

**Request for Proposal for selection of an agency to
conduct three annual quantitative sample surveys on
warehousing in India**

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DEFINITIONS

Agency means the Successful Bidder that signs the Contract.

Agricultural Commodity means agricultural produce and processed agricultural commodities and includes horticultural commodities.

Agricultural Warehouse means a warehouse that ordinarily stores agricultural commodities.

Arbitration has the same meaning as under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.

Authorised Representative means:

- (a) the Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer / Managing Partner of the Bidder or,
- (b) a person specifically authorised by the Board/Partnership for signing and submitting the Proposal and execution of the Contract. Copy of such Board resolution must be provided.

Award means WDRA's notice to the Successful Bidder of the acceptance of the Proposal.

Bid Amount means the sum of money quoted in the Financial Proposal by the Agency.

Bid Due Date means the last date for submitting the Proposal as mentioned in Chapter 1 of this RFP.

Bidder means the person(s), firm, company or organisation who submits a Proposal (as defined in this RFP) for conducting the WDRA Surveys.

Contract means the contract to provide deliverables listed in the RFP signed between WDRA and the Successful Bidder. This includes the draft contract set out in Appendix A, RFP and the Proposal submitted by the Agency.

Deliverables means the deliverables for the survey stated in the Terms of Reference of this RFP.

Information means any information contained within this RFP, and includes information sought by WDRA of a Bidder in relation to this RFP.

Lender means a bank, micro finance institution or other lender with a valid license/ permission to perform lending activities and can potentially lend against warehouse receipts.

Negotiable Warehouse Receipt means a warehouse receipt under which the goods represented therein are deliverable to the depositor or order, the endorsement of which has the effect of transfer of goods represented thereby and the endorsee for which takes a good title.

Pilot Report means the report to be prepared by the Agency after conducting the Pilot Survey for the WDRA Survey, as per section 4.2.5.

Pilot Survey means a Pilot Survey for the WDRA Survey in which the Agency conducts an initial survey among a sample group of Survey Respondents (Respondents) to test the validity of the Draft questionnaire for the WDRA Quantitative Survey (Draft Questionnaire).

Private Warehouse means a warehouse used for storage of commodities for self consumption or storage, and not ordinarily used for storage by third parties.

Project Team means the research, planning and monitoring team the Bidder will provide to plan and conduct the WDRA Surveys.

Proposal means the statement on Eligibility Criteria, Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal along with supporting documents submitted by the Bidders for consideration by WDRA.

RFP means this document or Request for Proposal, along with any addenda/corrigenda issued by WDRA.

State means any state or union territory within the territory of India, except for Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshwadeep.

Successful Bidder means the Bidder selected at the end of the proposal evaluation process pursuant to this RFP.

Survey Design means the WDRA Survey Design of the WDRA Quantitative Survey specified in section 4.2.10.

User means a Warehouse/ Warehouse Receipt user including a farmer, who has deposited goods owned by him in a Warehouse in the twelve (12) months preceding the date of the WDRA Survey investigator's visit to that Warehouse, a lender who may have lent against Warehouse Receipts issued against such goods and a commodity exchange.

Warehouse means any premises with capacity equaling or greater than a hundred metric tonnes wherein the warehouseman takes custody of the goods deposited by the depositor, including a place of storage of goods under controlled conditions of temperature and humidity, and includes: a. cold storage, b. private warehouse as defined in this RFP, c. public warehouse as defined in this RFP, d. warehouses owned or operated by co-operative societies registered under the Cooperative Societies Act, 1912, or under any other law with respect to cooperative societies for the time being in force in any State e. warehouse owned or operated by the Central Warehousing Corporation or State Warehousing Corporations established under the Warehousing Corporations Act, 1962. "warehouse" does not include any warehouse owned or operated by the Food Corporation of India, or any other warehouse used for public procurement.

Warehouse Receipt means an acknowledgement in writing or in electronic form issued by a Warehouse owner or operator or his duly authorised representative of the receipt for storage of goods not owned by the Warehouse owner or operator.

WDRA Quantitative Survey Report means the survey report to be submitted by the Agency consequent to the completion of the WDRA Surveys as per the Contract, the details of which are stated in section 4.2.11 of this RFP.

WDRA Survey means the Quantitative Survey on warehousing and users of warehouse receipts to be conducted as described in this RFP, on behalf of WDRA.

WDRA's Representative means the person referred to in section 3.4.

ACRONYMS

BIS Bureau of Indian Standards

CWC Central Warehousing Corporation.

Draft Questionnaire Draft questionnaire for the WDRA Quantitative Survey.

EMD Earnest Money Deposit.

FCI Food Corporation of India.

FGD Focus Group Discussion.

Final Survey Questionnaire WDRA Quantitative Survey Questionnaire.

Financial Proposal Financial Proposal.

Financial Selection Financial Selection.

GOI Government of India.

INR Indian Rupees.

Key Takeaway Key Takeaways from FGD.

MIS Management Information System.

NABARD National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development.

NHB National Horticulture Board.

NIPFP National Institute of Public Finance and Policy.

NWR Negotiable Warehouse Receipt.

Objectives of FGD Statement of Objectives for the Focus Group Discussion (FGD).

Project Manager Project Manager for the WDRA Quantitative Survey.

Respondent Survey Respondent.

SWC State Warehousing Corporation.

Team Supervisor Team Supervisor for the Successful Bidder.

Technical Proposal Technical Proposal.

Technical Selection Technical Selection.

TOR Terms of Reference.

TPDS Targeted Public Distribution System.

Training Manual Training Manual and Instruction Kit.

WDRA Warehousing Development & Regulatory Authority.

WSP Warehouse Service Provider.

CHAPTER 1: KEY INFORMATION AND DATES

Office address	Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority, “Warehousing Bhawan”, 5 th Floor, 4/1, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi- 110016
Scope of work	Conduct three nation-wide sample surveys of warehouses, warehouse owners, users of warehouses and warehouse receipts (WDRA
Tender documents	Tender documents available on WDRA website www.wdra.nic.in and e-tendering portal of the WDRA
RFP type	Open
Date and time of availability of RFP for downloading	26.05. 2015 to 16.06.2015 up to 05:00 p.m.
Last date & time for submission of pre-bid queries for clarifications via email	03.06.2015 upto 04.00 p.m.
Date of pre-bid meeting	05.06.2015 at 02.00pm
Venue of pre-bid meeting	Warehousing Development & Regulatory Authority Office
Closing Date and Time for Request for participation on Tenderwizard portal	16.06.2015 up to 05:00 p.m.
Last Date and Time of submission of Proposal (Bid Due Date)	17.06.2015 upto 02.00 p.m.
Submission of EMD, cost of RFP	17.06.2015 upto 02.00 p.m.
Date and Time of opening bids for evaluating eligibility	17.06.2015 at 3.00 p.m.
Date of notification of list of eligible Bidders	On or before 26.06.2015
Date and Time of opening bids for evaluating Technical Proposal	29.06.2015 at 11.30 a.m.
Date of notification of list of technically qualified bidders	13.07.2015
Date and time of opening bids for evaluating Financial Proposal	14.07.2015 at 04.00 p.m.
Date of publication of successful bidder	On or before 20.07.2015
Expected date of signing of Contract (acceptance of Letter of Acceptance) as stated in section 3.26 of the RFP	31.07.2015
Product/Deliverable	Three Quantitative surveys

Bid validity period	Ninety days from the Bid Due Date
Period of contract	Three years (36 months) from date of signing of Contract
Cost of RFP	Rs. 5,000 (Rupees Five Thousand Only)
Proposal processing charges	Rs. 2,247 (Rupees Two Thousand Two Hundred and Forty Seven Only)
EMD	Rs. 5,00,000 (Rupees Five Lakh only)
Performance Guarantee	Ten percent of Bid amount

The expected dates pertaining to eligibility, evaluation and contract signing are subject to change. In case a change is made, it shall be communicated on the WDRA website.

CHAPTER 2: BACKGROUND

2.1 WDRA OVERVIEW

The WDRA was constituted under the *Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007* and was made operational on the 26th October, 2010.

The *Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007*, provides for the establishment of WDRA to exercise the powers conferred on it and to perform the functions assigned to it. It allows WDRA to frame regulations for the development and regulation of warehouses, negotiability of warehouse receipts and requires it to promote the orderly growth of the warehousing business.

WDRA consists of a Chairman and two full time Members. It has its Headquarters in New Delhi. The salient features of the *Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007*, are as follows:

1. Regulation of warehouses registered with WDRA issuing Negotiable Warehouse Receipts (NWRs);
2. Liabilities of “warehousemen”;
3. Rights and obligations of holders of NWRs;
4. Powers of the Central Government to frame rules relating to registration, accreditation, etc.;
5. Negotiability of NWRs, and the provision of perfect legal title to the holder of the NWR. Since it is backed by a central legislation, it can be traded as well as endorsed by the holder of the receipt. It will also be beneficial for a number of other stakeholders such as banks, financial institutions, insurance companies, trade, commodity exchanges as well as consumers;
6. Functioning of other service providers linked to warehouses who are registered with WDRA, such as assayers, graders, accreditation agencies etc.;
7. Offences and penalties.

2.2 OVERVIEW OF WAREHOUSING SECTOR IN INDIA

The existing Warehouse Receipts in India do not serve as a safe negotiable instruments. There are frequent disputes related to failed delivery and the title of the commodities the Warehouse Receipts represent. Therefore, the present Warehouse Receipt market does not enjoy the fiduciary trust of farmers and depositors and banks. This is because it is feared that loss on

account of fraud or mismanagement or insolvency will not be recoverable in absence of legal remedies. There are therefore, considerable impediments in the negotiability of warehouse receipts creating difficulties to the farmers and other depositors of goods. The *Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007*, seeks to make Warehouse Receipts a prime tool of trade and finance throughout the country. The *Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007*, therefore, seeks to lay down the requirements for Warehouse Receipts to become valid negotiable instruments.

Most of the storage capacity available in the country is owned by Government agencies like the Food Corporation of India (FCI), Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC), State Warehousing Corporations (SWCs) and Cooperative sector which is utilised for the storage of foodgrains. Similarly, most of the warehousing capacity available with private sector is also utilised for the storage of foodgrains procured by the FCI and State agencies for distribution under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS). Ensuring the availability and augmentation of storage capacity is one of the main priorities of the Government of India. There is a need that sufficient modern warehousing capacity should be created in the country to store and preserve the foodgrains procured for the Central Pool.

The vision of WDRA is centred on scientific storage of commodities, uplifting of the rural Indian farming community by enabling access to bank loans and finances against agricultural goods collateral stored in warehouses. The objectives of WDRA are to make provisions for the development and regulation of Warehouses and negotiability of warehouse receipts which will ultimately result in:

1. Enabling easier access for Warehouse users to loans and pledge financing against NWRs;
2. Lower cost of financing against Warehouse Receipts;
3. Better access to warehousing facilities by farmers and traders;
4. Shorter and more efficient supply chains;
5. Avoidance of distress sale of agriculture produces by farmers during peak marketing season;
6. Increasing risk absorption capacity within the warehousing sector.
7. Better risk management.
8. Enhanced systems for grading and quality of food grains.

This would in turn, result in higher returns to farmers and better services to consumers. Building a large, high-quality, liquid market for NWRs will benefit all those directly or indirectly involved in the agricultural sector.

2.3 PRESENT ACTIVITIES OF WDRA

WDRA was established in 2010 and currently regulates both government owned and privately owned warehouses issuing NWRs. There are currently 551 warehouses registered with WDRA. Of these, 101 are issuing NWRs. The number of NWRs issued by registered warehouses for the period 2014-15 is 5892 and the value of commodities deposited against NWRs for the same period is 328.01 crore Indian Rupees (INR). During this period, the quantity of commodities deposited was 1.52 lakh ton and the loan against NWRs was 101.66 crore INR.

Since 2010, the total number of NWRs issued by registered warehouses is 28311 and the total value of commodities deposited is Rs. 2638.37 crore; the total quantity of commodities deposited is 6.83 lakh ton, and the total loan against NWRs was 906.33 crore INR in this period.

Warehouses are registered for possessing the capacity to store any of a 123 agricultural commodities and 26 horticultural commodities. Post-registration, registered warehousemen are free to issue NWRs against any of these commodities.

2.3.1 Registration and accreditation

Before an application for registration can be made, the applicant has to have the warehouse accredited by an accreditation agency authorised by WDRA. The complete process of registration is provided below:

1. An applicant (warehouse) seeking grant of certificate of accreditation has to apply in the prescribed manner along with the prescribed accreditation fee to an approved accreditation agency.
2. The accreditation agency has to:
 - ascertain adequate positive net worth of the warehouse;
 - establish proof of ownership or registered lease deed/rent receipt vesting the right with the warehouseman to use the relevant warehouse;
 - Warehouse License for carrying out the business of warehousing;
 - check the list of commodities/ goods for which the accreditation is being sought;
 - inspect the equipment which are necessary for the scientific storage of goods stored / to be stored in the warehouse;
 - check whether the necessary insurance policies have been taken;

- check whether the construction standards of warehouse(s) are as per BIS standards/ CWC/ FCI specifications; and
- check for availability of trained manpower.

Once the accreditation agency issues an accreditation certificate, the applicant applies to WDRA for registration along with a copy of the accreditation certificate. The accreditation agency is required to inspect the warehouses accredited by it annually and report to WDRA.

2.3.2 Regular monitoring

The WDRA through the accreditation agencies has put in place a system of monitoring the services of the warehouses. A check list has been provided to ensure that basic facilities for the scientific storage of the agricultural and other goods are available in the accredited/registered warehouses. Provisions have also been made for second inspection in the first year and subsequent yearly inspections for two more years to ensure that proper facilities for safe upkeep of goods continue to remain during the entire period of accreditation/registration. If required, surprise inspections of registered warehouses by the officers of the WDRA may also be carried out.

2.3.3 Warehousing Advisory Committee

As per section 34 (1) of the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007, a Warehousing Advisory Committee was constituted to advise the WDRA on matters relating to the making of regulations under section 51. The Committee meets to approve the draft regulations framed by WDRA.

2.4 ISSUES

In order to provide a filip to warehouse financing, and to promote modern, scientific warehousing in India, WDRA needs to bring a greater number of Warehouse under its regulatory umbrella. The Hon'ble Finance Minister stated in the Union Budget 2014-15 that:

“As part of strengthening the regulatory framework for commodity markets, the Warehouse Development and Regulatory Authority (WD&RA) has begun a transformation plan to invigorate the warehousing sector and significantly improve post-harvest lending to farmers against negotiable warehouse receipts. This plan will be implemented with vigor.”

