

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19-11-24 FOR THE TECHNICAL EVALUATION FOR THE WORK OF TEMPORARY MEASURES FOR RECTIFICATION OF BLACK SPOTS ON NH 703A OF SERIES 2017-19 IN THE STATE OF PUNJAB

Sanctioned Cost: Rs.35.99 lakhs.

(Amount put to tender: Rs.28.12 Lakhs)

Meeting of the Technical Evaluation Committee was held on 12-11-24 in the office of Superintending Engineer, National Highway Circle, PWD B&R Ludhiana to evaluate the technical bids as received from the intended bidders as per the standard DNIT document of the Ministry. The following members were present:-

1.	Er. Rakesh Garg, Superintending Engineer, National Highway Circle, PWD B&R Ludhiana.	Chairman
2.	Er. Prem Kamal, Executive Engineer, National Highway Division, PWD B&R Jalandhar.	Member
3.	Er. Parvinderpal Singh, Sub Divisional Engineer, National Highway Sub Division No.3, PWD B&R Br. Jalandhar.	Member
4.	Parkash Kumar, Divisional Accountant, National Highway Division, PWD B&R Br. Jalandhar	Member

Executive Engineer informed the committee that the tender for the above said work was called in the first instance vide bid No.02 dated 16.09.2024. The technical bid for the work was opened on 30.09.2024 and single bid was received in the first instance. As per Ministry Circular No. NH-14019/4/2008- P&M dated 24.04.2008, single bid could not be opened in the first instance and the same was informed to the office of Superintending Engineer NH Circle PWD B&R Ludhiana. Superintending Engineer, NH Circle Ludhiana had given the approval for recall of tender vide their letter no. 986 dated 18.10.2024. Accordingly, the tender was recalled vide Bid No.02 dated 21.10.2024. The technical bid for the work was opened on 6.11.2024 and once again only one bidder had submitted its bid. Executive Engineer, NH Division Jalandhar further submitted that the cost of work is less and work is scattered due to which contractors do not seem to be interested and thus the single bid received in the second bidding should be accepted. Executive Engineer, NH Division Jalandhar further pointed out that Ministry vide circular no.RW/NH-33044/25/2024-S&R(P&B) dated 28.08.2024 have allowed the acceptance of single bid (Copy attached). In view of this, the Technical evaluation committee recommended the opening of technical bid of above mentioned 1 (One) bidder which have been evaluated as per details given below: -

1. Jagson Construction Ltd., 15 Bhullar Avenue FGC Road, Amritsar.

The bidder has submitted bid security of requisite amount of Rs.56,250/- in the form of R.T.G.S. and tender fee of Rs.5000/- of the approved DNIT. The bidder is meeting the requirements of qualifying criteria such as Bid capacity against requirement of Rs.28.00 Lakhs as per Clause 4.6, Average Annual financial turnover over the last five years against minimum requirement of Rs.11.25 Lakhs as per Clause 4.5.3 (a) of the approved DNIT and available credit facility against minimum requirement of Rs.2.81 Lakhs. The bidder also qualifies the similar work executed condition against minimum requirement of Rs.11.25 lakhs, as per Clause 4.5.3(b) of the approved DNIT. Therefore, the bidder Jagson Construction Ltd., 15 Bhullar Avenue FGC road, Amritsar is found to be Technically Responsive.

In view of the above, the Technical Responsiveness of following 1 (One) nos. agency is as follows -

Sr. No.	Name of the Bidder	Remarks
1.	Jagson Construction Ltd., 15 Bhullar Avenue FGC road, Amritsar.	Responsive

It is decided to allow the opening of Financial Bids of above 1 (One) nos. technical qualified bidder on dated. 10-11-24 at 11.00 AM in the office of Executive Engineer, National Highway Division, PWD (B&R) Branch, Jalandhar.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

(exempted)
Parkash Kumar
Divisional Accountant,
National Highway Division,
PWD B&R Br. Jalandhar.


Er. Prem Kamal
Executive Engineer
National Highway Division
PWD, B&R Br, Jalandhar.


Er. Rakesh Garg
Superintending Engineer
National Highway Circle
PWD, B&R Br, Ludhiana.


Er. Parvinderpal Singh
Sub Divisional Engineer
National Highway Sub Division No.3
PWD B&R Br. Jalandhar

Dated: 28th August, 2024

CIRCULAR

To

1. The Chief Secretaries of all the State Governments/ UTs.
2. The Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries of all States/ UTs Public Works Department/ Road Construction Department/ Highways Department (dealing with National Highways and other centrally sponsored schemes).
3. The Chairman, National Highways Authority of India, G-5 & 6, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110 075.
4. The Managing Director, NHIDCL, World Trade Centre, New Delhi-110029.
5. The Director General (Border Roads), Seema Sadak Bhawan, Ring Road, New Delhi-110 010.
6. All Engineers-in-Chief and Chief Engineers of Public Works Department of States/ UTs/ Road Construction Department/ Highways Departments (dealing with National Highways and other centrally sponsored schemes).
7. The Secretary General, Indian Roads Congress
8. The Director, IAHE, Noida, UP
9. All CE-ROs, ROs and ELOs of the Ministry.

Subject: Acceptance of Single Bid for National Highways Works-reg.

Madam/Sir,

Ministry vide circular no. NH-14019/4/2008-P&M dated 27.06.2008 decided that single bid received in the first call would be cancelled and tender will be re-invited. It also specified that the single bid received even after re tendering can be accepted after obtaining approval of the competent authority.

2. Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure vide their letter No.F.1/1/2021-PPD dated 29th October, 2021 specified the following with regards to single bid.

“11.8 Rejection of Single Bid: It has become a practice among some procuring entities to routinely assume that open tenders which result in single bids are not acceptable and to go for re-tender as a ‘safe’ course of action. This is not correct. Re-bidding has costs: firstly the actual costs of re-tendering; secondly the delay in execution of the work with consequent delay in the attainment of the purpose for which the procurement is being done; and thirdly the possibility that the re-bid may result in a higher bid.

Bhinder Kant Singh

Lack of competition shall not be determined solely on the basis of the number of Bidders. Even when only one Bid is submitted, the process should be considered valid provided following conditions are satisfied:

- i. the procurement was satisfactorily advertised and sufficient time was given for submission of bids;
 - ii. the qualification criteria were not unduly restrictive; and
 - iii. prices are reasonable in comparison to market values".
3. The same has also been clearly outlined in para 5.6.7 of Manual for Procurement of Works June, 2022 published by Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure.
4. In view of the above, it has been decided that single bid received in open bidding will not be rejected provided the following conditions are satisfied:
- i. the procurement was satisfactorily advertised and sufficient time was given for submission of bids;
 - ii. the qualification criteria were not unduly restrictive; and
 - iii. prices are reasonable in comparison to market values.
5. The Evaluation Committee while recommending acceptance of single tender shall record confirmation of the conditions mentioned in para 4 above in the minutes of meeting.
6. As regards the reasonableness of the prices, the Evaluation Committee may examine the rates taking into consideration the comparison with the similar contracts awarded elsewhere. The purchase price of similar contracts may be updated taking into consideration inflation during the interim period, geographical conditions, etc. The purchase price of similar contracts may also be corrected to match the carriage of materials required for the instant project vis-a-vis carriage of materials in the project being compared.
7. It is requested that the contents of the circular may be brought into the notice of all concerned for immediate needful compliance.
8. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours sincerely,

Bidur Kant Jha
28/08/2024
(Bidur Kant Jha)

Director (New Technology for Highway Development)
For Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary

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