

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

SECTION 1. INFORMATION TO CONSULTANTS

NIT no. NHAI/RO/CHD/2026-2027/LUD/09

dated 01.07.2026

Sub: Supervision Consultant Services during Operation & Maintenance of four lanes with paved shoulders of Moga-Tallewal section of NH-71 (New NH-703) from km 77.950 to km 116.600 in the state of Punjab.

GENERAL: -

1. The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) (the ‘Employer’) invites proposals for engaging Supervision Consultant on the basis of International Competitive Bidding for the following contract package during Operation & Maintenance period for Development to four lanes with paved shoulders of Moga-Tallewal section of NH-71 (New NH-703) from km 77.20 to km 114.00 in the state of Punjab on EPC mode under NHDP-IV

Table 1: **Details** of Project

SI. No	Consultancy Package	NH no.		Section		KM	Assignment Period (months)
		Old NH	New NH	From	TO		
1	Supervision Consultant Services during Operation & Maintenance of four lanes with paved shoulders of Moga-Tallewal section of NH-71 (New NH-703) from km 77.950 to km 116.600 in the state of Punjab.	NH-71	NH-703	77.950	116.600	38.65	36 months

2. The RFP shall be received through “INFRACON” (www.infracon.nic.in) and will be evaluated based on details furnished on “INFRACON”. As such before submitting the proposal, the Consultant (the firm and all key personnel) shall mandatorily register and enlist themselves, on the MoRT&H portal “INFRACON” and upload all relevant information to enable correct evaluation of RFP.

3. All the bidders registered on “INFRACON” shall form a Team on “INFRACON” which would be assigned unique INFRACON Team ID. Bidders while submitting the RFP proposal shall furnish registration details including INFRACON Team ID. A copy of INFRACON Operation Procedure is enclosed for bidder’s reference.

4. Bid must be submitted online at e-tender portal of <https://etenders.gov.in> on or before 29.07.2026 at 11:00 Hrs.

5. Selection of SC shall be as per selection procedures given in the Model Contract Agreement and general procurement methods followed in NHAI. The selected IE shall be intimated to the Contractor.

6. The proposal shall be submitted in English Language and all correspondence would be the same language.

7. The Operation & Maintenance of projects broadly include Operation and Maintenance activities of the Contractor for completed construction works and Projects facilities are opened to traffic as per the Contract Agreements.

8. As per the Terms and Conditions of the Contract Agreement(s), the Supervision Consultant is broadly required to:

- a. Survey (Including Traffic Survey) and examination of stretch for requirements of additional structures, project facilities, road furniture's and other items warranted for implementation including structural designs.
- b. Pavement condition survey for the entire stretch for the entire including plan and profile and working out required pavement strengthening measures and improvements.
- c. Condition survey of all existing structures and working out strengthening measures. d. Cost valuation of proposed items/works after conducting survey examination of complete stretch.
- e. Preparation of RFP document
- f. Review of the Drawings and Documents;
- g. Review, inspection and monitoring of Construction Works;
- h. Conducting Tests on completion of construction and issuing Completion Certificate;
- i. Review, inspection and monitoring of O&M;
- j. Review, inspection and monitoring of Divestment Requirements;
- k. Determining, as required under the Agreement, the costs of any works or services and/or their reasonableness;
- l. Determining, as required under the Agreement, the period or any extension thereof, for performing any duty or obligation;
- m. Providing all requisite data on monthly basis in Monthly Progress Report (MPR) within a period of 7 days from the close of month, as required by Authority, for updating the project specific website and PMIS substantially in the format prescribed at Annexure– III
- n. Assisting the Parties in resolution of disputes; and undertaking all other duties and functions in accordance with the Contract Agreement.
- o. Provide assistance in dispute resolution/arbitration case/court case pertaining to the project highway even from the commencement of construction of the (4 lane) project.
- p. To perform the function/duties as directed by the PIU/Authority for the project stretch without any additional cost.
- q. To conduct drone survey bi-annually as per NHAI policy circular no. 18.75/2021 dated 03.01.2021.

9. The interested consultancy firms may download the **RFP from NHAI Website from 01.07.2026 to 29.07.2026 upto 11:00 hrs.** The Consultant who downloads the RFP document from the website will be required to **pay the non- refundable fee of Rs. 5,000/- through NEFT/RTGS/Direct Credit** transfer in the following Authority's Bank;

Sl. No.	Particulars	Details
1.	Name of Beneficiary	NHAI, RO-Chandigarh.
2.	Account No.	0385201800065
3.	Type of Account	Current Account
4.	Name of Bank & Branch	Canara Bank, Sector 10 Panchkula
5.	Branch IFSC CODE	CNRB0001624

Proof of online payment receipt shall be enclosed along with the Bid in online while submission.

