

Minutes of 2nd Meeting of the Technical Bid Evaluation Committee held on 19.12.2025 for selection of "Consultancy Services for Supervision of Construction of additional major Bridge with 4-lane configuration of length 1.55 km on NH-60 (New NH-14) over River Kangsabati from Km. 117.770 to Km 119.250 & additional major Bridge with 4-lane configuration of length 0.900 km on NH-60 (New NH-14) over River Shilabati from Km. 173.220 to Km 174.120 in the district of Paschim Medinipur of West Bengal under Annual Plan for FY 2023-24 on EPC mode (Job No. 014-WB-2023-24/527) in the State of West Bengal" [Tender Ref No. MORT&H/RO-KOL/NIT/AE/2025-26/02, dt. 04.07.2025 and CPP Portal Tender ID No. (2025_MoRTH_867447_1)].

Meeting of Bid Evaluation Committee was held on 19.12.2025 under the chairmanship of the Regional Officer, Kolkata, MoRTH through VC. The Chairman, Evaluation Committee welcomed all the Members and requested Member Secretary to elaborate the evaluation carried out for selection of Consultancy services for Authority Engineer (AE) for the project mentioned above.

(2) The Member Secretary apprised the Committee that the bid for selection of Consultancy services for Authority Engineer (AE) was invited on 04.07.2025 on CPP Portal with bid due date as 25.08.2025 and technical bid was opened from the portal on 26.08.2025. Offline Bids were received from the following bidders: -

- (i) TPF Engineering Pvt. Ltd.
- (ii) LEA Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd.
- (iii) Ceoma Consulting Joint Venture With Casta Engineers Pvt Ltd in association with Prithvig Infra Consultant Private Limited.
- (iv) MSV International Inc in Association with Abhishira Infrastructure Consultants Private Limited.
- (v) L N Malviya Infra Projects Pvt. Ltd.
- (vi) Technocrats Advisory Services Private Limited in Association with Pentacon Associates.

However, it was found that only 5 bidders have submitted online bids as below: -

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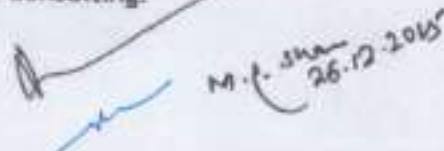
(3) The Bid Evaluation Committee examined and evaluated the technical bids strictly as per RFP stipulation.

(4) The Member Secretary apprised the Committee that 1st meeting of the committee was held on 04.12.2025 and results were uploaded on 12.12.2025 on the CPP portal for comments, if any.

(5) In due course of time within stipulated period representations were submitted by 2 (Two) bidders (a) TPF Engineering Pvt. Ltd. (b) Ceoma Consulting.


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8. Firm TPF Engineering Pvt. Ltd. submitted in their representation vide letter dated 15.12.2025 regarding consideration of result of technical evaluation that "the debarment period imposed upon M/S TPF Engineering Pvt. Ltd. (hereinafter, "TPFEPL") has been formally lifted with effect from 14.11.2025." In this regard, it is to mention that the debarment was imposed on 09.06.2025 & was valid upto 14.11.2025. In this instant tender, the bid was opened on 26.08.2025, i.e., on the date of opening of the bid the firm was debarred. As per Cl. 10.3 under GCC of RFP, "upon declaration of non-performer, the AE will not be able to participate in any bid for National Highways projects with MoRTH or its executing agencies till such time the debarment persists, or the AE is removed from the list of non-performers. In bidding for a particular project, bids from only such firms should be considered for placement of contract, which are neither debarred on the date of opening of tender nor debarred on the date of issue of Letter of Acceptance (LoA)." Hence, in this instant case our earlier stand is unaltered that M/S TPFEPL may be taken as Non-responsive.

