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**Request for Proposal  
for  
Seeking Partners for UCG Pre-feasibility Study to Advance India's Clean Energy Goals**

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**RFP No: GMDC/PP&D/005/25-26**

**Corrigendum 1**

**Response to Pre-Bid Queries**

**Feb 2026**

**Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Ltd.**

**Khanij Bhavan, 132-ft Ring Road, Gujarat University Ground, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad – 380 052, India**

Sl. No.	Clause Description	Query	Response
1	The outcome of this study will inform and guide <b>the next study on technical feasibility and pilot plant for UCG</b>	Please clarify “next study on technical feasibility”. What does it include?	Decision will be taken after the results of the UCG PFR
2	Analyse the mine data (such as mining plan) and visit project sites to understand & assess necessary conditions	Please clarify “mining plan “ - o/c or u/g?? Do the coal and lignite blocks in this RFP have existing mining plans? Is conventional mining planned by GMDC in these blocks along with UCG?	The mining plan for open cast mining is available for both packages.  Decision on conventional mining will be taken after the UCG PFR
3	The total time envisaged for the scope of work described above is 6 months for each package. A. Inception Report T + 1 Months B. Draft pre-feasibility report T + 3 Months C. Final Report after incorporating comments T + 6 Months D. Executive presentation to the GMDC Board As and when required “T” represents the Commencement Date. The Commencement Date shall be fifteen days from the date of LOA (or a mutually agreed date when the Service Provider shall commence the work). <b>The total Contract period shall be 06 months from the Commencement Date.</b>	Given the scope of work, (including drilling of two wells) we suggest that the time line should be at least 9-12 months.	Amended - "The total timeline envisaged for the scope of work described above is 09 months for each package.  Accordingly the RFP clauses: 1. Section II, Clause 2 "Timeline and Deliverables" 2. Section IV, Clause 1.a "Service Fees" 3. Section IV, Clause 2.b. "Payment terms" 4. Section V, Clause 2.4 "Contract Period"  shall stand amended. (Ref Annexure-A for details). All relevant clauses in the RFP shall be considered amended.

4	The Bidder obtaining Highest Composite score shall be considered as Preferred Bidder (the “Preferred Bidder”).	I Preferred bidder selected for each Package of the RFP or only one for both Packages?	<p>Bidders are required to submit a single bid covering both Package-1 and Package-2. The evaluation process shall be carried out as follows:</p> <p>Technical Evaluation:</p> <p>Technical evaluation shall be conducted commonly for both packages. The technical score obtained by a bidder shall be same for both Package-1 and Package-2.</p> <p>Financial Evaluation for Package-1:</p> <p>Financial bids shall first be evaluated for Package-1. The bidder securing the highest QCBS score shall be declared as Preferred Bidder-1 and selected for Package-1.</p> <p>Financial Evaluation for Package-2:</p> <p>The financial bid of Preferred Bidder-1 shall not be opened or considered for evaluation of Package-2. Financial bids of the remaining technically qualified bidders shall be opened and evaluated for Package-2. The bidder securing the highest QCBS score among such bidders shall be declared as Preferred Bidder-2 and selected for Package-2.</p>
5	The Pre-Bid Meeting shall be <b>held at 12:00 PM IST (UTC +05:30) and 07:00 PM IST (UTC +05:30) on 13/01/2026.</b>	Please clarify – are there two Pre-Bid Meetings? Are they for the two different blocks?	Clarified during pre-bid meeting

6	No Bidder shall submit more than one Bid pursuant to this RFP. If a Bidder submits or participates in more than one Bid, such Bids shall be disqualified.	Please clarify- one bid pursuant to this RFP. (It appears that RFP allows one party to bid for both Package 1 and Package 2).	Bidders are allowed to submit one technical bid comprising both packages.  However, bidders have to submit price bids separately for Package-1 and Package-2
7	In case Bidder is a foreign firm: By a duly authorized person holding the Power of Attorney, in case foreign Bidder is constituted/registered under respective laws of country of origin.	Please clarify - “duly authorized person holding the Power of Attorney”	The duly authorised person shall be as under:  In case of a Company: - The duly authorised person shall be a person duly authorised by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company to sign and act on behalf of the Company.  In case of a Proprietary Firm The duly authorised person shall be: - the Owner/Proprietor of the firm, or - a person holding a valid Power of Attorney, duly executed and authorised by the Owner/Proprietor of the firm.  In case of Consortium / Collaboration The duly authorised person shall be:  - an employee of the Lead Member, and duly nominated and authorised by the Board of Directors / Owner(s) of all consortium members / collaborators, in accordance with the consortium or collaboration agreement.  All authorisations shall be supported by relevant documentary evidence (such as Board Resolution, Power of Attorney, or Authorisation Letter), which shall be submitted along with the bid.

