



CHHATTISGARH MINERAL DEVELOPEMENT CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Govt. of Chhattisgarh Undertaking)

REGD.OFFICE: SECTOR 24, BLOCK NO. 07 A, THIRD FLOOR, ATAL NAGAR, NAVA
RAIPUR (C.G.)-492015

e-Tender No.: - MSTC/RPR/CHHATTISGARH MINERAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
LIMITED/3/RAIPUR/25-26/52791

Date 02.01.2026

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Online and sealed tenders are invited from experienced and financially sound parties for Raising Cum Marketing of Dolomite in Chhitapandariya Dolomite Mine, Sakti district, Chhattisgarh India. The details of Bid submission and related dates are given as below :-

1. The Bid Document will be available for download at the cost of Rs. 50,000+Rs. 9,000 (18% GST) =59,000 (Rs. Fifty-Nine Thousand Only). The Bid Document can be viewed and downloaded from the website of MSTC Ltd namely <https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/mlcln/> from **02/01/2026 to 29/01/2026 up to 3:00 p.m.** against payment of the above cost of Bid Document. Bidders shall not be allowed to bid without paying the above-mentioned Tender Fee. The cost of the Bid Document is non-refundable.
2. For clarification of the issues related to the tender pre bid conference will be held in CMDC's H.O. on **15/01/2026 at 2.00 p.m.**
3. The last date for online submission of Technical Bid and Base Price Offer is **29/01/2026 up to 3:00 p.m.** The original hard copies of the Technical Bid only should be submitted to the CMDC's office on or before **29/01/2026 up to 3:00 p.m.** Technical Bid will be opened on the same day at **4.00 p.m.** at CMDC's Head office, Sector 24, Block No. 07 A, Third Floor, Atal Nagar, Nava Raipur (Chhattisgarh)-492015;

For further clarifications Chief General Manager, CMDC, Raipur may be contacted at 0771-2960539 (E-mail: cmdcraipur@gmail.com).

4. Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) and Tender at a glance can be viewed and downloaded from the CMDC's website www.cmdc.co.in from **02/01/2026**.
5. Notice Inviting Tender is in brief. For further details, the Bidder shall refer the Bid Document.

Managing Director

SCHEDULE OF THE TENDER PROCESS

S. No.	Event Description	Date
1.	Commencement of downloading of Tender Document from the website of MSTC against the payment of cost of tender document	02.01.2026
2.	Last date of downloading and purchase of Tender Document from the website of MSTC	29.01.2026 up to 3:00 P.M.
3.	Start of site inspection	03.01.2026
4.	End of site inspection	12.01.2026
5.	Last date for receiving queries from Bidders	13.01.2026
6.	Pre-bid meeting	15.01.2026 at 02:00P.M.
7.	Last date for responses to queries of Bidders	20.01.2026
8.	Last date for submission of EMD	29.01.2026 up to 3:00 P.M.
9.	Start of submission of online bid for Technical Bid and Base Price Offer	21.01.2026
10.	Close of submission of online bid (Technical Bid and Base Price Offer) as well as for submission of physical copies (Original copies of Technical Bid only)	29.01.2026 up to 3:00 P.M.
11.	Opening of the Technical Bid(s).	29.01.2026 up to 4:00 P.M.
12.	Start date for examination of the Technical Bid(s).	30.01.2026
13.	Announcement of the Eligible Bidders	To be communicated later
14.	Opening of Base Price Offer of Eligible Bidders	To be communicated later
15.	Conduct of online Forward bidding for the Shortlisted Bidders	To be communicated later
16.	Intimation to the Successful Bidder	To be communicated later
17.	Execution of the Agreement between the Successful Bidder and CMDC	To be communicated later

