

Response to Pre-Bid queries against tender no. CIL/C2D/PED/2025-27/400 dated 23.07.2025

Sl no.	Clause Reference	Description	Request / clarification sought	Comments of CIL
1	IFB – Section-I – Clause 4(11)	Online submission of offers	<p>a. As the product is new and requires multiple statutory approvals, we request an extension of the bid submission date by 15 days.</p> <p>b. We have already obtained approvals from PESO and in process of completing CIMFR testing. Approvals from DGMS will also be taken simultaneously.</p> <p>c. We are confident that with a 15-day extension, we will be able to complete all remaining formalities and participate in the tender with all requisite approvals.</p>	<p>No Change in NIT</p> <p>As per OM dated F.No-MPS-37023/1/2022-MPS[E-352423] dated 22.07.2025 of Joint Secretary , DPIIT, it has been indicated that there would be no further extension to phasing out target date i.e. 30.09.2025 and PSUs under M/o Coal have been requested to expedite the procurement of Electronic Detonators to meet the mandated transition schedule and strictly adhere to the timeline for complete phasing out of Electric Detonators.</p>
2	TSS – Section VI- Clause I –	Eligibility to offer	<p>The clause currently reads:</p> <p>“The bidder(s) whose offered item(s) i.e., Permitted Electronic Detonator along with the initiation device/blaster for use underground coal mines have been successfully tested by CIMFR and have also completed the type tests by PESO and has got the approval for field trials in underground coal mines from DGMS as on last date of bid submission are only eligible to offer against this tender.</p> <p>The bidder(s) should have applied the offered item(s) in the Enlistment Portal of CIL.”</p>	<p>No Change in NIT</p> <p>The process of Phasing out has been initiated in the year 2020 with a target to phase out Electric Detonators by 1st April 2025. Further Extension of Phasing out of Electric Detonators have been further extended till 30.09.2025.</p> <p>Several meetings with prospective suppliers in the presence of DPIIT, DGMS and PESO were held and sensitivity and importance of the matter was brought to their notice time and time again.</p>

		<p>Request:</p> <p>We request that parties having field trial approval from PESO should also be considered eligible to submit bids.</p> <p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p>"... DGMS Field trials in underground coal mines from DGMS as on last date of bid submission or field trial approval from PESO shall also be considered for submission of bid ore only eligible."</p> <p>We understand that the tender has incorporated certain special considerations in the eligibility criteria to promote broader participation. The above amendment would further enhance competition and encourage participation from technically qualified vendors who are currently in the final stages from various agencies.</p>	<p>Sufficient time has been provided for prospective bidders to develop the product and get DGMS approval of Field trials.</p> <p>Considering the teething stage of the product, special eligibility criteria has already been incorporated as per NIT which was also discussed at length during the Pre-NIT meeting.</p>
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