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## **CLARIFICATION 2**

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|---|---------------------------|--|
| Project:                                |                           | of materials required for rooftop Solar Photovoltaic systems of acity 3MWp for household consumers |
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Please include this clarification when submitting the bid

Please find attached, answers to the queries received.



## **CLARIFICATION 01**

| # | Docume<br>nt Name | Document<br>Reference    | Query  | Response                                    |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 1 | Section           | In Section 2             | Please clarify which mode of quotation should be followed. | Please follow Incoterms 2020 DAP as in ITB. |
|   | 2: Bid            | ITB 14.6 (b)             |  |   |
|   | Data              | (i)For Goods             |  |   |
|   | Sheet             | offered from             |  |   |
|   | Section           | outside the              |  |   |
|   | 4:                | Purchaser's              |  |   |
|   | Bidding           | country, the             |  |   |
|   | Forms             | Bidder shall             |  |   |
|   |                   | quote prices             |  |   |
|   |                   | using the                |  |   |
|   |                   | following                |  |   |
|   |                   | Incoterms:               |  |   |
|   |                   | 2020 DAP                 |  |   |
|   |                   | ITB 14.6 (b)             |  |   |
|   |                   | (ii)In addition          |  |   |
|   |                   | to the above,            |  |   |
|   |                   | the Bidder               |  |   |
|   |                   | shall quote              |  |   |
|   |                   | prices for               |  |   |
|   |                   | Goods offered            |  |   |
|   |                   | from outside             |  |   |
|   |                   | the                      |  |   |
|   |                   | Purchaser's              |  |   |
|   |                   | country using            |  |   |
|   |                   | the following Incoterms: |  |   |
|   |                   | 2020 DAP                 |  |   |
|   |                   | In Section 4             |  |   |
|   |                   | Bidding                  |  |   |
|   |                   | Forms Price              |  |   |
|   |                   | Schedule for             |  |   |
|   |                   | Goods to Be              |  |   |
| / |                   | Offered from             |  |   |
| X |                   | Outside the              |  |   |

|   |          | Purchaser's          |   |  |
|---|----------|----------------------|---|--|
|   |          | Country. It          |   |  |
|   |          | mentions that        |   |  |
|   |          |                      |   |  |
|   |          | the quotation should |   |  |
|   |          |                      |   |  |
|   |          | followed             |   |  |
|   |          | other                |   |  |
|   | α .:     | Incoterms.           | TT 05   | THE STATE OF THE S |
| 2 | Section  | 1. Power             | The 25 year power guarantee required by the two chapters is | The correct values are in Section 6: "Performance of all PV  |
|   | 4:       | Guarantee:At         | different, which one shall prevail.                         | modules shall be warranted with more than 95% power  |
|   | Bidding  | least 80%            |   | output for 5 years and 87% of minimum rated power for 25   |
|   | Forms    | after 25 years       |   | years with not more than 0.6% degradation over a period of   |
|   | Section  | 2.Performanc         |   | one year."   |
|   | 6:       | e of all PV          |   |  |
|   | Schedule | modules shall        |   |  |
|   | of       | be warranted         |   |  |
|   | Supply   | with more            |   |  |
|   |          | than 95%             |   |  |
|   |          | power output         |   |  |
|   |          | for 5 years          |   |  |
|   |          | and 87% of           |   |  |
|   |          | minimum              |   |  |
|   |          | rated power          |   |  |
|   |          | for 25 years         |   |  |
|   |          | with not more        |   |  |
|   |          | than 0.6%            |   |  |
|   |          | degradation          |   |  |
|   |          | over a period        |   |  |
|   |          | of one year.         |   |  |
| 3 | Section  | 3.8.11Type           | PV 1-F/H1Z2Z2-K are cable models.                           | It should be PV1-F.  |
|   | 4:       | Test                 |   |  |
|   | Bidding  | Certification:       |   |  |
|   | Forms    | PV 1-F/              |   |  |
|   |          | H1Z2Z2-K             |   |  |
| 4 | Section  |                      | 1.Please confirm if the enclosure needs to be shipped       | 1. The enclosure can be shipped separately.  |
|   | 6:       | enclosure for        | separately or if MCBs, RCBB, SPD and other equipment        | 2. Install the equipement in the string combiner box before  |
| , | Schedule | Din-rail             | need to be installed and shipped.                           | shipping.  |
|   | of       | mount                | ^-  |  |
|   | Supply   | devices (            |   |  |



