerations for e-procurement Systems?	

Date:

Place:

(Signature of the Authorized signatory)

Masked Commercial Bid
(To be submitted with Eligibility Bid)

Format of Masked Commercial for RFP for Selection of Application Service Provider (ASP) for e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward Bidding Solution

Sl. No	Details	Estimated no. of events (A)	Amount in Rs. per event (B)	Total Amount incl. GST in Rs. (C=A*B)	GST in Rs. (D)	Total amount excl. GST in Rs. (E)
1	Service Cost towards e-Tendering activity with all the auctioning facilities as per the requirements covered in Annexure - XVII (item no 1-16)	200	xx	xx	xx	xx
2	Service Cost towards e-Reverse / e-Forward Auction as per Annexure - XVII under items 1,2,3,6,8-16	2000	xx	xx	xx	xx
Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)(1+2)						


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1. We hereby confirm that quotes mentioned in this commercial bid is strictly as per the format in RFP.
2. We also confirm that the above mentioned rates are accurate. In case of any anomalies in the calculation for arriving at TCO, the Bank will have the right to rectify the same as mentioned in the commercial evaluation process clause no. 2.3 and it will be binding upon our company.
3. We have ensured that the price information is filled in the Commercial Offer at appropriate column without any typographical or arithmetic errors. All fields have been filled in correctly.
4. We have not added or modified any clauses / statements / recordings / declarations in the commercial offer, which is conditional and / or qualified or subjected to suggestions, which contain any deviation in terms & conditions or any specification.
5. We have understood that in case of non-adherence to any of the above, our offer will be summarily rejected.

Company Seal
Date
Name & Designation:

Authorized Signatory

Note:

6. In case of discrepancy between figures and words, the amount in words shall prevail.
7. Present Rate of tax, if applicable, should be quoted in respective columns. The Bank will pay the applicable taxes for the above mentioned tax type ruling at the time of actual delivery of service/implementation and resultant billing. However, no other tax type will be paid. The Octroi / Entry Tax will be paid extra, wherever applicable on submission of actual tax receipt.
8. Bank has discretion to keep any of the line item mentioned above as optional as per Bank's requirement.
9. Please note that any commercial offer which is conditional and / or qualified or subjected to suggestions will also be summarily rejected. This offer shall not contain any deviation in terms & condition or any specifications, if so such offer will be summarily rejected.
10. All prices should be quoted in **Indian Rupees (INR)** only.
11. The TCO (Total Cost of Ownership) will be exclusive of GST. However the GST and other applicable taxes will be paid as per actuals at the time of resultant billing.
- 12. Bank will not communicate with OEM / OSD for any queries.**
13. The quantity mentioned above is only indicative and may change at the time of issuance of Purchase Order.  **UCO BANK**

Commercial Bid**Format of Commercial for RFP for Selection of Application Service Provider (ASP)
for e-Procurement and e-Reverse / e-Forward Bidding Solution**

Sl. No	Details	Estimated no. of events (A)	Amount in Rs. per event (B)	Total Amount incl. GST in Rs. (C=A*B)	GST in Rs. (D)	Total amount excl. GST in Rs. (E)
1	Service Cost towards e-Tendering activity with all the auctioning facilities as per the requirements covered in Annexure - XVII (item no 1-16)	200				
2	Service Cost towards e-Reverse / e-Forward Auction as per Annexure - XVII under items 1,2,3,6,8-16	2000				
Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)(1+2)						

1. We hereby confirm that quotes mentioned in this commercial bid is strictly as per the format in RFP.
2. We also confirm that the above mentioned rates are accurate. In case of any anomalies in the calculation for arriving at TCO, the Bank will have the right to rectify the same as mentioned in the commercial evaluation process clause no. 2.3 and it will be binding upon our company.
3. We have ensured that the price information is filled in the Commercial Offer at appropriate column without any typographical or arithmetic errors. All fields have been filled in correctly.
4. We have not added or modified any clauses / statements / recordings / declarations in the commercial offer, which is conditional and / or qualified or subjected to suggestions, which contain any deviation in terms & conditions or any specification.
5. We have understood that in case of non-adherence to any of the above, our offer will be summarily rejected.