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

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1.	Details of Mining Lease	Chhitapandariya Dolomite Mine, Area - 326.167 Ha, Tehsil- Jaijpur District - Sakti, Chhattisgarh
2.	Scope of Work	<p>The Successful Bidder (Agency) shall be responsible for undertaking the following activities (as provided in more details in later sections and Agreement):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Take all necessary statutory permissions & complete compliance as per all applicable laws of State Government & Central Government. 2. The selected bidder shall reimburse CMDC for all costs incurred by CMDC related to preparation of mining plan & obtaining Environment Clearance including consultancy fees, statutory charges and related expenses. 3. Bidder shall make all necessary arrangement to obtain Forest Clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. All costs shall be borne by the bidder. 4. Excavation, dispatch and sale of Dolomite from the mine. 5. Exploration work in accordance with the approved Quarry/Mining Plan 6. Deploy Equipment as per the Approved Quarry/Mining Plan 7. Drilling and blasting on behalf of CMDC. (If applicable otherwise deploy Ripper/Face Breaker/Breaker etc. for excavation) 8. Transportation of finished product from the Mine after required weighment. 9. Mobilize manpower (including statutory manpower) to the site in accordance with the Applicable Laws. 10. Maintenance of haul roads, dumps, mining faces and transportation roads as per latest statutory guidelines. 11. Fencing of lease area and security of equipment, engage security guards and take such other measures as may be necessary to prevent pilferage of Dolomite. 12. Any other work incidental or related to for achieving the target as per provisions of the Agreement, executing scope of work and for the compliance of Applicable Laws. 13. All activities for Raising Cum Marketing of Dolomite as per the applicable laws, rules & regulations and other compliances, will be performed by the successful bidder. 14. All applicable costs related to Raising cum Marketing of dolomite will be borne by the successful bidder. 15. All payments (if any) done by CMDC shall be reimbursed by the successful bidder. <p>(For details, please refer to Bid Document)</p>
3.	Eligibility Criteria	Bidder must meet the eligibility criteria independently as Bidding Company or as a Consortium with one of the members acting as the Lead Member of the Bidding Consortium.

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		<p>Bidder will be declared as a Qualified Bidder based on meeting the Technical & Financial eligibility criteria demonstrated through documentary evidence submitted by the Bidder.</p> <p>In case Bidding Consortium, both Technical Criteria as well as Financial Criteria can be met collectively.</p> <p>The Bidder need to fulfill following minimum eligibility criteria:</p> <p>(A) Technical Criteria</p> <p>(1) The Bidder/Consortium should be a company registered under Companies Act 1956 or 2013 / A registered partnership firm registered under Indian Partnership Act, 1932/ A registered Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) registered under Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008/An Indian national with sole proprietorship right (along with subsequent amendments)</p> <p>(2) The Bidder/ Consortium should have mined at least 10 Lakh (Ten Lakh Only) metric ton of the following minerals during the preceding 03 years (i.e. FY2022-23, FY2023-24 and FY2024-25) anywhere in India: - Bauxite/ Aluminous Laterite, Iron ore, Coal, Limestone, Dolomite, Manganese, Rock Phosphate.</p> <p>(B) Financial Criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Average Annual Turnover (AAT) of three year of the Bidder/Consortium should not be less than Rs. 130 Crore (One Hundred and Thirty Crore Only) in last 03 (three) financial years FY2022-23, FY2023-24 and FY2024-25. 2. The Net worth of the Bidder /Consortium shall be positive for Financial Years (i.e. Fy 22-23,23-24 and 24-25). The Bidder shall submit the audited financial statements in support of this and net worth should not be less than Rs. 86 Crore (Eighty-Six Crore Only) as per last audited financial year. 3. The Bidder/Consortium shall submit a Solvency Certificate in original issued by any Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank for a value of at least Rs. 43 Crore (Forty-Three Crore Only). The certificate shall not be issued earlier than three months from the due date of submission of bid. 																		
4.	Quantity of Dolomite Ore	<p>The proposed raising, excavation, crushing and sale of Mineral, for the first 25 years (as per present Approved Quarry/Mining Plan) shall be as follows.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sl. No.</th><th>Year</th><th>Dolomite (in tonnes)</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td><td>1st Year</td><td>1080000</td></tr> <tr> <td>2</td><td>2nd Year</td><td>1350000</td></tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>3rd Year</td><td>1800000</td></tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>4th Year</td><td>1800000</td></tr> <tr> <td>5</td><td>5th Year</td><td>1800000</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Sl. No.	Year	Dolomite (in tonnes)	1	1 st Year	1080000	2	2 nd Year	1350000	3	3 rd Year	1800000	4	4 th Year	1800000	5	5 th Year	1800000
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5.	Reserve Price	The reserve price for the bid is fixed at INR 90 per tonne. The reserve price will be the minimum price for the base price offer.																																																												
	Base Price Offer	<p>The online price offers submitted by the Bidders along with Technical Bid shall be the Base Price Offer. The Base Price Offer shall be in INR per tonne only and it shall not be less than the reserve Price.</p> <p>The highest Base Price Offer amongst the Shortlisted Bidders shall be the floor price for the online forward bidding.</p>																																																												

