

Corrigendum and Pre-Bid Response

For

“Selection of Service Provider for Outreach Partner under Chief Minister Good Governance Fellowship Program for Government of Chhattisgarh”



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Tender Reference Number	44/CEO/CHiPS/CMGGF/2017
Name of the Tender	Selection of Service Provider for Outreach Partner under Chief Minister Good Governance Fellowship Program for Government of Chhattisgarh
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Important Note:-

1. Bidders are requested to submit a signed copy of this corrigendum with Bid Submission.

Pre-Bid Response

s.no.	Tender Document Reference(s) (Section & Page Number())	Content of TENDER requiring clarification(s)	Points of clarifications	CHIPS Response
1	Point 1 of Eligibility Criteria specific requirements, Page No. 10	<p>The bidder must be a company registered under the Indian Company Act, 1956 (or 2013) or a non for profit organization or a trust registered under Societies Registration Act 1960 and must have in existence in India for at least 2 years as on 31st March 2017</p> <p><i>Certificate of incorporation required</i></p>	<p>Kindly note that we are a proprietorship concern. Established in 1997.</p> <p>A proprietorship concern is not required to be registered under companies Act as it is owned by an individual. A proprietorship concern does not require any formal registration with Government.</p> <p>Further the proprietorship concern does not require separate Permanent Account Number (PAN), and proprietorship concern need to file its return of income based on PAN of the proprietor, but there are some other business licenses that need to be taken when setting up Sole proprietor concern such as Service Tax, TIN, VAT etc. which have to be in the name of the concern.</p> <p>Hence kindly amend the condition to enable us to participate in the RFP.</p> <p>Further we wish to mention that the clause restricts a proprietorship firm to participate in the tender.</p> <p>Hence, we wish to bring to your kind notice the following:</p>	As per RFP

			<p>- For an organization, to get best services / creativity, it is much more important to evaluate the capability, work and track record of the agency rather than its legal constitution.</p> <p>- The Constitution of India allows any firm engaged in doing business legally, irrespective of its constitution, to conduct business in India. As such, legal constitution cannot be the criteria to bar any organisation from doing a particular business.</p> <p>- The above clause creates entry barriers by driving competitors out from the tender process. This is presumably against the Competition Act 2002 of India. Please note that as per Section 19(3) of the Act, creation of entry barriers for competition leads to Appreciable Adverse Effect on Competition ("AAEC").</p> <p>Keeping in view the above, it is requested to amend the said clause and allow proprietorship firms also to participate in the tender. This will help you in selecting the agencies capable of providing you the best services.</p>	
2	Section 2 Point 1 Page 10	The bidder must be a company registered under the Indian Company Act, 1956 (or 2013) or a non for profit organization or a trust registered under Societies Registration Act 1960 and must have in existence in India for at least 2 years as on 31st March 2017	Is a trust registered under the Trusts Registration Act, 1882 eligible to bid for the project? The firm is a trust registered under the Trusts Registration Act, 1882 and has official documents certifying the same. Given the fact that we have conducted various fellowship/internship/outreach programs in the country, we believe we can do justice to the requirements and objectives of the CMGGF. Therefore, we would	Please refer to corrigendum

			place a sincere request to include a trust registered under the Trusts Registration Act, 1882 under the list of eligible bidders.	
	Section 3, Clause 7 Point 2 Page 16	The bidder should have experience in designing and conducting innovative training in the field of public policy and governance involving minimum 30 participants in last 2 years.	Should each such initiative involve a minimum of 30 participants or the sum of participants spread across multiple such initiatives be a minimum of 30 in the last two years?	At least one such training must have minimum 30 participants
	Section 3, Clause 7 Point 4 Page 17	The bidder should have worked with premier institutes (like IIT, IIM, NLU etc.) in India and abroad.	With regards to working with premier institutes, we wish to highlight that we have conducted policy workshops inviting domain experts and thought leaders across various institutions across the country. However, the proof or supporting document in that case would be in the form of pictures of the event, email exchanges and press releases. Therefore, we wished to clarify whether the aforementioned documents would be considered as supporting documents for fulfilling this criterion or not?	Client Certificate / Work Order required
	Section 3, Clause 7 Point 5 Page 17	The bidder should have conducted outreach activity/ boot camps/ fellowship/ internship program in the field of public policy and governance for government program/ schemes in India.	Our firm has launched various programs such as the Supporting Parliamentarians on Analysis and Research in Constituency (SPARC), LEAD among others to support senior policy makers on catalyzing development on the ground. As part of the same, the Associates trained by Our firm work to strengthen the last mile delivery of government services and schemes such as the Jan Dhan, UJJWALA, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, Swachh Bharat Mission, etc. Therefore, would initiatives such as SPARC and LEAD be considered for fulfilling the specification of government program/schemes in India?	Certificate of Participation/Work Order/Self Certified Letter if bidder is organizer of a program
	Section 5, Clause 1 Point	Social media marketing: 10 ads placed for 2 months with minimum 1	When it comes to social media	As per RFP. Financial

	1 (5.1.1 b) Page 34	lakh impressions	marketing, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram allow for sponsored content/ads, which gain more impressions than regular posts. As part of the outreach activity conducted for multiple initiatives such as CMULF, SPARC, LEAD, our firms fellowship, etc. our firm has leveraged this feature to gain more traction and attract the best talent to the aforementioned programmes. While our firm has the experience of designing the content, would the CMGGF support the cost involved in putting up the sponsored content?	bid should include all project related costs
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Corrigendum:

C1: Please read Section 2 Point 1 Page 10 as

“The bidder must be a company registered under the Companies Act or a non for profit organization registered under Societies Registration Act or a trust registered under Indian Trusts Act and must have in existence in India for at least 2 years as on 31st March 2017”

C2: Section 3.21 Please read

“Completion of task / Activities and Submission of Deliverables and reports as per Section 7 of this TENDER”

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“Completion of task / activities and submission of deliverables and reports as per Section 3.26 of this TENDER”

C3: Section 3.21 Please read

“As per timelines mentioned in Section 7 of this TENDER”

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“As per timelines mentioned in Section 5.2 of this TENDER”

C4: Section 3.7 Please read

“The bidder should have worked with premier institutes (like IIT, IIM, NLU etc.) in India and abroad.”

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“The bidder should have worked with premier institutes in India or abroad. The Indian institution must rank in the Top 50 latest list of institutions published by National Institutional Ranking Framework, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India”

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