

**Queries raised by bidders and UNDP clarifications#01**  
**RFP/101/IND-2017**

**Development and Deployment of a Climate Change-Decision Support System (CC-DSS) in Samrat Ashoka Sagar (SAS) Dam, Madhya Pradesh**  
**United Nations Development Programme, 55 Lodi Estate, New Delhi – 110 003**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Clarification required</b>	<b>Clarification by UNDP</b>
1	Kindly review the requirement of minimum average annual turnover of 2.0 Crore INR for the last 3 years and if this can be reduced to allow smaller agencies participate in the competition.	Accepted - please review the amendment#1 to the RFP document
2	Does work experience from outside India will be considered?	Yes, there is no restriction on the work experience to be from India only.
3	Can entities from outside India involve with this project and/ or be the lead Consortium partner?	Yes, this is an international open competitive process.
4	Can 3 entities join together in a consortium?	There is no restriction in number of entities to join together and form consortium. However, the management arrangement should be clearly mentioned in the proposal and all implications related to local taxes taken case of and listed in the financial proposal.
5	What will be the implication of GST in case of consortium.	In case the proposal from a consortium is selected for award of contract, UNDP will sign contract only with the lead consortium partner. Therefore, UNDP can claim GST reimbursement only from the invoices of lead entity. Bidders should therefore, be cognizant about the GST implications on the invoices of their consortium partners.
6	Please clarify if UNDP is exempt from GST and if bidders should quote their financial proposal inclusive of GST.	UNDP is exempt from GST through reimbursement. That is, UNDP will pay the GST amount as per invoice and later get it reimbursed from the Government of India. Please note that bidders should clearly mention the percentage and amount of GST applicable separately in their financial proposals.
7	Is there a preferred technology platform already established?	No, there is no preference. Technological solution/package needs to be proposed by bidders.
8	Who will provide the topographic maps, land cover data, and time meteorological data?	All the required data needs to be collected by the agency including toposheets, LULC etc. WRD will provide only observed data as mentioned in the ToR.

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9	Have climate change studies been done for this region and will that output be available to the team?	A climate impact and vulnerability assessment study has been conducted for MP using latest IPCC scenario and models. The output is in the form of a detailed report and UNDP also has the related data of the study which will be shared with the selected agency.
10	Regarding qualifications & experience of key professionals in IT Domain, whether Master/Bachelors in Civil Engineering and other relevant background in Engineering can be considered?	Accepted - please review the amendment#1 to the RFP document
11	Would the agency have the Intellectual Property Rights(IPR) over the proposed Climate Change Decision Support System(DSS) solutions?	No, the IPR of Climate Change Decision Support system solution will be with UNDP. Please refer to the General Terms and Conditions of the Contract.
12	Whether the Climate Change Decision Support System (DSS) solutions should be open sourced or licensed?	The DSS solution should be open sourced or with zero license fee
13	Who is the approving agency for the final deliverables?	UNDP will approve in consultation with WRD and the State Nodal Agency
14	Due to technical nature of the project, kindly consider 80:20 evaluation criteria instead of 70: 30?	There is no change as of now. We are discussing this option with our partners, and only if accepted, this will be changed.
15	Is there any restrictions for the international experts to be involved in the project	No, there is no restriction on bidders to propose National or International consultants.
16	Kindly provide man-months for the proposed Team member (Research Analyst) who would be based in Bhopal during the assignment ?	6 man-months
17	What is the optimum size for displaying the maps on the DSS	Considering the scale of the sub-basin, 1: 50,000 scale would be optimum for displaying the maps on the DSS Dash Board. During stakeholder consultation and requirement analysis further clarity on it would be obtained
18	Whether agency should include printing cost of the reports	The financial proposal should be inclusive of all costs. Please refer to Section 7, table B.
19	If some delay occurs in the assignment due to unforeseen reasons, who will incur additional cost?	Please refer to UNDP GT&C, clause # 26 - Modifications. The Contract can be amended upon mutual agreement.
20	What is the approximate budget earmarked for the proposed project?	As per UNDP Procurement policies, it is not possible to share the budget for this assignment.