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	Final Price Offer	The highest price offer received in the online forward bidding process.
6.	Eligible Bidder	Eligible Bidder shall mean the Bidder (or parties in consortium) who qualifies the eligibility criteria defined in Bid Document and have submitted all documents as listed in the Bid Document.
7.	Shortlisted Bidder	<p>The Eligible Bidders shall be ranked on the basis of the descending Base Price Offer submitted by them.</p> <p>In the event of identical Base Price Offers being submitted by two or more Eligible Bidders, all such Eligible Bidders shall be assigned the same rank.</p> <p>In case number of Eligible Bidders is more than five (5), then the Eligible Bidder(s) submitting lowest Base Price Offer shall be eliminated from the second round and rest of the Eligible Bidders shall be considered as qualified for second round of Bidding (Forward Bidding) as “Shortlisted Bidders”.</p> <p>If the Shortlisted Bidders are less than five, then all Eligible Bidders shall be qualified for the second round (including the Eligible Bidder(s) submitting lowest Base Price Offer).</p>
8.	Successful Bidder	<p>The Bidder who has submitted the highest final price offer in online forward bidding will be selected as Successful Bidder.</p> <p>If number of bids received are less than 3 (Three), then CMDC reserves the right to extend the bid validity maximum upto 3 times.</p> <p>In such case, if 3 (Three) bids are not received after extension, then CMDC reserves the right to continue with the tendering process with number of bids received with the approval of the Board of Directors.</p>
9.	Contract Period	<p>The Contract Period shall be for initially 25 (Twenty-Five) years from the date of Agreement. However, the period of contract may be extended to another 5(Five) years based on the performance & sole discretion of CMDC with approval of the Board of Directors (BoD).</p> <p>The work of the successful bidder will be reviewed on regular basis by CMDC.</p> <p>CMDC reserves the right to cancel the agreement in case of non-performance or breach of terms & conditions of the bid document.</p>
10.	Purchase of Bid document / Downloading of Bid Document & Processing fee	<p>The Bid Document will be available for download at the cost of Rs. 50,000+Rs. 9,000 (18% GST) = 59,000 (Rs. Fifty-Nine Thousand Only). The Bid Document can be viewed and downloaded from the website of MSTC Ltd namely https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/mlcln/ from 02.01.2026 to 29.01.2026 up to 3:00 P.M. against payment of the above cost of Bid Document.</p> <p>Bidders shall not be allowed to bid in the tender without paying the Tender Fee. (Please refer the MSTC guidelines for queries).</p>

