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Subject: FAQs in relation to the queries raised by the agencies during Pre-bid meeting held on 07.02.2025 on the Request For Proposal (RFP) for engaging PMA for implementation of CEFPPC Scheme of MoFPI-reg.

Reference Pre-bid meeting held on 07.02.2025 under the Chairmanship of undersigned on the RFP for engaging PMA for implementation of CEFPPC Scheme of MoFPI.

2. The queries raised by the agencies during the pre-bid meeting and through email have been examined by this Ministry in consonance with the RFP document and CEFPPC Scheme guidelines dated 22.01.2025 and clarifications against the same are provided in the form of FAQs (enclosed below).

3. This is issued with the approval of competent authority.

Encl: as above.

Yours sincerely


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FAQs on the RFP for engaging PMA for implementing CEFPPC Scheme


Sr. No.	Content of RFP (Clause No.)	Queries raised by the agencies participated in Pre-bid meeting held on 07.02.2025	Clarifications
1.	<p>1. Background – Clause (d) The Ministry proposes to support 50-55 additional projects with total outlay of about Rs. 192.75 crore.</p>	The grants-in-aid as total outlay may increase considering the past experience. Kindly confirm.	Amount may change/ increase due to cancellation / withdrawal of approved projects.
2.	<p>3. Eligibility of the bidders</p> <p>a). It should be a reputed pan-India (having regional offices in at least 5 States, including Delhi/NCR) institution/ organisation (Institution, company, Corporate House, NGO, consulting firm) which has minimum three years of experience of working with any Ministry/ Department/ organization of Government of India (GOI) for infrastructure projects.</p> <p>c). It should have handled at least 5 agro-processing/ food processing/ food preservation projects and 5 infrastructure projects (for Central Government/ State Government as consultant) of at least Rs. 5 crore each in last five years.</p>	<p>Clarify, if firms can bid as Consortium / Joint Venture / Association / Sub-Consultancy.</p> <p>The organizations that are empaneled/ appointed as PMA/ PMC to Central/ State Governments including MOFPI are also considered eligible assignments performed by the consultant. Further, ongoing projects that are being handled by existing PMAs/ PMC empaneled with Central/ State Government under various schemes.</p>	<p>No. The eligibility of the bidders should be as per the RFP.</p> <p>The projects handled by the agency include the tasks carried out by them as PMC or as PMA for any Central/ State Government Ministries/ Departments.</p>
3.	<p>4. Dedicated Personnel</p> <p>a) 1. Team Leader: Experience: Professional/ Sector Specialist with minimum 10 years' experience Educational Qualifications: MBA/ CA or ICWA</p>	<p>Team leader with 8 years of experience may be considered.</p> <p>PGDM may be considered.</p>	<p>The experience shall be as per the RFP.</p> <p>Educational Qualifications: MBA/ CA or ICWA /PGDM</p>



	<p>2. Team Member – Experience: Chartered Accountant with minimum 5 years of professional experience</p> <p>Educational Qualifications: CA</p>	<p>Educational Qualifications of the team member at S. No. 2 may be broadened with CA or MBA (Finance) or equivalent</p>	<p>Educational Qualifications: CA or MBA (Finance)</p>
	<p>5. Team Member – Experience: Food Technology expert with minimum 5 years professional experience</p> <p>Educational Qualifications: B.Tech/ M.Tech (Food Technology)</p>	<p>B.Sc./ B.Tech in Food Technology/ Dairy Technology with 5 years of experience or PGDM/ MBA/ M.Sc./ M.Tech in Food Technology/ Dairy Technology with 2 years of experience may be considered as qualifications and experience for Food Technology Expert.</p>	<p>Team Member: Educational Qualifications: B.Sc./ M.Sc./ B.Tech/ M.Tech (Food Technology)/ Dairy Technology/ MBA (Agri Business)/ with 5 years of experience in the field may be considered for engaging as Food Technology expert.</p>
	<p>b) Atleast one person amongst the Team Leader and Team Members shall be permanently deployed in the Ministry for day to day coordination of activities related to the Scheme. The Ministry will prepare a roster for the purpose. The other team members may be made available as and when the Ministry desires.</p>	<p>Kindly confirm if all the desired team shall be on roll employee of the company at the time of deployment or 3rd party resource can be allowed.</p>	<p>All the team members should be on roll employee of the company. Third Party resourcing is not allowed.</p>
	<p>c) Same personnel shall not be deployed as Team Leader or Team Member in any other scheme of the Ministry.</p>	<p>Clarify if the Team Leader or Team Member part of earlier assessment will considered for the RFP?</p>	<p>Team Leader or Team Member part of any assignment of MoFPI earlier than 15th FCC approvals will be considered.</p>
4.	<p>7. Submission of Proposals (i) Proposal shall be submitted online only (no physical submission of proposal shall be accepted) through e-tendering on the Central Public Procurement Portal (https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app) on or before 22.02.2025 by 5:30 PM</p>	<p>Extension of timeline for submission of proposals i.e., 14 days from the date of issue of pre-bid quires.</p>	<p>The last date of submission of bids has been extended till 24.02.2025 at 5:00 PM.</p>
5.	<p>11. Evaluation of Technical Bid</p> <p>1.1 One mark for each year of experience of working with any Ministry/ Department/ Organisation of Government of India (GOI) for infrastructure projects (minimum 3 years of experience).</p>	<p>MoFPI has started its flagship scheme such as Mega Food Park, Cold Chain, etc. Any experience beyond 10 years would largely may not be relevant under the initiatives promoted by MoFPI.</p> <p>Accordingly, revision of marks for experience</p>	<p>The scoring shall be as per the RFP.</p>