8	<p>A Bidder must meet Pre-Qualification Criteria as specified hereunder in order to qualify for next stage of evaluation.</p> <p>(b) The Bidder shall be any firm or body corporate either Indian registered subsidiary/ Sister concerns of foreign firm OR foreign firm registered in foreign country under respective laws of country of origin <b>and having the approvals and permissions required under law to conduct business in India.</b></p>	<p>Please clarify “approvals and permissions for a foreign entity bidder”</p>	<p>Please refer : Pre-Qualification Criteria 5.1 (b)</p> <p>Foreign bidders to submit "Incorporation and Registration Certificate" in English language only as evidence and a self-declaration stating that "they are allowed to carry out business in India."</p>
9	<p>The Bidder shall be required to quote Lumpsum “Service Fees” for each Package (Fees exclusive of GST but inclusive of all other taxes, costs and expenses for executing the Scope/TOR as per the reference Price Bid format provided in Annexure 11.</p>	<p>Please clarify - How GST is accounted for in case of Foreign Bidder</p>	<p>In case of a foreign bidder not registered under GST in India, GMDC shall discharge GST Liability under Reverse Charge Mechanism (RCM)</p>
10	<p>The price bid of the preferred bidder in the Package-1 will not be opened in the Package-2. The Price Bid for Package 2 shall be opened separately after declaration of “Preferred Bidder” of Package-1, as per clause 5.5 hereinafter. The price bid evaluation of Package -2 shall be carried out as per the provision set forth in sub clause (c) hereinabove.</p>	<p>It appears that the bidder with the highest Technical and Composite score cannot win both Packages. We believe it is dangerously detrimental to the quality of the work execution, environmental safety and overall success of the GMDC UCG project. In our view, both Packages should be done by the most qualified and most competitive bidder with the highest Technical and Composite score.</p>	<p>RFP conditions remain unchanged.</p>

11	For foreign firms, the payment shall be made in Indian currency i.e. INR. The amount of Indian currency equal to corresponding USD amount shall be determined using the Reference Exchange Rate as on date of payment as benchmarked to Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Reference rates for the day (published on <a href="https://www.rbi.org.in">https://www.rbi.org.in</a> website).	<p>1. Please confirm that for foreign firms the payments will be made in USD. The amount of USD corresponding to the payment in INR shall be determined using the reference exchange rate as on date of payment as benchmarked to reserve bank of India (rbi) reference rates for the day (published on <a href="https://www.rbi.org.in">https://www.rbi.org.in</a> website).</p> <p>2. How the payments to foreign entity are made – Could you please give detailed procedure and calculation using milestone payment of 1 crore INR to a foreign company that must receive payment in USD?</p>	Clause Amended - Ref Annexure A
12	The Successful Bidder shall furnish Performance Security to Authority for securing the due and faithful performance of its obligations under the Agreement, within 15 days from the LOA, in the form of Demand Draft	Which Indian banks are acceptable to GMDC? Will a Foreign bidder be able to use them to furnish Performance Security to GMDC?	<p>A foreign bidder may submit the required Bank Guarantee through a counter-guarantee mechanism. The bidder's bank shall issue a counter-guarantee in favour of an Authorised Dealer (AD) Bank in India. List of banks can be accessed through the link provided:  <a href="https://rbidocs.rbi.org.in/rdocs/FEMAMASTER/PDFs/1061.PDF">https://rbidocs.rbi.org.in/rdocs/FEMAMASTER/PDFs/1061.PDF</a></p> <p>The AD Bank shall thereafter issue the Bank Guarantee in favour of the GMDC. The Bank Guarantee issued by the AD bank shall be payable in India, and shall be fully enforceable in accordance with the RFP conditions.</p> <p>However, the AD Bank must be a bank included in list of approved banks provided Annexure-14 of the RFP</p>

