Lekhnath Damauli 220 kV Transmission Line Project Package A: OHL BMZ201667773/KfW508597

List of Queries and Clarifications
Clarifications № A_3
December 23, 2022

Nº	Reference	Query	Clarification
1	VII-6: Technical data sheets & VII-4: Particular Technical requirements Cl.No. 2.2.1.3, Partial factors for actions & Table 6-8 (Partial load factors)	Please note, the partial safety factors for Security condition (SC1) as per Particular Technical requirements mentioned as 1.0 and as per Technical data sheets the partial safety factor for Exceptional load case mentioned as 1.10. Also, as per clarification no 2, sl.no. 33 the partial safety factor refers to Particular technical requirements only. From the above, we understood that the partial safety factors for security condition (SC1) considered for design as 1.0 instead of 1.10. Kindly confirm.	Confirmed, partial load factors shall be as per Section VII-4, Table 6.8.
2	Clarification no.2, Sl. No. 54 Foundation loads	Please note, the foundation loads obtained from tower analysis shall include the partial factors for actions as per table 6-8 (VII-4 Particular technical requirements) and without material factor for steel member. However, for foundation design to be considered the partial factors for concrete and reinforcement steel value. Kindly confirm our understanding is correct (OR) Foundation loads shall be obtained from tower analysis will include both partial factor for actions and material factor for steel member.	Foundation design shall be based on loads inclusive of partial load factors specified in Section VII-4, Table 6.8. Geotechnical design (verification of bearing and uplift resistance) shall be based on EN 1997-1 Design Approach 3 with material factors specified in Section VII-4, Table 6.9 applied on soil properties. Structural design of foundations (verification of concrete stress limits and determination of steel reinforcement quantities) shall conform to EN 1992-1-1 and consider material factors for concrete and reinforcing steel specified in Section VII-4, Table 6.9. Material factors specified for towers in Section VII-4, Table 6.9 shall not be used for foundation design.

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PART I, Section-II : Bid Data Sheet, Item 23.1	We understand that Bidder will also be allowed to send additional One (1) copy of the Bid by Courier at the following address: Fichtner GmbH & Co. KG Attention: Dr. Pierernesto Gatti Address: Sarweystrasse 3 City: Stuttgart ZIP Code: 70191 Country: German	Bidders are required to provide two identical Bid copies - one to address in Nepal and the other to mentioned address in Germany.
Amendment No.2, Revised Price Schedule-IV: Installation and Other Services Item No. 1.1.2 "Construction, maintenance and reinstatement of new access roads"	Please confirm. We request you to kindly arrange to clarify / confirm the following: 1. We understand that Given quantity "Route Km - 45" is the total transmission line route length and it is not indicating the total kms of new access road required for the Project. Please confirm. 2. We understand that against this item, Bidders needs to quote their Unit Price for new access road required (as per their assessment) for average "Route-Km" of Transmission Line. Please Confirm. 3. We understand that this Item 1.1.2 (New Access Road) will also be paid "at actual" (i.e. as per actual Transmission Line Route-km) based on quoted unit prices against this item. Please confirm.	All confirmed
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5	Amendment No.2, Revised Price Schedule-IV: Installation and Other Services	We understand that this Item 1.9.1 (Relocation of existing 33KV Line) will also be paid "at actual" (i.e. as per actual length of existing line relocation) based on quoted unit prices against this item. Please confirm.	Confirmed
	Item No. 1.9.1 "Relocation of 300 mtr 33KV Line"		
6	Amendment No.2, Revised Price Schedule-IV: Installation and Other Services	We understand that all these Items 1.9.3.1, 1.9.3.2, 1.9.3.3, 1.9.4.1, 1.9.4.2 (related to Tower Location Site Slope Stabilisation Work / Site erosion prevention works) will also be paid "at actual" (i.e. as per actual quantity	Confirmed
	Item No. 1.9.3.1 / 1.9.3.2 / 1.9.3.3 / 1.9.4.1 / 1.9.4.2 "Tower Location (Site Slope Stabilisation Work / Site erosion prevention works) "	executed) based on quoted unit prices against these items. Please confirm.	