9.1. The amendments /clarifications to the bid document if any will be hosted on the above website. The RFP will be invited through e- tendering portal. Refer Procedure under e- tendering for submission of RFP through e- tendering.

9.2. In this document, unless the context otherwise requires, reference to a firm or consultant or bidder or applicant shall be construed as reference to any individual firm, organization, company or their JV, reputed engineering institutions such as IITs/NITs/Deemed Universities.

10. The proposal should be submitted by consultancy firms in two parts in two separate envelopes/package duly marked and put together in one single outer envelope/package. The two parts of the proposal are Part 1: Technical Proposal and Part 2: Financial Proposal. For a given DBFOT Project, Stage-1 of the Evaluation shall consider the evaluation of the Technical Proposal (i.e. Part 1). The firms with minimum qualifying marks (minimum 75%) as mentioned in RFP shall be listed in the descending order of their technical Score and 5 top ranking firms shall only be considered for further evaluation provided none of them is in conflict of interest with the Contractor. The firms in conflict of interest shall be substituted by next ranking firm not having conflict of interest with the Contractor. Under stage 2, the financial proposal of such five firms as selected above shall be opened and evaluated. The weightage of Technical and Financial Score shall be 80% & 20% respectively. The final selection of the firm shall be based on the highest combined Score of Technical and Financial Proposal.

11. The total time period for the assignment as Supervision Consultant will be for 36 months. On expiry or termination of aforesaid period, the Authority may in its discretion renew the appointment.

12. Consultants may apply either as a sole firm or forming Joint Venture with other consultants. In case of Joint Venture, the maximum number of Joint Venture partners is limited to 2 (i.e. one lead + 1 JV partners). Formulation of more than one JV with different partners for the same work is not allowed and all such proposal involving the firms shall be treated as non- responsive.

13. (A) The Applicant whether a sole applicant or lead member with joint venture may include any number of Associate to provide technology in assignment (refer Para 9 (iii) of data sheet). The associate firm can provide equipment-based road inspection services for any of the 5 equipments viz., (i) Network Survey Vehicle including all modules required as per technical specifications, (ii) Falling Weight Deflectometer, (iii) Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit and (iv) Retro Reflectometer (v) Automatic Traffic Counter cum Classifier (ATCC). However, the associate(s) cannot be common for 2 or more bidders. If any associate is common with 2 or more bidders, all those bids shall be declared non-responsive. Hence, the bidder may ensure on

his own that the associate proposed by him is not proposed by any other bidder participating in the same assignment and the bidder is solely responsible in this regard.

(B) In addition, the applicant whether a sole applicant or lead member with joint venture may also include an Associate for providing key personnel. In such case, the applicant should submit a MOU with associate regarding role and responsibility of Associate Company. However, the maximum number of key personnel from Associate firm during RFP proposal and implementation of contract should be limited to two (2).

(C) The bidder cannot revise their share among Lead/JV partner/Associate partner, which was declared at the time of bidding/award of respective consultancy assignments. Further, maximum limit of share of associates shall be limited to their actual assignments w.r.t. provision of standard RFP subject to a maximum of 25% of contract amount. The Bidder cannot revise their share among Lead/ JV Partner after submission of bids. In case of submission of wrong JV shares in the bids of consultancy assignment, the bid will be declared as non-responsive.

14. The bidder, by submitting its Application pursuant to this RFP, shall be deemed to have acknowledged that without prejudice to the bidder any other right or remedy hereunder or in law or otherwise, the bidder shall be debarred from participating in the future projects of the bidder in the following situations:

- (a) If an bidder withdraws its Proposal during the period of its validity as specified in this RFP and as extended by the bidder from time to time.
- (b) In the case of a Selected bidder, if the Applicant fails to sign the Agreement

15. Consulting firms meeting the following criteria and not in conflict of interest with the Contractor are only eligible for applying for this assignment. Firms not meeting these criteria need not apply.

A. Eligibility criteria for sole applicant.

S. no.	Experience of the applicant in completed projects in last seven years		
	Preparation of (NH/SH/Equivalent)	DPR Project Supervision/IC (NH/SH/Equivalent)	Annual Turnover*
1.	The firm should have prepared DPR/FS cum PPR for at least Two projects of 4/6 laning** of 30% of project length Each or one project of 4/6 laning of 50% of Project length.	The firm should have experience of Project Supervision/IE of a. At least two construction projects of four/six laning** of 30% of project length each or one project of 4/6 laning of 50% of project length and b. At least one O&M project Under DBFOT/OMT/ O & M of four/six laning** of 50% of project length.	Annual turnover (average of last 5 years or in each of the preceding two years) of the firm from consultancy business should be equal to or more than Rs.5 Crores.

* Annual Turnover should be duly certified by statutory body like Chartered Accountant or Independent Auditors who are competent to do so as recognized by the State concerned.