13	Clause description not mentioned	<p>If we bid for <b>both packages</b>, will evaluation and award be <b>fully independent package-wise</b> (including separate technical thresholds and separate QCBS scoring), or will GMDC consider any combined/portfolio logic? (RFP states package-wise award under QCBS)</p>	<p>Bidders are required to submit a single bid covering both Package-1 and Package-2. The evaluation process shall be carried out as follows:</p> <p>Technical Evaluation:</p> <p>Technical evaluation shall be conducted commonly for both packages. The technical score obtained by a bidder shall be same for both Package-1 and Package-2.</p> <p>Financial Evaluation for Package-1</p> <p>Financial bids shall first be evaluated for Package-1. The bidder securing the highest QCBS score shall be declared as Preferred Bidder-1 and selected for Package-1.</p> <p>Financial Evaluation for Package-2</p> <p>The financial bid of Preferred Bidder-1 shall not be opened or considered for evaluation of Package-2. Financial bids of the remaining technically qualified bidders shall be opened and evaluated for Package-2. The bidder securing the highest QCBS score among such bidders shall be declared as Preferred Bidder-2 and selected for Package-2.</p>
14	Clause description not mentioned	<p>What are GMDC's intended next steps after the pre-feasibility (e.g., DPR + pilot + commercialization)?</p>	<p>Please refer Sl.No. 1 of responses to the pre-bid queries</p>

15	Clause description not mentioned	GMDC's preferred end-use route for syngas: The TOR asks for downstream options (power, methanol, hydrogen, ammonia etc.). Does GMDC have any <b>priority product</b> / market assumption for Gujarat lignite vs Odisha coal? E.g. potential consumers of electricity, methanol, hydrogen, ammonia, indicating the location and planned facilities.	As of now there is no such priority product.  Bidders have to prepare the pre-feasibility report as per the RFP conditions
16	Clause description not mentioned	The Bidders must remain available for a presentation to GMDC Board. Will this be in-person in Gujarat? What notice period is expected?	The presentation needs to be made in-person. Atleast 02 weeks' notice shall be given to the Bidders
17	Clause description not mentioned	Data inventory: Will it be possible for GMDC to share a <b>data index</b> for each package covering geological reports, hydrogeology, geotechnical, quality data, mining plans etc. Please share timelines for the data to be shared by GMDC (immediately vs later)?	The available data will be shared with the successful bidder within 02 weeks after issuance of Letter of Award
18	Clause description not mentioned	Data format: In what formats will GMDC provide mine plans and spatial data (e.g., GIS shapefiles, AutoCAD, Surpac/Datamine, LAS logs, core photos)? Also, kindly clarify the system of access of operators from foreign jurisdictions to the software products supplied or used	The data will be shared with successful bidder in PDF format.
19	Clause description not mentioned	Data reliability disclaimer: Will GMDC provide any baseline assumptions/limitations on legacy data quality (e.g., spacing, vintage, QA/QC), since the consultant is not obliged to independently verify GMDC-provided info?	Successful bidder will have to rely on the data/ reports provided by GMDC , but will have to validate the data considering requirements for UCG.

