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<u>Date: 24/07/2026</u>

<u>Pre Bid Query Response</u>

Tender No: MLS/Raipur/Operations/3/26-27/ET/3[CMDC Sand Tender Empanelment] dated 09.07.2026 for "Empanelment of Agencies for Preparation & Approval of Quarry Plan and Obtaining Environment Clearance of Sand Blocks".

Pre-Bid meeting held on 20.07.2026 at CMDC Ltd, Sector 24, Block no. 07A, Third floor, Atal Nagar, Nava Raipur (C.G.)

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<tr><td>1.</td><td>Chapter VIII, page 18, Empanelment Process; Annexure 9, page 48, Commercial Bid Format.</td><td>Chapter VIII – Clause 4.
Empanelment of agencies will be done as per following category:<table><tr><td>S No</td><td>Category</td><td>Maximum number of agencies to be empanelled</td></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>Less than 5 Hectare</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>More than 5 Hectare and</td><td>3</td></tr></table></td><td>The exact areas of 5 ha, 15 ha and 25 ha are omitted. This may create uncertainty in rate selection and work allotment.</td><td>Replace the area slabs as follows: (i) up to and including 5 ha;
(ii) more than 5 ha and up to and including 15 ha; (iii) more than 15 ha and up to and including 25 ha; and (iv) more than 25 ha. The same slabs shall apply in the eligibility, empanelment and commercial-bid provisions.</td><td>Refer corrigendum.</td></tr>
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<tr><td>2.</td><td>Chapter VIII, pages 18 and 20-24, Empanelment, EC Scope, Timeline and Payment Terms.</td><td>Chapter VIII – Clause 6
A. Quarry Plan
B. Emnvironmental Clearance

Chapter VIII – Clause 7 – Project Timelines and Payment Terms</td><td>Determination of project category (B1/B2) and applicability of EIA/Public Consultation accordingly

A project up to 5 ha may be B2 without EIA/public consultation or B1/B2-cluster with full EIA and public consultation. The effort, cost and timeline are materially different.

A single area-based rate is prescribed.
The consultant must determine whether the project is B1, B2 or B2 cluster and undertake the applicable EIA and public-consultation process.</td><td>Create two separate categories: Category 1A - up to and including 5 ha, B2, without EIA and public consultation; and Category 1B - up to and including 5 ha, B1/B2-cluster, requiring ToR, EIA/EMP and public consultation. Prescribe separate rates, milestones and timelines. The classification made by the competent authority shall prevail.</td><td>Refer corrigendum.</td></tr>
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3.	Chapter V, page 9, definitions of "Agency" and "Bidder"; Chapter VIII, page 16, Eligibility Criteria.	1. "Agency" shall mean registered LLP Firm/registered Company (Private Ltd. or Public Limited) in India which is awarded the work. 2. "Bidder" means registered under the Companies Act, 1956 or Partnership Firm registered under the Partnership Act, 1932 or LLP registered under the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 or Society registered under Societies Act, 1960/2012 or subsequent amendments or Sole Proprietorship.	A technically qualified partnership firm may bid but may be excluded from empanelment, agreement or work allotment because of the conflicting definition.	Replace the definition as follows: "Agency means any eligible bidder, including a company, registered partnership firm, LLP, registered society or sole proprietorship, selected, empanelled or awarded work under this Tender." A registered partnership firm shall be eligible to bid, qualify, be empanelled, receive work orders and execute the agreement.	Refer Corrigendum
4.	Chapter V, Consortium Definition; Chapter VIII, pages 16-17, Consortium and Technical Eligibility.	"Consortium" shall mean a collaborative partnership where two independent entities join forces to submit a single, combined bid. The members can combine their financial credentials, past project experience, and technical capacities to meet eligibility criteria.	Shree Nivas Geocon is a registered partnership firm. Its RQP is a partner. It may participate with a QCI-NABET accredited EIA Consultant Organisation. The eligibility and attribution of experience must be clear. According to the provision, the wording does not clearly permit a partnership firm to lead a consortium with a QCI-NABET accredited EIA organisation.	A company, registered partnership firm, LLP, society or sole proprietorship may participate independently or through a consortium of not more than two members. A registered partnership firm may act as Lead Member where an RQP or other competent Quarry Plan professional is its partner. The partner's eligible experience shall count as the firm's technical experience, subject to documentary proof. The second member may be a valid QCI-NABET-accredited EIA Consultant Organisation. The members may jointly satisfy the technical, experience and financial criteria.	Please refer corrigendum along with tender document.

