

**NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA
MADURAI REGION**

Minutes of Meeting of Tender Evaluation Committee (Tech Evaluation) dated 08.12.2025 for Consultancy Services for Independent Engineer Services during Operation and Maintenance of (i) Four Lining of Sethiyathope to Cholapuram section from Km 65+960 to Km 116+440 of NH-36 (Old No. NH-45C) and (ii) Four Lining of Cholapuram to Thanjavur section from Km 116+440 to Km 164+275 of NH-36 (Old No. NH-45C) in the State of Tamil Nadu (2nd Call).

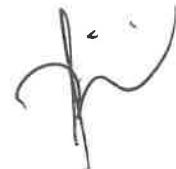
1. The Tender Evaluation Committee, constituted upon the approval of Regional Officer, Madurai has opened the bids on 18.08.2025 and found that 7 out of 7 bids received are responsive. Later, the detailed technical evaluation of bids was taken up and finalized on 01.12.2025, the initial scores assigned to the bidders are tabulated as under;

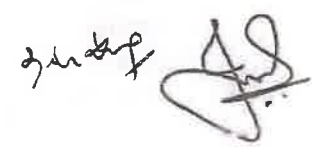
S. No	Name of the Bidder	Bid ID	Initial score as per NHAI Evaluation
1	M/s LEA Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd.	886365	95.72
2	M/s Pioneer Infra Consultants Pvt. Ltd. in JV with Artefact Projects Ltd. in association with Neoteric Consultant LLP	886412	92.50
3	M/s Bloom Companies LLC in Association with Bloom Infrastructure & Logistics India Private limited	886603	80.50
4	M/s MSV India Private Limited in Association with Sri Infra Consulting Engineers Ltd.	886868	89.17
5	M/s MSPARK Futuristics & Associates in JV with M/s ARMENGE Engineering Pvt. Ltd.	886894	82.13
6	M/s Dhruv Consultancy Services Ltd. in Association with Maark Civil Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd.	886903	83.03
7.	M/s LN Malviya Infra Project Pvt. Ltd. In association with Innovative CADD Centre	886910	94.73

2. The evaluation sheets with the initial scores were circulated in NHAI INFRACON Portal & e-tender Portal to receive objections from the bidders, if any, within a period of 07 days as per Para 5.3 (ii) of RFP. As the approved Minutes of Meeting along with annexure of Detailed Technical Evaluation sheets were uploaded in NHAI INFRACON Portal & e-tender Portal on 01.12.2025. In this regard, 5 bidders have submitted their objections/remarks towards the scores given against their technical bid, as detailed below;

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S. No	Name of the Bidder	Representation Letter Date
1	LEA Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd.	04.12.2025
2	Pioneer Infra Consultants Pvt. Ltd. in JV with Artefact Projects Ltd. in association with Neoteric Consultant LLP	02.12.2025
3	MSV India Private Limited in Association with Sri Infra Consulting Engineers Ltd.	04.12.2025
4	MSPARK Futuristics & Associates in JV with M/s ARMENGE Engineering Pvt. Ltd.	06.12.2025
5	M/s. Dhruv Consultancy Services Ltd. in Association with Maark Civil Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd.	06.12.2025

3. As such, the Tender Evaluation Committee has examined the objections raised by the bidders and accordingly, the scores assigned were reviewed and following are brought out;

3.1. M/s LEA Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd. (Bid ID: 886365) vide LASA/BD/Replies-Evaluation/NHAI/O&M/S-C/2nd Call/71693/2025 dated 04.12.2025 has raised certain objections towards the initial evaluation done by NHAI specifically w.r.t Firm Evaluation. The details are as under:

(i) Regarding Quality of Approach and Methodology @ S.No.2b of Annexure-A-2 "Adequacy of the proposed Approach and Methodology", the Bidder has represented to consider their submission of Quality of Approach and Methodology under Appendix B-10 and requested to award full marks i.e. 2 out of 2 under this category. Upon reviewing the same by the tender evaluation committee, it is observed that, the bidder was already evaluated under this category as "Good". Hence, the request of the bidder is disallowed by the tender evaluation committee and the initial score remains unchanged i.e. 1.5 marks out of 2 marks @ S.No.2b of Annexure-A-2.