20	Clause description not mentioned	<p>Site access &amp; permissions: What are the site access protocols, safety inductions, and local permissions required for fieldwork and drilling at:</p> <p>- <b>Burapahar, Sundargarh (Odisha)</b>  - <b>EFG Valia (Bharuch) and Ghala (Surat), Gujarat</b>  <b>(Sites referenced</b></p>	The data will be shared with the successful bidder
21	Clause description not mentioned	<p>Facilities/inputs by GMDC: Annexure 3 asks bidders to comment on “Inputs and facilities to be provided by GMDC”. We assume GMDC shall be agreeable to provide facilities such as the site office space, escorts, access to past drilling cores, lab tie-ups, water/power at drill pads, security support etc. Please confirm.</p>	The Service Provider will have to arrange the facilities on its own.
22	Clause description not mentioned	<p>The TOR requires exploratory drilling “<b>minimum 2 holes</b> for each project site... <b>up to 500m</b> or till bedrock”</p> <p>11. Number of “project sites”: For Package 2, does GMDC treat Valia and Ghala as two separate “project sites” (implying min 2 holes each = 4 holes total)? For Package 1, is Burapahar a single “project site” or multiple?</p>	<p>Yes, Valia and Ghala are treated as two separate sites. Whereas, Burapahar is considered a single project site.</p> <p>Package-1 : Burapahar is to be treated as a single "project site"</p> <p>Package-2 : Valia and Ghala are to be treated as separate "project sites"</p>
23	Clause description not mentioned	<p>Drilling responsibility model: Should the bidder:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Execute drilling through its own drilling subcontractor, or</li> <li>• GMDC will provide/nominate drilling agency and bidder only supervises?</li> </ul> <p>(Subcontracting requires prior approval)</p>	Bidders are expected to carry out the drilling on their own or through a sub-contractor.

<b>24</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Permits for drilling: Who will obtain permits/consents (local administration, pollution control requirements, land access approvals) for drilling locations?	Obtaining permits/consents for drilling locations shall be Bidders' responsibility. Necessary support shall be provided by GMDC
<b>25</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Drilling specs: Please confirm expected specs: hole diameter, coring vs non-coring, logging suite (gamma/resistivity), casing requirements, cementing, hydro tests.	Bidders to use their own experience
<b>26</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Testing and lab: What testing is mandatory (coal/lignite proximate/ultimate, ash fusion, petrography, permeability, triaxial, hydrogeological pumping tests)? Are there GMDC-approved labs?	Bidders to use their own experience. Tests as felt necessary by the successful bidder to fulfil the objective of pre-feasibility study are to be carried out by the successful bidder .  However, the tests, if required, must be carried out in NABL accredited laboratories
<b>27</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Water management: For hydro tests and drilling fluids/cuttings, what are GMDC's disposal norms and site constraints?	As per the State Pollution control board norms for the respective states or any other statutory norms as per the Central Pollution Control Board
<b>28</b>	Clause description not mentioned	HSE responsibility: Since GMDC disclaims responsibility for consultant personnel travel/accident insurance, please clarify HSE obligations at site: PPE, induction, emergency response, medical facilities, incident reporting.	Bidders to use industry best practices. The arrangements have to be made by the bidders
<b>29</b>	Clause description not mentioned	With a 6-month timeline, what is GMDC's expectation on drilling start (month)?	Bidders to utilize their own experience as per the revised timeline of the Project.
<b>30</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Acceptance criteria for each milestone deliverable: Payment depends on deliverables and GMDC's verification. Please specify what constitutes "acceptance" for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inception Report (T+1)</li> <li>• Draft report (T+3)</li> <li>• Final report (T+6)</li> </ul>	Refer Section IV, Clause No. 2 (b) of the RFP

<b>31</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Review turnaround time: What is GMDC's expected time to provide comments at each review meeting (T+1, T+3, T+6) so that the final schedule is achievable?	The expected time to provide comments at each review meeting (as per amended timeline) will be 02 weeks.
<b>32</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Report structure/templates: Does GMDC have preferred templates for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-feasibility report</li> <li>• Financial model outputs</li> <li>• Risk register and monitoring plan (TOR items listed)</li> </ul>	There are no preferred templates. Successful Bidder has to submit the reports considering the report structure/templates align with the industry best standards
<b>33</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Financial model format: Should the financial model be delivered as Excel with unlocked assumptions? Any GMDC preferred discount rate, fuel price scenarios, carbon pricing assumptions?	The financial model shall be delivered as Excel with unlocked assumptions.  Bidders to utilize their own experience to take assumptions and submit the reports considering the industry best practices
<b>34</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Foreign entity eligibility: Annexure 2 indicates bidder must be a legal entity registered in India. Please confirm that the collaborator need not be registered in India, provided bidder is Indian.	Confirmed. The collaborator need not be registered in India. However, the collaborator must be allowed to carry out business in India. The foreign collaborator must submit a self-declaration stating that "they are allowed to carry out business in India."
<b>35</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Experience scoring allocation: For technical marking / qualification, how will GMDC treat: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience of the Indian bidder, vs</li> <li>• Experience/credentials of the foreign collaborator</li> </ul> (RFP allows collaboration to meet criteria jointly)	Experience of Indian bidder and foreign collaborator shall be treated as combined experience of the bidding entity
<b>36</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Documentation for collaboration: Is there a prescribed format for collaboration agreement at bid stage, and will GMDC require "Joint Deed of Undertaking" only for consortium or also for collaboration?	There is no prescribed format for collaboration agreement at the bid stage.  JDU needs to be signed in both scenarios as per the terms and conditions of the RFP.