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7	Part I, Section IV "Bidding Forms", Financial Bid, Preamble / Schedules of Rates and Price, Part III, Section IX "Particular Conditions (PC)", Contract Data (Part A) and Special Conditions (Part B), Sub-clause 13.8 "Price Adjustment"	We understand that If Bidder did not provide or enter Base Date Indices for one of the items in the given table, then the price adjustment does not apply to this particular Item. For example, if Bidder did not enter Base Date Indices for Tower and enter Base Date Indices for Conductor, then Price Adjustment for Tower Items will be treated as Zero, while Price Adjustment for Conductor Item will be applicable as per given Formula. Please Clarify / Confirm.	As per Part I, Section IV. Bidding Forms, the Bidder shall indicate the base date indices in its bid. However, the price adjustment clause will be applied irrespectevely of the inpout data.

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8	Package A: OHL - Part I & Package A: OHL - Part III	As per given Price Adjustment Clause, Bidders to follow London Metal Exchange CFR India (official rate), as a source of Indices for Tower Steel Material.	LME Steel Scrap CFR India (Platts) Contract Type: Month 1 shall be used as construction steel index.
	Section-IV. Bidding Forms		
	Price Adjustments for Tower	Please note that London Metal Exchange not publishing any kind of	
	material and	Indices (CFR India Official rate) for Construction Steel. However,	
	Conductors	they are publishing rates only for "LME Steel Scrap CFR India	
	&	(Platts)".	
	Part-B: Specific Provisions		
	Cl. 13.8	Further, we would like to inform you that above LME Steel Scrap	
		rates does not vary as per actual market variations in steel raw	
		material prices. Further, majority of the Multilateral development Bank funding projects (i.e. ADB / World Bank / AIIBetc.) also	
		allowed Bidders to propose Price Adjustment Indices as applicable	
		to the appropriate industry in the Country of Origin, sourced from	
		reputed organizations and widely used by the business community.	
		Accordingly, Bidder shall also be allowed to propose Indices for various items as per their Country of Origin. Like for Steel in India, Indices published by IEEMA is widely followed & internationally	
		also acceptable.	
		Please review & confirm.	

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9	Clarification No.2, Reply against Sr.	As per Clarification No.2, Reply against Sr. No. 21 "In case tower	Confirmed. Please also include a note: "This tower
	No.	cannot be tested, please clearly state that in the Bid and, as	type cannot be full-scale tested" in column G on the
	21	supporting documentation,	same row.
		please do attach to the Bid all technical details of the proposed	
	PART I, Schedule No. III-Design	tower testing station so to confirm impossibility of carrying out 6T	
	Services,	tower type test."	
	Item No. 2.1.5		
	"Ultimate loading test of Tension Tower Type 6T"	We request you to kindly arrange to clarify / confirm the following:	
		In case tower cannot be tested (i.e. impossibility of carrying out 6T	
		tower type test), then Bidders shall not quote their Unit Price	
		against Item No. 2.1.5 in Schedule No-III, Design Service.	
		Please Clarify / Confirm.	

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10	Package A: OHL - Part I	Clause related to Sub-Section VII-7 Environmental & Social	We confirm that Environmental and Social
	& Package A: OHL - Part II	Requirements.	Requirements are dealt with in Sub-section VII-5.
	PART I - Bidding Procedures Section II. Bid Data Sheet, Clause- B. Bidding Document, ITB 6.1, Page No. 38 of 139	Please refer Section II. Bid Data Sheet, B. Bidding Document, Clause ITB 6.1, PART II - Employer's Requirements, where in Sub-Section VII-7. Environmental and Social Requirements is mentioned.	However, the Applicant shall consider that additional Environmental and Social Requirements are also addressed in other sections of Bidding Documents.
		For any requirement related to Environmental and Social	
	Clause C. Preparation of Bids, ITB	Requirements, Sub-Section-VII-7 is mentioned in the	
	11.1 (a) (xx) (ix), (xix), Page No. 41 of 139	whole bid document.	
		Whereas, as per our understanding in Part-II of the Bid Documents,	
	Part I, Section IV. Bidding Forms,	Environmental and Social Requirements is given under Sub-Section	
	Environmental, Social, Health and	VII-5.	
	Safety Methodology,	Lekhnath Damauli 220 kV Transmission Line Project Package A: OHL - Part II - BMZ No. 2016 67 773	
	Page No. 106 of 139	3 Intention of the Employer's Requirements	
	PART II - Employer's Requirements VII-1: Project Description and Scope of Works, Clause 3, Intention of the Employer's Requirements, Page No.13 & Section VII-5, Environmental and Social Management and Monitoring Plan (ESMMP)	The intention of the PART II, Employer's Requirements is to set out the minimum requirements according to which all works relevant to the Project shall be performed. The following Sub-Sections of PART II collectively form the Employer's Requirements: Sub-Section VII-1: Project Description and Scope of Works Sub-Section VII-3: General Technical Requirements Sub-Section VII-4: Particular Technical Requirements Sub-Section VII-5: Environmental and Social Requirements Sub-Section VII-7: Technical Data Sheets Annexes Therefore, kindly request you to please amend the Clause as Sub-Section VII-5 Environmental and Social	
		Requirements in the Bid Documents instead of Sub-Section VII-7	
		Environmental and Social Requirements	

