

Section 3: Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

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1. Evaluation

1.1 Technical Evaluation

In addition to the criteria listed in ITB 34.1 (a)–(b), other relevant factors are as follows:

Evaluation of the Bidder's Technical Proposal will include an assessment of the Bidder's technical capacity to mobilize key equipment and personnel for the contract, consistent with its proposal regarding work methods, scheduling, and material sourcing in sufficient detail and fully in accordance with the requirements stipulated in Section 6 (Employer's Requirements).

Noncompliance with equipment and personnel requirements described in Section 6 (Employer's Requirements) shall not normally be a ground for bid rejection and such noncompliance will be subject to clarification during bid evaluation and rectification prior to contract award.

1.2 Alternative Technical Solutions

Technical alternatives, if permitted under ITB 13.4, will be evaluated as follows:

Technical alternatives are not permitted.

1.3 Economic Evaluation

In addition to the criteria listed in ITB 39.2 I (a)–(f), other relevant factors are as follows:

Adjustments in price that result from the procedures outlined below shall be added, for purposes of comparative evaluation only, to arrive at an "Evaluated Bid Price." Bid prices quoted by Bidders shall remain unaltered.

1.3.1 Quantifiable Deviations and Omissions

Pursuant to ITB 33.3, the cost of all quantifiable nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions from the contractual and commercial conditions shall be evaluated. The Employer will make its own assessment of the cost of any nonmaterial nonconformities and omissions for the purpose of ensuring fair comparison of Bids.

1.3.2 Time Schedule

Time for completion of the whole facilities from the effective date specified in Article 3 of the Contract Agreement is: **450 days**. No credit will be given for earlier completion.

Bids offering a completion date beyond 450 days period shall be rejected.

1.3.3 Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Costs

An adjustment will be made for evaluation purposes (only) for power transformer losses as given below:

No load losses 6384 USD/kW/unit of each type
Load losses 1915 USD/kW/unit of each type

Load losses will be at full load and 75°C

Guaranteed loss values must be supported by test reports from internationally recognized independent testing laboratory. In case of difference between the loss value declared in the offer and the loss value to be found in the test report, the higher loss value will be taken into account for the purpose of loss evaluation.

(The details of the above are explained in Section 6: **Employer's Requirements of Part II, Specification, A. Electrical, and 2.0 Particular Technical Requirements for Substation Electrical Equipment, Section 34.**)

1.3.4 Functional Guarantees of the Facilities

The minimum and/or maximum requirements stated in the Specification for functional guarantees required in the Specification are:

Applicable in accordance with Appendix 8 [Section 9: Contract Forms]

1.3.5 Work, Services, Facilities, etc., to Be Provided by the Employer: Not Applicable.

1.3.6 Specific Additional Criteria Not Applicable.

1.3.6.1 Environmental, Health and Safety Management Plan (EHSMP)

Any bid not accompanied by the EHSMP may be rejected by the Employer as nonresponsive. If a Bidder submits a EHSMP that is not commensurate with the risks and impacts of the proposed works and activities in the bidding document, the Employer shall issue a request for clarification to request for further information from the Bidder. The Bidder must submit the requested information within **14 (Fourteen)** days of receiving such a request. Failure to provide a satisfactory response to the request for further information within the prescribed period of receiving such a request may cause the rejection of the Bid.

1.3.7 Domestic Preference

Domestic preference will be granted to eligible domestically produced Plant and Equipment in accordance with the following provisions:

- (a) The preference margin shall not be applied to the whole facility but only to the eligible domestically produced Plant and Equipment within the contract.

- (b) Plant and Mandatory Spare Parts supplied from abroad shall be quoted CIP (Section 4, Schedule No. 1). Plant and Mandatory Spare Parts supplied from within the Employer's country shall be quoted EXW (ex. works, ex. factory, ex. warehouse, ex. showroom, or off-the-shelf, as applicable) (Section 4, Schedule No. 2).
- (c) All other cost components for services and works such as costs for design, local handling, transportation, storage, installation, and commissioning shall be quoted separately. See Section 4 (Bidding Forms), Schedule No. 3 - Design Services and Schedule No. 4 - Installation and Other Services.
- (d) In the comparison of Bids, CIP price component of Bid for the Plant and Equipment offered from outside the Employer's country shall be increased by **15%**.
- (e) No domestic preference shall be applied to any of the services or works included in the contract.
- (f) Bidders shall not be permitted or required to modify the mix of local and foreign Plant and Equipment after bid opening.

