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1	Sl. No.16 of Key Events & dates	14	Last date and time for submission of Proposal (Proposal Due Date)	We request you to kinldy give us two weeks time for submission of BID from the date of issuance of clarifications.			
2	20 of Key Events & dates	16	Bid Security/EMD (Refundable/Convertible)	In page no.13 Clause no.iv of D (Bid Submission Acknowledgement), its has been mentioned that EMD can submitted through Bank Guarantee while in Page no.16, it has been mentioned that EMD shall be payable online on e-procurement platform only. We intent to submit EMD through Bank Guarantee, please confirm	EMD Shall be payable at online on e-procurement		
3	xxix. of 2 (General Instructions to Bidder)	27	Submission of Samples	It has been mentioned that sample to be submitted within 2 days from the date of issuance of LOA. In this regard, we would like to inform you that we are almost 1300 Kms away from Vijayawada and cuorier itself take 6-8 days time for deliveing the docket. Furtehr, we also need 6-8 days time for manufacturing of Sample. Therefore, we request you to kinldy give us 15 days time for submisison of Sample from the date of issuance of LOA.	As per RFP		
4	xxxi. of 2 (General Instructions to Bidder)	27	Liquidated Damages	Penalty cost is mentioned as 10% which is extremely high as normally maximum 5% is applicable. Therefore, we request you to kindly amend the clause as penlaty of 5% shall be applicable on undelivered material considering the date of Milestone (M3). Please Confirm.	As per RFP		

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5	Sl. No.6 (Bid Evaluation Criteria)	34	All documents in the proposed bid, shall be signed by an authorized signatory, in whose name the Power of Attorney/ Board Resolution, should be duly issued.	As we are Public Limited Company, we understand only General Power of Attorney issued by Company Board of Directors/MD/CEO, in favour of authorized signatory duly supported by Board Resolution is sufficient to participate in tender/vendor empanelment. We shall submit duly notarized atted copy of Power of Attorney alongowith Board Resolution. Please Confirm.	As per RFP		
6	9	61	Penalties and Payment Schedule	We confirm that total tendered quantity 414 Kms shall be delivered within 45 days from the date of issuance of LOA. We request you to calculate Penalty/Liquidated Damages from the last delivery date metioned in LOA not from Milestones date.	As per RFP		
7	9	61	Project Milestone	As we are 1300 Kms (approx) away from Vijayawada therefore delivery of First Milestone within 15 days may not be possible. As we also need two weeks time for arranging necessary raw material for manufacturing. Therefore, we request you to kinldy amend the clause as "Commencemnt within 20 days and Completion within 45 days form the date of issuance of LOA".	As per RFP		

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8	Note.a	61	certification of delivery,		As per RFP
			Penalty Delay in supply and delivery of materials as per Milestone (M1)	We request you to kinldy amend the clause as	As per RFP
9	9	62	Delay in supply and delivery of materials as per Milestone (M2)	"Penalty/Liquidated Damages shall be calculated after the last delivery date of last Milestone (M3) not from deadline of separate Milestones date (M1, M2 & M3). Please Confirm.	As per RFP
			Delay in supply and delivery of materials as per Milestone (M3)		As per RFP
10	General			From Page no.9 to 20 in Header Text, item description is mentioned as "RFP for Supply of 6F ADSS (All – Dielectric Self Supporting) Optical Fiber Cable on Rate Contract" while it should be "RFP for Supply of 24F ADSS (All – Dielectric Self Supporting) Optical Fiber Cable". Please check and confirm.	RFP for Supply of 24F ADSS (All – Dielectric Self Supporting) Optica Fiber Cable

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11	1. Introduction	20	Key Events and Date -Bid Security / EMD (Refundable /Convertible)- Bid Security / EMD (Refundable /Convertible): INR 1,27,410/- (One lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Four hundred and Ten Only) Shall be payable online on e-procurement platform only	As per letter issued by Department of Expenditure (Ministry of Finance) OMs No.9/4/2020-PPD dated 12.11.2020 stating that no provisions regarding Bid Security should be kept in the Bid Documents in future and only provision for Bid Security Declaration should be kept in the Bid Documents.so we understand that only bid declaration is required, please confirm.	As per RFP		
12	General Instruction to Bidder	27	xxix.Submission of Sample-The Successful bidder shall be required to submit the sample of 2Kms of 24F fiber cable within two days from the days of issuance of LoA to APSFL Corporate Office. If in case,there is increase/ decrease in the technical specifications of material, prior approval needs to be taken from APSFL. APSFL reserve rights to cancel the bid, if in case the document is not in compliance with the requirements mentioned in the RFP.	We are submitting the technical complaince along with our bid and confirm that the cable shall be supplied strictly as per the technical complaince of RFP, however if sample is required for testing purpose then 40-50 Meter is sufficient instead of 2 km , please confirm.	As per RFP		

