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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Provision of Support Services in the Recruitment Process for Staff for the Competition Commission Of India

The Competition Commission of India (CCI) invites suitable proposals – both Technical and Commercial from the well established and reputed firms / agencies / Consultants to provide support services to facilitate the recruitment process of the staff for the Commission, as per the scope of work and other terms and conditions given in succeeding paragraphs.

2. **Background**

The CCI is in the process of recruiting professionals and support staff for its office in Delhi and for this purpose, intends to invite applications from eligible candidates in the near future on all India basis. Accordingly, it is expected that a large no. of applications (tentatively estimated – 1000 to 2000), in the prescribed format are likely to be received in our office at Delhi. It is proposed to outsource the processing of these applications as described below:-

- a) Section I Nature, Scope and details of requisite support services and responsibility of the agency and facilities to be provided by the **CCI**
- b) Section II Requirements of Technical proposal
- c) Section III Requirements of Commercial proposal
- d) Section IV Terms and Conditions
- e) Section V Submission, Opening and Evaluation of Proposals

Section - I

Nature, Scope and details of requisite support services and responsibility of the agency and facilities provided by CCI

3. Applications will be invited for different levels and categories of posts and need to be processed category/ level wise. Since the work involves handling of confidential information, the processing is to be done under supervision of CCI and at its premises. The activities involved are:-

a) Receipt and Recording of applications:-

- 1) The applications in response to the advertisement of the CCI will be received by the persons deployed and designated by the agency.
- 2) The agency will maintain the record of the applications, including enclosures received on each day. This record will be post / level / discipline-wise.
- 3) The applications and other enclosed documents will be accounted for and kept in safe custody by the agency in the space provided by the CCI for this purpose.
- 4) These applications will be arranged and kept by following proper classification for easy reference and retrieval

b) Data Entry and Preparation of data base and authentication of data:-

- 1) Data from each of the application is to be captured in appropriate software in an agreed format for efficient processing.
- The agency will be required to prepare database of the candidates (synopsis containing name, father's name, date of birth, address, telephone number, qualification, publications, age, experience etc.). The format will be agreed to and data once entered has to be checked and authenticated by agency's supervisor.

c) Data processing

- 1) The agency will be required to segregate the applications after comparing these with the requisite qualifications and experience and each application will be numbered.
- 2) The agency will be required to provide lists of **eligible and ineligible (with reason)** candidates after proper comparison and verification of the information provided by the candidates in their applications.
- 3) The agency will be required to generate call letters and Admit Cards with photographs to eliqible candidates.
- 4) The agency will be required to prepare Nominal Rolls imprinted with photos of all eligible candidates.
- 5) The agency will be required to generate Interview call letters to eligible/qualified candidates.

3.1 **Optional Scope** In addition to the scope of work, CCI may require assistance of suitable supervisory staff during conduct of written examination and/or interview which will vary depending on the number of eligible candidates. Therefore man-day rate for such assistance may be quoted.

4. Responsibilities of the Agency

- a) Preparatory Work:-
 - 1) Design appropriate data base format, data entry format and output format in consultation with CCI.
 - 2) Submit the proposed methodology and plan of action for undertaking the work, inter alia , describing:-
 - Nos. and names of personnel to be deployed with duties assigned for each;
 - Time frame for each activity;
 - Measures to enforce confidentiality of information and prevention of leakage;
 - Name, address and telephone number of contact person or team leader.

b) Support services for processing of applications

- 1) Provide trained manpower as per pre approved plan.
- 2) Ensure that sufficient number of the skilled staff is deployed to take up the work.
- 3) Ensure that their working group maintains proper discipline and decorum while working in the CCI premises.
- 4) Ensure that applications are processed correctly and in strict confidence. Responsibility will be that of the DEO & the Supervisor.
- 5) Ensure timely completion of tasks and submission of requisite outputs.
- c) <u>Deliverables:</u> The followings lists in the agreed format and duly categorized in group-wise, level-wise and post-wise etc.:-
 - 1.) List of applicants (indicating enclosures also)
 - 2.) List of eligible candidates
 - 3.) List of in-eligible candidates(with reason indicated)
 - 4.) List of Demand Drafts
 - 5.) Call letters to eligible candidates
 - 6.) Admit Card with photographs of eligible candidates.
 - 7.) Nominal Rolls imprinted with photos of all eligible candidates.
 - 8.) Interview call letters to eligible/qualified candidates.
 - 9.) All original applications and DDs and other enclosures to be handed over to CCI.
 - 10.) Any other document (s) received by the agency during the course of execution of the work.

- 5. **Responsibilities of the CCI:** CCI would provide the following facilities:
 - a) Infrastructure, working space, computers and stationery;
 - b) Nominate a nodal officer who will be the single point contact for the agency in execution of the work;
 - c) Make payments as per the contractual provisions.
- 6. **Clarifications** In case any clarification is required; Deputy Director(HR) may be contacted on phone. In case of visit/holding a meeting, the same can also be arranged on request at mutual convenience.