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11.	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	The Bidder shall pay the EMD of Rs 13 Crore (Thirteen Crore Only) (as prescribed in the NIT) through online payment. The details of the Bank of CMDC, Raipur for online payment are:-	
		Name of the Bank	BANK OF INDIA, TELI BANDHA, RAIPUR
		RTGS/NEFT/IFSC Code	BKID0009353
		Account type	Current Account
		Account No	935320100000028
		Account Name	CHHATTISGARH MINERAL DEV. CORP. LTD
12.	Performance Guarantee (Initial Security Deposit)	<p>The Successful Bidder, upon award of the work, shall be required to deposit a Performance Guarantee equivalent to 5% of the total contract value over the contract period (i.e. 25 years), within 15 days from the date of issuance of the Letter of Intent (LOI).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Performance Guarantee = 5% x Total Contract Value</p> <p>Contract value will be calculated as Total Saleable Volume (As per Mine Plan) over the contract period x Highest Final Price Offered.</p> <p>The Performance Guarantee should be deposited in shape of RTGS in above bank account of CMDC /Bank Guarantee drawn on any Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank payable at Raipur in favour of “Chhattisgarh Mineral Development Corporation Ltd” as per format provided in Annexure- V.</p>	
13.	Additional performance Guarantee or Additional Security Deposit (ASD)	The Successful Bidder, if a Consortium, shall furnish additional performance bank guarantee which has to be submitted as per the format provide in Annexure-XII to the Authority equivalent to 0.5% of the Annual Sale Value as guarantee for due and faithful performance of its obligations, under and in accordance with the Bidding Document within 15 days from the date of issuance of LOI.	
14.	Venue of Bid Opening:	Chhattisgarh Mineral Development Corporation Limited, Sector 24, Block No. 07 A, Third Floor, Atal Nagar, Nava Raipur (Chhattisgarh)-492015	
15	Submission of online Bid	Bids are to be submitted online only through the website of MSTC namely https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/mlcln/ . Bids submitted through any other mode will not be considered.	
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INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
(FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION AND BID SUBMISSION)

Their login and map their login with new Class III Signing and Encryption Combo DSC.

Or contact the respective branch/region assigned to him. (region is mentioned in the activation mail sent to bidders on receipt of the registration fee).

It may be noted that Bidders need not visit any of the offices of MSTC Limited for submission of the documents related to registration. However, the Bidders may contact any office of MSTC Limited for seeking assistance on the login process, details of which are available on MSTC website www.mstcindia.co.in.

Bidder may contact MSTC's help desk number "07969066600" for assistance in any technical or system related issues.

MSTC Limited reserves the right to call for additional documents from the bidder if needed and the Bidder shall be obliged to submit the same.

1. Downloading information of mine /mineral block

There are two sets of documents available for downloading from the website of e-auction platform provider.

First set of documents will be available free of cost in public domain and can be downloaded without registration on e-auction platform provider's website. These documents may include the following:

NIT, other documents (if any provided by CMDC)

The above information is being made available to all potential Bidders in order to assist them in familiarizing about the tender process and the mine / mineral block on e-auction.

Subsequent to Bidder registration process with MSTC, certain other detailed documents (Particular Tender Document of the mine / mineral block including Information Memorandum containing geological report and other information) shall be made available for download to the Bidder only subsequent to payment of a tender fee of INR [amount in figures] (Rupees [amount in words]) plus applicable GST per mine / mineral block.

The Tender Document shall be sold in online mode only through website of MSTC. Bidders shall login with its user id and password. Bidder shall have the facility to make payment towards the cost of tender document through RTGS/NEFT provided under the login of the Bidder. The Bidder after login shall click on the link for e-payment and then select the event number from the drop-down menu for which it intends to make the payment. The bidder should enter the appropriate amount towards cost of the paid document and select RTGS/NEFT and click on submit. The bidder should fill an online RTGS application form and take a printout of the same before proceeding to transfer the fund to the beneficiary account. In case the Bidder has an online banking facility, it can make this payment online as well. After transferring the fund, the bidder shall be required to communicate the UTR No and other details to MSTC through email at the following email addresses.

S No	MSTC Office Name	MSTC Office Code	Contact Person	Email	Phone No.
1	Helpdesk	Registered office	Helpdesk – Technical support/system settings	helpdeskho@mstcindia.in	07969066600
2	Raipur	RPR	Kumaravel R	rpropn1@mstcindia.in	9946570940
3	Raipur	RPR	Rohit Kumar Singh	rpropn2@mstcindia.in	9886056499
4	Raipur	RPR	Raj Rohit Khalkho	rpropn3@mstcindia.in	9127754867

The Bidder shall send the email regarding the payment details to the email address corresponding to the office of MSTC which is conducting the event as stated above.