This transformation plan announced by the Hon'ble Finance Minister requires WDRA to expand its regulatory sphere so as to promote warehousing and warehouse financing in the country. As stated earlier, this will be of benefit to farmers, traders as well as lenders and commodity markets. However, in order to regulate effectively, WDRA requires an in-depth

understanding of the existing market in warehousing. The current market is fragmented and dominated by government entities. In order to regulate effectively, WDRA requires large amounts of information pertaining to warehousing infrastructure, prevalent operational practices, concerns of depositors and lenders, and statistical information.

2.5 SCOPE OF WORK

Through this RFP, WDRA intends to hire an Agency to conduct three nationwide quantitative sample surveys of warehouses, warehouse owners and users of warehouses and warehouse receipts. This will enable WDRA and other government agencies to better understand the warehousing market and regulate the sector effectively. The terms of reference and detailed list of deliverables are provided in Chapter 4.

In this exercise of conducting the WDRA Surveys, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP) has been providing research and other expert support to WDRA. It will also remain involved in an advisory capacity in the conduct of the WDRA Surveys

CHAPTER 3: INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS

3.1 INTRODUCTION

1. WDRA will select an Agency, in accordance with the method of selection specified in sections Eligibility Criteria (4.8), Criteria for technical selection (4.9) and Evaluation of Financial Proposals (3.22) of the RFP.
2. The Bidders are invited to submit their eligibility documents, a Technical Proposal (with covering letter given in section 6.1) and a Financial Proposal (in the format given in section 6.3) for the conduct of three nationwide WDRA Surveys of warehousing industry as specified in this RFP. The Proposal will be the basis for a Contract with the selected Agency.
3. Bidders are encouraged to attend the pre-bid meeting specified in section 3.15. Attending the pre-bid meeting is optional.
4. WDRA will provide at no cost to the Agency the inputs and facilities specified in the RFP, grant or help in getting necessary permissions as far as possible, and make available relevant data and reports at its disposal.
5. Please note:
 - (a) Defined terms in this RFP will override undefined terms used that may be similar in meaning.
 - (b) All references to time in this RFP will refer to Indian Standard Time.

3.2 COST OF BIDDING

The Bidders shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of the Proposal, and WDRA will, in no case, be responsible or liable for these costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

3.3 BID DOCUMENT

The Bidders are expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms and specifications in the RFP. This RFP together with all its attachments thereto, shall be considered to be read, understood and accepted by the Bidders. Failure to furnish all Information required by the RFP or submission of a Proposal not substantially responsive to the RFP in every respect will be at Bidder's risk and will result in the rejection of his Proposal. Bidders must submit the requisite Standard Forms (Chapter 6) duly filled in, along with the other documents listed in section 3.7.

3.4 WDRA'S REPRESENTATIVE

The WDRA's Representative is the Under Secretary (A&F), WDRA, and can be contacted at usaf.wdra@nic.in.

3.5 LANGUAGE OF PROPOSAL

1. The Proposal prepared by Bidders and all correspondence / documents relating to the Proposal exchanged by Bidders and WDRA, shall be written in English language.
2. Metric measurement system shall be applied.

3.6 DOCUMENTS COMPRISING THE PROPOSAL

1. Each Bidder will submit the documents as per Section 3.7 for the Proposal, duly completed and signed, and **all attachments specified in the forms in chapter 6**.
2. Any application received incomplete or without all required documents and attachments will not be considered.

3.7 LIST OF DOCUMENTS TO FORM PART OF THE BIDDER'S PROPOSAL

List of documents to form part of the Bidder's Proposal for Eligibility requirements						
Section No.	Sub-items	Form/ Table/ Document	Documents to be attached	Page Reference of the supporting documents in the Proposal	Attached (Yes/No)	
4.8.2		E_1	As stated in Table E-1.			
		E_2				
		E_3	As stated in Table E-3.			
		Declaration confirming non-blacklisting as per section 6.7				
		Letter of authorisation for Authorised Representative				
		Proof of receipt of RFP Payment as per section 3.11				
		Proof of receipt of EMD Payment as per section 3.10				
		Covering letter as per format in Section 6.1.				
		Information regarding any conflicting activity as per format in Section 6.2				
		Non-involvement of other entity as per format in Section 6.5.				
		Non-deviation confirmation as per format in Section 6.6.				
		Copy of PAN Card				
		Service Tax Registration number				
List of documents to form part of the Bidder's Proposal for Technical Evaluation						
4.9.1	1.1, 1.2	T_1	As stated in Table T-1.			
	1.3	T_2	As stated in Table T-2.			
	1.4, 3.1, 4	T_3	As stated in Table T-3.			
	2	T_4				
	3.2	T_5				
	5	Write-up explaining project approach and methodology				
List of documents to form part of the Bidder's Financial Proposal						
3.14.3		Financial Proposal as per section 6.3				

3.8 BID PRICE

1. Prices shall be quoted, in the prescribed form by the Bidders in strict compliance with the format as mentioned in Section 6.3
2. Prices quoted shall also be inclusive of all costs towards carrying out any surveys, travel, site visits by its personnel, stay, boarding, lodging, and incidental expenses required for activities mentioned in section 4.1 and 4.2.
3. Inspection of all work/ services, if any, shall be done by WDRA or by NIPFP (as mentioned in Section 4.4) for which no extra charges shall be payable to the Agency. However, all personal and incidental expenses of WDRA/NIPFP officers shall be borne by the respective organisations.
4. The cost of any other item / services, which are considered necessary for completion of the job, is deemed to have been included in the lump-sum prices.

3.8.1 Fixed Price

1. Prices quoted by the Bidders shall be inclusive of all taxes, and will remain firm and fixed during the Bidder's performance of the Contract. A Proposal submitted with an adjustable price quotation will be treated as non-responsive and rejected.
2. The statutory variation in all taxes, if any, or the imposition of a new tax within the Contract period shall be borne by the Agency.
3. Prices shall be written both in words and figures (wherever applicable). In the event of difference, the price in words shall be valid and binding.
4. Bidders shall be solely responsible for ascertaining all types of taxes and duties applicable for providing the services as mentioned in the scope of work. WDRA shall deduct applicable Indian income tax from the payments due to the Bidder under the Contract. Bidders are required to provide copy of PAN card and service tax registration along with their offer. The details of service tax registration and category of service tax shall be mentioned by the successful Agency in their invoice.

3.9 BID CURRENCY

Bidders shall submit Proposal only in Indian Rupees.

3.10 EMD

An EMD of Rs. 5,00,000 (Rupees five lakh only) must be submitted in physical form via a Demand Draft in favour of "Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority" at

“Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-110 016 on or before the date given in Chapter 1, and its copy must be submitted online along with the RFP.

2. WDRA shall reject any Proposals if the EMD has not been submitted by the Bid Due Date and Time.
3. No interest shall be payable by WDRA for the sum deposited as EMD.
4. No bank guarantee will be accepted in lieu of the EMD.
5. The EMD of unsuccessful Bidders will be returned within one month of signing of Contract.
6. The EMD will not be forfeited in case the Bidder withdraws the bid before the Bid Due Date.
7. EMD will be refunded to the Agency on the signing of the Contract and on receipt of performance guarantee.

The EMD will be forfeited by WDRA in the following events:

1. If the Bidder submits incorrect information and documents.
2. If the Bidder withdraws its Proposal after the Bid Due Date and Time.
3. If the Bidder tries to influence the evaluation process.
4. If the Bidder withdraws his Proposal before the final Award.
5. If the Successful Bidder withdraws his Proposal between winning the bid and formal signing of Contract.

Without prejudice to the above, if the successful Bidder fails to execute the Contract, the Bidders shall be disqualified for a period of 3 years from participating in any of the tender Proposals invited by WDRA.

3.11 COST OF RFP

All Bidders are required to pay Rs. 5,000 (Rupees Five Thousand Only) towards Cost of RFP in the manner stated in section 3.14.4 along with the RFP. The Cost of RFP is Non-Refundable.

Please note that a Proposal which does not provide a proof of deposit of the payment of the Cost of RFP will be rejected as non-responsive.

3.12 PERIOD OF VALIDITY OF PROPOSALS

1. Proposals shall be kept valid for Ninety (90) days from the Bid Due Date.
A Proposal valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by WDRA as non- responsive.
2. Bidders will not be entitled during the said period of Ninety (90) days, to revoke or cancel their Proposals or to vary the Proposals given or any term thereof.
3. During this period, Bidders shall maintain the availability of professional staff nominated in the Proposal.
4. In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiry of the Bid Due Date, WDRA may request that the Bidders extend the period of validity for a specified additional period. The request and the responses to the request shall be made in writing. A Bidder may refuse the request, in which case its Proposal will not be considered.

3.13 FORMAT AND SIGNING OF PROPOSAL

1. The Bidder shall provide all the information sought under this RFP. WDRA will evaluate only those Proposals that are received in the required formats and complete in all respects. Incomplete and /or conditional Proposals shall be liable to rejection.
2. The Bidder shall submit online only one set of Proposals along with one set of required documents in accordance with the guidelines defined in E- Tendering notice as provided in section 3.14.4.
3. In case the Bidder needs to upload any written application with the Proposal, such document shall be typed and digitally signed by the Authorised Representative of the Bidder. In case of printed and published documents, only the cover page must be signed. All the alterations, omissions, additions or any other amendments made to the Proposal shall be signed by the person signing the Proposal.
4. The Proposal shall contain serial page numbers.

3.14 PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

1. Bidders are advised to submit quotations strictly based on the terms & conditions as stated in chapter 4 and other requirements contained in the RFP and not to stipulate any deviations.
2. Each Bidder shall submit only one set of documents comprising the Proposal, in the manner stated in sections 3.14.4 and 3.13.
3. The Proposal of a Bidder who submits more than one Proposal will be rejected. Alternative Proposals will not be accepted.

4. The Proposal must be accompanied by a Power of Attorney on a non-judicial stamp paper/ legal document for the Authorised Representative, unless signed by a key managerial person within the Bidder's company/partnership/ other entity.
5. All Proposals must be signed by the Authorised Representative.
6. Any other Information/details required as per RFP. The Bidder is required to go through the RFP and furnish all details required to complete the Proposal. In particular, the Proposal must contain the documents listed explicitly in this RFP.

3.14.1 Part-I

Bidders must submit a statement along with the required documents (as required in section 6.1. In addition for demonstrating its eligibility to participate in the bidding process, the Bidder must submit details as required in sections 4.8.1 and 4.8.2. Additionally, the relevant documents stated in the List of documents to form part of the Bidders Proposal at section 3.7 must be attached.

3.14.2 Part-II

Technical Proposal (Un-priced Proposal) shall contain Un-priced Proposal complete with all technical details as mentioned in Section 4.9. Additionally, the relevant documents stated in the List of documents to form part of the Bidders Proposal at section 3.7 must be attached.

The details submitted, shall include but not be limited to the following:

1. The Technical Proposal signed by the Authorised Representative.
2. The details required in sections 4.9.

3.14.3 Part-III

Financial Proposal (Price Bid) shall be submitted in accordance with Section 6.3.

Price bid should not have any Commercial and/or Technical stipulation.

Important: Complete Proposal in all respect must be digitally signed by e-token of the Bidder.

3.14.4 E-tendering notes: Accessing/ Purchasing of Bid Documents

1. The complete RFP can be viewed / downloaded from the e-Procurement portal i.e. <https://www.tenderwizard.com/WDRA> free of cost or link on Tender section of WDRA website i.e. www.wdra.nic.in or Central Procurement Portal.

2. Interested bidders are required to register their request for participation in the e-tender on Tenderwizard portal by clicking on request icon () well in advance before the date given in Chapter 1.

3. A Vendors' Manual containing the detailed guidelines along with screenshots for e-Procurement system is also available on e-Procurement portal of WDRA under [Click to view latest Circulars/Formats/Manuals](#) [Vendor Manual](#) link.

NOTE: Interested bidders are advised to complete the online registration, requisition and submission processes well in advance before the time deadlines so as to avoid the last minute inconveniences.

4. It is mandatory for all the bidders to have class-III Digital Signature Certificate from any of the licensed certifying agency (Bidders can see the list of licensed certifying agencies from the link www.cca.gov.in) to participate in e-Procurement of WDRA.
5. It is mandatory for the bidders to get their firm/company registered with e- procurement portal of WDRA, i.e. <https://www.tenderwizard.com/WDRA> to have user ID & password by submitting a non-refundable annual registration charge of Rs. 5,618/- (Five thousand six hundred and eighteen only) which can be paid online through Debit/ Credit Card using the e-payment gateway. The registration so obtained by the prospective bidder shall be valid for one year from the date of its issue and shall be subsequently renewed.
6. Tender documents will be available online on website <https://www.tenderwizard.com/WDRA> from the date given in Chapter 1, which can be downloaded free of cost till the last date of submission of tender. However, to participate in the online bidding process, bidders are required to pay a non-refundable fee of Rs. 5,000 (Rupees Five Thousand Only) towards Cost of RFP in physical form via a Demand Draft in favour of “Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority” at “Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-110 016 on or before the date given in Chapter 1, and its copy must be submitted online along with the RFP on website <https://www.tenderwizard.com/WDRA>. The Cost of RFP is Non- Refundable.
7. In addition to this, Bidder shall submit a non-refundable fee of Rs. 2,247/- (Two Thousand Two hundred and Forty Seven only) inclusive of all taxes towards e-bid processing fee at the time of request for participation in the e-tender through Debit/Credit Card using the e- payment gateway on Tenderwizard portal.
8. Validity of Bidders registration on the e-Procurement portal of WDRA:
 - (a) It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder(s) to keep the Registration valid up to the original/extended date of submission of bid.
 - (b) Proposals can be submitted only during the validity of their registration.
9. WDRA may issue addendum(s)/corrigendum(s) to the tender documents.
In such case, the addendum(s)/corrigendum(s) shall be issued and placed on website <https://www.tenderwizard.com/WDRA> at any time before the closing time of tender. The Bidders who have downloaded the RFP from one of the websites must visit these websites and ensure that such addendum(s)/corrigendum(s) (if any) is also downloaded by them. This shall be the responsibility of the prospective registered Bidders to check the websites for any such corrigendum/addendum till the time of closing of tender and

ensure that the Proposal submitted by them is in accordance with all the corrigendums/addendums.

10. The Proposals shall be submitted online on or before the date given in Chapter 1 in the prescribed format given on the websites. No other mode of submission is acceptable. Detailed credentials as per the requirement of eligibility criteria and all tender papers are to be submitted in Technical Proposal. Financial Sheet with rates duly filled in are to be submitted in the format provided online in the name of Financial Bid.
11. Bidders cannot submit Proposals after the date given in Chapter 1, Indian Standard Time. The time being displayed on e-procurement portal of WDRA shall be final and binding on the Bidder.