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5.	Chapter VIII, page 16, Eligibility Criteria, S. No. 1: Incorporation of Firm, Legal Entity.	The bidder should be a company registered under the Companies Act, 1956 or Partnership Firm registered under the Partnership Act, 1932 or LLP registered under the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 or Society registered under Societies Act, 1960/2012 or subsequent amendments or Sole Proprietorship. The bidder should be at least 5 years old company/LLP/ Partnership firm or Society registered under the Societies Act or Sole Proprietor as on last date of bid submission The Bidder should have valid GST Registration Certificate and PAN Card.	It is unclear whether the age of a partnership firm is counted from its constitution/commencement date or from the later date of entry in the Register of Firms.	For a partnership firm, the minimum age shall be calculated from the constitution or commencement date stated in the partnership deed, PAN or another valid business record. Registration under the Partnership Act shall be valid on the bid submission date. A later Registration as a Partnership Firm with registrar of firm shall not alter the original constitution date i.e. Eligibility of 5 year shall be counted from the date of partnership agreement and issuance of PAN. Work performed after constitution and before registration shall be accepted when supported by valid records and approvals	Agreed.
6.	Chapter VIII, page 17, Eligibility Criteria, S. No. 7: Similar Project Experience – Quarry Plan and Environment Clearance	The Bidder/Consortium should have following experience in sand blocks: • Quarry Plan (Preparation and Approval) – 3 numbers and • Obtaining Environmental Clearance – 3 numbers in last 5 years as on last date of bid submission.	It should be confirmed that experience from any State or Union Territory of India is eligible. Consortium-member experience should also be accepted. The tender does not clearly about the State restrictions.	Experience gained in any State or Union Territory of India shall be accepted, provided the work relates to sand blocks and is supported by work orders, approval letters, EC letters or completion certificates issued by the client or competent authority. For a consortium, the eligible experience of either member shall count toward the joint technical eligibility.	The experience gained in any State of India or the Union Territory of India shall be considered.

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7.	Chapter VIII, page 18, Empanelment Process and Work Allocation.	Chapter 8 : Clause 4 : Empanelment Process • The lowest commercial rate quoted against each category becomes the L1 rate for respective categories • L1 bidder will be given preference for work assignment for all blocks in the category. In case, L1 bidder does not agree for all blocks, preference will be given to next empanelled bidder who agrees for work commencement in the respective category	Two or more technically qualified bidders may quote the same lowest rate. Their L1 status and the method of work allocation are unclear.	Where two or more technically qualified bidders quote the same lowest rate in a category, all such bidders shall be treated as joint L1 bidders for that category. CMDC may allocate work among the joint L1 bidders based on workload, technical capacity, performance and project requirements. The decision shall be taken by the Competent Authority and communicated in writing. The lowest quoted rate becomes the L1 rate. The L1 bidder receives preference. The tender does not address equal lowest quotations.	Tender Document conditions shall prevail.
8.	Chapter VIII, page 17, Eligibility Criteria, S. No. 7: Similar Project Experience.	The Bidder/Consortium should have following experience in sand blocks: • Quarry Plan (Preparation and Approval) – 3 numbers and • Obtaining Environmental Clearance – 3 numbers in last 5 years as on last date of bid submission.	The tender does not state whether the Quarry Plans and ECs must relate to the same three mines. It also does not clarify whether unrelated sand-block assignments are acceptable.	The bidder/consortium shall have experience of preparation and approval of at least three Quarry Plans for sand blocks and obtaining at least three Environmental Clearances for sand blocks during the last five years. The Quarry Plan and EC experience may relate to the same projects or different sand block projects. It shall not be mandatory that the bidder obtained the EC for the same block for which it prepared the Quarry Plan. Experience for minerals other than sand shall not be counted.	The bidder/consortium should have successfully prepared and obtained approval for at least three Quarry Plans for sand blocks and secured at least three Environmental Clearances (ECs) for sand blocks during the last five years. The Quarry Plan and EC experience may pertain to the same or different sand block projects, and it is not mandatory that the EC has been obtained for the same sand block for which the Quarry Plan was prepared. Experience related to sand blocks shall only be considered for evaluation.