Once MSTC receives the payment in the designated account and the required information from the Bidder, it shall activate the link for downloading of the paid documents for the respective mine / mineral Block(s). And subsequently bidders shall be able to download the tender document through the link “Download Paid Document” provided in their login dashboard.

The Bidder may note that the files containing information about the mine / mineral blocks can be in various formats like doc, xls, ppt, pdf, jpg, jpeg, zip, rar etc. and it shall be the responsibility of the Bidder to have suitable facilities at its end to download these documents from the website of MSTC.

1. Preparation and Submission of Bid

The complete process of bid submission will be divided into 2 stages as follows:

Stage 1: Technical Bid

This stage will comprise (i) online submission of the Technical Bid and the initial price offer; and (ii) offline submission of certain original documents as detailed below.

(i) Online submission of Technical Bid and initial price offer with supporting documents

This stage shall be open to all Bidders who have purchased the Tender Document(s) for the specific mine / mineral block(s).

In this process, the Bidder, after logging in to the above stated website, will have to click on the link “click for Auction”. In the next page, the Bidder shall have to go to the link “Stage 1 Technical cum IPO Submission”. Thereafter, the bidder will have a bouquet under “My Menu” having 3 (three) sub-menus – “Bid Floor Manager”, “Upload Documents” and “Attach Documents”.

Bid Floor Manager

Once the Bidder clicks on this sub-menu and then clicks on the menu “Live Auctions” on the next page, it will display a list of mine(s) for which the bidder has paid the tender document fees. On clicking on any of these mine(s), the Bidder will be directed to a screen where it can fill up the technical bid template and save the data. The Bidder can edit such data as many times as it wishes.

After saving the Technical Bid, the link / button for Initial Price Offer shall get activated. The Bidder, on clicking this button, will be directed to a screen having a template where it can fill up its Initial Price Offer and click on the Final Submission button.

However, please note that the bidder cannot save the Initial Price Offer/click on 'Final Submission' without attaching its uploaded document(s). A warning message will be displayed by the system stating "Final Submission button will only be visible once documents have been upload and attached along with this event."

The bidder after entering the Initial Price offer and clicking on 'Final Submission' will be displayed the list of documents attached against the tender event. Clicking on 'OK' will proceed to save the Initial Price Offer followed by final submission. The final submission shall be digitally signed by the Bidder using its registered digital signature. Any digital signature certificate other than the registered one, shall not be acceptable for bid submission by the system.

The Bidder may note that the "Initial Price Offer" button will be activated only after the technical Bid has been saved.

Upload Documents

The Bidder shall also have to upload the supporting documents along with the Technical Bid, as required under the Tender Document. These supporting documents will need to be uploaded in pdf format only (the file size should be limited to 4 MB; in case of larger files, they may be split into multiple files with suitable nomenclature). Files in formats other than pdf shall not be accepted. For this, the bidder shall first click on the link "Upload documents" and upload the files in support of its Technical Bid. After uploading of the supporting documents, a pop-up message will be displayed by the system stating, "Please attach documents to respective events".

Attach Documents

After uploading these documents, the Bidder shall have to attach them with the specific tender for the concerned mine for which it is intending to submit the Technical Bid. It may be noted by the Bidder that in case it intends to use the same supporting document for more than one mine, it does not need to upload the same document every time. The supporting document, once uploaded, can be attached with Technical Bid for multiple mine / mineral block(s), if desired.

Under attach documents link, bidder will select the tender event for which he intends to attach the document for. Once selected, he will then click on 'Attach' against the uploaded document in the list and the status of the same will change to 'Detach'. This means the document has been successfully 'attached' against the tender event.

The Bidder should note that only a file which is "attached" with a specific mine(s) shall be considered during evaluation of the Technical Bid. Files which are not attached to any mine(s) shall not be considered for evaluation.