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11	Package A: OHL - Part I & Package A: OHL - Part II Part-I, Schedule No. IV: Installation and Other Services	As per Price Schedule, for Training we need to quote for the below mentioned items:- TRAINING OF EMPLOYER'S STAFF 3.1 Overseas professional training (including costs for air tickets, accommodation and daily allowance) 3.1.1 Latticed steel towers and Foundation design (2 persons, 10 working days) lot 1 4.2 TRAINING OF EMPLOYER'S STAFF	Items (i) and (ii) confirmed
	Item No. 4.2. TRAINING OF EMPLOYER'S STAFF	On site optical fiber technology and optical fiber (OPGW and OPUG) installation, cable testing, maintenance (7 persons, 7 lot 1 working days) On Site Training during erection works, testing and commissioning (7 persons, 7 working days)	
		As per Price Schedule given, we understand that for Onsite Training Contractor need to provide training for 7 persons, 7 working days, Whereas, as per Clause 9.4, VII-1: Project Description and Scope of Works of Part-II of the bid documents, it is mentioned that:- "For both on-site and at Contractor's/Manufacturer's premises training, the Contractor shall submit a tentative training program, subject to the approval of the Employer/Engineer. Training shall be arranged for two (2) persons over ten (10) working days." We understand that Contractor need to provide Training as below:- (i) For Onsite Training - Contractor need to provie training for Seven (7) persons over Seven (7) working days, Please confirm. & (ii) For Overseas Training i.e. at Manufacturer's Premises Contractor need to provide training for two (2) persons over ten (10) working day. Please confirm	

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12	Package A: OHL - Part II Clause No. 11.2 (Fibre splice enclosures), Sec-VII-3: General Technical Requirements, Tender Doc.Page – 38 (Pdf Page No.154)	As per Clause 11.2 (Fibre splice enclosure), "The Contractor shall submit with his Bid a calculation of the total attenuation (overall losses) for the complete telecommunication link considering all splices, connectors, and fibre aging, etc. The total attenuation shall be a guaranteed value." However, the given factors to calculate total attenuation (overall losses) for complete telecommunication link like all splices, connectors, fibre aging, etc., are considered at the time of stringing activity. Therefore, it is not possible to calculate total attenuation loss at bidding stage & it can only be submitted during stringing / erection stage.	Please adhere to the project scope of works and technical requirements, in particular to the description of the OPGW that is required for each section of the OHL works
13	Package A: OHL - Part I	Kindly confirm, it is not required to submit total attenuation loss calculation during Bidding stage. Kindly refer item 4.1.3 (OPGW Type Tests).	All confirmed under assumption that all OPGW types
	Section IV. Bidding Forms Schedules of Rates and Prices Schedule IV: Item- 4.1.3	As per the given item, we understand that: 1. We only need to carry out fresh Type Test for "OPGW 48 FIBRES (EQUIVALENT TO 93-A20SA)". Please Confirm. 2. We do not need to perform fresh Type Test for OPGW 96 Fibre (equivalent to 66-A20SA) during execution stage. Please Confirm. 4. Since the quantity of the OPGW 96 Fibre (equivalent to 66-A20SA) is quite small, we are not required to supply Type Tested OPGW 96 Fibre (equivalent to 66-A20SA) for this project. Please Confirm.	shall be procured from the same manufacturer.
		Kindly Confirm, if our understanding is correct.	