Company Seal**Authorized Signatory****Date****Name & Designation:****Note:**

6. In case of discrepancy between figures and words, the amount in words shall prevail.

7. Present Rate of tax, if applicable, should be quoted in respective columns. The Bank will pay the applicable taxes for the above mentioned tax type ruling at the time of actual delivery of service/implementation and resultant billing. However, no other tax type will be paid. The Octroi / Entry Tax will be paid extra, wherever applicable on submission of actual tax receipt.
8. Bank has discretion to keep any of the line item mentioned above as optional as per Bank's requirement.
9. Please note that any commercial offer which is conditional and / or qualified or subjected to suggestions will also be summarily rejected. This offer shall not contain any deviation in terms & condition or any specifications, if so such offer will be summarily rejected.
10. All prices should be quoted in **Indian Rupees (INR)** only.
11. The TCO (Total Cost of Ownership) will be exclusive of GST. However the GST and other applicable taxes will be paid as per actuals at the time of resultant billing.
12. **Bank will not communicate with OEM / OSD for any queries.**
13. The quantity mentioned above is only indicative and may change at the time of issuance of Purchase Order.



Performa of letter to be given by all the Bidder participating in the UCO Bank

**To,
Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)
UCO Bank, Head Office-II
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata -700064**

Sir,

Sub: RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

Further to our proposal dated, in response to the Request for Proposal (Bank's tender No. here in after referred to as "**RFP**") issued by UCO Bank, we hereby covenant, warrant and confirm as follows:

The soft-copies of the proposal submitted by us in response to the RFP and the related addendums and other documents including the changes made to the original tender documents issued by the Bank, conform to and are identical with the hard-copies of aforesaid proposal required to be submitted by us, in all respects.

The bid submitted herein shall be valid for a period of 180 days from the date of RFP response submission process closes.

Yours faithfully,

**Authorized Signatory
Designation
Bidder's corporate name**

(TO BE PROVIDED ON Rs.100/- STAMP PAPER)

Self-Certificate for Local Content

Date: __/__/____

I.....S/o, D/o, W/o.....resident of.....do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as under:

- 1) That I will agree to abide by the terms and conditions mentioned in the tender specification issued vide ref. no.....dated.....
- 2) That the information furnished hereinafter is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that I undertake to produce the relevant records before to any authority nominated by UCO Bank for the purpose of assessing the Local Content.
- 3) That the Local Content for all inputs which constitute the Goods (mention the procurement) has been verified by me and that I am responsible for the correctness and accuracy of the claims made therein.
- 4) That in the event of the Local Content mentioned herein is found to be incorrect and not meeting the prescribed norms of Local Content, based on the assessment of an authority so nominated by UCO Bank and that I will be liable as under Clause 9(f) of Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order 2017, as amended.
- 5) That I agree to maintain all the information regarding my claim for Local Content in our records and that I shall make the requisite information available to UCO Bank as and when required.
- 6) That *I (name of Manufacturer) do hereby confirm in respect of quoted item(s) that the Local Content is equal to or more than 50% and come under 'Class-I Local Supplier' Category. As being 'Class-I Local Supplier', I am eligible for Purchase Preference under 'Make in India' Policy vide Government of India Order no. P-45021/2/2017-PP (B.E.-II) dated 15.06.2017 (subsequently revised vide Orders dated 28.05.2018, 29.05.2019 and 04.06.2020)

OR

That *I (name of Manufacturer) do hereby confirm in respect of quoted item(s) that Local Content is more than 20% but less than 50% and come under 'Class-II Local Supplier' Category.

