No. RW/NH-35014/34/2017-H (Part-II) Government of India Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (Highways Division) Transport Bhavan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Dated: 19.06.2018

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- 1. Chairman, National Highway Authority of India, New Delhi
- 2. Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary, MoRT&H, New Delhi
- 3. Managing Director, NHIDCL, PTI Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi
- 4. Director General (Border Roads), SeemaSadakBhawan, Ring Road, New Delhi
- Principal Secretaries / Secretaries of all States / UTs / Public Works Departments dealing with National Highways and other Centrally sponsored scheme
- 6. Engineers-in-Chief and Chief Engineer of Public Work Department dealing with National Highways and other Centrally sponsored scheme
- 7. Director, Indian Academy of Highways Engineer, Sector-62, Noida
- 8. Director, National Highway Builder Federation

Sub: Use of BIMS portal (<u>www.bims.nic.in</u>) for procurement of highway contracts on EPC Mode - regarding.

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (M/o RT&H) has developed the Bidder Information Management System (BIMS) to streamline the process of prequalification of bidders for contracts on EPC Mode for all National Highway works and other Centrally sponsored works with enhanced transparency and objectivity. BIMS shall work as a data base comprising bidder wise information covering basic details, civil works experience, cash accruals and network, annual turnover etc. so that bidders' pre-qualification is quickly assessed based on evaluation parameters like threshold capacity and bid capacity from already stored data and technical evaluation can be carried out in a faster manner using this information.

2. As per Ministry's circular (NH-3501/34/2017-H) dated 8th February, 2018 regarding use of BIMS portal for procurement of Highway Contracts on EPC mode; it has been categorically stated that SOP dated 21.12.2017 issued by the Ministry for Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I envisages that BIMS shall be used by all the project implementation agencies of the Ministry for the maintenance of technical information of civil works of contractors/ concessionaires and for online technical evaluation of civil works bids.

3. Accordingly, all the prospective Highway Contractors engaged by the Ministry/NHAI/ NHIDCL/BRO/State PWDs and other agencies for implementation of National Highway works and other centrally sponsored works may be advised to upload their company related details on BIMS portal. The bidders shall be responsible for ensuring that their latest details are available on the BIMS portal. These details shall be used by bidders to apply for any RFP for civil works on EPC mode floated by the Ministry and its implementation agencies.

4. All civil works contracts on EPC mode for National Highway woks and other centrally sponsored works shall be procured through BIMS w.e.f. 01-07-2018. All the prospective bidders/firms interested in civil works on EPC mode tendered by the Ministry and its implementation agencies are hereby requested to update their relevant data on the portal by 30-06-2018.

5. The BIMS portal will be operated in conjunction with the CPP portal for invitation of bids for civil works for EPC mode as follows:

- a. The Authority shall upload RFP documents on both the CPP portal and BIMS portal.
- b. The potential bidders shall submit their online technical data through the BIMS portal and shall apply for a particular RFP before or up to the bids submission date. On submission of their bids, the BIMS portal would generate a certificate indicating that the technical information has been successfully submitted.
- c. The potential bidders shall continue to submit their financial bid through the CPP portal. Further, the potential bidders shall upload the certificate generated by BIMS regarding successful submission of online technical information on the CPP portal.
- d. The Authority shall conduct technical evaluation of the bids using the BIMS portal subject to the terms and conditions specified in the respective RFP.
- e. The Authority shall publish/upload the list of technically eligible bidders on the BIMS portal, and provide seven days for receipt of comments from bidders
- f. Once the technical evaluation has been finalized, the Authority shall use the CPP portal for opening the financial bids of the technically qualified bidders, and for determination of the L1 bidder.

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6. The RFP for procurement projects shall be accordingly modified to include these changes in the bid submission and evaluation process by 30-06-2018.

7. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

8. It is requested that the contents of this Circular may be brought to the notice of all the concerned.

Yours faithfully,

19.06.18 (Sanket S. Bhondve)

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

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