

GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR
BIHAR INTEGRATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES SOCIETY (BICDSS)

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Reply of Queries

RFP No. – PR No. 12668 (Welfare) 16-17

All Prospective Proposer(s) may kindly note the following clarifications which shall form integral part of the above referred RFP.

Proposers are required to submit their Proposals in triplicate i.e. One copy marked as “ORIGINAL” plus Two Photocopies of the same marked as “COPY No.: – 1” and “COPY No.:- 2”

S. No.	Query	Comment
1	Applicability of Form “C” or VAT – If Micronutrient fortified energy dense food for supplementary nutrition programme is manufactured in State of Madhya Pradesh and supplied to State of Bihar for 18 months, whether Bihar Government will issue Form “C” to the party or charge VAT as applicable in the State of Bihar.	Form “C” will not be issued. VAT applicable as per Govt. rules.
2	Submission of RFP- As mentioned on page no 23, para 6.2.5 RFP would have to be submitted either by post/speed post/ courier Hand to hand submission of RFP, whether it would be accepted or not?	Only Post/ Speed post/ courier are accepted. No other mode is acceptable. Further proposals are required to be submitted in triplicate as specified above.
3	Request for reduction in the Net Worth criteria of Eligibility.	The matter has been reconsidered and accordingly the Annual Average adjustable tangible Net Worth for last three financial years (i.e. 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16) shall not be less than Rs. 20 Crore.
4	In case of company- Can a company, its holding / subsidiary / associate company and or having common Directors submit separate proposals against this RFP In case of partnership firm – whether entities having common partners or the firm and its partners in individual capacity can submit proposals / bids separately against this RFP	Only one proposal should be submitted. Therefore multiple Proposals by Associate / Holding / Subsidiary Company or the entities having common Director(s) / Partner(s) are prohibited from this RFP

		Process. Further, multiple proposals by a Partnership Firm and by Partner(s) of that firm are also prohibited. In case of such findings, Proposals of all such Proposers shall be rejected.
5	Request for mode of packing change from the unit packing (700-1000) in pouch to a bulk packing of 25 Kg in HDPE woven bags with LDPE inner liner for Adolescent girls	Not Accepted
6	<u>Ref Clause 4.10 read together Appendix V</u> Request for making specific clause related to ICDS / SABLA scheme implemented by any State Government/ UTs	Proposal Security / EMD and / or Security Deposit of the proposer itself and / or its associate company, associate concern, associate firm, related parties, group companies shall have never been forfeited by the Department of Women and Child Development / Social Welfare Department or any other Department of any State / UT Government implementing ICDS and / or SABLA Scheme.
7	Ref Glossary & Definitions S.No. A-6 : Page 4 Query - However as understood entire process of submitting RFP is manual and there is no place for online entries for RFP. So how would the online verification for RFP take place?	Proposal shall be submitted as specified in RFP document and also see reply 2 above. Online verification of other document which is attached with the proposal may be checked online if it is possible.
8	In the technical specifications given in Annexure - A, the Energy Density in respect of Calorie and Protein content per 100 g of MFEDF is not given in the Product Specifications. Since, the recipes of MFEDF have not been given in the product specifications the proposers have been asked to submit 2 variants recipes for each categories of beneficiaries. There can be two types of recipes one with Lean Formulations having more of a cereal component with less edible oil content with less calories and other recipes with rich formulations having high energy density (calorific values) recipes with more edible oil content. The recipe with the Lean formulation will be less palatable in taste and acceptable as compared with the recipe with a Rich formulation. In view of	No Changes permitted

	above, it is proposed that the minimum energy density (calories) & Protein Content per 100 g of MFEDF may be indicated keeping in view the acceptability of the product. Considering the palatability and acceptability aspects of the product and the prescribed financial norms the MFEDF should have minimum energy density of 380 calories and 12 g of Proteins per 100 g of the product. Accordingly, it is proposed that the following amendments may be made in the products specifications – “MFEDF should have a minimum energy density of 380 calories and 12 g of protein per 100 g.”	
9	No monthly quantity has been prescribed by the department for each category of beneficiary. Also without knowing the quantity it is difficult to prepare DPR.	Category wise total no of beneficiaries mentioned in Appendix –I, page no-41 proposer shall calculate monthly requirement based on recipes proposed by them.
10	There is provision that food grains i.e. Wheat, Rice and maize shall be provided to the proposer at NFSA/BPL rates as per the composition along with process losses percentage(%) for each food grains is not prescribed in the RFP invited. Process losses for each food grains may be specified.	Process losses may vary from firm to firm. Hence it is not possible to clarify.
11	Ref. Appendix – XIII, page 67	No change permitted
12	Request for Zone and district wise proposal invited.	No change permitted
13	Tender document is not containing serving size of the products to be supplied under aforesaid procurement process	Serving size based on recipes proposed by the proposers.
14	The recipes of all four products has not been prescribed under the tender document as such it is unknown to us as to which ingredients are required to be used for manufacturing of above products. Without specifying compositions and ingredients for each product clearly, the calculation of financial bid is quit impossible	Annexure- A “Technical Specification” Page no-34 is Self-explanatory. The ingredients required shall confirm to the requirements of Micronutrient Fortified Energy Dense Food (MFEDF) as specified in the RFP Document.