** Similar project means 2/4/6 lane as applicable for the project for which RFP is invited. For 2- lane projects experience of 4/6 lane also to be considered with a multiplication factor of 1.5. Experience of 4/6 lane shall be considered interchangeably for 4/6 laning projects. For 4/6 laning projects, experience of 2- lane will be considered with a multiplication factor of 0.4. But those 2 lane projects having cost of consultancy services more than Rs 3.0 crores will be considered only.

B. Eligibility Criteria for partners in case of JV (not more than 1 JV partner shall be allowed).

Lead Partner should meet at least 75% and JV partner should meet at least 40% eligibility criteria of Annual Turnover. Lead partner and the JV partner both shall have experience of at least one project of eligible category as in para 12 (A) above

Note: The weightage given for experience of a firm would depend on the role of the Firm in the respective assignments. The firm's experience would get full credit if it was the sole firm in the respective assignment. Experience weightage for firms joining Lead partner JV partner shall be considered in the same proportion as payment has been received ** by the firm towards consultancy work in the project.

**For weightage of experience in any past Consultancy assignment experience certificate from the client shall be accepted. In the absence of experience certificate from the client, proportion of payment received towards Consultancy work duly certified by statutory body like Chartered Accountant or Independent Auditors who are competent to do so as recognized by the State concerned shall be accepted. Annual turnover duly certified by Chartered Accountant shall be accepted. In case of non- availability of such documents no weight age of turnover/experience will be considered.

C. Technical Capacity Provisions of maximum works to be permitted with one consultant:

Sr. no.	Col (2)	Col (3)	Col (4)	Col (5)	Col (6)
1	Average Annual Turnover of Firm in last 3 Financial Years (from Consultancy Works)	Upto Rs. 10 Crores	More than Rs. 10 to Rs. 30 Crores	More than Rs. 30 to Rs. 60 Crores	More than Rs. 60 Crores
2	No, of key professionals on full time rolls (minimum for last one year)	10	25	40	60
3	Max. no. of projects/ DPR assignments to be allotted to one particular consultant including ongoing projects at a time in NHAI	6	12	25	40

4 (i)	Maximum no. of DPR Assignments out of those given at Sr. No.3 Above	6	12	25	40
4 (ii)	Maximum no. of IE/AE assignments (cap of 75%) out of those given at Sr. No. 3 above	4	9	18	30

Note: (1) Conditions in both Sr. No. 1 & Sr. No. 2 are to be fulfilled to claim maximum no. of projects given in Sr. No. 3 & 4.

(2) In case of JV bidding for the current assignment, the technical capacity of JV will be determined with respect to the weighted average of turnover, key professionals & ongoing assignments on the basis of share of consultancy fee in the ongoing assignments and proposed share in the current bid. Refer the illustration at Annex B.

(3) In case any partner of the joint venture has its individual remaining bid capacity less than 0.5 thus making him ineligible for the current bid but, on formation of joint venture, the remaining bid capacity becomes more than 0.5, then during the technical evaluation of the bids, the bids of such JVs will be declared as non-responsive and they will not be allowed to participate in the current assignment.

(ii) The consulting firms should be encouraged to carry out a max. of DPR and Supervision Assignments like IE/AE. Out of maximum number of projects given at Sr. No. 3 above, the ceiling for IE/AE assignments is 75%. For example, the Consulting Firm at Col: No. 3 can get total 4 number of IE/AE assignments only from NHAI, whereas they can get 6 DPR assignments. The Financial Proposal of the Consulting Firm crossing the upper ceiling of assignments as at Sr. No. 3 & 4 above shall not be opened.

(iii) The following assignments would not be counted for the purposes of maximum number of projects given at Sr. No. 3 to 4 of above Table.

(a) IE/AE assignments where (original assignment period one year is lapsed or provisional completion of civil work is issued, whichever is earlier;

(b) DPR assignments where either (i) the bids for civil works have been received; or (ii) original assignment period + one year has lapsed;

(c) Assignments having less than 6 months contract period.

(d) The operation and maintenance contract (O&M)

(iv) The above guidelines will not be applicable in case of Special Projects such as standalone projects of tunnel, bridge, emergency landing facility, flyovers and ROB/RUB/Underpass only

(v) For the purpose of calculation of maximum no. of projects, the works awarded on the date of opening of Financial Bid and in progress will be taken into consideration as utilized capacity. Projects of NHAI (awarded/ in progress) only shall be considered for maximum no. of projects in Sr. No. 3 & 4 purpose. The Consultant shall provide these details and they shall be solely responsible for accuracy of such details provided.

(vi) The Consulting Firms shall submit Form-26 AS in order to certify their permanent key personnel (as given in Sr. No. 2 of above table) along with the proposed candidates.