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21	Kindly consider providing the advance amount for the assignment?	Please refer to UNDP GT&C, clause # 5 - Advance Payment. If bidders request for advance money for mobilisation of resources, a maximum of 20% and/or USD 30,000 (whichever is less) can be paid as Advance.
22	What would be the server requirement for the DSS	Agency would be required to do only a technical capability analysis of the servers existing at the State Data Centre of MPWRD and suggest/provide a list of hardware required (if any). Refer Task 6 of the ToR
23	How many officials from WRD would be trained under capacity building of the officials on the DSS?	About 20 officials from WRD
24	Are there any requirements for the external audits/certification requirements for the DSS software	This may be discussed with the stakeholders during the requirement analysis phase
25	Kindly extend the last date for the submission of the proposal	Accepted. Please review the eTendering portal for revised bid submission deadline.
26	What is the timeline for the assignment	18 months, Including six months AMC support
27	Is there requirement for primary data collection from households	No but the Agency would be required to collect data from secondary sources and observed data
28	Kindly remove the restrictions of 20 pages on the technical proposals	Bidders can provide their technical proposal in more than 20 pages, however, it is requested that the proposal is restricted to the solution being provided and refrain from submitting un-necessary information.
29	The ToR mentions being a pilot but it does not mention whether it is expected to have the servers hosted by any organizations in India- so are you looking to setup servers and host the system	Refer Task 6 of the ToR , the DSS would be hosted with the existing servers of WRD . However the Consultant will be required to do a technical analysis of the WRD's server to ascertain storage availability, compatibility with the DSS application, etc
30	It will be appreciable if you can give us the clarity on the degree of involvement of international experts	It is up to the bidders to propose a technical and financial viable solution.
31	The link of contract for the services provided on last page of the pdf document is not working. Kindly provide the same.	Already shared on the e-tendering portal.

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32	Reference to schedule of deliverables. The first mile stones involve organizing state level workshop. Since it is dependent on the third-party involvement and availability. So, it is requested to have the workshop in the next milestone	The request may be considered once and after the agency has been finalized
33	It is requested to provide 4 weeks times after pre-bid responses for bid preparation and submission?	Refer response to query no 25
34	It is requested to limit the ceiling of liability of Consultant to equal to the value of contract	This is a standard condition in UNDP contracts and cannot be modified.
35	Please clarify if Fully Owned Indian Subsidiary of an International Firm having its permanent establishment in India can claim the experience of its Parent Company	No, a fully owned Indian subsidiary can not claim the experience of its parent company.
36	The minimum deployment (in man-months) requirement of key personnel and support staff may please be provided	The agency is expected to provide this based on the solution and workplan they are going to propose. For the support staff based in Bhopal, Please refer the amendment#1 to the RFP document
37	<p>The timelines of this assignment are tight, we suggest the following amendment :</p> <p>a. State level workshop - 4 weeks</p> <p>b. Report on DSS model conceptualization and set up - 8 Months</p> <p>c. Demonstration of the font end user interface with built-in model codes, indicators, query generator, scenario analysis and GIS explorer, on line portal hosting and data storage - 10 months.</p> <p>d. Successful completion of training programme and submission of training modules, manuals, SOPs and operational plan - 12 months</p> <p>e. workshop for the delivery of DSS - 14 months</p> <p>f. final report including exit strategy, published periodic annual report of DSS - 20 months</p>	All the tasks are to be accomplished within a period of 18 months only including the post implementation maintenance support of 6 months.
38	Kindly specify the models you are looking for or are familiar with as DSS can be combination of various hydrology, simulation, optimisation and climate impact models etc. This will impact the costing of the bid.	It is up to the bidders to propose a technical and financial viable solution.

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39	Request clarify on procurement of supporting hardware/ software (who will provide)	The agency should propose and procure the software. Regarding hardware/server requirements please refer query-response no 22(above)
40	Obtaining dynamic data will be very difficult under this assignment. Who will be responsible for procuring dynamic data for this project - UNDP or selected agency. Please advise.	Agency would be required to collect data from secondary sources
41	UNDP is requested to extend the bid submission deadline to end of January 2018 in view of the fact that office are closed during Christmas / New Year period and will open only by 8th Jan.	The bid submission date has been revised, please review the eTendering portal.