|   |              | MCBs,<br>RCBB, SPD,<br>etc).<br>2.2 IN - 2<br>OUT, string<br>combiner box<br>with cable<br>entry flanges,<br>cable glands,<br>terminal | 2.Please confirm if the string combiner box needs to be shipped separately or if DC isolator and SPD and other equipment need to be installed and shipped. |                              |
|---|--------------|--|--|------------------------------|
|   |              | block, IP 65   |  |                              |
|   |              | [DC isolator and SPD will  |  |                              |
|   |              | be installed].   |  |                              |
| 5 | Section      | 1.Copper   | Please confirm if these materials require pure copper?   | These has to be pure copper. |
|   | 6:           | Earthing strip   |  |                              |
|   | Schedule     | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{of 25 mm} \times 3 \\ \text{mm} & \text{for} \end{array}$  |  |                              |
|   | of<br>Supply | mm for equipotential   |  |                              |
|   | Supply       | bonding  |  |                              |
|   |              | earthing.  |  |                              |
|   |              | 2.Copper   |  |                              |
|   |              | Earthing strip   |  |                              |
|   |              | of 25 mm $\times$ 6  |  |                              |
|   |              | mm for   |  |                              |
|   |              | inverter   |  |                              |
|   |              | earthing.  |  |                              |
|   |              | 3.Copper   |  |                              |
|   |              | Earth Rod (3/4", 6'),  |  |                              |
|   |              | (3/4", 6'), clamp and  |  |                              |
|   |              | accessories  |  |                              |
|   |              | for earth pit  |  |                              |
|   |              | for  |  |                              |
|   |              | equipotential  |  |                              |
|   |              | bonding.   |  |                              |
| / |              | 4.Copper   |  |                              |
| 1 |              | Earth Rod  |  |                              |
| , |              | (3/4", 6'),  |  |                              |

|   |                                      | clamp and accessories for earth pit   |   |   |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| 6 | Section 6: Schedule of               | for inverter.  Weatherproof MCB Enclosure (4P)  | Please confirm the size of the MCB enclosure, what equipment needs to be installed inside, what is the protection level, and whether it is a rail type.   | Enclosure of suitable size to accommodate 4 pole MCB, with rail. Protection Level: IP66 or higher |
| 7 | Supply Section 6: Schedule of Supply | PV modules made of monocrystalli ne silicon PERC half-cut cells that comply with IEC 61215 and are manufactured by Tier 1 manufacturers shall be supplied. Performance of all PV modules shall be warranted with more than 95% power output for 5 years and 87% of minimum rated power for 25 years with not more than 0.6% degradation | The bidding document requires the use of monocrystalline silicon PERC half cut cells, and requires 87% of minimum rated power for 25 years. Currently, P-type photovoltaic panels cannot meet this requirement. We hope to use N Type monocrystalline cells. N-type photovoltaic panels can meet the technical requirements and parameter table of the bidding documents, and the technology of N-type is more advanced, with higher battery conversion efficiency, longer effective working time, and nearly zero photoinduced attenuation effect. | ok  |