Section II Requirements of Technical proposal

7. Eligibility conditions for the bidders:

The firms fulfilling the following criteria are eligible to submit their proposals:-

- a) The agency should have sufficient experience in providing such services to Government Organisations / Private Organisations / MNCs. (Documentary proof to be furnished)
- b) Registration with concerned authorities .(Documentary proof to be furnished)
- c) Having valid PAN card (copy to be attached)
 The annual turnover of the agency for providing such services shall not be less than Rs. 4 crore per annum from providing such services in each of previous two financial years.
- d) The agency should have its Head / Regional / Branch Office preferably in Delhi NCR.
- e) The agency has not been blacklisted by any Government Department.
- 8. **Submission of Technical proposals**:- Technical Proposals may be submitted as per format at Annexure I, by the bidders after satisfying themselves that they fulfill the eligibility conditions given above.
- 9. <u>Earnest money (EMD):</u> Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten thousand only) in the form of crossed DD/Pay Order drawn in favour of Competition Commission of India (Account: Competition Fund) payable at New Delhi and drawn on any Nationalized Bank/ Scheduled Bank must be submitted along with the quotations). Offer without EMD will not be considered.
- 10. **Refund of EMD:** EMD of the unsuccessful bidders / contractors will be returned back as soon as a decision is taken by the CCI regarding placement of order. **The EMD** would be returnable on non-interest bearing basis.

Section III

Requirements of Commercial proposal

- 11. The Financial proposal must be submitted in the prescribed format at Annexure II on firm's letter head duly signed and stamped.
- 12. The cost may be arrived at by taking the number of applications to be processed is 2000 (to facilitate fair comparative evaluation of bids).
- 13. While filling up the proforma, full details of each activity under the four stages and the numbers and categories- (like programmer, data entry operator, etc.) as well as levels- (working hand, supervisor etc.) need to be given separately, indicating man-day rate for each category.
- 14. While indicating quote for Optional assistance, man-day rate per person category –wise need only be indicated
- 15. Cost of overheads, including profit, service charge may be indicated. Taxes and duties payable may also be indicated separately.
- 16. There should be no over writing while quoting the rates. The rates must be preferably typed. Rates should be quoted in words and figures
- 17. The financial bid should be valid for a period of 90 days.

Section IV

Terms and Conditions

- 18. The detailed terms and conditions which should be agreed to by the intending bidder are as given below:-
 - 1.) The successful agency will take up the work within three days from the date of award of the work/ intimation from the CCI.
 - 2.) The agency will be required to deploy its working group in the CCI to take up this work.
 - 3.) The regular monitoring of the applications received by the agency will be done. The detailed report about the number of applications discipline-wise etc. will be made available to the Nodal officer of CCI in the prescribed format.
 - 4.) Failure on the part of agency in any manner will attract the provisions of the penalty.
 - 5.) Safety and security of the documents i.e. applications and other relevant documents received with the applications will be the responsibility of the agency. The agency will also ensure that no damage is done to these documents.
 - 6.) **Place of work**: The agency will be required to keep its working group in the space provided by CCI for the assigned work.

- 7.) Normal working hours in CCI are 9.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. However, the agency will be allowed to work more hours depending upon the time schedule.
- 8.) **Security consideration**: The agency will ensure that the persons deployed by it for the said work do not have any adverse police record / criminal case against them. The agency will be required to give certificate to CCI for the same.
- 9.) The agency shall deploy its working group for the work in the CCI, supervision, performance and monitoring of outcome will be the responsibility of the agency.
- 10.) The agency will be responsible for the safety and security of the applications and documents received with each application. Any unauthorized use of this documents / database will attract the provisions of penalty clause.
- 11.) The agency will not disclose to any person, any details of his office, operational process and technical knowhow, safety arrangements and other confidential inputs linked with this process
- 12.) The manpower deployed by the agency to take up this support work must be well qualified and having expertise in MS Office and database management Software. They should be in a position to understand the contents of the applications and feed them in the computers in the prescribed format and take out the reports as per the requirements in different modes with different type of details by using the IT techniques
- 13.) The agency will ensure that total confidentiality is maintained about the work assigned. They will not pass any information to the outsider. The persons deployed by the agency will not be allowed to keep their mobiles with them or bring in or take out removable storage devices or media, while working in the space provided in the CCI premises.
- In case it is found that the agency or its persons have passed on the information linked with this work, the CCI reserves right to cancel the work order and forfeit the security deposit, without prejudice to its right to resort to other remedial measures/ action.
- 15.) **Security Deposit**: The successful Bidder will furnish a bank guarantee valid for the duration of contract from national scheduled bank for an amount equivalent to 10% of the total contract value or Rs.10,000/- whichever is more within 3 days of award of contract/work order. No interest will be paid on the Security Deposit.
- 16.) The successful agency will designate its senior level Manager to act as a Nodal person to interact with the CCI.
- 17.) **Termination of Contract**: In case of any material violation of any of the terms and conditions by the agency, the CCI reserves its rights to unilaterally terminate the work order, in addition to levying damages.
- 18.) Forfeiture of Security deposit: Non-performance / delayed performance of the work order, will result in forfeiture of security deposit.
- 19.) Payment terms: Payments under the contract become due after completion of the work. On satisfactory completion of work, duly certified by the nodal officer of CCI, payment will be made within 30 days from the date of submission of bill in triplicate.
- 20.) <u>Income-tax</u>: The income-tax and other statutory deductions as applicable will be deducted from the bill. The tax deduction certificate will be issued to the agency by CCI.