The Bidder should also note that a Bid will be considered as submitted if and only if the Bidder has submitted the Initial Price Offer. Only such Bids will be opened for which Initial Price Offer has been submitted. It is further clarified that saving of Technical Bid without saving of the Initial Price Offer will be treated as non-submission of bid.

Upon successful submission of Initial Price Offer, the Bidder shall receive a bid acknowledgement from the system automatically.

The Bidders may note that the Technical Bid and the Initial Price Offer submitted online as above will be encrypted by the MSTC's own software before storage in the database. This will be done to protect the sanctity and confidentiality of the Bids before the actual opening of the same.

The Bidder has an option to edit Technical Bid and initial price offer as many times as it wishes till the final submission.

Modification / Withdrawal of Bid

If after submission of Initial Price Offer and before the scheduled closing time for Bid submission a Bidder wishes to make changes in its Bid, it can do so by clicking the “Delete Bid” option. By doing so, the entire Bid submitted by the Bidder will get deleted.

A system generated email will be sent to the Bidder acknowledging the deletion. The Bidder will be able to save and submit its new Bid again. If a Bidder deletes its Bid and does not submit its new Bid in the same manner as stated above, its Bid will not come up for opening or further processing.

If after final submission of Bid and before the scheduled closing time for Bid submission a Bidder wishes to withdraw its bid, it can do so by clicking the “Withdraw Bid” option. By withdrawing a bid, a Bidder will lose the opportunity to re-submit its Bid against the same mine(s).

(ii) Offline submission of certain original documents

The Bidders shall submit the Technical Bid in original in sealed cover on or prior to the Bid Due Date. The sealed cover should clearly bear the following identification: Original Documents (Technical Bid) for Mine / Mineral Block and shall indicate the name and address of the Bidder.

Deadline for online submission of (i) Technical Bid and the initial price offer with supporting documents; and (ii) offline submission of certain original documents

The Bidders shall also note that online submission of Technical Bid and the initial price offer with supporting documents and offline submission of certain original documents shall be allowed only up to time and date as per Bid Due Date specified in Clause. Bidders in their own interest are advised to complete the entire process well in advance to avoid any last minute hiccup / technical problems. No complaints shall be entertained in this regard at any stage.

(iii) Evaluation of Technical Bid

a. Evaluation of Technical Bid

Technical Bids shall be evaluated in the manner provided in the Tender Document. The e-auction platform provider may conduct mock-auctions/demo for Bidders on e-auction platform. Problems/Issues, if any encountered by the bidders during the demo auction may be brought to the notice of concerned MSTC office.

b. Opening of Initial Price Offer

Initial price offer shall be opened 1 (one) day before the scheduled date of e-auction of the respective mine / mineral block.

For example, initial price offers for mine / mineral block(s) scheduled for e-auction on 02.01.20xx will be opened on 01.01.20xx. All Technically Qualified Bidders will be ranked in accordance with Clause.

The Qualified Bidders as per top 50% ranking principle (subject to minimum criteria as specified in the Tender Document) will be intimated by an email by the State Government from the designated email id of the State Government for the particular auction OR the State Government may advise the e-auction platform to intimate from the email id of MSTC for their qualification for the second round of electronic auction against specific mine / mineral block(s) in the e-auction platform provider website within their secured login. The email will only state that the recipient of the email has been qualified for the second round of auction and the Floor Price (highest Initial Price Offer) for the second round of auction.

Stage 2: Electronic Auction – Final Price Offer

(i) Intimation to Qualified Bidders

Along with the above intimation, the Bidder shall also receive information regarding applicable Floor Price for second round of e-auction of the mine / mineral block which is the highest initial price offer received from the Technically Qualified Bidders.

It is expressly clarified that Bidders should not expect to receive the information on the second highest IPO received from the Technically Qualified Bidders as a matter of usual course.

It shall be the sole responsibility of the Bidder to regularly check the MSTC website and log in to see whether it has qualified for a certain mine / mineral block or not. MSTC will not be responsible for non-receipt of email by the Bidder and its consequences.