(ii) Regarding Quality Audit Methodology and Quality Assurance Plan @ S.No.2c of Annexure-A-2 "Adequacy of the proposed Approach and Methodology", the Bidder has represented to consider their submission of Quality Audit Methodology and Quality Assurance Plan under Appendix B-10 and requested to award full marks i.e. 2 out of 2 under this category. Upon reviewing the same by the tender evaluation committee, it is observed that, the bidder was already evaluated under this category as "Good". Hence, the request of the bidder is disallowed by the tender evaluation committee and the initial score remains unchanged i.e. 1.5 marks out of 2 marks. Accordingly, the cumulative marks scored under Annexure-A-2 remains unchanged i.e. 4 marks out of 5 marks.

(iii) Considering the above, the committee has arrived at the final the cumulative marks of the bidder as 95.72 and Final Scores of the firm, M/s LEA Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd. is as under:

S. No	Description	Max Marks	Self - Evaluation	Initial Evaluation by NHAI	Final Evaluation by NHAI
1	Relevant experience for the assignment	35	35	35	35
2	Quality of approach and methodology	5	5	4	4

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S. No	Description	Max Marks	Self - Evaluation	Initial Evaluation by NHAI	Final Evaluation by NHAI
3	Experience in use of technology for road inspection	20	20	20	20
4	Qualifications and competence of the key staff for the assignment	40	37.22	36.72	36.72
	Total	100	97.22	95.72	95.72

3.2. M/s Pioneer Infra Consultants Pvt. Ltd. in JV with Artefact Projects Ltd. in association with Neoteric Consultant LLP (Bid ID: 886412) vide BD_PCPL/IE_O&M_Sethiyathope-Cholapuram-Thanjavur/2025-26/ 3060 dated 02.12.2025 has raised certain objections towards the initial evaluation done by NHAI w.r.t Firm Evaluation as well as key personnel evaluation. The details are as under:

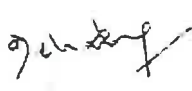
(i) The bidder has represented that the total Marks evaluated by the evaluation committee in the Annexure A-1 (Relevant Experience of Firm for the Assignment) is 33.50. However, due to typographical error 31.50 marks has been brought forwarded in the Abstract of Evaluation in place of 33.50 marks. In this regard, the representation has been accepted and the same has been corrected by the Committee.

(ii) The bidder has represented that under Appendix A-1, Criterion 2 (Average Annual Turnover (last 5 years or in each of the preceding two years)), the bidder has represented to consider their cumulative annual turnover as 59.16 Cr. In this regard, the Committee observed that Section-3, Appendix-A, clause (vi)(d), paragraph 2 explicitly stipulates that "an auditor's certificate indicating that the audit for the latest financial year is under progress/not completed shall be submitted for considering the audited annual reports of the preceding five years." Since the Bidder has not furnished the required auditor's certificate, the representation cannot be considered. Relevant clause is reproduced below:

"In case the annual accounts for the latest financial year are not audited and therefore the Applicant cannot make it available, the Applicant shall give an undertaking to this effect duly certified by statutory body like Chartered Accountant or Independent Auditor who are competent to do so as recognized by the state concerned. In such a case, the Applicant shall provide the Audited Annual Reports for 5 (five) years preceding the year for which the Audited Annual Report is not being provided."

(iii) The bidder has represented that under Appendix A-1, Criterion 4 (Experience in DPR/Feasibility-cum-Preliminary Design Report), Lead Partner has 2 Nos. of Project experience with a length greater than 50% of project length i.e.49.16 Km. in DPR/ Feasibility cum DPR preparation. In this regard, the Committee re-examined the bid and the tabulated project experiences duly authenticated by the Chartered Accountant. It was observed that the bidder has 2 eligible projects when evaluated based on payment-linked weightage and their JV partner has 1 Project. Accordingly, the Committee concurs that the bidder's submission is valid, and the score under this criterion has been revised to 4.5 out of 5.

(iv) Further, the bidder has submitted that, under the evaluation of the Team Leader-cum-Highway Engineer, the marks awarded for experience under @S.No. 2(iii) of Annexure-A-4-1 – "Experience in similar capacity in Highway Development Projects (40% of project length (39.326 km) or more of similar configuration (4/6-laning*) and above) taken up under PPP") – were incorrectly limited to 4 out of 5,

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despite the candidate having two eligible projects, which would qualify for the full 5 marks. Upon review, the Committee found that the Project No.10, 11 & 18 mentioned by the bidder are all O&M project as per Infracon, hence, the same cannot be considered under Highway Development Project. Accordingly, the total marks for the Team Leader-cum-Highway Engineer awarded as 90 and the corresponding weighted contribution to the overall score 9.90 remains unchanged.

