

Purchase Policy-2016 for Procurement of Materials - Amendment No.9

Reference: GUVNL letter dated 03.08.2019

The Clause No. 4.23 is newly added as under;

4.23 Conflict of Interest among Bidders / Agents:-

A bidder shall not have conflict of interest with other bidders for particular quoted item. Such conflict of interest can lead to anti-competitive practices to the detriment of Procuring Entity's interests. The bidder found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. A bidder may be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process for particular quoted item, if:

- a) they have proprietor/ partner(s)/ Director(s) in common; or
- b) they receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy/ financial stake from any of them; or
- c) they have the same legal representative/ agent for purposes of this bid; or
- d) they have relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about or influence on the bid of another bidder; or
- e) bidder participates in more than one bid in this bidding process. Participation by a bidder in more than one Bid will result in the disqualification of all bids in which the parties are involved. However, this does not limit the inclusion of the components/ sub-assembly/ assemblies from one bidding manufacturer in more than one bid.
- f) in cases of agents quoting in offshore procurements, on behalf of their principal manufacturers, one agent cannot represent two manufacturers or quote on their behalf in a particular tender enquiry. One manufacturer can also authorise only one agent/ dealer. There can be only one bid from the following:
 1. The principal manufacturer directly or through one Indian agent on his behalf; and
 2. Indian/ foreign agent on behalf of only one principal.
- g) A bidder or any of its affiliates participated as a consultant in the preparation of the design or technical specifications of the contract that is the subject of the Bid;
- h) in case of a holding company having more than one independently manufacturing units, or more than one unit having common business ownership/management, only one unit should quote. Similar restrictions would apply to closely related sister companies. Bidders must proactively declare such sister/common business/ management units in same/ similar line of business.
- i) Bidder shall not act in contravention/ violation to the provisions of competition act, as amended from time to time.

Every bidder should, at the time of submission of bid, give a declaration, that bidder shall not have conflict of interest with other bidders for particular quoted item, as above.