3.15 PRE-BID CLARIFICATIONS

1. The pre-bid meeting will be held at: The Warehousing Development And Regulatory Authority
“Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor,
Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-
110 016
2. The date of the pre-bid meeting will be as given in Chapter 1.
3. The Bidder or his Authorised Representative(s) is advised to attend pre-bid meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to clarify issue and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage by the Bidders.
4. Bidders are requested to submit any queries/clarification/Information pertaining to the RFP in writing delivered through e-mail to the WDRA’s Representative prior to date of pre-bid meeting. The queries/ clarifications must be in the format given in section 6.9.
5. Queries/ clarifications/ request for Information pertaining to the RFP must refer to the specific sections and clauses of the RFP.
6. WDRA’s responses to Bidder’s queries/ clarifications will be furnished during the pre-bid meeting. Any modification of the Proposal, which may become necessary as a result of the pre-bid meeting/ queries/ clarifications, shall be conveyed through issue of an Addendum/ Amendment/ Corrigendum to the RFP.
7. WDRA is not obligated to respond to all queries and clarifications received.
8. No queries/ clarifications will be entertained after the pre-bid meeting.
9. Any changes required to be made to the RFP pursuant to the pre-bid meeting will be placed as a corrigendum on the WDRA website and the e-tendering portal.

3.16 BID DUE DATE

1. Proposals must be received not later than the Bid Due Date given in Chapter 1.
2. WDRA may, at its discretion, extend the Bid Due Date, in which case all rights and obligations of WDRA and the Bidders, previously subject to the Bid Due Date, shall thereafter be subject to the new Bid Due Date as extended.

3.17 LATE PROPOSALS

Any Proposal received by WDRA after the Bid Due Date and Time prescribed in RFP will not be accepted.

3.18 MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS

1. The Bidder may modify or substitute the documents comprising the Proposal (including the eligibility documents, the Technical Proposal and Financial Proposal) after submission but before the Bid Due Date, provided that the Bidder detaches the old documents submitted in the electronic form from the Tenderwizard and uploads the modified or substituted documents.
2. The Bidder should not withdraw the bid in case of any modification/substitution of Proposal. Withdrawal will not allow further participation/ modification/ substitution of Proposal.
3. No Proposal shall be modified subsequent to the deadline for submission of Proposals.
4. For withdrawal of the Proposal, the Bidder will have to click on withdrawal icon at Tender Wizard and can withdraw its Proposal prior to the Bid Due Date. However it may be noted that once the Proposal has been withdrawn, Bidder will have to submit a completely new Proposal.
5. The Bidders are advised to submit their Proposals well before the Bid Due Date. WDRA or Tenderwizard shall not be responsible for any delay in submission of e-bids for any reason whatsoever.
6. The Technical Proposal and Financial Proposal shall be digitally signed by the Authorised Representative of the Bidder & submitted online only. The Authorised Representative of the Bidder must be in possession of Power of Attorney before submitting the digitally signed Proposal.
7. Scanned copies of various documents can be prepared in different file format (PDF, JPEG). Bidders can upload a single file of size 5 MB only but they can upload multiple files.
8. Once quoted, Bidder shall not make any price changes after the Bid Due Date, whether resulting or arising out of any technical/commercial clarifications sought regarding the

Proposal within the scope of work, even if any deviation or exclusion may be specifically stated in the Proposal. Such price change shall render the Proposal liable for rejection. All responses to request for clarifications shall be in writing.

3.19 OPENING OF PROPOSALS

1. WDRA will follow a three-stage process of evaluation of the Proposals submitted.
2. WDRA will first evaluate the eligibility of the Bidder as per section 4.8.
3. WDRA will then evaluate the Technical Proposal as per section 4.9 of only those who qualify on the basis of eligibility criteria as per section 4.8.
4. WDRA will finally open the Financial Proposal of the Bidders of those qualifying on the basis of technical criteria as per section 4.9.
5. The Proposals submitted will be opened at the following address as per Chapter 1:

The Warehousing Development And Regulatory Authority, “Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-110 016
6. Submission and receipt of Proposals will not be a confirmation of eligibility. The evaluation of eligibility will be done by WDRA as per section 4.8.
7. Bidders are invited to be present at the time of the opening of the Proposals as per the dates provided in Chapter 1.
8. The relevant Information pertaining to the Proposal, as WDRA, at its discretion may consider appropriate, will be read out at the time of opening of the Proposals.
9. Unsolicited clarification to the Proposal and/or change in price during its validity period would render the Proposal liable for outright rejection.
10. To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of Proposals if it becomes absolutely necessary, WDRA may, at its discretion, ask the Bidder for a clarification of its Proposal. The request for such clarification and the response shall be in writing and no change in the price or substance of Proposals shall be sought, offered or permitted.

3.20 EVALUATION OF ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. WDRA will open the documents regarding eligibility criteria submitted by Bidders and evaluate them as per the requirements of section 4.8. In addition, WDRA will verify whether all the documents required to be submitted as part of the Proposal as per this RFP have been submitted.
2. The Proposals regarding eligibility will be judged strictly as per the requirements stated in sections 4.8.1 and 4.8.2. The evaluation will be done on a consideration of all documents submitted as part of the Proposal.

3. The list of Bidders who have met the eligibility criteria specified in section 4.8.1 and 4.8.2, and have submitted all other documents required required under this RFP will be considered eligible.

3.21 EVALUATION OF TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

1. WDRA will open the Technical Proposal submitted by the Bidders who have met the eligibility criteria specified in section 4.8.
2. Prior to the evaluation and comparison of Proposals, WDRA will determine substantial responsiveness of each Proposal to the RFP documents.
3. A substantially responsive Proposal is one which conforms to all the terms and conditions of the RFP without material deviations or reservations. WDRA's determination of a Proposal's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the Proposal itself without recourse to the extrinsic evidence.
4. A Proposal determined as substantially non-responsive will be rejected by WDRA and may not subsequently be allowed to be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the non- conformity.
5. A Proposal shall be considered non-responsive and rejected, if deviations are made to the following provisions of RFP by the Bidder:-
 - (a) Scope of Work & Completion Period / Timeline as specified in the RFP in section 4.
 - (b) Period of validity of Proposals as per Section 3.12.
 - (c) Force Majeure as per Section 5.16.
 - (d) Resolution of Dispute/Arbitration as per Section 5.7.
 - (e) Financial Proposal as specified in 6.3.
 - (f) Termination of Contract as per 5.13.
 - (g) Schedule of Payments specified in Section 5.4.
 - (h) Any advance sought by the Bidder.
 - (i) Any other condition(s) specifically stated in the RFP Document else- where that non- compliance of the clause lead to rejection of the Proposal.
6. The WDRA shall evaluate the Technical Proposal on the basis of responsiveness to the Terms of Reference (TOR) given in Chapter 4, applying the criteria specified in sections 4.9. Each responsive Proposal will be given a technical score (St). A Proposal shall be rejected at this stage if it does not respond to important aspects of the RFP, and particularly the TOR (Chapter 4) or if it fails to achieve the minimum technical score indicated in this section below.
7. Marks will be awarded as per section 4.9. The maximum total marks are 65.

8. The minimum technical score for qualification is 65% of the total 65 marks allotted for technical evaluation.
9. Proposals not confirming to technical specification/requirements as mentioned in 4.9 will be rejected.
10. Conditional Proposals will be liable for rejection.
11. Evaluators of Technical Proposals shall not have access to the Financial Proposals. Financial Proposals of acceptable Bidders shall be opened only after carrying out the technical evaluation in full conformity with the provisions of the RFP.

3.22 EVALUATION OF FINANCIAL PROPOSALS

1. WDRA will notify the Bidders that have secured the minimum qualifying mark, to enable the Bidders to attend the opening of the Financial Proposals on the date given in Chapter 1.
2. Marks will be awarded in the following manner:
 - (a) The Financial Proposal with the lowest amount in Rupees shall be given 35 marks.
 - (b) Every subsequent higher Bidder will be awarded marks on the following basis:

- $(1 - ((\text{Higher Proposal} - \text{Lowest Proposal}) / \text{Higher Proposal})) * 35$

For example, if the lowest Proposal is Rs. 2 crore, and one of the higher Proposals is Rs. 3 crore:

- $(1 - ((3 - 2) / 3)) * 35 = 23.3$ marks

3.23 COMBINED QUALITY AND COST EVALUATION

The total score shall be obtained by adding the total technical score and financial score, as follows:

$$S = St + Sf$$

Where S = total score

St = technical score

Sf = financial score

Generally, the Successful Bidder shall be the Bidder having the highest total score (S). In the event two or more Proposals have the same scores in the final ranking, the Proposal with the higher technical score shall be ranked first.

The name of the Successful Bidder will be published on the WDRA website.

WDRA will notify the Successful Bidder by e-mail, that its Proposal has been accepted.

3.24 CONTACTING WDRA

1. WDRA will not entertain any queries regarding this RFP or any related matter from the date of publication of this RFP and the Bid Due Date, except as per section 3.15. All communications and/ or clarifications to be made by WDRA will be published on its website only.
2. All Bidders must submit an official e-mail address to WDRA as part of the Proposal. All communication with Bidder, Successful Bidder and the Agency after the Bid Due Date will be via this e-mail address.
3. Bidders shall not contact WDRA on any matter relating to their Proposals, from the time of Proposals submission to the time the Contract is awarded.
4. Any efforts by a Bidder to influence WDRA in Proposal evaluation, Proposal comparison or contract Award decisions will result in the rejection of the Proposal.

3.25 RIGHT TO ACCEPT ANY PROPOSAL AND TO REJECT ANY OR ALL PROPOSALS

1. WDRA reserves the right to accept or reject any Proposal, and to annul the bidding process and reject all Proposals, at any time prior to Award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or Bidders or; any obligations to inform the affected Bidder or Bidders of the ground for WDRA's action.
2. A Bidder if he so desires, may seek in writing the reasons for rejection of their Proposal, to which WDRA shall respond quickly.

3.26 ACCEPTANCE OF AWARD

1. After the Agency has been notified that his Proposal has been accepted, WDRA will send to such Bidder a Letter of Acceptance incorporating this RFP, the Proposal and the Contract.
2. WDRA will send the Letter of Acceptance to the successful Bidder, who, within 5 days of receipt of the same, shall sign and return it to WDRA, in token of acceptance of the Contract.

3.27 UNDERTAKING TO BE FILLED, DULY SIGNED AND SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL OF THE PROPOSAL

An agreement on the letterhead of the Bidder is required to be submitted as per the enclosed format (Section 6.5) regarding non-involvement of any other entity or Government of India in respect of the present Contract.

3.28 SUBMISSION OF FORGED DOCUMENTS

1. Bidders are required to furnish the complete and correct Information / documents required for evaluation of their Proposals. If the Information / documents forming basis of evaluation is found to be false / forged, the same shall be considered adequate ground for rejection of the Proposals and forfeiture of EMD.
2. In case, the Information / document furnished by the Agency forming basis of evaluation of his Proposal is found to be false /forged after the Award of the Contract, WDRA shall have full right to terminate the Contract and get the remaining job executed at the risk & cost of such Agency without any prejudice to other rights available to WDRA under the Contract such as forfeiture of Performance Guarantee, withholding of payment etc.
3. In case this issue of submission of false document comes to the notice after execution of work, WDRA shall have full right to forfeit any amount due to the Agency along with forfeiture of Performance Guarantee furnished by the Agency.
4. Further, such Agency shall be put on WDRA's blacklist, debarring it from future business with WDRA.

3.29 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

1. WDRA requires that Agency provide professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold WDRA's interests paramount, strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments/job or their own corporate interests and act without consideration for future work.
2. Without limitations on the generality of the foregoing, Agencies, and any of their affiliates, will be considered to have a conflict of interest and shall not be recruited, under any of the circumstances set forth below:
 - (a) **Conflicting Activities:** A firm that has presently been engaged by WDRA to provide services other than this WDRA Survey then the Agency and any of its affiliates shall be disqualified for the purpose of this WDRA Survey. Conversely, a firm and any of its affiliates hired to perform the WDRA Survey for the preparation of the implementation of this project, shall be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or works or services for subsequent projects, other than services resulting from directly related to the Agency's WDRA Survey for such preparation or implementation.
 - (b) **Conflicting Assignment/job:** An Agency (including its Personnel and Sub-Agencies) or any of its affiliates will not be hired for any WDRA Survey that, by its nature, may be in conflict with another WDRA Survey of the Agency to be executed for the same or for another employer.

- (c) **Conflicting Relationships:** An Agency (including its Personnel and Sub-Agencies) that has a business or family relationship with a member of NIPFP's staff or WDRA's staff who is directly or indirectly involved in any part of (i) the preparation of the TOR of the RFP, (ii) the selection process of the WDRA Survey, or (iii) supervision of the Contract, may not be awarded a Contract, unless the conflict stemming from the relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to WDRA throughout the selection process and the execution of the Contract.
3. Agencies have an obligation to disclose any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts its capacity to serve the best interest of WDRA, or that may reasonably be perceived as having this effect. If the Agency fails to disclose said situations and if WDRA comes to know about any such situation at any time, it may lead to the disqualification of the Agency anytime thereafter.

3.30 FRAUD AND CORRUPTION

1. WDRA requires that Agencies participating in WDRA's Projects adhere to the highest ethical standards, both during the selection process and throughout the execution of a Contract. In pursuance of this policy, WDRA defines, for the purpose of this paragraph, the terms set forth below as follows:
- (a) "Corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - (b) "Fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
 - (c) "Collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - (d) "Coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
 - (e) "Obstructive practice" is
 - i. deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede an employer investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation, or

- ii. acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the employer's inspection and audit rights
- 2. WDRA will reject a Proposal for Award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for Award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for the Contract in question.
- 3. WDRA will sanction an agency, including declaring ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a Contract if it at any time determines that the Bidder has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for, or in executing, a WDRA Contract.

CHAPTER 4: TERMS OF REFERENCE

4.1 SCOPE

This proposal is for conducting three nation-wide quantitative WDRA Surveys of warehouse owners, operators and Users of warehouses (collectively referred to as Respondents) and Warehouse Receipts for three consecutive years 2015-16, 2016-2017 and 2017-2018. WDRA will provide a list of warehouses to the agency along with the definition of who the agency can meet and who it should not meet. The scope is further defined and explained in section 4.2.

4.2 DELIVERABLES

1. The deliverables in this section must be designed and implemented in a manner so as to satisfy the objectives stated in section 4.3.
2. The deliverables in this section will be subject to the other terms contained in this Chapter 4.

4.2.1 Statement on objectives of the FGDs

The Agency will conduct six (6) FGDs - Two (2) each with warehouse owners, warehouse users (depositors) and other users of warehouse receipts (lenders, etc.). Before conducting the FGDs, the Agency must provide to WDRA a Statement of Objectives for the FGD (Objectives of FGD) for the FGDs within ten (10) days from the date of signing the Contract. There are no specific selection criteria. The selected sample must enable the agency to interact with a representative sample for the purpose of designing the questionnaire. The WDRA / NIPFP team will be a part of one FGD.