|    |   | over a period of one year.   |   |  |
|----|---|--|---|--|
| 8  | Section<br>6:<br>Schedule<br>of<br>Supply                 | Bidders are required to fill out Bidding Forms in sl. (11) and submit them with their bids, for the required components. | Please confirm that sl.(11) here refers to?In Section 4: Bidding Forms, we do not find sl.(11). | Section 4  |
| 9  | Section<br>6:<br>Schedule<br>of<br>Supply                 | I/C & O/G Interchanged Phase & Neutral Interchanged I/C Neutral Disconnected, O/G Neutral & Load Connected to Earth.     | Please confirm what I/C and O/G refer to? What is the full name of this abbreviation?           | I/C and O/G - Incominfg and outgoing                                       |
| 10 | Section 6: Schedule of Supply Section 8: Special Conditio | In Section 6: 2.Delivery and Completion Schedule:The delivery Location is Male' Maldives In Section 8:                   | Please clarify the final delivery location  | The place of final destination shall be: Thilafushi, Kaafu Atoll, Maldives |

|    | ns of    | GCC            |  |  |
|----|----------|----------------|--|--|
|    | Contract | 28.3:The       |  |  |
|    |          | place of final |  |  |
|    |          | destination    |  |  |
|    |          | shall be:      |  |  |
|    |          | Thilafushi,    |  |  |
|    |          | Kaafu Atoll,   |  |  |
|    |          | Maldives       |  |  |
| 11 |          |                | As per tender, smart energy meter is required to supply,     | Please contact URA Maldives regarding this.                |
|    |          |                | kindly please clarify which type of smart energy meter is    |  |
|    |          |                | required?  |  |
|    |          |                | And whether the smart energy meter shall be connected with   |  |
|    |          |                | any system? If yes please clarify the details.               |  |
| 12 |          |                | Reference: ITB 24.1 Bid Submission Deadline                  | Before the bid submission deadline, bids must be delivered |
|    |          |                |  | to the address listed in the bidding document. Proof of    |
|    |          |                | Question: We understand that the deadline can not be         | dispatch will not be considered as submission of bid.      |
|    |          |                | extended. However in light of extended DHL transit times(7-  |  |
|    |          |                | 10 days) to the Maldives during public holidays, we kindly   |  |
|    |          |                | ask the tender committee to accept proof of dispatch for the |  |
|    |          |                | physical documents via DHL alongside an electronic           |  |
|    |          |                | submission of our bid by the deadline as compliant.          |  |
| 13 |          |                | Reference: ITB 11.1 (i)                                      | Registration not required.                                 |
|    |          |                | Question: As an international company with no current        |  |
|    |          |                | business presence in the Maldives, we understand that this   |  |
|    |          |                | tender primarily involves the supply of goods under CIP or   |  |
|    |          |                | CIF Incoterms, without direct implications of Foreign Direct |  |
|    |          |                | Investment in the Maldives.                                  |  |
|    |          |                | We kindly request your confirmation on whether there is a    |  |
|    |          |                | mandatory registration requirement for an international      |  |
|    |          |                | company like ours in the Maldives, should we be awarded      |  |
|    |          |                | this tender.   |  |
| 14 |          |                | Reference: Section 6: Schedule of supply, part 8 List of     | 27,000 x Non-Insulated Tinned Copper O-Lug (2.5sqmm -      |
| 17 |          |                | accessories.   | 6mm)   |
| ./ |          |                | weedstation.   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                      |
| Y  |          |                | Question: Please clarify the exact number of Non-Insulated   |  |
|    |          |                | Tinned Copper O-Lugs.  |  |