Note: In case of domestic preference, all the relevant documents shall be submitted with the offers which prove that the goods are domestically produced.

1.4 Multiple Contracts

If a Bidder as defined in ITB 4.1 submits several bids, the evaluation will include in accordance with 1.3.6: Specific Additional Criteria (Section 3: Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).

2. Qualification

2.1 Eligibility

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	

2.1.1 Nationality

Nationality in accordance with ITB 4.2.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Forms ELI - 1; ELI - 2 with attachments
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2.1.2 Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest in accordance with ITB 4.3.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid
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2.1.3 ADB Eligibility

Not having been declared ineligible by ADB, as described in ITB 4.4.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid
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2.1.4 Government-Owned Enterprise

Bidder required to meet conditions of ITB 4.5.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Forms ELI - 1; ELI - 2 with attachments
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2.1.5 United Nations Eligibility

Not having been excluded by an act of compliance with a United Nations Security Council resolution in accordance with ITB 4.8.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid
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2.2 Historical Contract Nonperformance

2.2.1 History of Nonperforming Contracts

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Nonperformance of a contract ^a did not occur as a result of contractor default since 1 January 2020.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement ^b	Not applicable	Form CON-1

^a Nonperformance, as decided by the Employer, shall include all contracts where (a) nonperformance was not challenged by the contractor, including through referral to the dispute resolution mechanism under the respective contract, and (b) contracts that were so challenged but fully settled against the contractor. Nonperformance shall not include contracts where Employers decision was overruled by the dispute resolution mechanism. Nonperformance must be based on all information on fully settled disputes or litigation, i.e. dispute or litigation that has been resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution mechanism under the respective contract and where all appeal instances available to the Bidder have been exhausted.

^b This requirement also applies to contracts executed by the Bidder as Joint Venture partner.

2.2.2 Suspension Based on Execution of Bid-Securing Declaration

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Not under suspension based on execution of a Bid Securing Declaration pursuant to ITB 4.6.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid

2.2.3 Pending Litigation and Arbitration

Pending litigation and arbitration criterion **shall not apply**.

2.2.4 Declaration: Environmental, and Health and Safety Past Performance

Requirement	Single Entity	All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	Submission Requirements
Declare any contracts that have been suspended or terminated and/or performance security called by an employer for reasons related to the non-compliance of any environmental, health and safety contractual obligations in the past five years.	Must make the declaration. If the bidder proposes Specialist Sub-contractor/s to meet EQC 2.4.2, those Specialist Sub-contractor/s must also make the declaration	Not applicable	Each partner must make the declaration. If the bidder proposes Specialist Sub-contractor/s to meet EQC 2.4.2, those Specialist Sub-contractor/s must also make the declaration.	Not applicable	Form CON-2

2.3 Financial Situation

2.3.1 Historical Financial Performance

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Submission of audited financial statements or, if not required by the law of the Bidder's country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last 3 (three) years to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidder's financial position. As a minimum, the Bidder's net worth for the last year calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive.	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Form FIN - 1 with attachment

2.3.2 Average Annual Turnover

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Minimum average annual turnover of \$ 11.00 million calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last 3(three) years.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Must meet 25% of the requirement	Must meet 40% of the requirement	Form FIN - 2

2.3.3 Financial Resources

If the bid evaluation process and the decision for the award of the Contract takes more than 1 year from the date of bid submission, Bidders may be asked to resubmit their current contract commitments and latest information on financial resources supported by latest audited accounts or audited financial statements, or if not required by the law of the Bidder's country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, and the Bidders' financial capacity, will be reassessed on this basis.