Process

1. The FGDs will be conducted only in 2015-16.
2. The Objectives of FGD of the FGDs (referred to in sub-section 4.2.1) must be prepared in consultation with WDRA and NIPFP.
3. The design of FGD:
 - (a) FGDs with a total of at least ten (10) participants engaged in the business of warehousing, including warehouse operators, collateral managers and lenders.

- (b) The FGD must be conducted to generate inputs for the development of the Draft Questionnaire.
 - (c) The information of the participants must be recorded in a pre-designed format.
 - (d) The proceedings of the FGDs must be recorded and analysed by the Agency.
4. The FGDs must be conducted with a view to satisfying the requirements stated in section 4.2.11.

4.2.2 Key Takeaways from FGDs (Key Takeaways)

After conducting the FGDs, the Agency will submit to WDRA a note explaining the Key Takeaways from the FGDs including all of the following:

- 1. Detailed responses of Respondents to the questions asked during the FGDs;
- 2. Summary of major points made by Respondents during the FGDs.

Process

- 1. After the approval of the Objectives of FGD as per sub-section 4.2.1, the Agency will prepare a list of questions for the FGDs.
- 2. The list of questions for the FGDs will be approved by WDRA.
- 3. The Agency will then conduct the FGDs.
- 4. NIPFP and WDRA will be invited to attend at least two of the FGDs.
- 5. After the FGDs, the Agency will submit the Key Takeaways to WDRA within five (5) days.

4.2.3 Revised methodology

- 1. The Agency must review its WDRA Survey methodology submitted in its Proposal, and submit it to WDRA within five (5) days of completing the last FGD taking into account the observations from the FGD.
- 2. The Objectives of FGD of the FGDs (referred to in sub-section 4.2.1) must be prepared in consultation with WDRA and NIPFP.
- 3. The design of FGD:
 - (a) FGDs with a total of at least ten (10) participants engaged in the business of warehousing, including warehouse operators, collateral managers and lenders.

- (b) The FGD must be conducted to generate inputs for the development of the Draft Questionnaire.
 - (c) The information of the participants must be recorded in a pre-designed format.
 - (d) The proceedings of the FGDs must be recorded and analysed by the Agency.
4. The FGDs must be conducted with a view to satisfying the requirements stated in section 4.2.11.

4.2.4 Draft questionnaire

The Agency must submit a Draft Questionnaire to WDRA within (5) days of submitting the revised methodology referred to in section 4.2.3.

Process

1. While preparing the Draft Questionnaire, the Agency must consult WDRA and NIPFP.
2. The Draft Questionnaire will be used for a Pilot Survey after being approved by WDRA.

4.2.5 Pilot Report

1. The Agency must conduct a Pilot Survey and submit a Pilot Report to WDRA within fifteen (15) days of the approval of the Draft Questionnaire. The Pilot Survey must be a representative sample.
2. The Pilot Report must state how the Draft Questionnaire was tested, along with testing of response rates and data retrieval methods.
3. The Agency must choose a representative sample of Users for the Pilot Survey. The sample must be decided in consultation with WDRA and NIPFP.
4. The FGDs must be conducted with a view to satisfying the requirements stated in section 4.2.11.

Process

1. After the approval of the Draft Questionnaire as per sub-section 4.2.4, the Agency will conduct a Pilot Survey.
2. NIPFP and WDRA will have the right to monitor the conduct of the Pilot Survey.

4.2.6 WDR A Quantitative Survey Questionnaire (Final Survey Questionnaire)

1. The Agency must submit a Final Survey Questionnaire to WDR A within five (5) days of the completion of the Pilot Survey.
2. The Agency will prepare Final Survey Questionnaires for 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 taking into account the previous WDR A Surveys and inputs from WDR A and NIPFP.

Process

1. WDR A and NIPFP will provide inputs on the Final Survey Questionnaire within five (5) days of receiving the Final Survey Questionnaire from the Agency.
2. The Final Survey Questionnaire prepared in 2015-16 must be revised in 2016-2017 in consultation with WDR A and NIPFP.
3. The Final Survey Questionnaire prepared in 2016-2017 must be revised in 2017-2018 in consultation with WDR A and NIPFP.

4.2.7 Training manual and instructions for investigators

1. The Agency must submit a Training Manual and Instruction Kit (Training Manual) to be used to train its investigators to WDR A to conduct surveys as per the RFP.
2. WDR A and NIPFP will provide inputs on the Training Manual within five (5) days of receiving the Final Survey Questionnaire from the Agency.

4.2.8 MIS - Survey schedule, updated every 10 days

1. Before initiating the WDR A Survey, the Agency must provide a Management Information System (MIS) to WDR A.
2. The format of the MIS must be prepared in consultation with WDR A.
3. The MIS must contain the daily schedule and work plan for the WDR A Survey, and other details as per WDR A's request.
4. The Agency must update the MIS daily.
5. The Agency must submit a detailed and updated MIS to WDR A every ten (10) days. This must contain:
 - (a) copies of the daily updated MIS;
 - (b) location-wise targets and achievements;

- (c) summary of information collected for each district; and
- (d) details of WDRA Survey schedule for the next ten (10) days.

4.2.9 Interim WDRA Survey datasets

The Agency must provide interim datasets during the WDRA Survey to WDRA every ten (10) days.

4.2.10 Quantitative Survey Design

The Bidder must submit a proposal for the Survey Design as per the requirements stated in this section, and that will meet the requirements stated in section 4.2.11. WDRA will provide a revised list of warehouses to the agency for 2016-17 and 2017-18 surveys.

Coverage

1. The WDRA Survey proposes to cover at least 100 districts spread across the geographical area of India capturing all the states and union territories.
2. The districts to be sampled will be distributed proportionally with reference to the distribution of warehouses across the States, but at least one district in every State will have to be covered.
3. WDRA, in consultation with NIPFP will provide the list of districts to be sampled to the Agency. This information will be provided to the Agency within three working days of signing the Contract. The Agency will not change or deviate from this list without prior written approval from WDRA. WDRA will communicate its decision regarding any such request within forty-eight hours of the receipt of the request from the Agency.
4. The WDRA Survey must cover at least one thousand (1,000) Public Warehouses and Private Warehouses, including Agricultural Warehouses and Non-agricultural Warehouses; and at least three thousand (3,000) Users spread across the selected hundred districts taking into account warehouse density, location, agricultural output and population, etc.
5. The WDRA Surveys must only cover Warehouses with a capacity of at least two thousand metric tonnes or more, except for Warehouses owned/ operated by Primary Cooperative Societies. The minimum capacity for Primary Cooperative Societies for the purpose of the WDRA Surveys must be a hundred metric tonnes or more.
6. The Users must be surveyed within the following parameters:
 - (a) Users must be selected randomly using the records of the Warehouses surveyed.
 - (b) As far as possible, the Users selected from the same Warehouse's records must not be the owner/ operator of the Warehouse.

- (c) At least two Lenders must be surveyed in every district.
 - (d) The Agency will not change or deviate from this requirement without prior written approval from WDRA.
7. The sample of the Respondents will be randomly selected from the list of depositors in the warehouses surveyed.
 8. The selection of these Respondents will be based on selection criteria such as the quantity deposited with the warehouse, distance of the Respondent from the warehouse, etc.
 9. The WDRA Survey of warehouses will require a visit to the warehouse and interviews with the owner/ operator of the warehouse.
 10. The WDRA Survey of other Respondents will require a visit to their respective households/ workplace and conducting the electronically enabled survey through personal interviews on the spot or at a scheduled date.
 11. The sample for the WDRA Surveys in 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 must contain at least fifty (50) percent new Warehouses and Users compared to the WDRA Survey conducted under the Contract in the previous year. The sample for the WDRA Survey in 2016-2017 and 2017-18 must be drawn from the revised list of warehouses provided by WDRA after the first annual survey.

4.2.11 WDRA Quantitative Survey Report

1. The Agency must submit a WDRA Quantitative Survey Report to WDRA within twenty-one (21) days of the completion of the WDRA Surveys. Each WDRA Quantitative Survey Report must contain:
 - (a) A clean dataset in CSV format.
 - (b) An analysis and set of findings based on the information captured during the WDRA Survey for all the WDRA Surveys. The draft/interim report will be required to be submitted for review and observation to WDRA. The agency will incorporate feedback from WDRA, and submit the final report after receiving approval from WDRA.
2. The WDRA Quantitative Survey Reports must be exhaustive and demonstrate the following:
 - (a) The objectives stated in section 4.3 have been met.
 - (b) The WDRA Surveys covered at least one district in every State.
 - (c) The WDRA Surveys adequately covered Respondents owning, operating all commonly found types of Warehouses in a representative manner. These include:
 - i. standalone Warehouses;
 - ii. warehouses empanelled/ licensed with commodity exchanges;

- iii. Warehouses owned and operated by the Central Warehousing Corporation, and State Warehousing Corporations;
 - iv. Warehouses registered by WDRA;
 - v. cold storages, and
 - vi. Warehouses owned and operated by Primary Cooperative Societies.
 - vii. Warehouses owned and/ or operated by Warehouse Service Providers (WSPs) and collateral managers;
 - viii. Warehouses constructed under programs and schemes of Central government departments or agencies such as National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), including cold storages under schemes of the National Horticulture Board (NHB) and Ministry of Food Processing Industries.
- (d) The WDRA Survey adequately covered different categories of Users in every district, and assessed their usage and perception of Warehouse Receipts, including their concerns relating to the surveyed Warehouses, their concerns relating to trading and/ or lending against Warehouse Receipts, and their perceptions regarding the benefits and potential benefits of Warehouse Receipts as financial instruments.
- (e) Adequate representation in the WDRA Survey was given to Warehouses located in rural and urban areas.
- (f) Adequate representation was given to Warehouses storing both Agricultural Commodity and non-Agricultural Commodity.
- (g) At the minimum:
- i. Fifty (50) Agricultural Warehouses covered must be cold storages, distributed across the surveyed States.
 - ii. Fifty(50) of the Agricultural Warehouses covered must be owned or operated by Primary Cooperative Societies, distributed across the surveyed States.
- (h) The sample of the Warehouses was a random sample, selected randomly based on some selection criteria such as Warehouse density, location, agricultural output and size of the warehouses, etc.

4.2.12 Survey Material

The Agency in consultation with WDRA and NIPFP, would be required to develop the Survey Materials, including:

1. The location map for the warehouses;
2. Listing of all the Respondents;
3. The WDRA Survey instruments for warehouse owners, Users of warehouses and warehouse receipts.

4.2.13 General obligations with respect to Deliverables listed in section 4.2

1. The Agency will be responsible for coding and validating the data, factoring in the quality checks and observations of WDRA. The database thus developed shall be property of WDRA. The Agency would then prepare the finalised data sets and would be responsible for responding to and satisfying any queries raised by WDRA and NIPFP during the finalisation of the results.
2. The WDRA Survey will be designed using state-of-the-practice methods.
3. The Agency shall provide necessary staff and training to collect data.
4. The Agency is expected to prepare all printed material and assemble sampling frame and any other material that may be necessary for the quantitative survey.

4.3 OBJECTIVES OF THE QUANTITATIVE SURVEYS

The objectives of the quantitative survey are to get information on the following, as far as possible:

1. The infrastructure standards of warehouses and their variations across the country:
 - (a) Whether the Warehouses are licensed or not;
 - (b) The extent to which Warehouses in India meet prescribed CWC/BIS/FCI standards;
 - (c) Infrastructure standards of Warehouses affiliated to commodity exchanges;
 - (d) Patterns and variations in Warehouse infrastructure across the country;
 - (e) Types and varieties of commodities stored, both Agricultural Commodity and non-agricultural commodities;
 - (f) Storage practices with respect to non-agricultural commodities;
 - (g) Operational processes within the warehouse;
 - (h) Insurance coverage for the infrastructure;

- (i) Insurance coverage for commodities stored and the employees, and whether the insurance coverage indemnifies for fire, flood, theft, burglary, misappropriation, riots, strikes or terrorism;
 - (j) Staff capacity and personnel deployment at Warehouses, including the number of staff and level of training they have received.
2. The types of entities owning and operating warehouses, both public and private:
 - (a) Types of legal or natural entities owning Warehouses;
 - (b) Types of legal or natural entities operating Warehouses;
 - (c) Net-worth of such entities;
 - (d) Warehousing practices, processes and protocols and variations relating to stacking, weighing, sampling, inspections, grading, valuation and lab facility; and
 - (e) Proportion of storage capacity used for storage of own commodities.
 3. The types of persons, including farmers using warehouses for storage and financing, and their concerns:
 - (a) Occupational profile e.g. farmer, trader, lender, manufacturer;
 - (b) Purpose of Warehouse usage e.g. storage for taking a loan, storage for self-consumption, storage for trading, etc.; and
 - (c) Issues with Warehouses used.
 4. The concerns of Users of warehouses and Warehouse Receipts, including lenders and exchanges:
 - (a) Number of disputes related to commodities stored;
 - (b) Performance requirements for warehouses linked to exchanges;
 - (c) Amount of lending against Warehouse Receipt done by surveyed lenders;
 - (d) Issues regarding viability and credibility of Warehouse Receipts as collateral for lenders; and
 - (e) Present borrowing/ lending against Warehouse Receipts.

4.4 QUALITY CONTROLS

The Agency must ensure all the following:

1. A well-planned training program for field investigators;
2. Ensuring the coverage of pre-decided number of Respondents and complete information from the Respondents, including complete contact details.