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9.	Chapter VIII, pages 16-17, S. Nos. 5 and 6; Chapter X, Annexure 5, page 41: Turnover Certificate.	The Bidder should have minimum average annual turnover of INR 50 Lakhs in any 03 (Three) consecutive Financial Years among FY 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26). The bidder should have positive net worth as per last Audited Financial Year.	"Financial statements" is undefined. It is unclear whether audited Profit and Loss Accounts, along with Form 3CB and Form 3CD are compulsory.	The bidder shall submit the CA-certified turnover and net-worth certificate with UDIN. The bidder shall also submit the audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the relevant years. Form 3CB and Form 3CD shall not be mandatory unless specifically required through a written corrigendum.	Tender Document conditions shall prevail.
10.	Chapter VIII, page 22, Clause 6(B)(xix); page 24, Timeline Note; Chapter IX, page 31, Clause 16.	The Agency shall obtain No objection Certificate (NoC) to be obtained from respective Gram Panchayat or Gram Sabha (if required) and any other applicable relevant authority/party/agency. The Agency must verify via GIS mapping and physical site validation that the proposed mining area does not violate forest, wildlife (Eco-Sensitive Zones), CRZ, or any infrastructural/social statutory restrictions (such as distance from bridges, embankments, water intake wells, and public structures) as per Chhattisgarh Sand Rules.	The NOC depends on the project proponent and local authority. Corrections may be required. The NOC should also cover plantation under the EMP or Nadi Tat Ropani Yojana on riverbank or nearby government land.	CMDC will obtain and provide the valid Gram Panchayat or Gram Sabha NOC. The NOC shall correctly state the project name, village, Khasra numbers, area, mineral & NOC for plantation under the EMP or Nadi Tat Ropani Yojana on the riverbank or identified government land. CMDC will obtain any correction notified by the bidder. The period from written notice until receipt of the valid or corrected NOC shall be excluded from the timeline. No penalty shall apply. The tender does not clearly allocate responsibility for issue, correction or delay. External-delay relief is discretionary.	In the event of delay due to reasons beyond the control of bidder shall not attract penalty. However, CMDC shall evaluate the request submitted by the agency clearly stating reason for delay with valid documentary evidence.

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11.	Chapter VIII, page 20, Clause 6(B)(iii); page 22, Clause 6(B)(xix); page 24, Timeline Note; Chapter IX, page 31.	Verification via GIS mapping and physical site validation that the proposed mining area does not violate forest, wildlife (Eco-Sensitive Zones), CRZ, or any infrastructural/social statutory restrictions (such as distance from bridges, embankments, water intake wells, and public structures) as per Chhattisgarh Sand Rules. No objection Certificate (NoC) to be obtained from respective Gram Panchayat or Gram Sabha (if required) and any other applicable relevant authority/party/agency. Project Timeline and Payment Terms.	The agency must verify forest, wildlife and Eco-Sensitive Zone restrictions and obtain applicable NOCs. Responsibility for the DFO certificate, corrections and delay is not defined. The EC proposal may require a DFO/Forest Department certificate stating distances from National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, Reserve Forests, Protected Forests and notified Eco-Sensitive Zones.	CMDC will obtain and provide the required NOC from the concerned DFO of competent Forest Department authority. It shall state authenticated distances from the nearest National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Reserve Forest, Protected Forest and notified Eco-Sensitive Zone. CMDC will obtain any correction notified in writing. The period from the bidder's request or correction notice until receipt of a valid certificate shall be excluded automatically. No penalty, liquidated damages or adverse action shall apply.	Tender document condition shall prevail. Further, it is clarified that the NOC/ information available with CMDC will be provided to the Agency on as is where is basis. If any modifications or re-obtaining of NOC is required, the Agency shall obtain such necessary NOC/approvals. In case, no such information is available with the CMDC, the Agency shall be responsible to obtain the necessary NOC/approvals.
12.	Chapter VIII, page 20, Clause 6(B)(i); page 22, Clause 6(B)(xvii); page 23, Milestone A(1).	Preparation of Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR), Form-I, Form-1M (wherever applicable), and all other prescribed forms/checklists for each block. The consultant shall verify and ensure that the sand block is duly incorporated into the valid approved District Survey Report (DSR) of the district concerned before proceeding (wherever applicable). Replenishment study for sand block to be conducted on need basis or as per the applicable statutory compliances. Project Timeline and Payment Terms. (A1)	The consultant must verify DSR inclusion, conduct a Replenishment Study when required, and prepare/obtain approval of the DSR within T + 20 days As per MOEF OM 19/06/2026 DSR and Replenishment Study are district-level statutory documents approved by SEIAA. Their preparation, publication and approval depend on the District	Preparation, revision, approval and publication of the DSR and Replenishment Study shall be outside the successful bidder's scope. CMDC shall ensure that each allotted sand block is included in a valid approved DSR and supported by the applicable approved Replenishment Study. The bidder's responsibility shall be limited to verification and use of the approved documents. Any inclusion, correction, revision or approval shall be arranged by CMDC through the competent authority. The milestone "Preparation and Approval of DSR within T + 20 days" shall be deleted. The replacement milestone shall be verification of	It is clarified that, the agency shall assist in providing inputs/information required during the process (if applicable). Time duration for this milestone remains unchanged.

