

TEC observed that wide publicity was given and the tender has been called for 2nd time, yet only single bid has been received. These Hydrographic Survey equipment are very specialized systems which are used by mariners for precise navigation. These requires expertise, after sale support and financial capability and hence availability of such firms is very limited in India. HYPACK software are being supplied by M/s ASB Systems Pvt. Ltd. and OEM (M/s Xylem, USA) has certified that the bidder is exclusive authorized distributor in India for of all HYPACK software (e.g., HYPACK MAX Hydrographic Survey software, HYSWEEP Multibeam software and DREDGEPACK), and related Maintenance Plans and M/s Xylem, USA further declared that only M/s ASB Systems Pvt. Ltd. is specifically authorized to submit a bid for **HYPACK software** in response to this tender.

TEC Recommendations: In view of the above, the TEC recommended to technically qualify the single bidder, i.e. M/s ASB Systems Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai and to open their financial bid.