		has been sought as under: 0-5 years – 5 marks 5-10 years – 10 marks >10 years -15 marks	
	1.3 One mark for each agro-processing/ food processing and preservation projects implemented as a consultant (for minimum 5 projects in last five years).	Proposal under the sub-schemes of Ministry will be considered separately or based on the work order issued? Can consider the experience with private clients.	Agro-processing/ food processing and preservation projects will be counted based on the work order issued. No. Experience only with Central/ any State Government Ministries/ Departments shall be counted.
	1.4 One mark for each regional office in different states (minimum 5 States), including Delhi/NCR (it includes project offices also).	10 regional offices with justified documents will suffice the purpose.	Lease agreement /Ownership document and GST registration certificate of regional offices.
	3. Financial Strength of the consultant a. Turnover more than Rs. 40.00 Crore during each of the last three years- 15 Marks b. Turnover more than Rs. 20.00 Crore and up to Rs. 30.00 Crore during each of the last three years- 12 Marks c. Turnover more than Rs. 10.00 Crore and up to Rs. 20.00 Crore during each of the last three years- 10 Marks	Gap in turnover prescribed in part b under this clause.	3. Financial Strength of the consultant a. Turnover more than Rs. 40.00 Crore during each of the last three years- 15 Marks b. Turnover more than Rs. 20.00 Crore and up to Rs. 40.00 Crore during each of the last three years- 12 Marks c. Turnover more than Rs. 10.00 Crore and up to Rs. 20.00 Crore during each of the last three years- 10 Marks
6.	13. Final Evaluation: Combined Technical and Financial Evaluation (e) The Ministry may engage more than one PMA based on the volume of work/ assignments and for this purpose, the Ministry may constitute a panel. In case more than one PMA are decided to be engaged by the Ministry, bidders other than the L1 bidder to be considered in the panel will be required to accept financial quote of the L1 bidder.	Specify the number of PMAs that can be engaged for each scheme as the financial quote will vary based on the quantum of projects.	Ministry reserves the right to engage one or more PMA depending upon requirements of work/ Assignments.
7.	15. Terms of payment to PMA (a) The lump sum fees quoted as percent of total grants-in-aid (for sanctioned projects) will be paid on the basis of achieving of milestones	PMA fees for 1 st milestone may be increased to 20% instead of 10% as the initial cost for the	Ministry will make the payment of consultancy fee as indicated in RFP document.

	<p>(c) Substitution of 1 (one) dedicated personnel will be allowed subject to reduction by 5% of remuneration payable to PMA while substitution of 2 (two) dedicated personnel will result in reduction of remuneration by 10%. Any further substitution may lead to termination of contract.</p>	<p>development of team is on the higher side</p> <p>The reasons like employee resignation, employee performance leading to change in the team and health of the employee are beyond the control of any firm. Since, Clause 16(d) covers the penalty framework, the proposed clause 15 (c) may be deleted.</p> <p>As the PMA are private firms where employees are not permanent and are subject to change on different accounts such as health reasons/ resignation/ change in business, etc. which may both be controlled by the organization. Therefore, allow the PMAs to replace the dedicated personnel with equal or higher qualifications in such cases with the permission of the Ministry.</p>	<p>Not agreed.</p> <p>A dedicated team/ manpower is required for successful implementation of the scheme.</p>
8.	<p>16. Penalty</p> <p>(c) For failure to inspect projects under the scheme, the next instalment of fee of PMA will be stopped.</p> <p>(d) Deduction of 1% (one percent) of fee for each week of delay or part thereof, wherever any deadline is fixed, subject to a maximum of 10% (ten percent) of the fee shall be recovered from the Performance Security or otherwise. However, in case of delay due to reasons beyond the control of the agency (Force Majeure), suitable extension of time shall be granted by the MoFPI.</p>	<p>PMA fee shall not be deducted for delay in visits due to non-availability/ non-confirmation of applicant for site visits and also where JIT is scheduled.</p> 	<p>This clause is included to ensure timely completion of projects. However, if the delay is found on the part of the PIA after verification, penalty on PMA fee shall not be imposed.</p>