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
For Single Entities: The Bidder must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed the total requirement for the Subject Contract of \$ 3.2 MUS\$,	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Form FIN – 3 and Form FIN - 4
For Joint Ventures: (1) One partner must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its own current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed its required share of \$ 1.3 MUS\$ from the total requirement for the Subject Contract. AND	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Must meet requirement	Form FIN – 3 and Form FIN - 4

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
(2) Each partner must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its own current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed its required share of \$ 0.8MUS\$ from the total requirement for the Subject Contract. AND	Not applicable	Not applicable	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Form FIN – 3 and Form FIN - 4
(3) The Joint Venture must demonstrate that the combined financial resources of all partners defined in FIN - 3, less all the partners’ total financial obligations for the current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed the total requirement for the Subject Contract of \$ 3.2 MUS\$	Not applicable	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Not applicable	Form FIN – 3 and Form FIN - 4

2.4 Bidder's Experience

2.4.1 Contracts of Similar Size and Nature

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture			Submission Requirements
		All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
Participation as a contractor, Joint Venture partner, or Subcontractor, in at least one contract that has been satisfactorily and substantially completed within the last 10 years and that is similar to the contracts of 33/11 kV, 10/14 MVA or above rating sub-station (AIS/GIS Sub-station), where the value of the Bidder's participation exceeds \$7.200 million .	Must meet requirement	Not applicable	Must meet of the experience of any type of electrical construction works of value at least USD 1.00 million.	Must meet requirement	Form EXP – 1 Such evidence shall be in the user's respective letterhead indicating their address, Telephone number, Fax number, e-mail id & web address of the user and shall include name of the project, name of the employers, description of the work, commissioning date and contract date & amount etc. In case of JV, each partner shall submit the evidence.

2.4.2 Experience in Key Activities

2.4.2(a) Must be complied with by the Bidder. In case of a Joint Venture Bidder, the Bidder or at least one of the partners must meet the requirement in the key activity. For contracts under which the Bidder participated as a Joint Venture partner, only the Bidder's designated scope of works under the contracts shall be considered to meet this requirement.

Table A

Requirement	Single Entity	Joint Venture	Submission Requirements
For the above or other contracts executed during the period stipulated in 2.4.1, a minimum experience in the following key activities: (i) Successful operation of at least 1 (one) contract (AIS/GIS Sub-station) of 33/11 kV, 10/14 MVA or above rating sub-station for at least one year within the last 5 (Five) years counting backward from the date of the bid submission deadline.	Must meet requirement	Must meet requirement	Form EXP – 2 Operational acceptance certificate or End User Certificate about the successful operation on the user's letterhead, indicating address, telephone and fax numbers, project name, employer's name, description of work, commissioning date and contract date & amount.

2.4.3 Specific Experience in Managing Environmental, Health and Safety Aspect

Criteria Requirement	Compliance Requirements		Documents
	Single Entity or Its Specialist Subcontractors	Joint Venture or Its Specialist Subcontractors	Submission Requirements
<p>For the contracts in 2.4.1 and 2.4.2 above and/or any other contracts [substantially completed and under implementation] as prime contractor, Joint Venture partner, or Subcontractor, experience in managing ES risks and impacts in the following aspects in the last 5 years, years counting backward from date of submission :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementation of Environment, Health and Safety (EHS) issues - Monitoring, documentation and reporting on EHS issues - Trained on EHS issues 	Must meet requirements	One member must meet requirements	Form EXP – 3

2.5 Organizational Environmental, Health and Safety System

2.5.1 Environmental, Health and Safety Certification

Criteria Requirement	Compliance Requirements		Documents
	Single Entity or Its Specialist Subcontractors	Joint Venture or Its Specialist Subcontractors	Submission Requirements
<p>Availability of a valid ISO certification or internationally recognized equivalent (equivalency to be demonstrated by the Bidder), and applicable to the worksite (For example:):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quality management certificate ISO 9001 2. Environmental management certificate ISO 14001 3. Health and Safety management certificate ISO 45001 	Must meet requirements	One member must meet requirements	Form EXP – 4

