

PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

Project information: West Bengal Electricity Distribution Grid Modernization Project (P170590)

Project Implementation agency: West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (WBSEDCL)

Date of the Procurement Plan: 22 June 2020

Period covered by this Procurement Plan: June 2020 – until publication of next revision

Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016, revised August 2018) (“Procurement Regulations”) the Bank’s Systematic Tracking and Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system will be used to prepare, clear and update Procurement Plans and conduct all procurement transactions for the Project.

This textual part along with the Procurement Plan tables in STEP constitute the Procurement Plan for the Project. The following conditions apply to all procurement activities in the Procurement Plan. The other elements of the Procurement Plan as required under paragraph 4.4 of the Procurement Regulations are set forth in STEP.

The Bank’s Standard Procurement Documents: shall be used for all contracts subject to international competitive procurement and those contracts as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP. Most of the procurements will follow NPP procedure using Bank’s National Procurement Document.

National Procurement Arrangements: National competition for the procurement of goods, works and non–consulting services according to the established thresholds will be conducted in accordance with paragraphs 5.3 – 5.6 of Section V of the Regulations and the following provisions:

- a. Only the model bidding documents for National Competitive Procurement agreed with the GOI Task Force (and as amended for time to time), shall be used for bidding.
- b. Invitations to bid shall be advertised on a widely used website or electronic portal with free open access at least 30 days prior to the deadline for the submission of bids, unless otherwise agreed in the approved procurement plan.

- c. No special preference will be accorded to any bidder either for price or for other terms and conditions when competing with foreign bidders, state-owned enterprises, small-scale enterprises or enterprises from any given State.
- d. Except with the prior concurrence of the Bank, there shall be no negotiation of price with the bidders, even with the lowest evaluated bidder.
- e. GeM set-up by Ministry of Commerce, Government of India will be acceptable for procurement under Request for Quotations¹ method.
- f. At the Borrower's request, the Bank may agree to the Borrower's use, in whole or in part, of its electronic procurement system, provided that the Bank is satisfied with the adequacy of such system.
- g. Procurement will be open to eligible firms from any country. This eligibility shall be as defined under Section III of the Procurement Regulations. Accordingly, no bidder or potential bidder shall be declared ineligible for contracts financed by the Bank for reasons other than those provided in Section III of the Procurement Regulations.
- h. The Request for Bids/Request for Proposals document shall require that Bidders/Proposers submitting Bids/Proposals include a signed acceptance in the bid, to be incorporated in any resulting contracts, confirming application of, and compliance with, the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines, including without limitation the Bank's right to sanction and the Bank's inspection and audit rights.
- i. The Borrower shall use an effective complaints mechanism for handling procurement related complaints in a timely manner.
- j. Procurement Documents will include provisions, as agreed with the Bank, intended to adequately mitigate against environmental, social (including sexual exploitation and abuse and gender-based violence), health and safety risks and impacts.

Domestic preference as specified under paragraph 5.51 of the Procurement Regulations (**Goods and Works**).

Goods: will be applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan table;

Works: Not applicable

Other Relevant Procurement Information.

Procurement Plan: The Implementing Agencies shall prepare a procurement plan and will submit to the Bank through STEP portal for all activities barring which special exemption given by the Bank for not using STEP. The approved

¹ To the extent possible, competitive bidding/e-RA options will be used while using GeM

procurement plan shall be automatically disclosed to the public through STEP portal.

Project Procurement Strategy for Development (PPSD): PPSD has been prepared by the Borrower with Bank’s support and outcome of PPSD is updated in the procurement plan.

Procurement Methods/Threshold

Procurement Approaches and Methods	Thresholds (US\$ equivalent)
Open international (Works)	Any value
Open national (Works)	Up to 40 million
Open international (goods, IT system, and non–consulting services)	Any value
Open national (goods, IT system, and non–consulting services)	Up to 10 million
National request for quotation (works, goods , IT & NCS)	Up to 100,000
Direct selection	No threshold; For goods/non–consulting services: According to paragraphs 6.8–6.10 of the Regulations; For consultants: According to paragraphs 7.13–7.15 of the Regulations
Shortlist of national consultants	Up to 800,000

Procurement prior–review thresholds. The World Bank will prior review the following contracts:

- (a) Works: All contracts more than US\$10 million equivalent
- (b) Goods and IT system: All contracts more than US\$2 million equivalent
- (c) Non–consulting services: All contracts more than US\$2 million equivalent
- (d) Consultants (Firms): All contracts >US\$1 million equivalent and
- (e) Consultants (Individual): All contracts >US\$300,000 equivalent
- (f) Irrespective of the contract value, the following procurement activities are subject to the Bank’s procurement prior review:

- procurement processes involving contract negotiations, as described in Section VI, paragraphs 6.34–36, of the Procurement Regulation for Borrowers
- competitive dialogue;
- sustainable procurement;
- selection of probity assurance providers, as described in Section III, paragraph 3.3 of the Procurement Regulations for Borrowers; and
- best and final offer.