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13	6.Pre Evaluation Criteria (S.No.4)	34	The Bidder should have experience in works related to supply of Optical Fiber Cable amounting to INR 38 Lakhs in the past 3 years Purchase Order Certificates on the letterhead of the client clearly mentioning the value of work completed in the Supply of Optical Fiber Cable, as mentioned in Annexure – G in Section 7.1 of the RFP.	We understand that the Purchase Order copy along with inspection certificate/dispatch certificate is sufficient as work expereince certificate, please confirm.	As per RFP		
14	6.Pre Evaluation Criteria(S.No.6)	34	All documents in the proposed bid,shall be signed by an authorized signatory, in whose name the Power of Attorney/ Board Resolution, should be duly issued For Pvt. Ltd. firms, a Board Resolution, as mentioned in Annexure-J, in Section 7.1 of the RFP to be submitted.For others, the Power of Attorney, as mentioned in Annexure-I, in Section 7.1of the RFP to be submitted.	only General Power of Attorney issued by company board of directors/MD/COO, in favour of authorized signtory duly supported by board resolution is sufficient to participate in tender.we shall submit duly notarized attested copy of power of attorney along with Board Resolution copy Please confirm	As per Annexure mentioned in RFP		

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15	16	1		We request to please allow to submit EMD in the Form of Bank Guarantee and arrange to provide the EMD Format. Please consider & clarify.	As per rFP		
16	29	3		It is a domestic & global standard practice to supply OFC in 2km length quantities for easy handling, material movement, testing & deployment etc. We request to kindly consider the following:- a) Cable 24F ADSS Cable supply in 2km spool length with +/- 10% tolerance. b) Each District Quantity Tolerance +/- 5% of Quantity. Please consider & clarify.	As per specifications mentioned in RFP		
17	47	Ann-I	Annexure I – Power of Attorney	Due to present COVID-19 epidemic, it is quite difficult to execute tender specific power of attorney's since management team are not available in office and are working from home. It is also a standard practice in all tenders issued by Central & State Govt Bodies / Public Sector / Semi-Private undertaking to accept General Power of Attorney issued in favor of authorised signatory. We therefore request you to kindly consider valid General Power Of Attorney issued in this tender. Kindly accept and consider.	As per Annexure mentioned in RFP		

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18	49	Ann-J	Annexure J - Board Resolution	Due to present COVID-19 epidemic, it is quite difficult to execute tender Board Resolution since management team are not available in office and are working from home. It is also a standard practice in all tenders issued by Central & State Govt Bodies / Public Sector / Semi- Private undertaking to accept Board Resolution issued in favor of authorised signatory. We therefore request you to kindly consider Board Resolution issued in favour of authorised signatory as mentioned in General Power of Attorney. Kindly accept and consider.	As per Annexure mentioned in RFP		

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19	60	9	Payment Terms 1. 90% payment of work order value shall be made within 30 days of successful Supply and Delivery of Material at respective locations for each milestone upon acceptance certificate from authorized APSFL Representative. 2. 10% payment of Purchase order value shall be made on completion of warranty period or Upon submission of Additional Bank Guarantee equivalent to 10% of Purchase order value	 95% payment of work order value shall be made only after successful Supply and Delivery of Material at location upon acceptance certificate on the material delivered from authorized APSFL Representative against respective milestones. 5% payment of Purchase order value shall be made on completion of warranty period against respective meilestion or Upon submission of Additional Bank Guarantee equivalent to 5% of Purchase order value 	As per RFP		
20	-	-	General	Please confirm that there is no requirement for TSEC / TEC approval for supply of 24F ADSS Cable as per tender specifications	As per specifications mentioned in RFP		
21	-	-	General	Please confirm that there is no requirement of BULK QA testing from any govt. or third paty lab prior to shipment. No third party inspection shall be done prior to shipment at supplier's premises.	As per specifications mentioned in RFP		