7) That I submit as under:

Name & Details of the Local Supplier (Regd. Office, Manufacturing Unit, Location, Nature of legal entity)	
Date on which this Certificate was issued	
Product for which the Certificate is issued	
Procuring Agency to whom the Certificate is furnished	
Percentage of Local Content claimed	
Name & details of the unit of the Manufacturer	
Sale Price of the Product	
Ex-Factory Price of the Product	
Freight, Insurance and handling	
Total bill of Material	
List & Total cost value of inputs used manufacture of the proposed Goods	
List & Total cost value of inputs which are locally sourced (Attach Certificates of Local Content from Local Suppliers, if the input is not in-house)	
List and cost of inputs which are imported (directly or indirectly)	
Any other information	

8) That the details of the location(s) at which the local value addition made is/are as under:

Sl. No.	Product Details	Name of Place

For & on behalf of

Signature of the Authorised Signatory of the Bidder (insert name, designation & contact number)

Official Seal of the Bidder

Date:

*** Strike out whichever is not applicable**

Restriction on Procurement due to National Security

This Certificate should be submitted on the letterhead of the bidder duly signed by an authorized signatory

To,

**Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)
UCO Bank, Head Office-II
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata -700064**

Dear Sir,

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1. "I have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India; I hereby certify that this bidder is not from such a country and is eligible to be considered."



2. "I have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India; / certify that this bidder is not from such a country or, if from such a country, have been registered with the Competent Authority. I hereby certify that this bidder fulfils all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered. (Where applicable, evidence of valid registration by the Competent Authority shall be attached.)"

Yours Faithfully,

Authorized Signatory,

Name:

Designation:

Vendors Corporate Name:

Address:

Email:

Contact No.

COMPLIANCE CHART

Compliance chart for submitting Sub:RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

Sl. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes / No)	Page No. Of the bid document submitted
1.	Are Technical & Commercial bid submitted under separate sealed envelopes?		
2	Is the Technical bid made in conformity with technical bid template as per Annexure XXVII?		
3.	Is the Commercial bid made in conformity with Commercial template as Annexure XIX?		
4.	Are the Technical & Commercial Bids organized properly?		
5.	Are all the pages numbered properly and signed and stamped.		
6	Is Bid Security Declaration submitted?		
7	Duly signed Annexures I to XXVII are enclosed		
8.	Is the softcopies of the response of Technical, Functional and Commercial RFP submitted in separate?		
9.	Are document in support of all eligibility criteria submitted?		
10.	Are your solution complied with all Scope of work.		
11.	Is the Manufacturer Authorization Form/ OSD Form submitted?		
12.	Audited Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account documents for the last 3 years		
13.	Power of Attorney/Authority letter issued by the competent authority for signing the Bid document on behalf of the company.		

For.....

(Signature and seal of authorized person)

Place: Date:

The following Security Guidelines shall include the following and the service provider/s is/are requested to provide their compliance in **Yes / No** for each of the below-mentioned points:

Security Guidelines

The following aspects should be incorporated in the software for messages being routed through public network.

1. Service provider's site should be a secured site certified by an internationally/nationally recognized agency.
2. Secure transmission between server and client. All data should be encrypted when sent over public networks.
3. The data should be encrypted using symmetric or asymmetric keys. However, the exchange of keys for symmetric encryption should be conducted using asymmetric keys . Specially, encryption methodology like SSL must be deployed.
4. There should be provision for dynamically changing the keys used for encryption. If static keys are used, they should be changed for every session ("changeable periodically").
5. Asymmetric keys should have minimum length of 2048 bit.
6. Encryption algorithms like 3DES, AES, RC4 and blowfish Use with of 256 bit keys (2048 bits for RSA) at a minimum.
7. The entire process has to be PKI enabled and digitally signed. Digital Certificates are to be procured by the Service providers from the Authorized Agencies.

Application Security:

1. All users should be authenticated through Digital Signatures before access is provided.
2. Application should enforce minimum password length of 8 characters.
3. Password expiry should be set.
4. Password history should be maintained. The last 3 passwords should not be usable.
5. Account lockout feature should be configured.
6. Role based access is mandatory
7. Time based access is mandatory
8. IP based access (optional)
9. Biometric access (optional)
10. Time stamping of all events.

Operating System Security:

1. Default accounts should be disabled.

2. All users should have a unique user-id. There should be no sharing of user accounts.
3. OS should enforce minimum password length of 8 characters.
4. Password expiry should be set.
5. Password history should be maintained. The last 3 passwords should not be usable.
6. Account lockout feature should be enabled.
7. The OS should force a new user to change the password at first logon.
8. O/s should enforce password complexity with the following characteristics
9. Password should not contain any portion of user-id
10. Password should have a combination of upper-case and lower-case alphabets, numerals and special characters.
11. These requirements are to be fulfilled by Application Service Provider's Server where application is loaded.