Post Review: All contracts not subject to prior review by the World Bank will be subject to post review during the project’s Implementation Support Missions (ISM) and/or special post review missions including missions by consultants hired by the Bank. The World Bank may conduct, at any time, independent procurement reviews of all the contracts financed under the loan. Also, if there are internal audits carried out for sample procurements, the Borrower may consult with the World Bank to include the Bank’s requirements under the TOR for such audits, in which case the Bank will only review the internal audit reports.

Tentative Procurement plan (First 03 months)

S.N.	Activity No	Name of Activity	Est. Cost (US\$ Million)	Method/Approach	Bank Oversight	Expected date of publication of IFB/ RFP	Expected date of signing of contract
1	HVDS-1	HVDS in Alipurduar District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
	HVDS-2	HVDS in Coochbehar District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
2	HVDS-3	HVDS in Jalpaiguri District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
	HVDS-4	HVDS in Darjeeling District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
3	HVDS-5	HVDS in Uttar Dinajpur District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
	HVDS-6	HVDS in Dakshin Dinajpur District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20

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4	HVDS-7	HVDS in Malda District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
	HVDS-8	HVDS in Nadia District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
5	HVDS-9	HVDS in Howrah District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
	HVDS-10	HVDS in Purba Midnapur District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Nov-20
6	HVDS-11	HVDS in Bankura District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Dec-20
	HVDS-12	HVDS in Purulia District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Dec-20
7	HVDS-13	HVDS in Murshidabad District	11.87	NCB (S & I)	Prior review	Aug-20	Dec-20

PROCUREMENT PLAN India : West Bengal Electricity Distribution Grid Modernization Project

General Information
 Country: India Bank's Approval Date of the Original Procurement Plan: 2020-06-22
 Revised Plan Date(s): (comma delineated, leave blank if non 2020-12-25
 Project ID: P170590 GPN Date: 2020-03-03
 Project Name: West Bengal Electricity Distribution Grid Modernization Project
 Loan / Credit No: /
 Executing Agency(ies) West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited

Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Procurement Process	Prequalification (Y/N)	High SEA/SH Risk	Procurement Document Type	Actual Amount (US\$)	Process Status	Draft Pre-qualification Documents		Prequalification Evaluation Report		Draft Bidding Document / Justification		Specific Procurement Notice / Invitation		Bidding Documents as Issued		Proposal Submission / Opening / Minutes		Bid Evaluation Report and Recommendation for Award		Signed Contract		Contract Completion		
												Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	
IN-WBSEDCL-183966-CW-RFB / Implementation of High Voltage Distribution System (HVDS) in Howrah district of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Under Implementation					2020-07-20	2020-07-27	2020-08-05	2020-08-07			2020-09-04	2020-09-22	2020-11-10	2020-12-14	2020-12-23			2022-12-22	
IN-WBSEDCL-183989-CW-RFB / Implementation of High Voltage Distribution System (HVDS) in Purba Midnapur district of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Under Implementation					2020-07-20	2020-07-27	2020-08-05	2020-08-07			2020-09-04	2020-09-22	2020-11-10	2020-12-13	2020-12-23			2022-12-22	
IN-WBSEDCL-187644-CW-RFB / Conversion of overhead network to underground cabling system for Baruipur Town	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Under Review					2020-08-14	2020-08-24	2020-08-25	2020-08-26			2020-09-29	2020-09-29	2020-11-10		2021-01-31			2023-01-30	
IN-WBSEDCL-189633-CW-RFB / Implementation of High Voltage Distribution System (HVDS) in Alipurdar and Coochbehar districts of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Under Review					2020-08-25	2020-08-31	2020-09-04	2020-09-04			2020-10-09	2020-11-03	2020-12-04		2021-01-31			2023-01-30	
IN-WBSEDCL-189638-CW-RFB / Implementation of High Voltage Distribution System (HVDS) in Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur and Malda districts of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Under Implementation					2020-08-25	2020-09-01	2020-09-04	2020-09-04			2020-10-09	2020-11-03	2020-12-04		2021-01-31			2023-01-30	
IN-WBSEDCL-189639-CW-RFB / Implementation of High Voltage Distribution System (HVDS) in Bankura and Purulia districts of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Under Implementation					2020-08-25	2020-08-31	2020-09-04	2020-09-04			2020-10-09	2020-11-03	2020-12-04		2021-01-31			2023-01-30	
IN-WBSEDCL-189972-CW-RFB / Supply and installations of 02 nos. New 33/11 KV Sub-Stations and associated 33 KV & 11 KV lines in Alipurdar Region of WBSEDCL in West Bengal.	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Post	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Under Implementation					2020-08-25	2020-08-26	2020-08-26	2020-08-26			2020-09-29	2020-09-29	2020-11-10	2020-12-03	2021-01-31			2022-07-30	
IN-WBSEDCL-211042-CW-RFB / Conversion of Overhead Network into Underground cable system at Rajarhat Town under North 24 Parganas district within the state of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Pending Implementation					2020-12-24		2021-01-05				2021-02-08		2021-03-03		2021-04-30			2023-04-29	
IN-WBSEDCL-211050-CW-RFB / Conversion of Overhead Network into Underground cable system at Baguiati and Keshtopur Towns under North 24 Parganas district within the state of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Pending Implementation					2020-12-24		2021-01-05				2021-02-08		2021-03-03		2021-04-30			2023-04-29	
IN-WBSEDCL-211428-CW-RFB / Implementation of High Voltage Distribution System (HVDS) in Nadia and Murshidabad districts of West Bengal (2 packages)	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Prior	Request for Bids	Open - National	Single Stage - Two Envelope				0.00	Pending Implementation					2020-12-30		2021-01-05				2021-02-05		2021-03-09		2021-05-06			2023-05-05	