|          | Is it 27000 2.5 sqmm and 27000 6 sqmm pcs or 27000 pcs of  |  |
|----------|--|--|
|          | 2.5 sqmm and 6 mm length?  |  |
| 15       | Reference: Inverter Technical Parameters-Efficiency  | Inverter efficiency has to be greater than 98.2% as specified. |
|          | Question: Its primarily the hybrid inverters that comply with  |  |
|          | the high efficiency requirements of %98.2. Given the fact  |  |
|          | that these are grid tied systems and not hybrid systems, we  |  |
|          | kindly ask the client to consider accepting %97 efficiency as  |  |
|          | compliant which is the main industry standard as well as the   |  |
|          | standard of the Clients preferred inverter manufacturer list in  |  |
|          | the table.   |  |
| 16       | Reference: Technical Specifications-PV Panels  | Please provide PERC type as specifiec in the bid documents.    |
|          | Question: TOPCON is a similar technology to PERC. As   |  |
|          | accepting both technologies will increase the number of  |  |
|          | compliant Tier 1 manufacturers and provide better value can  |  |
|          | you kindly confirm that TOPCON technology for solar cells  |  |
|          | in PV modules is acceptable?   |  |
| 17       | Reference: Technical Specifications-PV Panels  | Acceptable.  |
|          | Question: As 1/3 cut cells provide better voltage  |  |
|          | performance in comparison to ½ cut. Can you kindly confirm   |  |
|          | that 1/3 cut cells for PV modules are accepted?  |  |
| 18       | Reference: Inverter Specifications   | Our Preferred Make:  |
|          |  | Fronius/Solis/SMA/Sungrow/Huawei/ABB/Hitachi/Good              |
|          | Question: With reference to the technical parameters and   | We/Delta.  |
|          | preferred makes of inverters specified in the Terms of   |  |
|          | Reference (ToR):   |  |
|          | (Fronius/Solis/SMA/Sungrow/Huawei/ABB/Hitachi/Good   |  |
|          | We/Delta), we have conducted a thorough review of the  |  |
|          | available models from these recommended manufacturers.   |  |
|          | We have concluded that none precisely match the technical  |  |
|          | specifications as outlined 100%.   |  |
|          | In light of this, we kindly request the committee's  |  |
|          | consideration to permit minor deviations from the specified technical parameters for the preferred makes of inverters in |  |
| <i>v</i> | our bid. We seek confirmation that such deviations will not  |  |
|          | result in our bid being deemed non-compliant   |  |
|          | result in our ord being decined non-compilant  |  |

| 19 | Reference: Inverter Specifications  | Please quote as specified in the bid document.              |
|----|---|---|
|    | Question: There is a requirement in the compliance form for single phase inverters for Max input of 1000 voltage (Vdc). Due to the minimal nominal output AC power of 3 and 5 kW, the desired 1000 V of input DC voltage is not necessary. The input voltage of 600 V is the industry standard, most used by the preferred makes.  Please confirm that 600 voltage (Vdc) is acceptable.   |   |
| 20 | Reference: PV module specifications Question: In the compliance form 3.1.17, the height of the module is defined as <2200.  For PV modules with V of >50, the industry standard length among Tier1 is however 2278 mm.  Please confirm acceptance.  3.1.14 Open Circuit Voltage V >50 3.1.15 Current at Pmax I 3.1.16 Short Circuit Current I <15  3.1.17 Height/Width/Depth mm Height <2200 Width <1300 Depth 35                             | Please quote as specified in the bid document.              |
| 21 | We can match your PV module height requirement below / less than 2200 mm and 87% of minimum rated power for 25 years. However, when we select PV Module with a height less than 2200 mm then VOC of PV Module becomes less than 50 V which is a diviation from your expected VOC (greater than 50V). Therefore, we have a below question to clarify  Question - When we match the above mentioned two requirement, can you accept VOC at 45V? | Please quote as specified in the bid document.              |
| 22 | Can we offer Mono-crystalline, Half cut, N type TOPCon PV module instead of Mono-crystalline, Half cut PERC PV modules so that we can easily match your 87% of minimum rated power for 25 years.  | Please provide PERC type as specifiec in the bid documents. |
| 23 | The eligibility criteria for minimum average annual turnover seems to be on a higher side considering the quantum of  | Cannot change.  |

|  | work. It is requested to kindly reduce the minimum average |  |
|--|--|--|
|  | annual turnover requirement for a healthy competition.     |  |