Database Security:

1. All users should be authenticated before providing access.
2. There should not be any account with default password or with no password.
3. All users should have a unique user-id. There should be no sharing of accounts
4. User accounts should be created in the database for application access, database backup and database optimization. All accounts should be provided access only to the database tables used by the specific application.
5. The default user profile should be modified to enforce account policy settings.
6. The database should enforce minimum password length of 8 characters
7. Password history should be maintained.
8. Account lockout feature should be enabled.
9. Password expiry should be set.
10. Integrity of data in concurrent user mode should be designed in the database through record locking or two-phase locking / commit features .
11. Referential integrity should be maintained in the database design and should include cascading update and cascading delete.
12. Logging should be enabled for security related events

Data Centre (DC) & Disaster Recovery Site

1. The Service provider shall set up the Data Centre and Disaster Recovery Site at different seismic zone anywhere in India.
2. The Disaster Recovery Site shall be a replica of the Data Centre set up in terms of Hardware, Software and Network equipment etc.
3. The Service provider will set up the DR site at his Data Centre / hired Data Centre within India.

4. In case of any failure at the Production Data Centre the operations shall be restored through the DR site within 30 minutes of failure of DC.
5. Complete hardware and software with required redundancy for security viz. Firewall, IPS etc. must be provided.

Hardware Requirements at Data Centre & Disaster Recovery Site.

1. Entire Hardware required at Data Centre and Disaster Recovery Site, for implementing the e-procurement, shall be procured, deployed and maintained by the Service provider.
2. The proposed configuration of Hardware shall cover CPU, main memory required, storage requirement, auto-backup, dual systems for fault free operations, devices, etc. which takes into consideration the present and future volume estimates, current technology, and path for upgrade/growth. Dual system redundancies should be built in the proposed hardware to ensure the desired performance needs considering the load on the system in terms of transaction volumes, estimated number of users, etc.
3. Deploy all Hardware and Software to handle the present and future estimates of volume of data and transactions for at least 3 years and on extended tenure, if any.



References Sites Details

Live Sites: List at least two significant live sites using the proposed end-to-end system.

Reference Contacts: Provide details of select reference sites where the end-to-end system has been installed. We would prefer large well-known organizations in the Banking/Financial sector. Also indicate whether the Bank can contact any of the quoted reference sites to seek further information/user experience.

Reference Sites:

Name of Implementation/Client	
Details of successful installation of systems : Years of live operations	
Name of User Institution	
Client/User Institution Background (e.g. annual profits, asset base, revenue)	
Company, Contact details, Size of Installation	
Number of locations / branches with information on divisions or organizational units using the product	
State the size and characteristics of the user base.	
List all the modules/ components of the system being used	
Type of Architecture in which the system has been implemented.	
Implementation details e.g. Number of Sites, time taken for Operationalization, volumes of processing, no. of e-Tenders conducted, total business through e-procurement etc.	
State the duration of the implementation	

Detailed Scope of Work

1. The **Scope of Work** shall include the following and the service provider/s is/are requested to provide their **compliance in Yes / No** for each of the below-mentioned points:
- i. The Application Service Provider (ASP) shall conduct the e-procurement (web tendering) activity.
 - ii. The ASP shall provide modular customized software for Web tendering events on per event basis.
 - iii. ASP using software should be compliant with
 - a. Provisions of the amended Information Technology Act, 2000 / 2008
 - b. Central Vigilance Commission guidelines on use of e-Procurement.
 - iv. The software should broadly have the following modules / features:
 - a. Online posting of RFP
 - b. Online responses to RFP
 - c. Online Pre-bid Meeting (text-based)
 - d. Parameter driven online technical bid evaluation
 - e. Online commercial bid submission through reverse/ forward auctions.
 - f. Line item -wise bid submission
 - g. Supplier Registration
 - h. Rate Contract Management
 - i. User IDs and Passwords to be auto-generated without intervention either from the Bank or the Service Provider
 - j. Detailed end to end Audit Trail
 - k. User authentication using DSC (Digital Signature Certificate)
 - v. The service provider should have their own infrastructure having Data Centre with all required hardware and software, application software with proper Backup facilities. The Service provider has to submit full details of hardware, software, application software, backup of data, Data storage period (entire contractual period), retrieval of required data from backups etc. along with the non-technical bid documents.
 - vi. The service provider has to inform details of Disaster Recovery Site location and its functions.
 - vii. The service provider should be able to provide any module of the solution independently without dependency on any other module as per Schedule of Implementation mentioned above. The Bank may opt to start with one or few modules but reserves the right to utilize all modules at a later stage at the price