2.5.2 Environmental, Health and Safety Documentation

Criteria	Compliance Requirements		Documents
Requirement	Single Entity or Its Specialist Subcontractors	Joint Venture or Its Specialist Subcontractors	Submission Requirements
Availability of in-house policies and procedures for ESHS management: For example: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Existence of an Ethics Charter. 2. Existence of a system for monitoring compliance with EHS commitments for the Bidder's Subcontractors and all its partners. 3. Existence of official company procedures for the management of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EHS resources and facilities and EHS monitoring system; - Health and Safety on worksites policy and related guidance; - Local recruitment and EHS trainings of local staff/subcontractors/local partners; - Control of infectious and communicable diseases (HIV/AIDS, malaria, COVID-19 etc.) 	Must meet requirements	One member must meet requirements	Form EXP – 5

2.5.3 Environmental, Health and Safety Dedicated Personnel

Criteria	Compliance Requirements		Documents
Requirement	Single Entity or Its Specialist Subcontractors	Joint Venture or Its Specialist Subcontractors	Submission Requirements
Availability of in-house personnel dedicated to EHS issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Environmental Specialist - Health and Safety Specialist 	Must meet requirements	One member must meet requirements	Form EXP – 6

2.6 Subcontractors

Subcontractor / manufacturing subcontractors for the plant & mandatory spare parts supplied from abroad under price schedule-01 and plant & mandatory spare parts supplied from within the employer's country under schedule-02 shall not be permitted.

Bidder who did not manufacture or otherwise produce the major items listed in BDS shall provide the manufacturer's authorization, using the form provided in Section 4 (Bidding Forms), showing that the Bidder has been duly authorized by the manufacturer or producer of the related plant and equipment or component to supply and install that item in the Employer's country. The Bidder is responsible for ensuring that the manufacturer or producer complies with the requirements of ITB 4 & 5 and all the major items meet the requirement of the specification described in Section 6 (Employer's Requirements)

In case of Electrical Installation works Sub-contractor and Civil Subcontractor **shall have working experience similar to the proposed specific works (For electrical sub-contractor: Experience on any electrical works like installation/ erection of electrical machineries/ equipment and any electrical construction like line/ sub-station/ switching station / power plant etc. will be considered as similar experience)**. The successful Bidder may appoint such a Sub-contractor after getting approval from Employer by ensuring the experience and providing supporting documents. Employer has whole right to accept or reject the proposed Sub-contractor.

The Bidder shall submit with its Technical Bid the following additional documents:

1. Letter of Authorization to the effect that the bidder is authorized to submit the bid on behalf of the respective manufacturer and that the Bidder has the authority to supply such equipment to the Employer as per the Form given in Section-4: Bidding Forms (Manufacturer's Authorization) in Manufacturer's Letterhead from the proposed manufacturers of
 - a. 33/11.55 kV 10/14 MVA power transformer
 - b. 33 kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS)
 - c. 11 kV Air Insulated Switchgear (AIS)
 - d. Protective relays
 - e. Substation Automation System (SAS)
 - f.
 - g. 11 KV 1Cx500 mm² XLPE Cu Cables
 - h.
 - i. 33 kV Plug-in GIS End Termination
 - j. 33 kV & 11 kV Indoor/outdoor Cable Accessories (Cable Termination Jointing Kits)
 - k. 33 kV & 11 KV Surge Arrester
 - l. 110 V Battery
 - m. 110 V Battery Charger
 - n. 33/0.415kV 200 KVA Station transformer
2. Bidders shall furnish copies of valid ISO 9001/ISO 9002 or equivalent certificates for the proposed manufacturers for individual equipment:

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5. End User's letter:

1. Evidence from Successful operation of at least one **(1) contract** (AIS/GIS Sub-station) 33/11 kV or above rating sub-station for at least one year within last five year.
2. Evidence from end user for a minimum of 3 (three) years [In case of any discrepancy between the satisfactory service/ operational period mentioned in Section-6 and any other section of the bidding documents against any goods, then the highest satisfactory service period shall be deemed to be applicable] satisfactory service/operation within the last 10 (Ten) years in humid tropical climate of similar specifications required by this bid for the equipment of
 - a. 10/14 MVA power transformer
 - b. 33 kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS)
 - c. 11 kV Air Insulated Switchgear (AIS)
 - d. Substation automation system (SAS)
 - e. Protective relays

The client's policy is to verify the submitted user letter directly with the authority which requires the contact details of the respective user such as contact person's name, designation, phone number, fax no. and e-mail address, which shall also be provided in the bid. If documents are not in English, an English notarized version dully certified by the Notary public or Government Authorized agency of the bidder's country should be provided.

