

NOTICE FOR CLARIFICATIONS & CORRIGENDUM

In response to the queries received regarding the RFQ for Supply of Start-Up Tools under 'Skills Meghalaya', the following clarifications are provided. These responses shall be considered as an official corrigendum/addendum to the RFQ and form an integral part of the tender document.

All bidders are advised to refer to these clarifications while preparing their proposals. Any deviation from the amended terms will be subject to evaluation in accordance with the RFQ conditions.

SN	Clause no	Provision	Query	Response
1	C. SCOPE OF WORK	2. Packaging and Delivery d) Timely delivery to locations across Meghalaya as per the project requirements.	Request to provide / publish "Delivery Locations" to enable convenience in quoted the Rates of the Categories. This is to be noted that logically, Delivery Locations across Meghalaya State will going to have an impact on the Rates quoted Therefore, it needs to be provided.	The Delivery Locations will be across various districts in Meghalaya. However, the detailed list of locations will be provided to the selected bidders upon contract award. Since the delivery locations may impact the pricing, bidders are advised to consider state-wide delivery while quoting their rates. In case of significant logistical variations, bidders may indicate separate transportation costs per district or provide a consolidated cost structure that accounts for statewide distribution.
2.	E.ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	2. Average annual turnover of ₹5 crore for the last 3 years (FY 2021-22, 2022-23 & 2023-24)	There are two different benchmarks set in the above points from the tender document. Since MSMEs not meeting the benchmarks above are getting 5 marks as per Clause G. TECHNICAL EVALUATION - S.No.7 Since Institutions have been affected due to covid in FY 21-22, For better Score Can latest average turnover of FY 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 be considered	MSMEs that do not meet the criteria are exempt from fulfilling this criteria and will be assigned an average score in the evaluation process. Yes, provided that the necessary supporting documents are available and submitted for verification.

3	<p>E.ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</p>	<p>5. The organization should have 2 (Two) years of experience in the related work</p>	<p>Request to accept / allow "experience of the Manufacturer / OEM or the Bidder" to enable the RFQ as competitive. Asking for experience from the Bidder itself will definitely lack competition; will make RFQ as "Limited" to the Bidder/s specific and thus will face ethics of OPEN RFQ.</p> <p>Additionally, experience of supply of the various Categories cannot be available with many prospective Bidders; except one or two.</p>	<p>To ensure broader participation and fair competition, experience from either the Manufacturer/OEM or the Bidder will be accepted as valid criteria for qualification.</p> <p>Bidders are to submit: Their own experience in similar projects OR Experience of the Manufacturer/OEM they represent, provided they submit an authorized dealership certificate or a letter of support from the OEM confirming the bidder's capability to supply, distribute, and provide after-sales support.</p> <p>MSSDS acknowledges that experience in supplying all 93 categories may not be available with many prospective bidders. To foster broader participation and fair competition, the RFQ will consider:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Experience in Similar or Related Categories – Bidders may demonstrate experience in related trades/tools rather than the exact same category. 2. Manufacturer/OEM Experience – If the bidder does not have direct experience, they may submit the experience of the Manufacturer/OEM they represent, along with a valid authorization certificate. 3. Consortiums or Partnerships – Bidders may collaborate with other firms to strengthen their bid, provided they submit valid agreements outlining roles and responsibilities.
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4	G. TECHNICAL EVALUATION S.No.7	<p>2. Experience in related Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3 years or more – 20 marks ▪ 2 years – 14 marks <p>7. Average annual turnover in last three years ending 31st March 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Above 5 Cr – 10 marks ▪ 5 Cr – 7 marks ▪ 3 Cr to 4 Cr – 5 marks <p>MSMEs not meeting the benchmarks above = 5 marks</p>	<p>Score is 10 but break-up is 20.</p> <p>What if the MSME is meeting 5cr - 7 marks will extra marks be considered since we are MSME?</p>	<p>Amended as:</p> <p>2. Experience in related Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3 years or more – 10 marks ▪ 2 years – 7 marks <p>No additional marks will be awarded. The provision applies only when an MSME does not meet the criteria. If an MSME meets any of the criteria, marks will be assigned based on the designated score slab.</p>
5	H.FINANCIAL EVALUATION	<p>3. Quotation Format:</p> <p>a. Separate quotations should be submitted for each category</p>	<p>Please specify whether a separate Technical Bid and Financial Bid (both) to be submitted for each Category quoted</p>	<p>Bidders do not need to submit separate Technical Bids and Financial Bids for each category they quote. Instead, they should follow the below approach:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Single Technical Bid – The bidder should submit one consolidated technical bid covering all categories they are quoting for. This should include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Compliance with eligibility criteria ○ Supporting documents for experience, turnover, and capability ○ Product specifications and certifications ○ Work plan and delivery schedule 2. Separate Financial Quotations for Each Category – While the technical bid can be consolidated, the bidder must quote the price separately for each category they are bidding for. This ensures clear and transparent price evaluation.