GOODS																												
Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Procurement Process	Prequalification (Y/N)	Actual Amount (US\$)	Process Status	Draft Pre-qualification Documents		Prequalification Evaluation Report		Draft Bidding Document / Justification		Specific Procurement Notice / Invitation		Bidding Documents as Issued		Proposal Submission / Opening / Minutes		Bid Evaluation Report and Recommendation for Award		Signed Contract		Contract Completion		
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NON CONSULTING SERVICES																												
Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Procurement Process	Prequalification (Y/N)	Actual Amount (US\$)	Process Status	Draft Pre-qualification Documents		Prequalification Evaluation Report		Draft Bidding Document / Justification		Specific Procurement Notice / Invitation		Bidding Documents as Issued		Proposal Submission / Opening / Minutes		Bid Evaluation Report and Recommendation for Award		Signed Contract		Contract Completion		
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CONSULTING FIRMS																												
Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Contract Type	Actual Amount (US\$)	Process Status	Terms of Reference		Expression of Interest Notice		Short List and Draft Request for Proposals		Request for Proposals as Issued		Opening of Technical Proposals / Minutes		Evaluation of Technical Proposal		Combined Evaluation Report and Draft Negotiated Contract		Signed Contract		Contract Completion			
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INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS																			
Activity Reference No. / Description	Loan / Credit No.	Component	Review Type	Method	Market Approach	Contract Type	Actual Amount (US\$)	Process Status	Teams of Reference		Invitation to Identified/Selected Consultant		Draft Negotiated Contract		Signed Contract		Contract Completion		
									Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	
IN-WBSEDCL-171642-CS-CDS / Hiring a consultant for preparation of ESMF and ESIA documents for implementation of HVDS & construction of CIS in 13 districts and UG cabling in 6 Towns of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Post	Direct Selection	Direct		0.00	Under Implementation	2020-07-01	2019-06-12	2020-07-15	2019-07-13			2020-08-19		2021-02-15		
IN-WBSEDCL-171990-CS-CDS / Hiring a consultant for preparation of DPR and PPSD for implementation of HVDS & construction of CIS in 13(+3) districts and UG cabling in 6 Towns in WBSEDCL area of West Bengal	/	Distribution System Strengthening	Post	Direct Selection	Direct		0.00	Under Implementation	2020-07-01	2019-06-12	2020-07-15	2019-07-29			2020-08-19		2021-02-15		
IN-WBSEDCL-181570-CS-CDS / Preparation of DPR for implementation of AMI project at different towns of West Bengal under World Bank assistance	/	Smart Grid Development in Urban Areas	Post	Direct Selection	Direct		0.00	Under Implementation	2020-07-01	2020-07-08	2020-07-11	2020-07-16			2020-09-14		2021-03-13		
IN-WBSEDCL-181585-CS-CDS / Preparation of DPR for implementation of SCADA/ DMS project at different towns of West Bengal under World Bank assistance	/	Smart Grid Development in Urban Areas	Post	Direct Selection	Direct		0.00	Under Implementation	2020-07-01	2020-07-10	2020-07-11	2020-07-17			2020-09-14		2021-03-13		