quoted in the commercial bid without any escalation.

- viii. Providing e-procurement platform / portal, e-procurement software, Robust and Secure Connectivity to access the portal, in compliance with the Bank's Security guidelines (Annexure - XXIV).
- ix. Conducting actual web-based private e-Tender events on Internet.
- x. Providing information related to Web tendering format at every stage.
- xi. Service Provider will jointly work with the Bank in ensuring suppliers who have been identified, participate in online bidding.
- xii. Obtaining Process-cum-Technical Compliance Statements from prospective Service providers.
- xiii. Training all qualified service providers on participation in online bidding as well as on use of comprehensive use of online bidding tool and obtaining certificate to this effect from the service providers. The respective certificates should be handed over to the Bank by the service provider.
- xiv. Mapping the selected business rules on to the online-bidding package.
- xv. The Bank should be able to generate all the essential reports required for analysis of the online bidding, as well as historical data comprising of Bid history, suppliers login data, compliance statement, online bidding summary and price break ups , etc.
- xvi. Handholding, Support and Help Desk services on connectivity & other technical issues while conducting the Online tender events at all locations of the UCO Bank conducting the events .
- xvii. Online e-tender events will have to be carried out as specified by the Bank without disturbing any existing processing and other activities and at time of schedules as may be indicated by the Bank.
- xviii. It shall be the responsibility of the successful service provider to ensure availability of connectivity to the suppliers. The arrangements for a fall back acceptable to the Bank especially from the security angle should be communicated to the suppliers participating in the e-tender process by the Service provider, well in advance, at least 15 days before the auction is conducted.
- xix. The service provider should be in a position to conduct an event within 15 days from the date of award of the Purchase Order. All responses to this RFP shall have to conform to this requirement and the Service provider shall categorically undertake to honour the commitment of meeting this deadline. Failure to do so shall result in the service provider being liable for disqualification. The commitment in this respect should form part of the Technical Bid from the Service provider.
- xx. The Bank reserves the right to add / amend / retain / delete any of the product features offered by the service provider subject to the Bank's requirements at that point in time.
- xxi. There should be provision for selection of L1, L2, L3 bidders in single e-procurement, e-forward/reverse bidding solution for multiple line items.

- xxii. There should be provision for displaying the bidders position and quoted bid price during live auction on dashboard.

2. Other Terms and Conditions

- i. Online e-Tender events will have to be carried out as specified by the Bank without disturbing any existing processing and other activities and at time schedules as may be indicated by the Bank.
- ii. The service providers shall submit, as a part of Technical bid, the infrastructure, hardware / software, Power supply, Network ports, connectivity etc. required to prepare the offices participating in the e-tenders. It would be the responsibility of the Service provider to ensure that all their requirements are met at Bank's site as well as at the sites of the Suppliers before the start of conducting the event.
- iii. Required technical details/brochure/s of such products / services offered by the Service provider duly supported by schematic diagrams and technical specifications of each component offered shall be furnished along with the reasons justifying the requirement/s for each such items/components, accessories and software products as part of the Technical Bid;
- iv. The service provider will also provide the details regarding the redundancy available at their primary site in case of any eventuality.
- v. Service provider should be capable of providing support services at Head Offices / Zonal Offices of the Bank and attending to any calls promptly.
- vi. The Service provider shall provide references and contact details and any other details sought for by the Bank from time to time in respect of their implementation of similar projects undertaken by them in the last three years in the format specified in Annexure – XXV.
- vii. The Service provider shall furnish a photocopy of the Agreement with their Principals, if any in respect of e-procurement solution / services and products offered.
- viii. The documents supporting eligibility criteria and the product features as listed in Annexure – XV shall be submitted along with the forwarding letter and shall be put in the separate sealed envelope containing technical bid.
- ix. The Service provider shall commit in writing his readiness to carry out the online live e-Tender events using his infrastructure, software etc. within 15 days from the date of receipt of such request from any office of the UCO Bank.
- x. The proposed software, to be provided by the service provider, must have capability to support various e-bidding formats. Please list all the formats included in the software and mention application scenarios e.g. domestic, international, etc.
- xi. The e-procurement solution proposed by the service provider and related systems should conform to the requirements of the IT Act 2000 / 2008 including its amendments.