3. Development and usage of accurate translated versions of the Final Survey Questionnaire across different States, as far as practicable. The final determination of the number of translations required must be done in consultation with WDRA.
4. The Agency will have to carry out the WDRA Survey using computer aided (electronic devices such as tablets with GPS/GPRS and audio/ video recording facility) devices.
5. The filled up questionnaire must be electronically uploaded by the investigator as soon as possible, and in any case, within seventy-two hours of filling up the questionnaire.
6. The WDRA Survey must be completed within the timelines specified in section 4.6.
7. The Team Supervisor for the Successful Bidders (Team Supervisors) will be required to check the completed (filled-in) Final Survey Questionnaires for inter and intra-consistency of the data, missing observations in the Final Survey Questionnaire filled in by his/ her team of investigators;
8. The Agency must provide at least fifty (50) investigators/ field staff for surveying the Respondents;
9. The investigators used for the WDRA Surveys must possess at the minimum, a graduation degree and have conducted at least three (3) quantitative surveys in the past;
10. The Agency will appoint the Project Manager for the WDRA Quantitative Survey (Project Manager), as proposed in the Proposal, as the Authorised Representative for the Contract, subject to WDRA approval. This representative shall be deployed full time for the project. Additionally,
 - (a) The Authorised Representative shall have the authority to represent the Agency on all day-to-day matters relating to the system or arising from the Contract. The Agency's representative shall give to WDRA all the Agency's notices, instructions, information, and all other communications under the Contract.
 - (b) All notices, instructions, information, and all other communications given by the WDRA or WDRA to the Agency under the Contract shall be given to the Authorised Representative or, in its absence, its deputy, except as otherwise provided for in this Contract.
11. If any representative or person employed by the Agency is removed, the Agency shall, where required, promptly appoint a replacement.
12. The Team Supervisor will be required to revisit at least ten (10) percent of the Respondents for verification and quality of work done, without informing the investigator who interviewed the Respondent.
13. The Team Supervisor will be required to provide information relating to the quality of the work done by the investigators to WDRA.
14. The Agency will enable and facilitate regular inspections of the work done by WDRA in consultation with NIPFP;

15. The inspections may be in the form of concurrent or post-survey inspection;
16. If any irregularities are found as a result of these inspections, the Agency will have to rectify the same. WDRA's decision in this regard shall be final and binding on the Agency.
17. The Agency will be required to ensure the presence of the Team Supervisors at the time of physical inspections by WDRA and NIPFP.
18. WDRA must be provided details of Respondents, including contact details and precise geographical information; and
19. WDRA must be provided details of the Team Supervisors and investigators employed by the Agency to carry out the WDRA Surveys.
20. In case any fields in the Final Survey Questionnaire are left blank the investigator will have to provide an explanation of why the field(s) is not filled.
21. The Agency must appoint and as far as possible, retain the same Project Manager for all the WDRA Surveys.
22. In case of a change in Project Manager for the WDRA Surveys in 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 the Agency must undertake to provide a Project Manager with equivalent experience, qualifications and skills.

4.5 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION

The Agency will provide, upon request, any information collected during the WDRA Survey to WDRA. This includes:

1. Schedule and timelines of WDRA Surveys for audit and monitoring purposes;
2. Final Survey Questionnaires filled in by respondents during the WDRA Survey;
3. WDRA Survey data collected and stored by the Agency prior to the completion of the WDRA Survey;

4.6 TIMELINES FOR DELIVERY

4.6.1 Survey I (2015-16)

Deliverables	Duration in working days
Expected date of signing contract with Successful Bidder	C
Date Agency will commence work	C+3
Statement on objectives of the FGDs	C+18
Key Takeaways	C+ 23
Revised methodology	C+28
Draft Questionnaires	C+36
Pilot Report	C+51
Final Survey Questionnaire	C+58
Training Manual	C+68
MIS	C+78
First interim dataset	C+88
Second interim dataset	C+98
WDRA Quantitative Survey Report	C+116

4.6.2 Survey II (2016-2017)

Deliverables	Duration in working days
Intimation to Agency concerning WDRA Survey	C2
Draft Questionnaires	C2+10
Final Survey Questionnaire	C2+20
MIS	C2+30
First interim dataset	C2+40
Second interim dataset	C2+50
WDRA Quantitative Survey Report	C2+68

4.6.3 Survey III (2017-2018)

Deliverables	Duration in working days
Intimation to Agency concerning WDRA Survey	C3
Draft Questionnaires	C3+10
Final Survey Questionnaire	C3+20
MIS	C3+30
First interim dataset	C3+40
Second interim dataset	C3+50
WDRA Quantitative Survey Report	C3+68

4.7. COMMON REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY AND TECHNICAL EVALUATION.

1. Every page of the Proposal must be serially numbered;
2. The supporting documents that are common to both sections 4.8 and 4.9 must be submitted once while filling up the section on 4.8 online on Tenderwizard. However, page references in the appropriate tables/forms have to be mandatorily filled in.
3. All forms/ documents to be submitted by the Bidders must be digitally signed by the Authorised Representative, and be on the official letterhead of the Bidders.
4. All completion certificates must be on the letterhead of the client company/ entity and signed by a competent authority of the client.
5. In case of non-availability of a completion certificate, the Bidder must submit an Alternate proof of Completion, duly attested by the Authorised Representative.

4.8 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The minimum eligibility criterion for a prospective bidder is given below in section 4.8.1. The required demonstration for complying with the eligibility criteria is set out in section 4.8.2. Bidders who meet the eligibility criteria, and submit all other documents required under this RFP will be evaluated on both Technical Selection as set out in 4.9 and Financial Selection as set out in section 3.22. Bidders who do not meet the eligibility criteria as given in this section 4.8 and fail to submit all other documents required under this RFP will be rejected, and not considered for further evaluation.

4.8.1 Conditions of eligibility

1. The Bidder must be validly incorporated as a company, partnership, or limited liability partnership under applicable Indian laws.
2. The Bidder must have an annual turnover of Rupees Fifteen (15) crore or more in each of financial years 2011-12 to 2013-14 from its business in India.
3. The Bidder must have an annual turnover of at least Rs. 5 crores quantitative surveys in India in each of the financial years 2011-12 to 2013-14.
4. The Bidder must have conducted and completed at least three (3) quantitative surveys each worth rupees one crore or more in the financial years 2011-12 to 2013-14.

5. The Bidder should not be blacklisted by any State/Central Govt. or PSUs due to unsatisfactory performance, breach of general or specific instructions, corrupt / fraudulent or any other unethical business practices.

Bidders must submit the tables given in section 4.8.3 along with supporting documents as specified. **Bidders may not alter the formats of the tables provided. All details required must be mandatorily filled in.**

4.8.2 Documentation for determining Eligibility

As required in Table E-1, E-2 and E-3 and declaration under section 6.7. The exhaustive list of documents has been provided in section 3.7.

4.8.3 Tables E-1, E-2 and E-3

Terms of Reference

Table E_1: Details of incorporation					
Name of Bidder (1)	Type of entity (2)	Year incorporation (3)	of Document(s) to be attached* (4)	Serial Page No. of Proposal (5)	Whether blacklisted by any State/Central Govt. or PSUs ** (6)
To be signed by Authorised Representative					
<p><u>Notes:</u> * (Specify which of the following is attached) Companies: Certificate of incorporation, and a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association</p> <p>OR,</p> <p>Partnerships: Certificate of registration in case of partnership or limited liability partnership; and, partnership deed.</p> <p>** Specify if : Yes/No. If yes, give details.</p>					

Terms of Reference

Table E-2: Details of three quantitative surveys conducted over 2011-12 and 2013-14 with a value of Rs. 1 crore and above.				
S. No. (1)	Client Name (2)	Contract value (in Rs. lakhs) (3)	Date of Commencement (4)	Date of completion (5)
1.				
2.				
3.				
<p>Certification from Bidder's Chartered Accountant: I hereby certify that the information provided in this form E-2 in columns (2) to (5) has been verified by me from the documents available with the Bidder, and I certify it to be true and accurate. The Bidder must produce the supporting documents if and when required by WDRA.</p> <p>Name and Signature of Bidder's Chartered Accountant:</p> <p>Name and Signature of Authorised Representative:</p> <p>Important Notes: This table must be signed by the Bidder's Chartered Accountant as well as the Authorised Representative. ALL COLUMNS MUST BE MANDATORILY FILLED. No change in the format will be permitted.</p>				

Table E-3: Total turnover and turnover from quantitative surveys			
Financial Year (1)	Total turnover in India (in Rs crore) (2)	Turnover from quantitative surveys in India (3)	Serial page no. Of Proposal where supporting document has been provided (4)
2011-12 (a)			
2012-13 (b)			
2013-14 (c)			
Average: ((a)+(b)+(c)/ 3)			
<p>Certification from Bidder's Chartered Accountant: I hereby certify that the information provided in column (3) on the turnover from quantitative surveys has been verified by me from the available records, and I certify it to be true and accurate. The Bidder must produce the supporting documents if and when required by WDRA.</p> <p>Name and Signature of Bidder's Chartered Accountant:</p> <p>Name and Signature of Authorised Representative</p> <p>Note: Supporting documents to be attached. Audited balance sheets of the Bidder from financial years 2011-12 to 2013-14.</p>			

4.9 CRITERIA FOR TECHNICAL SELECTION

Scores in this section are being awarded out of hundred (100). The actual technical score will be computed as follows: 100×0.65 . (The technical evaluation detailed above is on a score of 100. Sixty-five (65) percent of the score will be considered as the technical score for technical evaluation. Absolute value of the third decimal place of 5 or more will be taken as the next highest value while rounding off.) This section complements the requirements of sections 3.21 and 3.23.

4.9.1 Evaluation criteria and scoring for technical selection

Evaluation criteria and scoring for technical selection					
Criteria No.	Technical Selection	Supporting Documentation	Marks	Scoring Criteria	Form
1. Profile of Bidder and past performance					
50 marks					
1.1	Average total turnover of Bidder in 2011-12 to 2013-14	As per Form T-1	10	>= 50 crores - 10 marks 40 - less than 50 - 9 marks 30 - less than 40 - 7 marks 20 - less than 30 - 5 marks 15 - less than 20 - 3 marks (Average annual turnover will be used for scoring.)	T_1
1.2	Average annual turnover of Bidder in 2011-12 to 2013-14 from its quantitative surveys in India.	As per Form T-1	10	>= 40 crores - 10 marks 30 - less than 40 crores - 8 marks 20 - less than 30 crores - 6 marks 10 - less than 20 crores - 4 marks 5 - less than 10 crores - 2 marks (Average annual turnover will be used for scoring.)	T_1
1.3	Number of years Bidder has been in the business of conducting quantitative surveys.	As per Form T-2	5	>= 10 years - 5 marks 8 - less than 10 years - 4 marks 6 - less than 8 years - 2 marks 3 - less than 6 years - 1 mark	T_2
1.4	Number of quantitative surveys over the value of rupees one hundred lakhs (Rs. 1 crore) conducted between 2011-12- 2013-14.	As per Form T-3 NOTE: Details of surveys listed here may include the details of surveys listed as proof of eligibility.	25	> 10 - 25 marks 9 - 10 - 20 marks 6 - 8 - 15 marks 3 - 5 - 10 marks	T-3.
2. Proposed team for the Survey					
24 marks					
2.1	Project Manager	As per Form T-4	8 (A+B+C+D)/4	(A) Engineer/ PG - 8 points Graduate - 4 points	T_4
		As per Form T-4		(B) >=15 years - 8 points 11 - less than 15 years - 6.4 points 10 - less than 11 - 4.8 points Less than 10 - 0	
		As per Form T-4		(C) >= 5 surveys - 8 points 3 - 4 - 5.6 points Less than 3 - 0	

				points	
		As per Form T-4		(D) ≥ 100 – 8 points 50 - less than 100 – 6,4 points 25 – less than 50 – 4,8 points < 25 - 0	
2.2	Expert on statistics and quantitative surveys	As per Form T-4	5 (A+B+C)/3	(A) Engineer/ PG – 5 points Graduate – 2.5 points	T_4
		As per Form T-4		(B) ≥ 15 years – 5 points 11 - less than 15 years – 4 points 7 - less than 11 years – 3 points Less than 7 – 0	
		As per Form T-4		(C) ≥ 5 surveys – 5 points 3-4 – 3,5 points Less than 3 – 0	
2.3	Interviewing manager/supervisor	As per Form T-4	5 (A+B+C)/3	(A) Engineer/ PG – 5 points Graduate – 3.5 points	T_4
		As per Form T-4		(B) ≥ 15 years – 5 points 11 - less than 15 years – 4 points 7 - less than 11 years – 3 points Less than 7 – 0	
		As per Form T-4		(C) ≥ 15 surveys – 5 points 10 - less than 15 – 3,5 points Less than 10 – 0 points	
2.4	Expert on statistics	As per Form T-4	3 (A+B+C)/3	(A) PG – 3 points Graduate – 2.1 points	T_4
		As per Form T-4		(B) ≥ 10 years – 3 points 7 - less than 10 years – 2,4 points 5 - less than 7 years – 1,8 points Less than 5 – 0	
		As per Form T-4		(C) ≥ 5 surveys – 3 points 3 - 4 – 2,1 points Less than 3 – 0	
2.5	2 Data analysts (Average of both Data Analysts)	As per Form T-4	3 (A+B+C)/3	(A) PG – 3 points Graduate – 2.1 points	T_4
		As per Form T-4		(B) ≥ 5 years – 3 points 3 - less than 5 years – 2,4 points 2 – less than 3 years – 1,8 points	

				Less than 2 – 0	
		As per Form T-4		(C) >/= 5 surveys – 3 points 3 - 4 – 2.1 points Less than 3 – 0	
3. Infrastructure and technology		15 marks			
3.1	Technology used in past surveys	Out of the projects listed in tables T_3, Bidders must demonstrate the technology used for any 3 projects for the purposes of scoring under this criteria. (Bidders must provide details of the same 3 projects for the purposes of scoring under criteria 4: Adherence to Project timelines) The average of these 3 projects will be used for awarding points. As per Form T_3	6 (A+B+C)	(A) Electronic Yes – 2 marks No – 0 marks (B) GPs tracking Yes – 2 marks No – 0 marks (C) Data updation through network Yes – 2 marks No – 0 marks	T_3.
3.2	Infrastructure of bidder	The Bidder must submit a list of field/branch offices with address and contact numbers along with number of employees in each branch/field office. As per Form T_5	9	>/= 15 branches/offices – 9 marks 12 - 14 – 7.2 marks 8 – 11 – 5.4 marks 5 – 7 – 3.6 marks Less than 5 – 0 marks	T_5
4. Adherence to project timelines		4 marks			
	Timelines	The Bidder must list the details of timelines of the same three (3) projects listed in tables T_3 submitted for scoring under criteria 3.1: Technology used in past surveys. The average of these 3 projects will be used to compute the time difference.	4	Difference 1 month or less – 4 marks Difference > 1-3 months – 3.2 marks Difference > 3-4 months - 2.4 marks Difference > 4-6 months - 1.6 marks Difference > 6-10 months – 0.8 marks	T_3
5. Proposed approach and methodology		7 marks			
	Project approach and methodology	A write-up (2000-3000 words) is required explaining the project's	7	Will be based on the write-up and presentation by the bidder on the	

		<p>approach and methodology. In addition, a presentation is required to be made based on the write-up. The presentation must be presented by the Project Manager. The write-up must be signed by the Authorised Representative.</p>		<p>approach and methodology to be adopted for executing the proposed project. The write-up must explain how the Bidder intends to carry out the FGDs, Pilot, sampling, and survey. In addition, an explanation of the technology to be used and the method of compliance with timelines must be provided.</p>	
Total			100		

4.9.2 Tables T-1, T-2, T-3, T-4 and T-5

Table T_1 - (1.1 and 1.2): Total Turnover of Bidder in 2011-12 to 2013-14 and turnover from its quantitative surveys in India.

The information provided in Table E_3 will be used for evaluation.

Table T_2 - 1.3 Number of years Bidder has been in the business of conducting quantitative surveys

I, hereby certify that the Bidder has been incorporated in the year ____ and has been in the business of conducting quantitative surveys continuously for ____ years.