(ii) Conduct of e-auction

E-auction is the process of inviting binding Final Price Offer(s) from Qualified Bidders through internet for the purpose of determination of the Preferred Bidder. During this process, the Qualified Bidder will be able to submit its Final Price Offer as many times as it wishes against the same mine / mineral block. The Qualified Bidder will remain anonymous to other Qualified Bidders participating in the electronic auction process as well as to MSTC / State Government. The Qualified Bidder will be able to see the prevailing highest Final Price Offer against the mine / mineral block, but the name of the highest Qualified Bidder at any point of time will not be displayed. The Qualified Bidder shall have to put its Final Price Offer over and above the displayed highest bid by a minimum increment of 0.05% to become the highest Qualified -Bidder. The electronic auction process will have a scheduled start and close time which will be displayed on screen. A Qualified Bidder will be able to put its Final Price Offer after the start of bid time and till the close time of electronic auction. The current server time (IST) will also be displayed on the screen. In the event a Final Price Offer is received during the last 8 (Eight) minutes before the scheduled close time of electronic auction, the close time of electronic auction will be automatically extended by 8 (Eight) minutes from the last received bid time to give equal opportunity to all other Qualified Bidders. This process of auto extension will continue till no Final Price Offer is received during a period of 8 (Eight) minutes.

For example, assuming that the initial scheduled close time for a particular electronic auction is 1:00 pm and a Final Price Offer is received at 12:55 pm, the scheduled close time shall be revised to 1:03 pm. Again if a Final Price Offer is received at 1:01 pm, the scheduled close time shall be revised to 1:09 pm and so on. In the event that no further Final Price Offer is received till 1:09 pm, the electronic auction will close at 1:09 pm. The revised close time will be displayed on screen and the Qualified Bidders are advised to keep refreshing its webpage to get the latest information.

The above example is only illustrative and meant for explaining the e-auction process only.

During the process of electronic auction, the Bidder shall be required to sign their bids with their registered digital signature certificate (DSC) and the use of which has been duly authorised on behalf of the Bidder. Any digital signature certificate other than the above shall not be acceptable for bid submission by the system.

Bidders may use 'Bidder's Guide' link available on login page for the detailed procedure. Bidders in their own interest are advised to get themselves acquainted with the electronic auction process of auction platform provider by getting their Authorised Representative trained beforehand through some demo electronic auctions as per Clause.

Digital Signature Certificate

A Bidder shall be required to possess a valid Class III Signing and Encryption Combo Digital

Signature Certificate (DSC) of signing and encryption combo type to be able to submit its Bid and to participate in the electronic auction on MSTC website. For this purpose, Bidders shall be required to authorize its Authorized Signatory to procure a class III DSC of signing and encryption combo type from any Certifying Authority or their authorized agencies in India.

The Bidder may note that only one user id will be mapped with a given Class III Signing and Encryption Combo DSC for the Authorized Signatory.

The Class III Signing and Encryption Combo Digital Signature Certificate will be used to digitally sign the Bids that the Bidder will submit online.

It will be the sole responsibility of the Bidder and its respective Authorized Signatory to maintain the secrecy of the password for the Class III Signing and Encryption Combo Digital Signature Certificate. The Bidder and its Authorized Signatory shall be solely responsible for any misuse of the Class III Signing and Encryption Combo DSC and no complaint / representation in this regard shall be entertained at any stage by MSTC/ Central Government /State Government.

The system requirements are as follows:

- Operating System- Windows 10, 11.
- After going to the Major Mineral Block Auction (New Portal) portal, a pop-up of system settings will appear, detailing the system settings. Through which bidders can configure their system for bidding. Once settings are done, the pop-up message will hide and the bidder can proceed to login. Bidders must have Windows operating system installed on their system through which they wish to bid.

For any Queries or System Setting Related Technical issues concerns please contact the following Help-Desk numbers: - 07969066600

Availability- 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM on all working days.