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		• Preparation and Approval of District Survey Report (if applicable) for sand ghats and submission of application for EC – T + 20 days -	Administration and environmental authorities. The bidder cannot complete or control these processes.	DSR inclusion and EC application submission within 20 days after CMDC provides all valid statutory documents. Related waiting time shall be excluded, without penalty.	
13.	Chapter VIII, Project Objective and EIA/EMP Scope; page 22, Clause 6(B)(xx); Chapter IX, page 31, Clause 16.	All costs from applying for EC application till approval will be borne by the successful bidder/agency. Chapter IX – Point 16 : CMDC's obligation	A Schedule-I species, or another species requiring a conservation plan, may be reported during the study. Plan preparation, approval fees and implementation funding are project costs and may be substantial.	Where a Schedule-I species, or any species requiring a conservation plan under applicable law, is reported in the EIA study area in case of B1 project, the bidder shall report it in to the CMDC. CMDC shall bear the cost of preparation and approval of the Wildlife Conservation Plan. CMDC shall pay all scrutiny fees, approval fees and statutory charges. CMDC shall also provide the complete implementation budget approved by the Forest/Wildlife Authority. The bidder shall provide technical inputs and coordination support. Plan preparation or revision shall require a separate work order and separate professional fee unless expressly included in the commercial bid. Approval time shall be excluded from the timeline. No penalty shall apply.	Preparation of a Wildlife Conservation Plan shall be required only if mandated by the Competent Authority. CMDC shall reassess the requirements for preparation of Wildlife Conservation Plan and may take necessary actions for the same. However, the statutory fees/ payments made to any Government Authority, required for obtaining necessary approvals shall be reimbursed by CMDC on submission of receipt for payment of such fees/payments.
14.	Chapter VIII, page 20, Clause 6(B)(iii); page 22, Clause 6(B)(xx); Chapter IX, page 31, Clause 16.	Verification via GIS mapping and physical site validation that the proposed mining area does not violate forest, wildlife (Eco-Sensitive Zones), CRZ, or any infrastructural/social statutory restrictions (such as distance from bridges, embankments, water intake wells, and public structures) as per Chhattisgarh Sand Rules. All costs from applying for EC application till approval will be borne by the successful bidder/agency Chapter IX – Point 16 : CMDC's obligation	Wildlife Clearance may be required under applicable law, court orders, an ESZ notification or a direction of the competent authority. The normal quotation assumes that Wildlife Clearance is not required.	Where Wildlife Clearance, Standing Committee of NBWL approval or another wildlife-related approval is required, CMDC shall bear responsibility for obtaining it. CMDC shall pay all statutory fees, scrutiny charges, application charges, study costs and authority payments. The bidder shall provide technical inputs and coordination support. Preparation and processing of the wildlife proposal shall be additional work under a separate work order and professional fee. The normal EC rate shall exclude Wildlife Clearance. The full approval period shall be excluded from the contractual	