To be signed by Authorised Representative

Table T_3: Criteria 1.4, 3.1, and 4.								
S. No. (1)	Client Name (2)	Contract value (in Rs. lakhs) (3)	Date of commencement (4)	Input technology used* (5)	Date of completion as per contract (6)	Actual date of completion (7)	Difference (in months (7)-(6)** (8)	Page No. of Proposal (9)
1.								
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10.								
<p>Certification from Bidder's Chartered Accountant: I hereby certify that the information provided above has been verified by me from the documents available with the Bidder, and I certify it to be true and accurate. The Bidder must produce the supporting documents if and when required by WDRA.</p> <p>Name and Signature of Bidder's Chartered Accountant:</p> <p>Name and Signature of Authorised Representa</p>								
<p>Important notes: In this table, Bidders must provide: (a) Details of all surveys conducted by them for scoring under criteria 1.4, and (b) Details of timelines and technology for scoring under criteria 3.1 and 4, such that details of a TOTAL of three (3) projects relating to technology and timelines are provided in tables T_3. Details of technology and timelines must be provided with respect to the SAME three (3) projects.</p> <p>* Indicate whether:. a. Electronic devices were used: yes <i>or</i> no b. GPs tracking done: yes <i>or</i> no c. Data updation through network : yes <i>or</i> no (This column must be filled in for any three of the surveys provided in this list)</p> <p>** This column must be filled in for the same three surveys with respect to which details have been provided in column (5).</p> <p>The Bidder's Chartered Accountant as well as the Authorised Representative must sign this table. ALL COLUMNS MUST BE MANDATORILY FILLED. No change in the format will be permitted.</p>								

Table T_4 - Proposed team for the Survey	
2.1 Project Manager	
Name	
Qualification (mention degree)	
Total experience (Number of years)	
Relevant experience as PM (Number of surveys)	
Team size managed (Largest team size managed)	
2.2 Expert on statistics and quantitative surveys	
Name	
Qualification with specialisation (mention degree)	
Total experience (Number of years)	
Relevant experience (Number of surveys)	
2.3 Interviewing manager/supervisor	
Qualification with specialisation (mention degree)	
Total experience (Number of years)	
Relevant experience (Number of surveys)	
2.4 Expert on statistics	
Qualification with specialisation (mention degree)	
Total experience (Number of years)	
Relevant experience (Number of surveys)	
2.5 Data analysts (1)	
Qualification with specialisation (mention degree)	
Total experience (Number of years)	
Relevant experience (Number of surveys)	
2.5 Data analysts (2)	
Qualification with specialisation (mention degree)	
Total experience (Number of years)	
Relevant experience (Number of surveys)	
I hereby certify that the information provided above has been verified by me, and I certify it to be true and accurate. The Bidder must produce the supporting documents if and when required by WDRA.	
To be signed by Authorised Representative	

Table T_5 - 3.2 Infrastructure of Bidder				
S. No.	Name of city (where Branch office is located)	Address	Contact number	Number of employees
<p>I hereby certify that the information provided above has been verified by me, and I certify it to be true and accurate. The Bidder must produce the supporting documents if and when required by WDRA.</p> <p>To be signed by the Authorised Representative.</p>				

CHAPTER 5: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.1 PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES AND SERVICES BY THE AGENCY

1. Agency shall perform its services in full accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract and any applicable local laws and regulations and shall exercise all reasonable professional skill, care and diligence in the discharge of said WDRA Survey.
2. Agency shall in all professional matters act as a faithful advisor to WDRA, and will provide all the expert commercial/technical advice and skills which are normally required for the class of services for which it is engaged.
3. Agency, the Project Team, and the Agency employees shall carry out all their responsibilities in accordance with the best professional standards.
4. Agency shall prepare and submit documents /reports etc. in due time and in accordance with the RFP and the Contract.
5. Agency will maintain for the performance of the Contract, personnel as determined to be responsible for carrying out this job and such persons shall not be replaced or substituted without written approval of WDRA.

5.2 WDRA'S BANKERS

Oriental Bank of Commerce, Shopping
Centre, Panchsheel Park, New Delhi -110017.
SB Account No. - 02121091000019
IFSC: ORBC0100212

5.3 AGENCY'S REPRESENTATIVE

1. Agency shall nominate a qualified and experienced person as the Authorised Representative who will be the contact person between WDRA and Agency for the performance of the Contract. This nomination shall be done within ten (10) days after the coming into force of the Contract. Agency shall notify WDRA in writing prior to the appointment of a new representative. Authorised Representative may be replaced only with WDRA's consent after getting approved his CV's from WDRA.

WDR A shall be at liberty to object to any nomination and to require Agency to remove Authorised Representative for good causes. Agency shall re- place immediately such person by competent substitute at no extra cost to WDR A.

2. Authorised Representative shall be entitled to act on behalf of Agency with respect to any decisions to be made under the Contract.

5.4 SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

With reference to the time-line specified in Section 4.6, payment terms will be as follows:

- 2015-16

Deliverables	Payment terms
Draft questionnaire	5% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Pilot Report	5% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Training Manual and MIS	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Final questionnaire	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
First interim dataset	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Second Interim dataset	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Survey report	40% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount

- 2016-2017

Deliverables	Payment terms
Training Manual	5% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
MIS	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Final questionnaire	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
First interim dataset	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Second Interim dataset	15% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Survey report	40% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount

- 2017-2018

Deliverables	Payment terms
Training Manual	5% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
MIS	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Final questionnaire	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
First interim dataset	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Second Interim dataset	15% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Survey report	40% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount

The above tables show payment schedule of 90% of the total Bid Amount. The remaining 10% of the Bid Amount will be released after evaluation by WDR A on whether the Agency has discharged all its obligations under the Contract.

5.4.1 Deductions for non-performance/fraud

WDR A has the right to deduct specified amounts from the Bid Amount on account of deviation from the timelines specified in section 4.6 and if it finds, pursuant to audits, that the

requirements of sections 4.2, 4.2.10, and 4.4 have not been met (deductions stipulated below will be determined for each WDRA Survey separately. Therefore, the deductions stated are with reference to one-third of the Bid Amount):

1. Deviation from timeline and resulting deductions:

Deviation from timeline	Deduction
Any deviation from timelines specified in section 4.6 of	WDRA will reserve the right to deduct up to two percent of
Any deviation from timelines specified in section 4.6 of	WDRA will reserve the right to deduct up to five (5) percent
Any deviation from the deliverables stated in section 4.2	WDRA, pursuant to a written notice intimating the Agency may deduct up to thirty (30) percent of one-

2. Pursuant to a finding that there have been instances where WDRA Surveys have been incorrectly, or fraudulently filled, WDRA may deduct up to fifty percent of one-third of the Bid Amount. The extent of deduction will be proportionate to the degree of error/ fraud.
3. Pursuant to a finding, after the Award has been made, that the Agency provided incorrect details while submitting the Proposal, WDRA may decide to terminate the contract and may deduct up to ten percent (10%) of the Bid Amount.
In case of any other deviation/ error, WDRA will, consequent to an enquiry, have the right to deduct up to one-third of thirty percent of the Bid Amount.
4. Pursuant to a finding that there have been instances where WDRA Surveys have been incorrectly, or fraudulently filled, or any other deviation from the requirements stated in this RFP or the Contract, the Agency, having been notified of such instances, will be required to undertake remedial measures immediately at it's own risk and cost. This requirement does not prejudice any other rights of WDRA under the Contract.
5. WDRA will not deduct any amount from the Bid Amount without first giving a written notice to the Agency of the reason for intending to do so, and giving the Agency an opportunity to provide an oral and a written response. WDRA will then provide to the Agency a letter containing its reasons, the arguments of the Agency and the final grounds for making the deduction.

5.5 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE

1. Agency shall submit to WDRA an “unconditional, irrevocable and on first demand guarantee” from any Indian scheduled commercial bank and a declaration to this effect should be made by such commercial bank either in the bank guarantee itself or separately on a letter head.

The value of Contract Performance Guarantee shall be Ten percent of Bid amount for the due performance of the Contract. The Contract Performance Guarantee shall be valid for a period of three months beyond the expiry of the Contract. The format of Performance Guarantee is attached in Section 6.8. All expenses incurred in obtaining of such guarantee shall be borne by the Agency.

2. In case of any extension, the Agency shall be required to extend the Performance Guarantee for three months (as allowed by WDRA).

5.6 CONFIDENTIALITY

1. Agency shall treat all matters in connection with the Contract as strictly confidential and undertakes not to disclose, in any way, information, documents, technical data, experience and know-how given to him by WDRA without the prior written consent of WDRA.
2. Agency further undertakes to limit the access to confidential information to those of its employees, implementation partners who reasonably require the same for the proper performance of the Contract provided however that Agency shall ensure that each of them has been informed of the confidential nature of the confidentiality and non-disclosure provided for hereof.
3. WDRA and the Agency agree to keep confidential (i) the terms and conditions of the Contract (ii) any data/ information related to the Contract which is not in public domain and which may have a material effect on the Contract, and (iii) any opinion, advice, statement, experts' views, documents, technical particulars, etc., provided by WDRA to the Agency and vice versa. Further, the Agency and WDRA agree that none of the foregoing matters may be disclosed or referred to publicly or to any third party not concerned with the Contract excluding the Government of India (GOI), WDRA or its authorised assignees or any such other body which has the authority to ask for such information under the law, except in accordance with the written authority of the other Party.
4. The provisions of the clause shall continue to be in force after the termination or completion of WDRA Survey under the Contract and shall expire after 12 months from termination or completion of WDRA Surveys.
5. The obligation of a Party under this clause, however, shall not apply to that information which:
 - (a) was already in, or hereafter enters the public domain through no fault of the disclosing Party;
 - (b) Can be proven to have been possessed by the receiving Party at the time of disclosure and that was not previously obtained, directly or indirectly, from the disclosing Party; or
 - (c) Otherwise lawfully becomes available to the receiving Party from a third Party that has no obligation of confidentiality.

6. The above provisions of this clause shall not in any way modify any undertaking of confidentiality given by either of the Parties to this Contract prior to the date of the Contract in respect of the system or any part thereof.
7. The provisions of this clause shall survive the termination, for whatever reason, of the Contract for one (1) year.
8. Agency undertakes to meet the security requirements/stipulations laid down by WDRA. All the matters related to the Contract will be treated as classified and highly confidential and shall not be communicated to anybody or published/advertised without the written consent of the WDRA.

5.7 DISPUTE RESOLUTION/ARBITRATION

1. If any dispute of any kind whatsoever shall arise between the WDRA and the Agency in connection with or arising out of the Contract, the parties shall seek to resolve any such dispute or difference by mutual consultation. However, if the parties fail to resolve such a dispute or difference by mutual consultation, within fourteen (14) days after one party has notified the other in writing of the dispute or difference, then the matter will be referred in writing for Arbitration to a sole arbitrator nominated and appointed by the Chairman, WDRA.
2. Arbitration proceedings will be held in Delhi only.
3. The award of the sole arbitrator shall be final and binding on all the parties. The Arbitration proceedings shall be governed by Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, as amended from time to time.
4. Notwithstanding any reference to the Arbitration in this clause,
 - (a) The parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the Contract unless they otherwise agree.
 - (b) The WDRA shall pay the Agency any monies due to the Agency.

5.8 LEGAL CONSTRUCTION

Subject to the provisions of this section, the Contract shall be, in all respects, constructed and operated as an Indian Contract and in accordance with Indian laws as in force for the time being and is subject to and referred to the local courts situated in New Delhi.

5.9 SUSPENSION OF PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES AND SERVICES

1. WDRA may suspend in whole or in part, the performance of services of Agency any time upon giving not less than fifteen (15) days notice.
2. Upon notice of suspension, Agency shall suspend immediately the services and reduce expenditure to a minimum to be agreed upon by both the parties.
3. Upon suspension of the performance of services, Agency shall be entitled to reimbursement of the costs which shall have been actually incurred prior to the date of such suspension. However, the total reimbursement shall be restricted to Contract price. This provision shall not apply in case WDRA suspends the Contract pursuant to a written finding of substantial error/ inaccuracy in the conduct of the WDRA Surveys, or a substantial deviation from the Contract.
4. By fifteen days prior notice, WDRA may request Agency to resume the performance of the services, without any additional cost to WDRA.
5. In case of suspension of work by the Agency on WDRA's request for more than ten (10) days, demobilization and remobilization charges will be paid to the Agency. This provision shall not apply in case WDRA suspends the Contract pursuant to a written finding of substantial error/ inaccuracy in the conduct of the WDRA Surveys, or a substantial deviation from the Contract.
6. If the suspension of the duties and services exceeds six months, either party shall be entitled to terminate Contract according to section 5.13.
7. The grounds of suspension, and the right to suspend the Contract shall not be limited by or to, anything contained in section 5.4.1.

5.10 ASSIGNMENT

Agency shall not have the right to assign or transfer the benefit and obligations of the Contract or any part thereof to the third party without the prior express approval in writing of WDRA which it shall do at its discretion. However, in event of that all legal/ contractual obligations shall be binding on Agency only.

5.11 INDUSTRIAL AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

1. In order to perform the services, Agency must obtain at its sole account, the necessary assignments, permits and authorisations or other protected rights.
2. All documents, report, information, data etc. collected and prepared by Agency in connection with the scope of work submitted to WDRA will be the property of WDRA.

3. Agency shall not be entitled either directly or indirectly to make use of the documents, reports given by WDRA for carrying out of any services with any third parties.
4. Agency shall not without the prior written consent of WDRA be entitled to publish studies or descriptive article with or without illustrations or data in respect of or in connection with the performance of services.
5. The WDRA shall not, without the Agency's prior written consent, use any confidential information received from the Agency for any purpose other than the conduct of the WDRA Surveys. Similarly, the Agency shall not, without the WDRA's prior written consent, use any confidential information received from the WDRA for any purpose other than those that are required for the performance of the Contract.

5.12 LIABILITIES

1. Without prejudice to any express provision in the Contract, Agency shall be solely responsible for any delay, lack of performance, breach of agreement and/or any default under this Contract.
2. Agency shall remain liable for any damages due to its gross negligence within the next twelve (12) months after the issuance of the provisional acceptance certificate of the Contract.
3. The grounds of liability, and the right to impose liability on the Agency under the Contract shall not be limited by or to, anything contained in section 5.4.1.
4. The aggregate liability of the Agency to the WDRA, whether under the Contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total Contract price.

5.13 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

1. Under this Contract, WDRA may, by written notice terminate the contract of the Agency in the following situations:
 - (a) Termination by default for failing to perform obligations under the Contract if the quality is not up to the specification, or in the event of repeated non adherence to time schedule or in cases of engaging in corrupt or fraudulent practices in completing for or in executing the Contract.
 - (b) Termination in case the Agency had provided incorrect information and documents at the time of bidding.
 - (c) Termination for convenience in whole or in part thereof, at any time.
 - (d) Termination for insolvency if the Agency becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent.

