

Replies to Bidder's Queries (Batch-1)
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1	As per Evaluation criteria, 10 Marks are assigned to presentation. What is meant by presentation for Evaluation?	RFP	The bidder will present the proposal to USF team. The time and date will be conveyed to the bidders after submission of technical proposal. The presentation will cover: 1. Company Profile and relevant experience 2. Proposed methodology 3. Work plan 4. Team composition and work break down structure showing how timelines are being met against RFP/TOR.
2	SoW is for single point connectivity to telecom companies infrastructure or for sub-network deployment routes as well?	ToR	Scope of Work is for Single point of connectivity i.e. UC Headquarter as detailed in Annex-II
3	What is meant by execution /Audit in the clause?	ToR	As per ToR (4.d) Pre-Requisites for Consulting Firm Selection is that the firm should have relevant experience of execution(Implementation/deployment) and/or technical audit of optical fiber networks.
4	If contract for consultancy is awarded, can the consultant perform deployment/execute the project as third party?	Contract	For participation in main USF program, bidder has to be a licensed service provider and USF contributor.
5	In case of multi operator infrastructure, what is the criteria to select the preferred operator? Do we need to conduct survey for all route or any single preferred route?	ToR	Single Optimal route with nearest point of fiber optic connectivity shall be identified by the consultant.
6	In addition to the executive summary and the survey reports, would you not need the design drawings in proper layouts? If you do need design drawings, would the soft copy be enough or you would need printouts as well?	ToR	Please refer to ToR Section 3. Scope of Work
7	We suggest that USF should directly coordinate with operators to get existing infrastructure information such as availability/spare, drawings, etc. The information gathered through relationship will not be official and may not be owned by operators afterwards.	ToR	Please refer to ToR Section 3. Scope of Work
8	Can vendor assume that survey work is required only for union council mentioned in list? Shall we assume that the surrounding union councils are already covered?	ToR	Additional UCs in given areas, if any, will be identified and relevant data collected by the consultant. Please refer to Section 3.2 of ToR

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9	Can the price be based on per meter bases as the lumpsum price can only be an estimation at the RFP stage. Exact meterage can only be determined after the detailed survey. Hence a unit price based on meter can value the work properly	ToR	A lumpsum value of the project inclusive of all applicable taxes is required as per Annex-III Financial Proposal of ToR. The clause will remain the same.
10	We request that completion period of the Survey may also be extended to six months from four months.	ToR	Time is of essence, and bidders are required to complete the task within the stipulated timeframe as mentioned in the ToR. The bidder may increase teams, do parallel work etc. to achieve in given timelines