2.7 Personnel

Bidder must demonstrate that it will have the personnel for the key positions that meet the following requirements:

No.	Position and Minimum requirement	Total Construction related Work Experience (years)	Experience In Similar Works (years)
1	Project Manager – 1 No. Minimum Qualification: B. Sc. in Electrical & Electronic /Mechanical	15	10

No.	Position and Minimum requirement	Total Construction related Work Experience (years)	Experience In Similar Works (years)
	Engineering		
2	Electrical Design Engineer – 2 Nos. Minimum Qualification: B. Sc. in Electrical & Electronic /Mechanical Engineering	10	5
3	Construction / Site Engineer – 3 Nos. Minimum Qualification: B. Sc. in Electrical & Electronic Engineering	10	5
4	Civil Engineer – 1 No. Minimum Qualification: B. Sc. in Civil Engineering	10	5
5	Testing & Commissioning Engineer – 1 Nos. Minimum Qualification: B. Sc. in Electrical Engineering	10	5
6	Technicians – 2 Nos. Minimum Qualification: Diploma Engineering in Electrical /Electronic/ Mechanical	6	4
7	Environmental Specialist– 1 No. Minimum Qualification: Bachelor’s Degree in Environmental Science, Environment Management, Environmental Engineering or closely related discipline.	5	2
8	Health and Safety Specialist-1 Nos Minimum Qualification: Bachelor’s Degree in related discipline.	5	2

The Bidder shall provide details of the proposed personnel and their experience records in the relevant Forms included in Section 4 (Bidding Forms).

2.8 Equipment

Contractor must have access to following equipments (but not limited to):

Sl. No.	Equipment Type and Characteristics	Minimum Number required
1	Mobile Crane with adequate capacity for lifting and	As required

	placement of heavy goods like Power Transformers or other lifting systems for heavy equipment	
2	Fork Lift, 2 Ton	As required
3	Dump Truck	As required
4	Concrete Mixer	As required
5	Piling equipment	As required
6	Protection testing equipment	As required
7	Excavator	As required
8	Soil compacter	As required

The Bidder shall provide further details of proposed items of equipment using the relevant Form in Section 4 (Bidding Forms).

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTION TO BIDDER

In case of any bids offer goods as equivalent quality from a country and manufacturer instead of a country and manufacturer specified in Section-6 (Employer's Requirements), then the following additional condition shall be met:

The manufacturer must have at least 15 years manufacturing experience of the offered goods and those goods must have overall satisfactory operation in Bangladesh or any other South Asian Countries (Except manufacturers own country) at least 15 years counting backward from the date of bid submission. Goods offered as equivalent quality shall have a complete type test report as per the standard specified in Section-6 from any member of STL testing laboratory. Goods offered as equivalent quality must have synchronize/matching capability with the existing network of BREB to ensure changeability and reliability. As a proof of evidence bidder must submit manufacturing documents for 15 years with production capacity, Delivery records for 15 years, Operational acceptance certificate and at least 5 nos. End User Certificate from electricity utility about the satisfactory operation of said duration and also routine test report, type test certificate along with test reports on the user's/relevant letterhead, indicating address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail address, project name, employer's name, description of work, commissioning date and contract date & amount shall be provided in the bid. All the evidence other than in English Language must be translated into English and the translation shall be certified by the Notary public or Government Authorized agency of the bidder's country. Bidder also shall submit relevant documents which prove that the offered goods are equivalent with respect to the goods of a country and manufacturer specified in Section-6. If any bidder fails to submit any of the above documents, then the bid shall be rejected. Please note that employers may accept or reject the goods offered as equivalent without any clarification/ justification."