2. Before termination WDRA shall give fifteen (15) days notice in writing to the Agency to rectify the defects and bring the schedule back to the time lines of this Contract. Upon termination of the Contract, payment shall be made to the Agency for:
 - (a) Services satisfactorily performed and reimbursable expenditures prior to the effective date of termination
 - (b) Any expenditure actually and reasonably incurred prior to the effective date of termination.
3. In case of termination, Agency would cease all further work, except for such work as the WDRA may specify in the notice of termination for the sole purpose of protecting that part of the system already executed, or any work required to leave the site in a clean and safe condition. The Agency shall deliver to the WDRA all non proprietary documents prepared by the Agency as of the date of termination in connection with the system.
4. No consequential damages shall be payable to the Agency in the event of such termination.
5. If the Contract is not completed within the timelines specified in this RFP, WDRA will at any time, have the right to terminate the Contract , hire any other vendor and get the work done at the risk and cost of the Agency.

5.14 CHANGE/MODIFICATION IN CONTRACTUAL TERMS

Any modification of or addition to the Contract shall not be binding unless made in writing and agreed by both WDRA and the Agency.

5.15 CONTRACT/AGREEMENT

The notification of Award along with the Proposal will be on non-judicial stamp paper of appropriate value within 10 days from the date of receipt of Letter of Acceptance, the cost of stamp paper is to be borne by Agency, and its enclosures shall constitute the Contract between the parties and supersedes all other prior agreements, arrangements and communications, whether oral or written, between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof.

5.16 FORCE MAJEURE

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in the RFP, the Agency shall not be liable for liquidated damages or termination for default, if and to the extent that, it's delay in performance or other failures to perform its obligations under the Contract is the result of an event of force majeure.
2. For purposes of this clause "Force majeure" shall mean and be limited to the following:

- (a) War/hostilities
 - (b) Riot or Civil commotion
 - (c) Earthquake, flood, tempest, lightening or other natural physical disaster.
 - (d) Restrictions imposed by the GOI or other statutory bodies after the Award which prevents or delays the execution of the Contract by Agency.
3. If either party is prevented, hindered, or delayed from or in performing any of its obligations under the Contract by an event of force majeure, then it shall notify the other in writing of the occurrence of such event and the circumstances of the event of force majeure within seven (7) days after the occurrence of such event.
 4. If a force majeure event occurs, the Agency shall inform the WDRA in writing, of such conditions and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the WDRA in writing, the Agency shall continue to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.
 5. The party or parties affected by the event of force majeure shall use reasonable efforts to mitigate the effect of the event of force majeure upon its or their performance of the Contract and to fulfill its or their obligations under the Contract

For delays arising out of Force Majeure, Agency shall not claim any extension for a period exceeding the period of delay attributable to the causes of Force Majeure and neither WDRA nor Agency shall be liable to pay extra costs provided it is mutually established that Force Majeure Conditions did actually exist.

Agency shall categorically specify the extent of Force Majeure Conditions prevalent in their works at the time of submitting their Proposal and whether the same have been taken into consideration or not in their quotations. In the event of any force majeure cause, Agency or WDRA shall not be liable for delays in performing their obligations under this order and the contract will be extended to Agency without being subject to price reduction for delayed completion, as stated elsewhere.

5.17 RECTIFICATION PERIOD

All services shall be rendered strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in the Contract.

No deviation from such conditions shall be made without WDRA's agreement in writing which must be obtained before any work against the order is commenced. All services rendered by Agency pursuant to the Contract (irrespective of whether engineering, design data or other information has been furnished, reviewed or approved by WDRA's) are guaranteed to be of the best quality of their respective kinds.

Agency shall rectify at his own cost any mistake in assumption of any data in the study or use of wrong data or faulty study observed within twelve months of the acceptance of his report

and will submit the rectified report incorporating the changes wherever applicable within thirty (30) days of observance of mistake.

5.18 SUB-CONTRACT

Ordinarily, no sub-contracting of the Contract will be permitted. Any sub Contract to be made by the Agency relating to the services shall be made only to such extent and with such duly qualified specialists and entities as shall be approved in writing in advance by WDRA. Upon the request of WDRA, the Agency shall submit for WDRA's prior approval, the terms of reference or any amendment thereof for such sub contractor's services. Notwithstanding such approval, the Agency shall remain fully responsible for the performance of services under the Contract.

5.19 NOTICES

1. Any notice given by one party to the other pursuant to the Contract shall be sent in writing or by fax confirmed in writing.
2. A notice shall be effective when delivered or on the notice's effective date, whichever is later.

5.20 ACQUISITION OF DATA

If required, Agency shall be responsible for carrying out any surveys and acquisition of all data from necessary sources. WDRA, if requested in writing by Agency, may assist the Agency in the said acquisition by way of issue of recommendatory letters only. All requisite clearances, co-ordination, fees, charges, etc. and compliance to the local laws required for completion of the job shall be the responsibility of the Agency.

5.21 BIDDERS TO INFORM THEMSELVES

Bidders are considered to have:

1. Examined this RFP, any documents referenced in this RFP and any other information made available by WDRA to Bidders for the purpose of responding;
2. Examined all further information which is obtainable by the making of reasonable inquiries relevant to the risks, contingencies, and other circumstances having an effect on their Proposal;

3. Undertaken their own professional advice in respect of this RFP, any other information provided to Bidders and the RFP process generally, as appropriate;
4. Satisfied themselves as to the correctness and sufficiency of their Proposal including submitted prices.

5.22 BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Proposals are submitted on the basis that Bidders acknowledge:

1. They do not rely on any representation, letter, document or arrangement, whether oral or in writing, or other conduct as adding to or amending these conditions other than amendments in accordance with, Section 3.18; and
2. They do not rely upon any warranty or representation made by or on behalf of WDRA, except as are expressly provided for in this RFP, but they have relied entirely upon their own inquiries and inspection in respect of the subject of their Proposal.

CHAPTER 6: STANDARD FORMS FOR THE PROPOSAL

6.1 LETTER OF PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

To:
The Chairperson
The Warehousing Development And Regulatory Authority
“Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor,
Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-
110 016

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the services for WDRA - WDRA Surveys in accordance with your RFP dated _____. We hereby submit our Proposal, which includes the Eligibility Criteria, Technical Proposal, and a Financial Proposal and requisite EMD and Cost of RFP.

We hereby declare that all the statements made in the Proposal are true and accept that any misinterpretation contained in it may lead to our disqualification.

Our Proposal is binding upon us and we recognise and accept that it will form part of the Contract along with the RFP.

We understand that you are not bound to accept any proposal you receive.

Yours sincerely,

Signature:
Name and title of Authorised Representative:
Name of firm:
Address:

6.2 INFORMATION REGARDING ANY CONFLICTING ACTIVITY AND DECLARATION THEREOF

Are there any activities carried out your firm or group company which are of conflicting nature as mentioned in 3.29. If yes, please furnish details of any such activities.

If no, please certify,

We hereby declare that our firm, our associate/group firm are not indulged in any such activities which can be termed as the conflicting activities under 3.29.

We also acknowledge that in case of misrepresentation of the information, our proposals/contract shall be rejected/ terminated by WDRA which shall be binding on us.

Yours Sincerely,

Signature:

Name and title of Authorised Representative:

Name of firm:

Address:

6.3 FINANCIAL PROPOSAL - SUBMISSION FORM

(as discussed in section 3.14.3)

[Location, Date]

To:

The Chairperson
The Warehousing Development And Regulatory Authority
“Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor,
Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New
Delhi-110 016

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned, offer to provide services to WDRA - WDRA Surveys in accordance with your RFP dated _____ and our Technical Proposal. Our Financial Proposal is for the sum of **[Insert amount(s) in both words and figures]**. This amount is inclusive of all the taxes, duties, levies etc. as applicable under this Contract including all costs towards carrying out any surveys, travel, site visits by it's personnel, boarding, lodging, incidental expenses, license fees and payment towards third party charges, if any etc. required for subject job.

We hereby confirm that this Financial Proposal is unconditional and we acknowledge that any condition attached to the Financial Proposal shall result in rejection of our Financial Proposal.

Our Financial Proposal shall be binding on us, up to expiration of the validity period of the Proposal, i.e. up to the duration/date indicated in section 3.12.

We understand that you are not bound to accept any Proposal you receive.

Yours Sincerely,

Signature:

Name and title of Authorised Representative:

Name of firm:

Address:

6.4 LETTER OF AUTHORITY FOR ATTENDING PROPOSAL OPENING/ PRE-BID MEETING

The Chairperson
The Warehousing Development And Regulatory Authority
“Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th
Floor,
Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz
Khas, New Delhi-110 016

Sir,

We do hereby confirm that Mr. (name and address)
..... is/are authorised to represent us for Proposal opening and pre-bid
meeting on our behalf with you against your Request For Proposal for
.....

We confirm that we shall be bound by all and whatsoever our representatives shall
commit.

Yours faithfully,

Name and title of Authorised Representative for & on behalf of Bidder:

Name of firm:

Office stamp:

6.5 UNDERTAKING ON THE LETTERHEAD OF THE BIDDER

Undertaking on the letterhead of the Bidder to be submitted -Regarding non-involvement of any other entity or GOI in respect of the present Contract

It is expressly understood and agreed by and between (Bidder and WDRA, is entering into this Contract solely on its own behalf and not on behalf of any other person or entity. In particular, it is expressly understood and agreed that the GOI is not a party to this agreement and has no liabilities, obligations or rights hereunder. It is expressly understood and agreed that WDRA is an independent legal entity with power and authority to enter into contracts solely on its own behalf under the applicable Laws of India and general principles of Contract Law. The (Bidder) expressly agrees, acknowledges and understands that WDRA is not an agent, representative or delegate of the GOI. It is further understood and agreed that the GOI is not and shall not be liable for any acts, omissions, commissions, breaches or other wrongs arising out of the contract. Accordingly (Bidder) hereby expressly waives, releases and foregoes any and all actions or claims, including cross claims, impleader claims or counter claims against the GOI arising out of this contract and covenants not to sue to GOI as to any manner, claim, and cause of action or thing whatsoever arising of or under this agreement.

Signature:
Name and title of Authorised
Representative:
Name of firm:
Address:
Office stamp:
Date:

6.6 NO DEVIATION CONFIRMATION

To:

The Chairperson
The Warehousing Development And Regulatory Authority
“Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor,
Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New
Delhi-110 016

Dear Sir,

We understand that any deviation/exception in any form may result in rejection of bid. We, therefore, certify that we have not taken any exceptions/deviations anywhere in the bid and we agree that if any deviation/exception is mentioned or noticed, our bid may be rejected.

Signature:
Name and title of Authorised Representative:
Name of firm:
Address:
Date:
Place:

6.7: DECLARATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT

To: The Chairperson
The Warehousing Development And Regulatory Authority
“Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor,
Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New
Delhi-110 016

Dear Sir,

We hereby confirm that we are not under any “liquidation”, any “court receiver- ship” or similar proceedings and “bankruptcy”.

We further confirm that, we have not been blacklisted or kept under holiday by any public sector undertaking / government organisation / WDRA.

We also confirm that the contents of this RFP have not been modified or altered by M/s. (Name of the Bidder with complete address).

We agree that if any such involvement noticed in future, our Proposal may be rejected / terminated.

Signature:

Name and title of Authorised Representative:

Name of firm:

Seal:

Date:

Place:

6.8 FORMAT OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE

(as required under section 5.5 of the RFP)

This Performance Guarantee is made at New Delhi on this Day of (Enter month), 2015 by (Enter name of bank issuing the bank guarantee) having its registered office at (Enter address of the bank (hereinafter called the “Bank”, which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, shall mean and include, its successors and assigns) in favour of

The Warehousing Development And Regulatory Authority
“Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor,
Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New
Delhi-110 016

WHEREAS (Agency’s name) a company registered under the Companies Act, 1956, having its registered office at (Agency’s address) has accepted LOI issued by WDRA (“LOI”) pursuant to an offer made by WDRA vide letter No. (reference no and date of vendor’s offer letter) in response to the RFP issued by the WDRA for (purpose of RFP) [Vendor’s name] has agreed to implement [purpose of RFP] as set out in Contract dated [Insert] entered between WDRA and Successful Bidder. AND WHEREAS, WDRA has agreed to procure the products / avail the services from (Agency’s name) .

AND WHEREAS, in accordance with terms and conditions of the Contract dated (Enter date here), is required to furnish a Performance Guarantee for a sum of Rs. (Enter amount here) for due performance of their obligations as regards (Enter purpose of Performance Guarantee here), guaranteeing payment of the said amount of Rs. (Enter amount here) only to WDRA, if the Agency fails to fulfill its obligations under the Contract in respect of Contract. Such Performance Guarantee is required to be valid for a total period of (Enter period here) months. In the event of failure, on the part of the Agency, to fulfill its commitments / obligations in respect of availing the services under the Contract, WDRA shall be entitled to invoke the Performance Guarantee.

AND WHEREAS, the Bank, at the request of WDRA, agreed to issue, on behalf of WDRA, Performance Guarantee as above, for Rs. (Enter amount here) only.

NOW THIS GUARANTEE WITNESSETH THAT

1. In consideration of WDRA having agreed to entrust the Agency for the WDRA Survey through WDRA, we, the Bank, hereby unconditionally and irrevocably guarantee that Agency shall fulfill its commitments and obligations in respect of such services under the Contract and in the event of Agency failing to perform / fulfill its commitments / obligations in respect of such services under the Contract, we, the Bank,, shall on demand(s), from time to time from WDRA, without protest or demur or without reference to Agency and notwithstanding any contestation or existence of any dispute whatsoever between Agency and WDRA, pay WDRA, forthwith the sums so demanded by WDRA, in each of the demands, subject to a cumulative maximum amount of Rs.(Enter amount here) only.

2. Any notice / communication / demand from WDRA, to the effect that Agency has failed to fulfill its commitments / obligations in respect of such services under the Contract shall be conclusive, final and binding on the Bank and shall not be questioned by the Bank in or outside the court, tribunal, authority or arbitration as the case may be.