(v) Further, the bidder has submitted that, under the evaluation of the Road Safety Expert, the marks awarded for experience under @S.No. 2(iii) of Annexure-A-4-4 – “Experience in similar capacity in Road Safety Audit of 4/6 lane highway/Expressway projects (40% of project length (39.326 Km) or more of similar configuration (4/6 laning**) and above)” – were incorrectly limited to 14 out of 15, despite the candidate having six eligible projects, which would qualify for the full 15 marks. Upon review, the Committee found that Project No.2 is a 2L project with only 14.2 Km length < 39.326 Km, Project No.4 length is 21.04 Km < 39.326 Km and Project No.5 length is 8.5 Km < 39.326 Km, hence, these projects cannot be considered. Accordingly, the total marks for the Road Safety Expert awarded as 90 and the corresponding weighted contribution to the overall score 4.50 remains unchanged.

(vi) Considering the above, the committee has arrived at the final cumulative marks of the bidder as 95.00 and Final Scores of the firm, M/s Pioneer Infra Consultants Pvt. Ltd. in JV with Artefact Projects Ltd. is as under:

S. No	Description	Max Marks	Self - Evaluation	Initial Evaluation by NHAI	Final Evaluation by NHAI
1	Relevant experience for the assignment	35	34.50	33.50	34
2	Quality of approach and methodology	5	5	5	5
3	Experience in use of technology for road inspection	20	20	20	20
4	Qualifications and competence of the key staff for the assignment	40	36.40	36.00	36.00
	Total	100	95.90	94.50	95.00

3.3. M/s MSV India Private Limited in Association with Sri Infra Consulting Engineers Ltd. (Bid ID: **886868**) vide MSV/BD/2024-25/370 dated 04.12.2025 has raised certain objections towards the initial evaluation done by NHAI specifically w.r.t Firm Evaluation. The details are as under:

(i) The bidder has represented that under Appendix A-1, Criterion 5 (In hand DPRs for NHAI Projects), their aggregate length of In-Hand DPR is 1889.633 Km which more 3 times the length and requested to award full 10 marks instead of 5 marks. In this regard, the Committee opined that the aggregate length is not acceptable under this category. However, it is found that the bidder has one qualified project under this category having a proportionate length of 216 Km (i.e. 75% as per CA certificate of 288 Km) which more than 2 times of Project length has been considered by the tender evaluation committee and the score under this criterion has been revised to 7.5 out of 10 @ S.No.1e of Annexure-A-1.

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(ii) Regarding Site Appreciation @ S.No.2a of Annexure-A-2 "Adequacy of the proposed Approach and Methodology", the Bidder has represented to consider their submission of Site Appreciation under Appendix B-10 and mentioned that their expert team visited the subject project site and incorporated the salient features sufficient for award of full marks i.e. 1 out of 1 under this category. Upon review by the Tender Evaluation Committee, it was observed that the bidder had provided only general and non-specific, and certain factually wrong information in the original bid submission, which led the Committee to assign a No/ zero rating for the Site Appreciation criterion. Moreover, key elements such as chainage or location-specific details, major junctions and hazard points, names of districts covered, latitude and longitude references, date of site inspection, and the presence of key personnel in the photographs were all absent in the bidder's original submission under "Appendix B-2: Site Appreciation." Hence, the request of the bidder is disallowed by the tender evaluation committee and the initial score remains unchanged i.e. 0.00 marks out of 1 marks @ S.No.2a of Annexure-A-2.

(iii) Regarding Quality of Approach and Methodology @ S.No.2b of Annexure-A-2 "Adequacy of the proposed Approach and Methodology", the Bidder has represented to consider their submission of Quality of Approach and Methodology under Appendix B-10 and requested to award full marks i.e. 2 out of 2 under this category. Upon reviewing the same by the tender evaluation committee, it is observed that, the bidder was already evaluated under this category as "Good". Hence, the request of the bidder is disallowed by the tender evaluation committee and the initial score remains unchanged i.e. 1.5 marks out of 2 marks @ S.No.2b of Annexure-A-2.

(iv) Regarding Quality Audit Methodology and Quality Assurance Plan @ S.No.2c of Annexure-A-2 "Adequacy of the proposed Approach and Methodology", the Bidder has represented to consider their submission of Quality Audit Methodology and Quality Assurance Plan under Appendix B-10 and requested to award full marks i.e. 2 out of 2 under this category. Upon reviewing the same by the tender evaluation committee, it is observed that, the bidder was already evaluated under this category as "Good". Hence, the request of the bidder is disallowed by the tender evaluation committee and the initial score remains unchanged i.e. 1.5 marks out of 2 marks. Accordingly, the cumulative marks scored under Annexure-A-2 remains unchanged i.e. 3 marks out of 5 marks.