37	Clause description not mentioned	Key experts—foreign nationals: Any constraints on foreign experts being named as “Key Personnel” and attending site visits / board presentation?	There are no such constraints on foreign experts being named as “Key Personnel” and attending site visits / board presentation?
38	Clause description not mentioned	Foreign payment mechanics: RFP says payments to foreign firms are made in INR, benchmarked to RBI reference rates. Please clarify: • In case of collaboration with foreign partner, will GMDC pay only the Indian bidder (single payee), with bidder settling collaborator?	Yes, in case of collaboration with foreign partner, GMDC will pay only to the Indian bidder.
39	Clause description not mentioned	Non-deployment risk: GMDC may renegotiate/withhold/deduct if key manpower not deployed. Please clarify what evidence GMDC expects for “deployment” (timesheets, site attendance, monthly progress reports, etc.).	To be mutually finalized with the successful Bidder. Bidders have to declare the key personnel intended for site visit
40	Clause description not mentioned	Performance Security: Please confirm that Performance Security is 10% of Service Fees (excluding GST) within 15 days of LOA, BG/DD, plus SFMS e-BG confirmation through ICICI. Any relaxation for MSME/startups?	No relaxation in performance security for MSMEs/ startups. The RFP conditions shall remain unchanged
41	Clause description not mentioned	LD exposure & cure: Delay LD is 0.1% per day of milestone value capped at 10%. Please confirm:  • Whether LD applies separately per milestone or overall, • Extension process where delays are due to GMDC approvals / permitting.	RFP conditions remain unchanged. The LD is applicable on milestone basis.  Extension shall be done based on request for extension made by the Service Provider and acceptance of the case by GMDC. The case shall be mutually discussed with the Service Provider. Ref Clause no. 7.2.2
42	Clause description not mentioned	Deficiency/variation LD: Deficiency damages for negligence capped at 10% and rectification obligation exists. Please clarify the process for “reasonable quantification” of consequential damages by GMDC.	Please note the Authority would provide an opportunity for the explanation before invoking such a provision and an opportunity to remedy it. Further the Service Provider shall be liable for undertaking rectification of errors / rectification of deficiencies or undertaking re-survey at its own costs.

43	<p>Bidder” shall mean any firm or body corporate, either Indian registered subsidiary/sister concern of a foreign firm OR foreign firm registered in foreign country under respective laws of country of origin and having approvals and permissions required under the law to conduct business in India. If it is Indian registered subsidiary/sister concern of foreign firm, then it should be either a Company under the India Companies Act, 1956/2013, or a Limited Liability Partnership firm registered under LLP Act. Bidders may participate as a sole bidder or in collaboration/consortium.</p>	<p>a) Whether Indian Companies registered under Companies Act or LLP Act fall within the definition of a “Bidder” under this RFP?</p> <p>b) Whether IIT Madras being a statutory institution established under an Act of Parliament fall within the definition of a “Bidder” under this RFP?</p>	<p>a) Yes, the Indian Companies registered under Companies Act or LLP Act fall within the definition of a “Bidder” under this RFP</p> <p>b) IIT Madras does not fall within the definition of “Bidder” as stipulated in the RFP</p>
44	<p>Clause 4.4 Submission Format &amp; Sealing and Marking of Proposals - the bid is required to be submitted in Hard copy.</p>	<p>Query- Please clarify if there is an option to submit the Bid online?</p>	<p>The bidders need to submit the bids in hard copy. The RFP conditions remain unchanged</p>
45	<p>B. Assessment of UCG Resource and Reserves b) Gather additional data, if required for prefeasibility assessment, through exploratory drilling (minimum 2 holes for each project site with drilling upto depth of 500m for each site or till bed rock) and testing.</p>	<p>Proposed amendment - B. Assessment of UCG Resource and Reserves b) Gather additional data, <del>if required</del> for prefeasibility assessment, through exploratory drilling (<del>minimum</del> 2 holes for each project site with drilling upto depth of 500m for each site or till bed rock) and testing. <b>GMDC will devise a compensation mechanism in mutual agreement with the successful Contractor if any additional holes are required to be drilled for assessment purposes.</b></p>	<p>Bidders are allowed to quote "Drilling price per meter". The format of Price Bid, Annexure-11 stands amended. Please ref Annexure A for further details.</p>