We, the Bank, HEREBY FURTHER AGREE & DECLARE THAT:

1. Any neglect or forbearance on the part of WDRA, to Agency, or any indulgence of any kind shown by WDRA, to Agency or any change in the terms and conditions of the Contract shall not, in any way, release or discharge the Bank from its liabilities under this Performance Guarantee.
2. This Performance Guarantee herein contained shall be distinct and independent and shall be enforceable against the Bank, notwithstanding any Performance Guarantee now or hereinafter held by WDRA, at its discretion.
3. This Performance Guarantee shall not be affected by any infirmity or absence or irregularity in the exercise of this guaranteeing by and / or on behalf of the Bank or by merger or amalgamation or any change in the Constitution or name of the Agency.
4. This guarantee shall not be affected by any change in the constitution of WDRA, or WDRA or winding up / liquidation of WDRA, whether voluntary or otherwise.
5. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above:
 - (a) The Bank's overall liability under this Performance Guarantee shall not exceed Rs. (Enter amount here) only.
 - (b) This Performance Guarantee shall be valid for a total period of (Enter period here) months i.e. upto (Enter date here)
 - (c) The Bank is liable to pay the guaranteed amount or any part thereof under this Performance Guarantee only and only if WDRA, serves the Bank claim or demand on or before (Enter date here)
 - (d) Thereafter the Bank shall stand discharged from all its liability under this Performance Guarantee and all your rights under this Performance Guarantee shall stand extinguished, irrespective of the fact whether the Performance Guarantee in original is returned back to us or not.
- (e) The guarantor has, under its constitution, powers to give this guarantee and Mr. (Signatories) Official(s) / Manager(s) of the Bank who has / have signed this guarantee has / have powers to do so.

In witness whereof the Bank has caused these presents to be signed at the place and on the date, month and year first hereinabove written through its duly authorised official.

Signed and Delivered

6.9 FORMAT FOR SEEKING AND PROVIDING CLARIFICATIONS TO TENDER

Format for seeking and providing clarifications to tender					
Sl. No	RFP Section	RFP clause / provision no.	Existing Text of the clause/provision in the tender	Clarification/ modification sought	Clarification/ modification sought Clarification provided by

APPENDIX A: DRAFT CONTRACT TO BE SIGNED BY THE AGENCY AND WDRA

Quantitative Surveys Contract on warehousing in India for WDRA for the years 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18

THIS CONTRACT is made on the day of , 2015 BETWEEN The Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority having its office at “Warehousing Bhawan”, 4/1, 5th Floor, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-110 016 represented by its Chairperson, (WDRA) (which term or expression shall, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context, shall mean its assigns).

AND XXXX, a company registered under the Companies Act, 1956 having its registered office at XXXXXXXX (hereinafter referred to as the “Agency”, (which term or expression, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context, shall include its permitted assigns) represented by XXXXXXXX “Agency”.

Agency and WDRA shall hereinafter jointly be referred to as “Parties” and individually as a “Party”.

WHEREAS WDRA has engaged M/s XXXX as Agency for conducting quantitative WDRA Surveys on warehousing for the years 2015-16 , 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 for WDRA.

And WHEREAS Agency has agreed to conduct quantitative WDRA Surveys on warehousing for 2015-16 , 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 for WDRA as per the scope of work and terms and conditions given in the RFP issued by WDRA, and the Proposal submitted by the Agency, for the period stipulated in this Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE PARTIES AS UNDER:

A.1 CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

All documents forming part of the Contract (and all parts of these documents) are intended to be read as a whole and complementary to each other. The RFP, subsequent clarifications, and the Proposal submitted by the Agency shall form part of this Contract. In case of any conflict between the RFP and the Contract, the Contract shall prevail. The Contract shall be read as a whole.

This Contract, including its schedules annexure, forms, represents the entire Contract between the Parties as noted in this clause.

A.2 INTERPRETATION

1. Language

All Contract documents, all correspondence, and communications to be given shall be written in English.

2. Amendment

No amendment or other variation of the Contract shall be effective unless it is in writing, is dated, expressly refers to the Contract, and is signed by a duly authorised representative of WDRA and Agency to the Contract.

3. Independent Agency

The Agency shall be an independent contractor performing the contract. The Contract does not create any agency, partnership, joint venture, or other joint relationship between the Parties to the Contract.

Subject to the provisions of the Contract, the Agency shall be solely responsible for the manner in which the Contract is performed. All employees, representatives, engaged by the Agency in connection with the performance of the Contract shall be under the complete control of the Agency and shall not be deemed to be employees of the WDRA, and nothing contained in the Contract shall be construed to create any contractual relationship between any such employees, representatives, and the WDRA.

4. No waiver

No relaxation, forbearance, delay, or indulgence by either Party in enforcing any of the terms and conditions of the Contract or the granting of time by either Party to the other shall prejudice, affect, or restrict the rights of that Party under the Contract, nor shall any waiver by either Party of any breach of Contract operate as waiver of any subsequent or continuing breach of Contract.

Any waiver of a Party's rights, powers, or remedies under the Contract must be in writing, must be dated and signed by an authorised representative of the Party granting such waiver, and must specify the right and the extent to which it is being waived.

5. Severability

If any provision or condition of the Contract is prohibited by law or rendered invalid or unenforceable, such prohibition, invalidity, or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions and conditions of the Contract.

A.3 NOTICES

1. Unless otherwise stated in the Contract, all notices to be given under the Contract shall be sent by electronic mail to the e-mail address of the relevant Party.

- (a) Any notice delivered by electronic mail shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date of its dispatch.
 - (b) Any notice sent by airmail post or special courier shall be deemed (in the absence of evidence of earlier receipt) to have been delivered ten (10) days after dispatch. In proving the fact of dispatch, it shall be sufficient to show that the envelope containing such notice was properly addressed, stamped, and conveyed to the postal authorities or courier service for transmission by airmail or special courier.
 - (c) Either Party may change its postal, electronic mail, address or addressee for receipt of such notices by ten (10) days' notice to the other Party in writing.
2. Notices shall be deemed to include any approvals, consents, instructions, orders, and certificates to be given under the Contract.

A.4 TIME FOR COMMENCEMENT

1. The Agency shall commence work on the WDRA Surveys within three (3) days from the date of issuance of Letter of Acceptance, and the Agency shall thereafter proceed with the WDRA Surveys in accordance with the time schedule specified in the RFP.
2. The Agency shall complete the WDRA Surveys in accordance with the time schedule specified in the RFP, subject to modifications made with the prior written consent of WDRA.

A.5 AGENCY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the Agency after the signing of the Contract will be governed under sections 3, 4, this Contract and 5 of the RFP.

A.6 WDRA'S RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The WDRA shall ensure the accuracy of all information and/or data to be supplied by the WDRA to the Agency, except when otherwise expressly stated in the Contract.
2. The WDRA shall be responsible for timely provision of all resources, information, and decision making under its control that are necessary to reach an agreed and finalised project plan.
3. If requested by the Agency, the WDRA shall use its best endeavours to assist the Agency in obtaining in a timely and expeditious manner all permissions necessary for the execution of the Contract from all local, state, or national government authorities or public service undertakings that such authorities or undertakings require the Agency or the personnel of the Agency, as the case may be, to obtain.

A.7 TERMS OF PAYMENT

1. The Agency’s request for payment shall be made to the WDRA through its e-mail mentioned in the Proposal, accompanied by an invoice describing, as appropriate, the payment milestone.
2. The Contract price shall be paid as specified in section A.8 of the Contract.
No payment made by the WDRA herein shall be deemed to constitute acceptance by WDRA of any deliverable required under section 4.2.
3. The currency for payment would be INR.
4. Undisputed payments will be made promptly by the WDRA, but in no case later than twenty one (21) days after submission of a valid invoice by the Agency subject to compliance of financial milestone.
5. All payments are subject to the application of penalties defined and provided for in the RFP. The breach of any provision of this Contract may also result in the application of penalties provided under the RFP.
6. It is clarified here that the WDRA shall pay for the deliverables stated in accordance with the payment schedule specified in section A.8 below.
7. The payments to the Agency would be made in accordance with all applicable taxes at the time of payment.

A.8 PAYMENT SCHEDULE

WDRA will make payments to the Agency based on the milestones achieved by the Agency as given below:

- 2015-16

Deliverables	Payment terms
Draft questionnaire	5% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Pilot Report	5% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Training Manual and MIS	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Final questionnaire	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
First interim dataset	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Second Interim dataset	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Survey report	40% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount

- 2016-2017

Deliverables	Payment terms
Training Manual	5% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
MIS	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Final questionnaire	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
First interim dataset	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Second Interim dataset	15% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Survey report	40% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount

- 2017-2018

Deliverables	Payment terms
Training Manual	5% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
MIS	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Final questionnaire	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
First interim dataset	10% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Second Interim dataset	15% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount
Survey report	40% of 1/3 rd of the Bid Amount

The above tables show payment schedule of 90% of the total Bid Amount. The remaining 10% of the Bid Amount will be released after evaluation by WDRA on whether the Agency has discharged all its obligations under the Contract.

Before making payments, WDRA will have the right to verify the quality of the deliverables listed in section 4.2 of the RFP and its conformity with the requirements set out in section 4.2.

A.9 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The rights and obligations of Parties in this section will be as per section 5.6 of the RFP.

A.9.1 Rights of WDRA and Agency

1. The Agency shall not use the WDRA Survey data gathered under section 4.2 of the RFP for any other purpose other than for the purpose of providing the Contract deliverables.
2. All rights, title and interest in and to, and ownership in, Information gathered while conducting the WDRA Surveys under the Contract will remain solely with the WDRA. The Agency shall be entitled to use such proprietary information only during the term and only for the purposes of conducting the WDRA Survey.

A.10 GUARANTEE

The Agency guarantees that it shall complete the WDRA Surveys within the time periods specified in section 4.6 of the RFP and/or the agreed and finalised Contract.

A.11 REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTIES OF THE AGENCY

The Agency warrants and represents to the WDRA that:

1. It is duly organised and validly existing under the laws of India, and has full power and authority to execute and perform its obligations under this Contract and to carry out the transactions contemplated hereby.
2. It is a competent provider of the service of conducting quantitative surveys.
3. It has taken all necessary corporate and other actions under applicable laws to authorize the execution and delivery of this Contract and to validly exercise its rights and perform its obligations under this Contract
4. From the effective date, it will have the financial standing and capacity to undertake the Contract in accordance with the terms of this Contract
5. This Contract has been duly executed by it and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with the terms hereof, and its obligations under this Contract shall be legally valid, binding and enforceable against it in accordance with the terms hereof
6. The information furnished in the Proposal is to the best of its knowledge and belief true and accurate in all material respects as at the date of this Contract
7. The execution, delivery and performance of this Contract shall not conflict with, result in the breach of, constitute a default by any of the terms of its memorandum and articles of association or any applicable laws or any covenant, contract, arrangement, understanding, decree or order to which it is a Party or by which it or any of its properties or assets is bound or affected.
8. There are no actions, suits, proceedings, or investigations pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against it at law or in equity before any court or before any other judicial, quasi-judicial or other authority, the outcome of which may result in the breach of this Contract or which individually or in the aggregate may result in any impairment of its ability to perform any of its obligations under this Contract.
9. It has no knowledge of any violation or default with respect to any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or any legally binding order of any government instrumentality which may result in any adverse effect on its ability to perform its obligations under this Contract and no fact or circumstance exists which may give rise to such proceedings that would adversely affect the performance of its obligations under this Contract.
10. It has complied with applicable laws in all material respects and has not been subject to any fines, penalties, injunctive relief or any other civil or criminal liabilities which in the aggregate have or may have an adverse effect on its ability to perform its obligations under this Contract.
11. No representation or warranty by it contained herein or in any other document furnished by it to WDRA in relation to the required consents contains or shall contain any untrue or misleading statement of material fact or omits or shall omit to

state a material fact necessary to make such representation or warranty not misleading

12. No sums, in cash or kind, have been paid or shall be paid, by it or on its behalf, to any person by way of fees, commission or otherwise for entering into this Contract or for influencing or attempting to influence any officer or employee of WDRA in connection therewith.

A.12 REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTIES OF THE WDRA

WDRA represents and warrant to the Agency that:

1. It has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Contract and to carry out the transactions contemplated herein and that it has taken all actions necessary to execute this Contract, exercise its rights and perform its obligations, under this Contract and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby.
2. It has taken all necessary actions under applicable laws to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Contract and to validly exercise its rights and perform its obligations under this Contract
3. It has the financial standing and capacity to perform its obligations under the Contract
4. It is subject to the laws of India, and hereby expressly and irrevocably waives any immunity in any jurisdiction in respect of this Contract or matters arising there under including any obligation, liability or responsibility hereunder
5. This Contract has been duly executed by it and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation enforceable against it in accordance with the terms hereof and its obligations under this Contract shall be legally valid, binding and enforceable against it in accordance with the terms thereof.
6. The execution, delivery and performance of this Contract shall not conflict with, result in the breach of, constitute a default under required by any of the applicable laws or any covenant, contract, arrangement, understanding, decree or order to which it is a Party or by which it or any of its properties or assets is bound or affected
7. There are no actions, suits or proceedings pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against it at law or in equity before any court or before any other judicial, quasi-judicial or other authority, the outcome of which may result in the default or breach of this Contract or which individually or in the aggregate may result in any material impairment of its ability to perform its material (including any payment) obligations under this Contract.
8. It has no knowledge of any violation or default with respect to any order, writ, injunction or any decree of any court or any legally binding order of any government instrumentality which may result in any adverse effect on the WDRA's ability to perform its obligations under this Contract and no fact or circumstance exists which may give rise to such proceedings that would adversely affect the performance of its obligations under this Contract.
9. All information provided by it in the RFP in connection with the Contract is, to the best of its knowledge and belief, true and accurate in all material respects
10. In the event that any occurrence or circumstance comes to the attention of either Party that renders any of its aforesaid representations or warranties untrue or incorrect, such

Party shall immediately notify the other Party of the same. Such notification shall not have the effect of remedying any breach of the representation or warranty that has been found to be untrue or incorrect nor shall it adversely affect or waive any obligation of either Party under the Contract.

A.13 TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP

The WDRA Survey data for that WDRA Survey will be transferred to the WDRA at zero cost on the completion of the WDRA Survey.

A.14 ASSIGNMENT

The rights and obligations of Parties under this section will be as per section 5.10 of the RFP.

A.15 DEDUCTIONS FOR NON-PERFORMANCE AND PENALTIES

The rights and obligations of Parties under this section will be as per section 5.4.1 of the RFP.

A.16 SUSPENSION OF PERFORMANCE

The rights and obligations of Parties under this section will be as per section 5.9 of the RFP.

A.17 LIABILITIES

The rights and obligations of Parties under this section will be as per section 5.12 of the RFP.

A.18 GOVERNING LAW

The rights and obligations of Parties under this section will be as per section 5.8 of the RFP.

A.19 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The rights and obligations of Parties under this section will be as per section 5.7 of the RFP.

A.20 TERMINATION

The rights and obligations of Parties under this section will be as per section 5.13 of the RFP.

IN WITNESS whereof the Parties hereto have caused this Contract to be executed in accordance with their respective laws the day and year first above written. Signed, sealed and delivered by the:

Said (For the first Party) In the presence of:

- 1.
- 2.

Signed, sealed and delivered by: XXXX, Authorised Representative for the Agency

In the presence of:

- 1.
- 2.