

**Reply against Queries raised in Pre-Bid meeting held on 09.04.2018 for selection of Statutory Auditor of BRRDA for F.Y 2017-18**

S.No.	RFP Clause	Queries	Reply by BRRDA
1	<b>As mentioned on Page 5 and 6 of the RFP</b> , various specific funds are provided to PIUs for implementation of schemes and separate set of account books are maintained.	As mentioned in the RFP, there are total 108 PIUs across the Bihar and we have to carry audit of all scheme at each PIU. We need to know in which manner we have to submit audit reports to BRRDA. 1. Consolidated Audit Report for BRRDA <b>OR</b> 2. Scheme wise consolidated audit report of BRRDA <b>OR</b> 3. PIU wise audit report with all schemes <b>OR</b> 4. PIU & Scheme wise audit report: if Yes, kindly clarify average turnover of each PIU.  Please clarify and guide which one is expected from us.	It is clarified that reports mentioned in point no. 1, 2 & 3 are compulsory and all reports are to be submitted.  A separate para related to each scheme should be incorporated in PIUs audit report. However separate report should be furnished for PMGSY scheme and World Bank assisted MMGSY scheme.
2	<b>Page-9 Compilation of Financial Statements :</b> The Auditor firm shall be liable to collate the fund wise financial statements of all PIUs and HO's to prepare Annual Financial Statements of the each project and then consolidate financial statement of each components of project and prepare Annual Financial Statements for BRRDA as a whole.	As per ICAI code of ethics, Statutory Auditor cannot prepare and maintain accounts of the client.  Statutory Auditor is the independent auditor and to enable him to express and adequate, independent and professional audit opinion it is required that account should be finalized internally by the BRRDA or Internal Auditor of the BRRDA.	BRRDA and its PIUs are preparing and maintaining accounts at its own.  Auditor firm needs to collate and consolidate financial statements of all PIUs and HO's to prepare AFS of each projects/schemes and then prepare consolidated Annual Financial Statement of BRRDA as a whole.
3	<b>General: Visit of PIUs</b>	It is mentioned that auditor have to cover all 108 PIUs during the audit but no where it is mentioned whether PIUs officials will visit at District offices or Auditors are require to personally visit each PIU office.  If auditor are required to personally visit at each PIU, kindly provide list of all PIUs and clarify that accommodation and lodging cost will reimbursed by the BRRDA or need to be quoted as overhead cost.	BRRDA will facilitate the auditor and will ensure that all PIUs furnish necessary and relevant documents and records to the auditor at auditors office in patna.  However Auditor are free to visit any PIUs as per their requirements. No cost will be reimbursed by BRRDA.
4	<b>Page No.-20, Point No. (IV) Envelope-1 Bid Eligibility Documents</b>	As per RFP, there is no EMD and cost of documents fees is demanded by the BRRDA, we request you to check the same and rectify.	No EMD and cost of documents fee is demanded by the BRRDA.  <b>Section-3, Para "Proposal Evaluation, Point No.2 on Page No.20 is rectified.</b>

5	<b>Page No.20, Proposal Evaluation Point No.2:</b> The envelope 1 shall be opened first. If the bid security is not found to be in order then the proposal shall be treated as non responsive and shall not be evaluated further.	As per RFP, there is no EMD and cost of documents fees is demanded by the BRRDA, we request you to check the same and rectify.	<b>Refer Point No. 4, mentioned above.</b>
6	<b>Page No. 24, Table-A "Technifcal Evaluation Criteria and Scoring System"</b>  <b>Point No. 1.A (iii)</b>	Firms as based in Bihar either having Head Office or Branch Office in patna may be given equal weight age as they have same organisational and office structure and as per ICAI norms each Branch Office is equally headed by a qualified independent Chartered Accountant similar to as in case of Head Office. [Ref to point no. 1(iii)]	It is prerogative of BRRDA.
7	<b>Page No. 24, Table-A "Technifcal Evaluation Criteria and Scoring System"</b>  <b>Point No. 1. B</b>	Experience in similar geographical areas (ref to point no B), similar geographical areas includes experience in Bihar also. Also scope of such experience may be enlarged to concurrent audit, internal audit, financial consultancy, compilation assignments, accounting and other such financial experience.	Yes, similar geographical areas includes experience in Bihar also.  It is clarified that for evaluation purpose relevent experience in similar geographical area implies experience Statutory Audit, Internal Audit and Compilation of accounts of similar project.
8	<b>Section 3</b> Para "Evaluation of Financial Purpose" <b>Point No. 17</b> <b>Page No. 22</b>	It is mentioned that the method of selection is based on Least Cost Method (LCM), But CA firms have objection that ICAI professional code of conduct and circular in this regard restrict the auditor firms for participating in tender of those assignment which are exclusively reserved for CAs.	ICAI circulars is mandatory for its members/ firms. BRRDA is regulated by Bihar Financial Rules.

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