Replies to Bidder's Queries (Batch-4) Tender ID: USF/SP/OPTICFIBER/2024-25/01

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S. No.	Queries	Document Ref:	USF Response
1	Please confirm that the tariff mentioned in clause 19 of RFA "Regulation of USF Service Charges" is valid for connectivity within the USF region for this LOT. For Services that requires connectivity from outside USF region, please confirm if this can be charged as per SP standard?	RFA	Yes the services outside USF network may be charged by SP as per their own tariff based on their business case. Any services provided from USF Network for lot area will be charged as per the Tariff mentioned in clause 19 of RFA "Regulation of USF Service Charges".
2	What is referred here as "other services".	RFA	Other wholesale services referred to other corporate bulk services not mentioned in the RFA such as Lambda Services, Ethernet Private Line (EPL) / E-LAN Services, IP Transit, Intranet Services, Infrastructure Sharing etc.
3	Please explain "tariff shall not exceed 25% of the wholesale tariff of equivalent services in metropolitan areas". Does it mean that we have to charge 25% of our standard tariff for this region or max we can charge 125% of our standard tariff?	RFA	Clause 19.1(iv) of RFA is self explanatory. It is 25% of the tariff of equivalent services offered by the particpant Service Provider in metropolitan areas.
4	Is the dark core and IRU tariff mentioned in RFA, Clause 19.1 shall be applicable on the dedicated 5 OFC pairs only?	Schedule A (Part-1) of SSA & RFA	Regulation of USF Service Charges is applicable on all USF network and services