9. Firm Ceoma Consulting submitted in his representation vide letter dated 17.12.2025 regarding re-consideration of declaration of the firm as "Non-responsive". In their submission they mentioned that as per Ministry's Circular dated 16.01.2017 "non-submission of minor bidding documents such as MoU, PoA stamp, Turnover etc., shall not be treated as sufficient cause for rejection of a bid." However, in the circular it is mentioned as "The variation / clarifications which do not affect the basic character/profile of the offer may be sought from the Bidders and acceptable." As per the Gazette Notification: Extraordinary [PART III-SEC. 4] No.1-CA (7)/192/2019, "Whereas the UDIN is Mandatory for all kinds of the certificates". The gazette notification being issued after the Ministry's Circular shall prevail. In the RFP also it is mentioned that "Annual turnover duly certified by Chartered Accountant shall be accepted. In case of non-availability of such documents no weightage of turnover/experience will be considered." In this instant case, due to non-submission of UDIN verified certificate the bidder does not qualify the minimum eligibility criteria itself. Regarding this issue in the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta in a case WPA 5137/2025 in between the Freyssinet Prestressed Concrete Co. Ltd. & Anr. vs The State of West Bengal & Ors. the Hon'ble Court upheld the decision of declaration of the bidder as 'Non-responsive' for which one of the reasons was non-submission of UDIN certificate. In another case in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi Vide case No. W.P.(C) 4628/2024 & CM Appl. 18999-19000/2024 between M/S SUNSHINE CATERERS PRIVATE LIMITED vs UNION OF INDIA THROUGH MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS & ANR. The Hon'ble Court upheld the decision of declaration of the bidder non-responsive as the UDIN could not be verified in the portal. Hence, in this instant case our earlier stand is unaltered that M/S Ceoma Consulting may be taken as Non-responsive.

Further, Ceoma Consulting has submitted financial documents with UDIN for re-consideration of their proposal. In their submission vide email dated 17.12.2025, they produced 2 (Two) documents of turn over:

- I. The first document is for turnover from FY 2022-23 to FY 2024-25 for which the CA verified the document with UDIN (25556512BMIOBZ3710) endorsed in the certificate on 19.10.2025.

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However, upon verification of the UDIN on the website it was found that the UDIN was generated on 17.12.2025 at 11:34:12 A.M.

The second document is for turnover from FY 2019-20 to FY 2023-24 for which the CA verified the document with UDIN (2556512BMIOBZ3710) endorsed in the certificate on 30.11.2024. It is to notice that the instant UDIN does not exist in the ICAI portal. Earlier, the same document was produced in the bid document without any UDIN. In this re-submission, UDIN is endorsed in the same document. It appears to be a forged document. The committee decided to seek a clarification from the bidder in this regard.

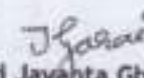
- (6) Firm "L N Malviya Infra Projects Pvt. Ltd." has proposed Shri Uppala Mahesh Kumar in the position of team leader. In his submitted experience Shri Uppala Mahesh Kumar mentioned that he worked as a Project Manager from 2006 to 2009 in the project of "Construction Supervision of 4 Lane from Salem to Coimbatore Section of NH - 47 on DBFOT basis in the state of Tamil Nadu; Total Length 49 Km. PPP Mode" under NHAI as client. However, NHAI, RO Chennai vide mail on 21.11.2025 submitted that the mentioned key personnel worked as Sr. Highway Engineer in the said period. As per RFP, for Team Leader similar Capacity only Project Manager shall be considered on behalf of the Contractor. In this current scenario, the said personnel claimed experience as Project manager while he actually worked as a Sr. Highway Engineer. As per para 1.7 sub-para (a) (ii) this kind of activity comes under "Fraudulent Practice". Hence, the Team Leader is found to be not qualified. As per Section 2: letter of invitation to Consultants Sub-para 3.4, Point No. X, "If any information is found incorrect / fake / Inflated in the CV, at any stage, debarment of the key personal from future MoRTH or its Executing Agencies projects up to 2 years may be taken by MoRTH or its Executing Agencies. Here, the Team leader is non-responsive. As per Section 2: letter of invitation to Consultants Sub-para 3.4, Point No. X (f) this instant bid is considered to be technically "Non-Responsive".
- (7) Firm "Technocrats Advisory Services Private Limited in Association with Pentacon Associates" submitted the bid offline and INFRACON Portal and didn't participate on E-procurement (CPP) Portal. Hence, This bid hasn't been Considered.
- (8) Brief finding of the evaluation is as under:
- (i) Team Leader of all the bidders scored more than 75%.
 - (ii) Overall score of all the bidders is more than 75%.
 - (iii) The brief evaluation sheet of all the bidders and their key personnel are placed at Annexure-I and Annexure-II.

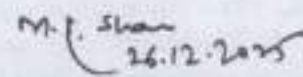
- (9) After detailed deliberation, the Evaluation Committee declared the technical bids of the following bidders as Responsive: -

Sl. No.	Bidder	Technical Score
1.	LEA Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd.	95.98
2.	MSV International Inc In Association with Abhishira Infrastructure Consultants Private Limited.	97.24

(10) The Evaluation Committee requested the tender inviting Authority to upload the technical findings in CPP Portal & thereafter open the financial bid.


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