- xii. The e-procurement solution proposed by the Service provider and related systems should conform to the requirements of CVC guidelines.
- xiii. The e-procurement solution proposed by the service provider and related systems should conform to the requirements of Central Govt. guidelines on e-procurement.
- xiv. The documents supporting eligibility criteria and the product features as listed in Annexure – XV shall be submitted along with the forwarding letter and shall be put in the separate sealed envelope containing technical bid.

3. Other Requirements

- i. The Service provider warrant that in the course of providing e-procurement services to the Bank, they shall not infringe upon any third party Patent, Copyright, Design, Trademark, or any other Intellectual Property Rights for hardware, system software and application software. The Service provider shall indemnify and at all times keep the Bank fully indemnified and hold harmless against any and all loss, damages, costs and expenses including Attorney's fees, which may be incurred as a result of any claim or action associated with such infringement. Further, the Supplier/ Firm will also indemnify the Bank against any such claims arising at any time either during the contract period or subsequently.
- ii. The offered product/services should be complied under the provisions of IT Act 2000 / 2008 and CVC guidelines. The service provider should provide documentary evidence confirming that their software is staged in a 'Data Centre Environment' and have been providing comprehensive support to the online event and supplier/ buyer helpdesk on the following parameters:
 - a) Number of staff on tech helpdesk.
 - b) Number of concurrent events that can be conducted.
 - c) Number of bids handled during an event.
- iii. The Service providers shall have in place a documented Quality and Audit process. A copy of the same shall be made available along with the technical bids.
- iv. The entire process should be audited by a third party.
- v. Legal complications and financial losses arising due to data piracy / privacy / system failures / security failures should be borne by the service provider.

At the end of the contract period, the Bank-specific full data set of the entire contract period to be provided to the Bank in soft form. After that, the entire data set should be wiped out from the system on confirmation by the Bank and a certificate in this regard is to be submitted to the Bank.

(Letter to be submitted by the OSD on firm's official letter head)

Original Solution Developer (OSD)

To,
Deputy General Manager (DIT, BPR & BTD)
UCO Bank, Head Office,
Department of Information Technology
5th Floor, 3&4, DD Block, Sector-I
Salt Lake, Kolkata -700064

Dear Sir,

Ref: RFP for Selection of application service provider for providing e-Procurement and e-reverse/e-forward bidding solution

We (Name of the Manufacturer) who are established and reputable manufacturers of having factories at,, and do hereby authorize M/s (Name and address of Bidder) who is the bidder submitting its bid pursuant to the Request for Proposal issued by UCO Bank on behalf, to submit a Bid and negotiate and conclude a contract with you for supply of equipment's manufactured by us against the Request for Proposal received from your bank by the Bidder and we have duly authorized the Bidder for this purpose.

We hereby extend our guarantee as per terms and conditions of the RFP Noand the contract for the equipment and services offered for supply against this RFP No..... By the above-mentioned Bidder, and hereby undertake to perform the obligations as set out in the RFP No..... In respect of such equipments and services. We undertake to provide back-to-back support for spare and skill to the bidder for subsequent transmission of the same to the Bank. We also undertake to provide support services if the above bidder authorized by us fails to perform in terms of the RFP.

Yours Faithfully

Authorised Signatory

(Name:

Phone No. Fax E_mail)

(This letter should be on the letterhead of the Manufacturer duly signed by an authorized signatory)