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				timeline. No penalty or liability shall apply for this delay.	
15.	Chapter VIII, page 21, Clause 6(B)(vii); page 22, Clause 6(B)(xx); Chapter IX, page 31, Clause 16.	Conduct Public Hearing, wherever applicable, including basic liasoning works, coordinating with the District Collectorate and Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board (CECB), and managing logistics for presentation materials. All costs incurred for public hearing will be borne by the successful bidder/agency. All costs from applying for EC application till approval will be borne by the successful bidder/agency. Chapter IX – Point 16 : CMDC's obligation.	The tender places public-hearing and EC-related costs on the bidder. It also states that CMDC shall pay statutory/documented amounts to competent authorities. The provisions are contradictory in the tended document. Statutory and government fees are project-owner costs, not consultancy fees. The bidder should not finance them.	It shall be clear about who will bear and pay all statutory, regulatory and authority fees for Quarry Plan approval, EC application processing fee, public consultation fee and advertisement, CTE, CTO and related approvals. These shall include scrutiny fees, processing fees, application fees, public hearing fees, newspaper advertisement charges, Draft EIA submission charges, CECB charges and any other authority demand. If bidder is required to pay than the bidder shall provide the challan, demand letter or supporting record. CMDC shall pay within the prescribed period. The bidder shall not advance or pre-finance any statutory payment. The quoted rate shall cover only professional services, studies, reports, travel, coordination and normal documentation. Delay caused by CMDC's payment shall be excluded from the timeline, without penalty.	Please refer response to Sr. No. 13
16.	Chapter IX, pages 31-32, Clauses 17-19: Failure, Termination and Force Majeure.	Chapter IX – Clause 17 - Failure of Bidder Chapter IX – Clause 18 – Termination Chapter IX – Clause 19 - Force Majeure	If the bidder fails to complete the works, and as a result, the order/contract agreement is cancelled, the amount due to him, on account of work executed by him, if payable, shall be paid to him, only after due recoveries, as per the provision of contract agreement executed and	If CMDC suspends, abandons or closes a project due to technical, legal, environmental or statutory infeasibility, it shall be treated as termination for convenience and not bidder default. CMDC shall accept the work completed up to the closure date. Completed milestones shall be paid in full. Partly completed milestones shall be paid proportionately against certified progress. Payment shall be released within 30 days of submission. No penalty, recovery or liquidated damages shall apply. The bidder shall not be	In the event of suspension, abandonment or closure of a project due to reasons beyond control of bidder shall not be attributable to the bidder and shall not attract penalty for such delays; the bidder shall be paid for completed milestones as per agreement.

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			only after alternative arrangement to complete the work have been made. A project may become technically, legally, environmentally or statutorily infeasible. CMDC may decide not to proceed. This is not bidder default. The bidder must be paid for completed and partly completed work.	disqualified, debarred, blacklisted or treated as non-performing. The related Security Deposit/PBG shall be released after handover of records.	The proportionate payment for certified work completed up to the date of closure in accordance with the terms of the Agreement shall be paid. Release of the Performance Bank Guarantee/Security Deposit and closure of the contract shall be governed by the provisions of the Agreement after satisfactory handover of all records, documents and deliverables.
17.	Chapter VIII, pages 18-21, DGPS Survey and Baseline Data; page 24, Timeline Note and SLA.	Chapter VIII – Clause 6 – Scope of Work A. Quarry Plan B. Environmental Clearance	NOCs, Wildlife Clearance and Conservation Plan approval may take time. Baseline monitoring may need to wait for the next permissible season. Waterlogging or flooding may prevent DGPS survey, pitting, sampling, depth assessment and resource estimation.	All waiting periods caused by statutory approvals, unavailability of prescribed monitoring seasons or unsuitable site conditions shall be excluded from every contractual milestone timeline. Excluded periods shall include time taken for Panchayat/Gram Sabha NOC, DFO/Forest NOC, Wildlife Clearance/NBWL approval, Conservation Plan preparation/approval, waiting for the next permissible baseline-monitoring season, and waterlogging, flooding or unsafe conditions preventing survey, pitting, sampling or assessment. The bidder shall notify CMDC with correspondence, photographs, site records or monitoring requirements. The exclusion shall run until the approval is received, the permissible season starts, or the site becomes dry, accessible and safe. CMDC shall confirm the revised timeline within seven working days. Failure to respond shall not	The delays for reasons beyond the control of bidders shall not be attributable. No penalty shall attract towards such delays.