- 21.) **Penalty Clause:** If any activity is delayed by the agency a penalty of Rs. 5,000 will be imposed for each day of the delay without prejudice to CCI's right to resort to other remedial measures/ action.
- 22.) <u>Time Frame for Completion of Work</u> The schedule for completion of various activities is as under :

a)	Preparatory work {para 4 (a) above}	within 7 days of order		
b)	Recording of applications	within 1 day of receipt		
c)	Submission of deliverable lists	Within 7 days of closing date for receipt of applications { Para4 (c) above }		
d)	Optional assistance (para 3.1 above)	As and when exam / interview are held.		

Section V

Submission, Opening and Evaluation of Proposal

- 19. <u>Submission of Proposals</u>: The proposals are to be submitted as per the prescribed format and the Financial and Technical proposals should be placed in separate sealed covers, super-scribing the envelopes "Financial/ Technical Proposal" respectively. The two envelopes containing Financial and Technical proposals should be kept in one envelope super-scribed with tender reference number, closing date, closing time with bold letters and firm's seal with address.
- 20. <u>Last date for Submission</u> The sealed envelope should be sent by post / delivered by hand at the reception office of CCI, so as to reach the commission latest by **3.00 P.M on 16**th **September, 2011** at the following address:

Deputy Director (HR)
Competition Commission of India
Hindustan Times House,
18-20 Kasturba Gandhi Marg,
New Delhi - 110001

- 21. **Opening and Evaluation of Technical Proposals**The Technical proposal of the agencies will be opened on **4.00 P.M on 16th September, 2011**and will be evaluated with reference to the qualification criteria and their presentation on the action plan.
- 22. One authorized representative of each Bidder/ Bidders will be allowed to participate in the opening of the tenders.
- 23. Agency/agencies whose Technical proposals are short listed by the CCI may be called for to give a presentation on their action plan and modalities as to how they will handle the work for its speedy and effective completion.

- 24. The Financial proposals of only these agencies whose Technical proposal meet the requisite criteria will be opened, for which date and time will be intimated to all concerned separately.
- 25. This RFP is being issued without any financial commitments on either side and the CCI may decide to amend, modify or cancel the RFP at its discretion.

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TECHNICAL BID FORMAT

The Bidder is required to provide following information / documents with the Technical Bid:

a.) About the bidder

- 1. The profile of the company/firm
- 2. Details of the Human Resources and Infrastructure available with the company/firm
- 3. Copy of Balance Sheets and Profit & loss Account for the last two years
- 4. Copy of registration Certificate (if any)
- 5. Copy of PAN number and,
- 6. Copy of Income-tax clearance certificate/returns
- 7. Turn over in providing such services in each of the **last two financial years.**

b) **Experience**

- 8. List of major clients
- 9. Details of similar support services already/ being provided with details of client /departments/ period of contract- tabulated in chronological order

c) Plan of action to execute the work

- 10. Flowchart of the activities
- 11. Action Plan should give the numbers and levels of personnel deployed for each activity.
- 12. Details of the qualifications and experience of the persons, proposed to be deployed for each stage.
- 13. A write-up **(point-wise)** about the arrangements for ensuring authenticity and confidentiality of data, speedy and timely completion of the task.

d) Verification / Undertaking

- 14. Certificate by the agency that:
 - a. It has not been blacklisted by any Government Department
 - b. all the information given by it are true.
 - c. The proposals are being submitted after careful reading and understanding the terms and conditions, scope of work pertaining to the above RFP and that it has quoted the rates in the Financial Bid format.

e) Additional/Optional Information

15. Any other information / documents, the agencies wish to provide with this Technical Bids to strengthen its case

Date:	(Signature of the tenderer / agency
	with stamp of the agency)

ANNEXURE - II

FINANCIAL PROPOSAL FORMAT

FORMAT FOR QUOTING THE RATES

After going through the detailed scope of work and terms and conditions, the following rates are quoted for providing the support services for processing of applications as per detailed break up given below :-

Cost details

A.	Manpower	Cost-		
SL. NO. (a)	STAGE/ ACTIVITY * (b)	NUMBER AND LEVEL OF PERSONNEL DEPLOYED** (c)	MAN-DAY RATE (d)	TOTAL COST = (c) x (d)
	Preparatory work			
	Receipt and recording of Applications Processing of			
	applications Preparation of deliverables			
	TOTAL Optional Assistance For conducting written test / interviews in Delhi and other Centers.***			
** No etc.) a *** I	o of personnel of and level (Supervi n case of Optiona	each of the 4 stages to be in each category (Like data sory etc.) to be indicated s I assistance during written be indicated, category/ lev	entry operato eparately. Test/ Intervie	
B. Over Heads, if any. C. Taxes and duties – with details.				
•	Grand Total	(A+B+C)		
Date:			(Signature o	of the tenderer) (with stamp)