46	<p><b>2. Timeline and Deliverables</b> The total time envisaged for the scope of work described above is 6 months for each package. However, beyond this six-month study, the Service Provider is expected to remain available for a presentation to the GMDC Board.</p>	<p><b>2. Timeline and Deliverables</b> The total time envisaged for the scope of work described above is <del>6</del> <b>12</b> months for each package. However, beyond this <b>12</b> <del>six</del> month study, the Service Provider is expected to remain available for a presentation to the GMDC Board.</p>	Clause amended. Ref response Sl.No. 3
47	<p>Clause 5.2 -Technical score criteria , Sr. No. A 1 Clause 5.2 - Technical score criteria Sr. No. A.2 Clause 5.2 - Technical score criteria Sr. No. C.1 Clause 5.2 - Technical score criteria Sr. No.C.2 Clause 5.2 - Technical score criteria Sr. No.C.3</p>	Request to include experience in Coal/ Gas based Thermal Power plant projects	<p>The proposed amendment in "Technical score criteria", for inclusion of experience in Coal/ Gas based Thermal Power plants is not agreed to.</p> <p>The RFP conditions remain unchanged</p>
48	Clause description not mentioned	Pre-bid Meeting time is presently stated as on Jan 13, 2026 at 12pm and 7pm. Please clarify if there are two Prebid meetings. We suggest a single meeting at 12noon.	Clarified during pre-bid meeting
49	Clause description not mentioned	Please share iCEM document report and any other reports such as site selection study, geology and deposit report, project information memorandum (PIM), technology selection study etc.	The reports shall be shared on with the successful bidder.
50	Clause description not mentioned	Is it mandatory to quote both packages, or can we quote either package 1 or package 2.	Yes, Bidders have to quote for both packages. Ref. response Sl.No. 13

<b>51</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Kindly share the coal and lignite quality and analysis, carbon content and calorific value.	The data will be shared with the Successful Bidder
<b>52</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Kindly share the site maps.	The data will be shared with the Successful Bidder
<b>53</b>	Clause description not mentioned	Kindly clarify if joint ventures are permitted.	Bidders are allowed to participate as sole bidder, in collaboration or in consortium.
<b>54</b>	Clause description not mentioned	The timelines appear to be on the shorter side. For scope of such magnitude, timeline would be at least 10 months (instead of 6 months).	The timeline of the Project stands amended. Ref response Sl.No. 3



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- i) The payment for drilling 02 holes shall be made on actual meter (m) drilled and pro-rated to the per meter drilling cost quoted for the specific package. Meterage and lab analysis report are to be submitted along with the bills.
- j) In case more holes (beyond 02 Nos. holes) are required to be drilled, GMDC shall examine the case on request of the Service Provider and the work shall be carried out only after taking approval from GMDC. GMDC shall pay 80% of the amount (excl. GST) derived by multiplying the “Drilling cost per meter” and “total extra depth of drilling (m) approved by GMDC”.

			k) The payment of the extra drill holes shall be made within 02 weeks of submission of bill along with meterage and lab analysis report.
11.	Section V Clause 2.4, Contract period	a) Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Clauses 2.3 hereof, this Agreement shall, unless extended by the Parties by mutual consent as per the sub clause (b) hereunder, the Agreement shall remain in force for a period of 06 months from the Commencement Date <b>(DD/MM/YYYY)</b> .	a) Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Clauses 2.3 hereof, this Agreement shall, unless extended by the Parties by mutual consent as per the sub clause (b) hereunder, the Agreement shall remain in force for a period of 09 months from the Commencement Date <b>(DD/MM/YYYY)</b> .