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				invalidate a documented exclusion. No penalty, adverse marking, debarment or blacklisting shall apply.	
18.	Chapter VIII, page 21, Clauses 6(B)(vi)-(x); Chapter IX, page 31, Clause 16: CMDC's Obligation.	Chapter VIII – Clause 6(B) vi. Preparation of Executive Summary in Hindi and English, preparation of draft EIA-EMP/EIA report, technical presentation for Public Consultation wherever applicable, presentation at State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) or any other relevant Govt. authority for the sand blocks and submission to Govt. authority as per applicable laws. x. Second/Final Technical Committee Presentation before the concerned Govt. authority, as the case may be and obtaining Environmental Clearance. Clause 16 : CMDC's Obligation.	Several matters require the project proponent's official presence, declarations, commitments, ownership confirmation or administrative decision. The consultant cannot represent CMDC on such matters without written authority. The consultant must coordinate with authorities and attend presentations. CMDC's participation before individual authorities is not defined.	CMDC shall nominate an officer for timely administrative and institutional support before the District Administration, Mining Department, CECB, SEAC, SEIAA and any other competent authority. The officer shall attend meetings, hearings, inspections and presentations wherever the project proponent's presence is required. The consultant shall present technical matters. Delay caused by non-availability of CMDC's officer, document, authorisation or decision shall be excluded from the timeline, without penalty.	CMDC shall nominate an authorized officer as and when required.
19.	Chapter VIII, pages 18 and 20-24	Chapter VIII – Clause 6 A. Quarry Plan B. Environmental Clause	Determination of project category (B1/B2/B2 cluster) and applicability of EIA/Public Consultation accordingly. Category of Sand Blocks (B1/B2)	As per the EIA Notification and its subsequent amendments, mining projects having an area up to 5 hectares are generally categorized as B2, whereas projects exceeding 5 hectares fall under B1 category. Since the tender categorizes blocks based only on area, kindly clarify whether the categorization and scope of work shall be considered in accordance with the applicable EIA Notification, i.e., up to 5 Ha as B2 and more than 5 Ha as B1.	Refer corrigendum.

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20.	Chapter VIII, Point 7 Page No 23	Chapter VIII – Clause 7 : Project Timeline and Payment Terms	Project Timeline	The timelines specified in the tender appear to be very stringent. Several activities, including baseline environmental monitoring, public hearing, regulatory approvals, and other statutory processes, are dependent upon seasonal conditions, climatic factors, and decisions of the competent authorities. Therefore, we request CMDC to consider revising the overall project duration to a more practical timeframe.	Refer corrigendum.
21.	Chapter VIII, Point 3 Page No 16	Chapter VIII – Clause 3 – Eligibility Criteria- Sr. No. 4. Consortium is allowed for maximum 2 parties i.e. 1 lead member and 1 consortium partner. (Consortium can individually or jointly fulfill the financial and technical criteria.)	Consortium Eligibility	The tender states that a consortium may jointly fulfil the financial and technical eligibility criteria. Kindly clarify whether a consortium will be considered eligible if one consortium member satisfies only the financial eligibility (turnover requirement) but has no experience in preparation of Quarry Plans or obtaining Environmental Clearance, while the lead partner possesses the complete technical experience and executes the entire scope of work.	Refer corrigendum.
22.	Chapter IX, pages 31-32, Clauses 17-19: Failure, Termination and Force Majeure	Chapter IX – Clause 17 – Failure of Bidder Chapter IX – Clause 18 – Termination Chapter IX – Clause 19 – Force Majeure	Release of Balance Payment and Security Deposit	Kindly clarify the provisions regarding the release of the balance payment and refund of the Security Deposit in cases where the Environmental Clearance cannot be obtained due to reasons beyond the control of the agency, such as additional statutory requirements imposed by SEIAA/DEIAA/EAC, preparation of Wildlife Conservation Plans, Forest/Wildlife clearances, or any other regulatory conditions or decisions of the competent authority, despite timely submission and due diligence by the consultant	In the event of non-securing EC due to reasons beyond control of bidder shall be paid for completed milestones and, where applicable, proportionate payment for certified work completed in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. Preparation of a Wildlife Conservation Plan shall be

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					required only if mandated by the Competent Authority. CMDC shall reassess the requirements for preparation of Wildlife Conservation Plan and may take necessary actions for the same. Release of the Performance Bank Guarantee/Security Deposit and closure of the contract shall be governed by the provisions of the Agreement after satisfactory handover of all records, documents and deliverables.

* Any change in the timeline or corrigendum related to the Tender Document will be communicated through an addendum/corrigendum to the Tender Document. Such notice/communication will be available on MSTC portal and CMDC website only. Bidders are advised to check MSTC portal and CMDC website regularly for any updates. All such communication will be forming part of tender document.