(v) Considering the above, the committee has arrived at the final the cumulative marks of the bidder as 91.67 and Final Scores of the firm, M/s MSV India Private Limited in Association with Sri Infra Consulting Engineers Ltd. is as under:

S. No	Description	Max Marks	Self - Evaluation	Initial Evaluation by NHAI	Final Evaluation by NHAI
1	Relevant experience for the assignment	35	35	30	32.5
2	Quality of approach and methodology	5	5	3	3
3	Experience in use of technology for road inspection	20	20	20	20
4	Qualifications and competence of the key staff for the assignment	40	36.60	36.17	36.17
	Total	100	96.60	89.17	91.67

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3.4. M/s MSPARK Futuristics & Associates in JV with M/s ARMENGE Engineering Pvt. Ltd. (Bid ID: 886894) vide MSPARK/BD/NHA/O&M/NH-36/2025-26/1671 dated 06.12.2025 has raised certain objections towards the initial evaluation done by NHA specifically w.r.t Firm Evaluation. The details are as under:

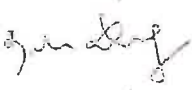
(i) The bidder has represented that under Appendix A-1, Criterion 5 (In hand DPRs for NHA Projects), the bidder has in hand DPR with length more than 03 times and requested to award full 10 marks instead of 5 marks. In this regard, the Committee has re-evaluated the project submitted by the bidder and observed that although the share percentage indicated in the CA certificate is 67.54%, the project is still at a very initial stage. As per the RFP provisions, the involvement of the Associate is restricted to 25% of Sub-professionals and 2 Key Professionals only. Since the DPR Project is ongoing, determining a proportionate length based solely on the early-stage payment share is neither justified nor consistent with the RFP conditions. Accordingly, the proposed share percentage is not admissible. Therefore, the proposed project shall be taken as 92.28 Km (i.e., 369.10 Km x 25% share) which is less than the desired length of 98.315 Km for a minimum mark to be allotted under in-Hand Projects category for the RFP invited. Hence, the request of the bidder is disallowed by the tender evaluation committee and the initial score remains unchanged i.e. 0 marks out of 10 marks @ S.No.1e of Annexure-A-1.

(ii) The bidder has represented that under Appendix A-1, Criterion 7 (Experience as Independent Engineer/ Supervision consultants one O&M project under HAM/DBFOT/OMT of four/six laning** of 50% of project length (49.16 Km) in last 7 years). In this regard, the Committee re-examined and found that the project mentioned by the bidder has already been considered with 6 marks. Further, the request of the bidder to consider one project of the JV partner with a length of 55.57 Km (6L) (i.e.81% share as per CA certificate of 68.61 Km) in this category is considere and the score under this criterion has been revised to 6.5 out of 8 @ S.No.1g of Annexure-A-1.

(iii) Considering the above, the committee has arrived at the final the cumulative marks of the bidder as 82.63 and Final Scores of the firm, M/s MSPARK Futuristics & Associates in JV with M/s ARMENGE Engineering Pvt. Ltd. is as under:

S. No	Description	Max Marks	Self - Evaluation	Initial Evaluation by NHA	Final Evaluation by NHA
1	Relevant experience for the assignment	35	34.5	22.5	23
2	Quality of approach and methodology	5	5	3	3
3	Experience in use of technology for road inspection	20	20	20	20
4	Qualifications and competence of the key staff for the assignment	40	36.94	36.63	36.63
	Total	100	96.44	82.13	82.63

3.5. M/s. Dhruv Consultancy Services Ltd. in Association with Maark Civil Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd. (Bid ID: 886903) vide DCSL/Tender/NHA/IE/O&M/NH-36/2025 dated 06.12.2025 has raised certain objections towards the initial evaluation done by NHA specifically w.r.t Firm Evaluation. The details are as under:

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(i) The bidder has represented that under Appendix A-1, Criterion 5 (In hand DPRs for NHAI/MoRT&H Projects), the bidder has in hand DPR with aggregate length more than 03 times and requested to award full 10 marks instead of 0 marks. In this regard, the Committee opine that the aggregate length is not acceptable under this category. Further, the committee has reexamined the projects submitted by the bidder and found that the proportion of payment received towards Consultancy work duly certified by statutory body is not submitted. As such, in the absence of the required documents, no weightage for turnover/experience shall be considered as per the RFP provisions. Hence, the request of the bidder is disallowed by the tender evaluation committee and the initial score remains unchanged i.e. 0 marks out of 10 marks @ S.No.1e of Annexure-A-1.