6	I. GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS S.No.8	The Bidder must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of INR.5,00,000.00 (Rupees Five Lakhs only) in the form of DD/BG drawn on any nationalized bank, pledge in favour of the Meghalaya State Skill Development Society.	Can we give in the form of FD pledge to MSSDS instead of DD /BG ?	Yes. The following conditions must be met: 1. The Fixed Deposit (FD) must be lien-marked in favor of MSSDS. 2. The lien confirmation letter from the issuing bank must be submitted along with the FD receipt. 3. The FD must remain valid for at least 6 months from the date of bid submission. 4. The FD must be issued by a nationalized or scheduled commercial bank in India. 5. MSSDS reserves the right to invoke and encash the FD in case the bidder fails to comply with the tender conditions. 6. Along with the FD receipt, bidders must submit an undertaking stating that the FD has been pledged to MSSDS and will not be withdrawn without prior approval.
7	APPENDIX I	LIST OF TRADES, TOOLS & SPECIFICATIONS	There are 93 Categories in the RFQ. Please specify whether a Bidder can quote as many Categories as dealt-in or all the 93 Categories to be quoted by the Participating Bidders. This is to be noted that the terms & condition for quoting for all the 93 Categories by a particular Bidder will definitely lead to make the RFQ to "Limited Participation"	Bidders are not required to quote for all 93 categories. They may quote for as many categories as they are qualified to supply, based on their expertise, manufacturing, and distribution capacity. However, each category will be evaluated separately, and selection will be made based on the best value for money, compliance with technical specifications, and adherence to delivery timelines. The RFQ is structured to allow broad participation from vendors specializing in specific trades, ensuring fair competition and avoiding "Limited Participation." Vendors are

			93 categories	<p>encouraged to bid for categories where they can ensure quality, timely delivery, and after-sales service.</p> <p>4 additional categories are included in Appendix I as SNs 94, 95, 96. Details at Appendix I-A</p>
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For any further clarifications, bidders may contact MSSDS as per the communication details provided in the RFQ.

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SN	Trade Name	Recommended Tools Specification
1	Beekeeping	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bee Keeping Box with chambers (Width 10.5 inch, Height 9 inch, 15 inch) 2. Honey Extractor Stainless steel 4mm thick, capacity 10 Kgs 3. Beekeeping Hive Stand (L x W x H - 48 x 5 x 40 Centimetres) 4. Bee Veil 1 piece 5. Queen Excluder Sheet (Pack of 1) 6. Ant Well Dispenser (1Ltr) 7. Knife Stainless Steel (8 inch) 8. Hand Gloves (Pack of 1)
2	Mushroom Grower	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grafting knife 2. Mushroom Spawn - 200 grams packet (2pkts) 3. Substrate/Rice Straw (1Kg) 4. Grow bag/Mesh bags 5. Dry Wet Hygrometer Temperature & Humidity Meter Analog Wall Room Thermometer (Measuring Range Dry 20-50 degree C, Wet: -20 to 50 degree C) 6. Spray bottle (2Ltr) 7. LED Light 8. Packaging materials (10 nos)
3	Piggery	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shed Construction: (10ft*4ft) 2. Piglet (Hamshire Cross Breed: 2-3 months)
4	Poultry	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shed Construction @ (4ft*2ft) 2. Kuroiler Bird (4 weeks) 3. Kuroiler feed for chicks - 8 nos / trainee 4. Drinkers 2 Ltrs - 8 nos / trainee