

**Request for Proposal: Selection of Consulting Firm/Agency to Conduct the Study on Audit and Assessment of Disability Inclusion in Varanasi City**

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020

**Amendment to Clarification Document No. 2:** Response to Queries and Extension of last date of submission in respect to the invitation for Request for Proposal floated on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020.

Query No.	Bidder	Query	Reference	Response /Clarification
1.	Bidder C	<p>Just keen to know if the provision of MSME/ Startups India Government of India guidelines for exemption of EMD applies or not.</p> <p>As per Government Circular on DIPP and MSME website, MSME/ Start-ups Recognised by DIPP and MSME are exempted.</p>	<p>Sec. 2.1 &amp; 3.1</p> <p>Clause 3.1</p>	<p>This RFP is compliant with the amendments made to Rule 170 (i) of GFR 2017 vide OM dated 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017.</p> <p>As such, the applicable bid security/earnest money deposit shall be collected from all bidders except Micro Small and Medium Enterprises as defined in the MSE Procurement Policy issued by the Central Purchase Organisation or the concerned Ministry or Department or Startups as recognised by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP).</p> <p>Bidders claiming an exception under this rule shall need to furnish necessary documentation corroborating the same.</p>
2.	Bidder D	<p>We have done a lot of primary research studies in the social sector such as Evaluation studies, Baseline, Midline, Endline studies, Need assessment studies, Physical assessment audits. We have not worked directly in the area of disability specifically. However, we have worked with Urban Local Bodies. Can we still apply?</p>	<p>Sec. 3.12 b</p> <p>Clause 1 &amp; 2</p>	<p>No Change.</p>
3.		<p>Regarding the qualification and experience of the key personnel, we would request you to also include a Postgraduate degree in Social Sciences for "Team Leader and Lead Urban Planner"</p>	<p>Sec. 3.12 b &amp; 5</p> <p>Clause 3</p>	<p>No change.</p> <p>All degrees specified under Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956, which satisfy the minimum requirements for Key Personnel for this assignment shall be deemed acceptable.</p>