(ii) Considering the above, the committee has arrived at the final the cumulative marks of the bidder as 83.03 and Final Scores of the firm, M/s. Dhruv Consultancy Services Ltd. in Association with Maark Civil Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd. is as under:

S. No	Description	Max Marks	Self - Evaluation	Initial Evaluation by NHAI	Final Evaluation by NHAI
1	Relevant experience for the assignment	35	35	23.25	23.25
2	Quality of approach and methodology	5	5	3.75	3.75
3	Experience in use of technology for road inspection	20	20	20	20
4	Qualifications and competence of the key staff for the assignment	40	36.17	36.03	36.03
	Total	100	96.17	83.03	83.03

3.6. M/s Bloom Companies LLC in Association with Bloom Infrastructure & Logistics India Private limited (Bid ID: 886603) did not raise any objections, hence, there is no change in the Final scores;

S. No	Description	Max Marks	Self - Evaluation	Initial Evaluation by NHAI	Final Evaluation by NHAI
1	Relevant experience for the assignment	35	35	24.5	24.5
2	Quality of approach and methodology	5	5	3	3
3	Experience in use of technology for road inspection	20	20	20	20
4	Qualifications and competence of the key staff for the assignment	40	37.64	33	33
	Total	100	97.64	80.50	80.50

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3.7. M/s LN Malviya Infra Project Pvt. Ltd. In association with Innovative CADD Centre (Bid ID: 886603) did not raise any objections hence there is no change in the Final scores;

S. No	Description	Max Marks	Self - Evaluation	Initial Evaluation by NHAI	Final Evaluation by NHAI
1	Relevant experience for the assignment	35	35	35	35
2	Quality of approach and methodology	5	5	3.5	3.5
3	Experience in use of technology for road inspection	20	20	20	20
4	Qualifications and competence of the key staff for the assignment	40	37.09	36.23	36.23
	Total	100	97.09	94.73	94.73

4. In view of the re-evaluation conducted by the Tender Evaluation Committee based on the request of 5 bidders, Final scores of the bidders are tabulated hereunder;

S. No	Name of the Bidder	Bid ID	Initial score as per NHAI Evaluation	Final scores evaluated by NHAI	Rank
1	M/s LEA Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd.	886365	95.72	95.72	H-1
2	M/s Pioneer Infra Consultants Pvt. Ltd. in JV with Artefact Projects Ltd. in association with Neoteric Consultant LLP	886412	94.50	95.00	H-2
3	M/s Bloom Companies LLC in Association with Bloom Infrastructure & Logistics India Private limited	886603	80.50	80.50	H-7
4	M/s MSV India Private Limited in Association with Sri Infra Consulting Engineers ltd.	886868	89.17	91.67	H-4
5	M/s MSPARK Futuristics & Associates in JV with M/s ARMENGE Engineering Pvt. Ltd.	886894	82.13	82.63	H-6
6	M/s Dhruv Consultancy Services Ltd. in Association with Maark Civil Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd.	886903	83.03	83.03	H-5
7.	M/s LN Malviya Infra Project Pvt. Ltd. In association with Innovative CADD Centre	886910	94.73	94.73	H-3

5. As per Clause 8 of Section-I ITC of RFP, top 5 ranking firms shall only be considered for further evaluation provided further evaluation provided none of them is in conflict of interest with the

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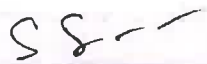
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Contractor. Accordingly, the descending order of Top 5 rank of the firm who are qualified in Technical Evaluation is tabulated as below;

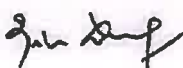
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2	M/s Pioneer Infra Consultants Pvt. Ltd. in JV with Artefact Projects Ltd. in association with Neoteric Consultant LLP	886412	94.50	95.00	H-2
3	M/s LN Malviya Infra Project Pvt. Ltd. In association with Innovative CADD Centre	886910	94.73	94.73	H-3
4	M/s MSV India Private Limited in Association with Sri Infra Consulting Engineers Ltd.	886868	89.17	91.67	H-4
5	M/s Dhruv Consultancy Services Ltd. in Association with Maark Civil Engineering Services Pvt. Ltd.	886903	83.03	83.03	H-5

In view of the above, the Tender Evaluation Committee further decided to meet at a convenient date & time for opening of Financial Bids of the technically qualified bidders upon receiving concurrence of the Competent Authority.


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