*The illustration for milestone payment to Service Provider (foreign entity) is as under:*

<b>Illustration for payment to foreign bidder</b>				
<b>Let the exchange rate (USD to INR) on the date of payment be : 1 USD = 91.00 INR</b>				
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Figures</b>	<b>Converted amount (USD)</b>
<b>1</b>	Service fee quoted by the successful bidder	INR	5,00,00,000.00	
<b>2</b>	Drilling cost per meter quoted by the successful bidder	INR/ m	1,000.00	
<b>3</b>	Drilling depth achieved for 1st hole	m	400.00	
<b>4</b>	Drilling depth achieved for 2nd hole	m	450.00	
<b>5</b>	Drilling depth achieved for 3rd hole	m	410.00	
<b>6</b>	Payment milestone	%	20.00%	
<b>7</b>	Milestone amount (S.No. 1 x S.No. 6)	INR	1,00,00,000.00	\$1,09,890.11
<b>8</b>	Drilling amount ((S.No. 3 + S.No. 4) x S.No. 2) + 80%x(S.No. 5 x S.No. 2)	INR	11,78,000.00	\$12,945.05
<b>9</b>	Withholding Tax rate (tentative)	%	15.00%	
<b>10</b>	Withholding Tax amount ((S.No. 7 + S.No. 8) x S.No. 9)	INR	16,76,700.00	\$18,425.27
<b>11</b>	Net payable amount (S.No. 7 + S.No. 8 - S.No. 10)	INR	<b>95,01,300.00</b>	<b>\$1,04,409.89</b>

**Price-bid format**

**Annexure 1: Indicative Format of Price Bid**

**Package-1**

**(To be submitted physically in Hard Copy as per the terms of RFP on bidding firm's letterhead)**

To,  
Mr. Swagat Ray  
General Manager (PP&D)  
Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited  
Khanij Bhavan, 132-Ring Road,  
Gujarat University Ground, Vastrapur,  
Ahmedabad- 380052.  
Gujarat, India

**Sub:** Price Bid for RFP for Pre-Feasibility Study of Underground Coal Gasification (UCG) at Burapahar Coal Block (Odisha) and EFG Valia, Ghala Lignite Blocks (Gujarat).

Dear Sir,

After thoroughly reading and accepting the RFP terms, understanding the requirements and scope of work of the GMDC under this RFP, and its terms and conditions, we hereby agree to provide our services at the following rates:

<b>Pkg</b>	<b>Scope of Work</b>	<b>Completion Period</b>	<b>Amount (INR)</b>
1	a. Pre-feasibility study of UCG at Burapahar Coal Block (Odisha) Package 1 – Service Fees	09 months	(A)
	b. Drilling cost per meter	-	(B)

Total Service Fee\* (C):       INR (in figures)  
  INR (in words)

\*Total Service Fees = Service Fees (A) + Drilling cost per meter (B) x 1000

Notes:

- (1) Bidders shall quote in INR.
- (2) For the purpose of Bid evaluation, Total Service Fees (“C”) quoted for the TOR shall be considered.
- (3) The Bidder shall quote the “Service Fees” and “Drilling cost per meter” inclusive of all other taxes except applicable GST. Applicable GST, over and above approved Service Fees, at the time of invoicing, shall be reimbursed by GMDC. The risk of applicability of any taxes, duties and levies except GST, shall rest with the Service provider.
- (4) GMDC shall be entitled to deduct tax at source as may be applicable. The TDS certificate(s) shall be submitted as per the due date specified in the Income Tax Act.
- (5) The above quoted rates represent remuneration of Bidder’s staff, Travel expense, expense towards dine, hotel stay, office rents, conveyance and any other expense to be incurred for executing Terms of Reference.
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Each Bidder must quote his rates after thoroughly reading the RFP document and estimate his cost after thorough detailed due diligence of the mine, statutory laws/regulations. **GMDC reserves right to seek any clarifications regarding price quoted from bidders before any decisions.**