(vii) The bidders shall submit the requisite details in the prescribed formats of technical proposal along with the RFP documents for evaluation of bids accordingly. The modified format for determination of Technical Capacity (Form T-11) is enclosed at Annex-B-13.

(3) In case any partner of the joint venture has its individual remaining bid capacity less than 0.5 thus making him ineligible for the current bid but, on formation of joint venture, the remaining bid capacity becomes more than 0.5, then during the technical evaluation of the bids, the bids of such JVs will be declared as non-responsive and they will not be allowed to participate in the current assignment.

16. Following enhancement factor will be used for the cost of services provided and for the turnover from consultancy business to a common base value for works completed in India:

Year of completion of services / Turnover	Enhancement factor
Financial year in which RFP invited	1.00
One year prior to RFP	1.10
Two year prior to RFP	1.21
Three year prior to RFP	1.33
Four year prior to RFP	1.46
Five year prior to RFP	1.61

Applicant should indicate actual figures of costs and amount for the works executed by them without accounting for the above-mentioned factors.

In case the financial figures and values of services provided are in foreign currency, the above enhancement factors will not be applied. Instead, current market exchange rate (State Bank of India BC Selling rate as on last date of submission of the bid) will be applied for the purpose of conversion of amount in foreign currency into Indian Rupees.

17. The Bidder including individual or any of its Joint Venture Member should, in the last 2 years, have neither failed to perform for the works of Expressways, National Highways, IIE (Inter State Connectivity) & EI (Economic Importance) works, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitration award against the Bidder including individual or any of its Joint Venture Member, as the case may be, nor has been expelled or terminated by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies for breach by such Bidder including individual or any of its Joint Venture Member. Consultants (sole firm or lead firm and any of the JV partners) who have been debarred by NHAI and the debarment is in force as on date of application, need not apply as their RFP proposal will not be entertained.

18. NHAI will not be responsible for any delay, loss or non-receipt of RFP document sent by post/courier. Further, NHAI shall not be responsible for any delay in receiving the Proposal and reserves the right to accept/reject any or all applications without assigning any reason thereof.

19. The Technical proposal and Financial Proposals shall have to be submitted only in Electronic Form (to be uploaded on the e-portal). In the event, any of the instructions mentioned herein have not been adhered to, NHAI may reject the Proposal.

- a. The selected bidder shall use the Link 'Data Lake Portal' available on NHAI Website nhai.gov.in to communicate with NHAI and O&M Contractor for all contractual correspondence.
- b. No Physical document shall be accepted unless and until the same is specifically stated so in the RFP or it is a legal requirement.

20. NHAI will be at liberty to keep the credentials submitted by the Consultants at bidding stage, in public domain and the same may be uploaded on NHAI web-site. By submitting the proposal, the Consultants shall be deemed to have no objection to upload/hoist the information pertaining to their credentials as well as of their key personnel on NHAI web- site.

21. The individual key personnel proposed in the bid by the consultants or any replacement thereof should undertake that they shall have no objection in uploading/hoisting of their credentials by NHAI in public domain.

22. Interview of Key personnel of Authority's Engineer/Independent Engineer:
For any Key Personnel to be eligible for participation in the AE/IE tender, he/she shall be required to be empaneled on NHAI Skill Bridge Portal for that specific Key Position. For specialized Projects wherein the required Key-Positions not available on NHAI Skill Bridge Portal, Infracon CVs shall be considered by the Authority for evaluation and the interview of the same shall be arranged on Skill Bridge Portal by Authority before issuance of LoA to the selected bidder.

23. The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) policy circular dated 10.03.2026 bearing no. 10.2.49/2026 regarding "Mandatory Interview and Assessment of Key Personnel (KPs) for Supervision Consultancy Assignments (i.e., AEs/IEs) through Skill Bridge Portal" is hereby enclosed in this RFP as Annexure C for reference. Bidders are advised to take note of the provisions of the said circular and ensure strict compliance with the requirements pertaining to the interview and assessment of Key Personnel through the Skill Bridge Portal.

24. RFP submission must be received not later than **11:00 Hrs on 29.07.2026** as mentioned on the e-portal only) ("Bid Due Date"). The bids (technical) would be opened on **30.07.2026 at 11:30 Hrs.** online at NHAI, Regional Office, Chandigarh, National Highways Authority of India, NHAI Building, Sector - 30B, Chandigarh (UT) - 160030, (Near Sector – 29-30 Traffic Light, Opposite 30 C Market), in the manner specified in the RFP document at the address given below:

Regional Office, Chandigarh
National Highways Authority of India,
NHAI Building, Sector - 30B, Chandigarh (UT) - 160030,
(Near Sector – 29-30 Traffic Light, Opposite 30 C Market)
Tel:- 0172-2583030, 0172-2586818
Email: tendersrochandigarh@nhai.org