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14	Clarification No.2, Sr. No. 106	As per Clarification No.2, Reply against Sr. No. 106 Clarification Tower design is under Contractor's scope of works and shall be done in accordance with project specification and technical requirements. True slope limitation applies to the complete tower design. Please clarify what/where is the "hamper level" located on the tower. At this stage and in response to the query, anticipated maximum allowable tower width at the base for standard tower height are: - tower type DA: 10.0 m base face width - tower type DB and DC: 11.5 m base face width - tower type DD and DE: 13.0 m base face width Please refer to doc. VII-4, clause 7.1.3 for standard tower height definition. Note the updated Price Schedules, in particular Sch. No. 1 and Sch. No. II, requirement added for extended stubs to be supplied within foundation items. As per Clarification-2, Sr. 106, we understand that we have to follow the true slope limitation as per the specification as well as the base width restriction as per the clarification. Please confirm our understanding is correct.	Confirmed
15	Letter of Financial Bid		The Annex No. 1 includes the template for the "Letter of Financial Bid".
16	List of deviation with cost impact		The Annex No. 2 includes the template for the "the list of deviation with cost impact".

FINANCIAL BID

Letter of Financial Bid

[The Bidder shall prepare his Letter of Bid on a Letterhead paper specifying his name and address]

	Date: ICB No.:
To:	
	, the undersigned, declare that:
(a)	We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Document, including Addenda issued in accordance with Instructions to Bidders (ITB) 8;
(b)	We have no conflict of interest in accordance with ITB 4;
(c)	We have not been suspended nor declared ineligible by the Employer based on execution of a Bid Securing Declaration in the Employer's country in accordance with ITB 4.4.
(d)	We offer to, in conformity with the Bidding Document, the following Plant and Installation Services:
(e)	The price of our Bid, excluding any discounts offered in item (d) below is the sum of:, (), and,
(f)	The discounts offered and the methodology for their application are:
	;
(g)	Our bid shall be valid for a period of days from the date fixed for the bid submission deadline in accordance with the Bidding Document, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period;
(h)	If our bid is accepted, we commit to obtain a performance security in accordance with the Bidding Document;
(i)	We are not participating, as a Bidder or a subcontractor, in more than one bid in this bidding process in accordance with ITB 4.2, other than alternative bids submitted in accordance with ITB 13;
(j)	We have paid, or will pay the following commissions, gratuities, or fees with respect to the bidding process or execution of the Contract:

	Name of Recipient	Address	Reason	Amount
(If	none has been paid or is to	be paid, indicate "none	e.")	
(k)	We understand that this bein your notification of awar formal contract is prepare	ard, shall constitute a bi	•	
(I)	We understand that you other bid that you may red	•	ot the lowest eva	luated bid or any
(m)) We hereby certify that we on our behalf will engage			on acting for us or
Na Na	me of the Bidder*_ me of the person duly auth	orized to sign the Bid or	n behalf of the Bio	dder**
Titl	e of the person signing the	Bid		
Sig	nature of the person name	ed above		
	te signed,		day of	
	the case of the Bid submitted b		ame of the Joint Vent	rure as Bidder

^{*:} In the case of the Bid submitted by joint venture specify the name of the Joint Venture as Bidder **: Person signing the Bid shall have the power of attorney given by the Bidder to be attached with the Bid

List of Deviations

[FORM for FINANCIAL BID]

It shall be assumed that the Bidder is meeting the Technical Specifications and Contract Clauses in all respects, other than those listed below.

Non-material deviations mentioned in the text or drawings forming part of the bid, but not contained in this list, will be considered as nil and void and the respective works will be treated as fully in line with the requirements of these Bidding Documents.

The Bidder shall not indicate the cost impact with any deviation mentioned below to the List of deviations submitted with his Financial Bid.

The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any deviation.

		Package A OHL:	
No	Reference (please state Vol., Part, Sec.)	Deviation from Specifications	Cost impact in EUR +/-