

Broad and Common Points for Global PQB Tender

Common Points : 1

Section II: Eligibility Criteria

1.(a) **Experience and past performance:** The bidder ('sole bidder' or 'anyone member, in case of consortium/JV') should have **manufactured and supplied** at least "8.213 Million sheets of 'Electronic Contactless Smart Cards' in 1 ups" OR "4.107 Million sheets of 'Electronic Contactless Inlays' in 2 ups" in any one of the last five years ending on "31st March 2025" (Bidders who follow calendar year as financial year the date will be 31st December 2024).

Explanation:

Total quantity either 8.213 Million sheets (X+2Y) in 1 up or 4.107 Million sheets $\{(X/2) + Y\}$ in 2 ups may be considered.

X - Electronic Contactless Smart Cards in 1 up

Y - Electronic Contactless Inlays in 2 ups

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1.(a), Note iv) *For MSEs and Start-ups (registered for the tendered item) the 'Experience and past performance' criteria shall be exempted, subject to meeting of quality and technical specifications.*

Provision for Medium enterprises :

Explanation : As per Policy Circular no. 1(2)(1)/2016-MA, dated 10.03.2016, by the office of Development Commissioner (MSME), under Ministry of MSME, GoI, subjected to Relaxation of Norms for startups and Micro & Small Enterprises in Public Procurement on Prior Experience-Prior Turnover Criteria, ***MSEs and Start-ups (registered for the tendered item) the 'Experience and past performance' criteria shall be exempted, subject to meeting of quality and technical specifications (Quality may be ensured by capacity & capability assessment).***

Medium Enterprises falling under the ambit of the notification of the Government of India, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises dated: 18th Oct 2022, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part-II, Section 3 (ii) may claim the subject relaxation (In case of re-classification, an enterprises shall continue to avail all non-tax benefits of the category it was in before the re-classification, for a period of three years from the date of such upward change).

Necessary amendment will be issued.

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1.(a) Capability, equipment and manufacturing facilities:

- (iii) The bidder ('sole bidder' or 'lead member, in case of consortium/JV') must have an annual capacity to manufacture and supply at least "4.107 Million sheets of 'Electronic Contactless Inlays' in 2 ups".

Explanation :

The **Capability, equipment and manufacturing facilities** shall be assessed as per actual requirement of tendered item i.e. **ICAO Compliant Electronic Contactless Inlays (in 2 ups)**.

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1.(b) Capability, equipment and manufacturing facilities:

- (iv) The bidder ('sole bidder' or 'anyone member, in case of consortium/JV') shall have prior experience in manufacturing/developing **products having Common Criteria - certified elements** i.e. chip and/or OS. The bidder shall submit copies of relevant Common Criteria Certificate as documentary evidence.

Explanation:

A. For Non-MSE & Non Startups:

The Bidder shall submit following as documentary evidences:

- i. Relevant PO / Tax- Invoice Copy of the particular product.
- ii. BOM/ Specification of the particular product consist of Common Criteria - certified elements i.e. chip and/or OS.
- iii. Following Relevant Common Criteria Certificate of Common Criteria - certified elements i.e. chip and/or OS used in the particular product. (any one)
 - a. Integrated Chip: Includes Chip along with its Bootloader, in the name of Chip Manufacturer
 - b. Operation System, in the name of OS Manufacturer/ Developer.
 - c. Composite Product (Integrated Chip + OS), in the name of Chip Manufacturer

B. For MSE & Startups:

Bidder shall submit the undertaking for the use of products having Common Criteria - certified elements i.e. chip and/or OS of those firm, which having prior experience in manufacturing/developing of such products against this tender.

Common Points: 4

Section II: Eligibility Criteria : If the bid submission date of PQBs is extended beyond 30.09.2026..

Explanation:

The Financial Year ending at 31.03.2026 or Calendar Year ending at 31.12.2025 will also be considered in assessing the eligibility criteria as well as other PQB Conditions. Accordingly, the Financial Year 2020-21/Calendar Year 2020 shall be removed from assessing the PQB conditions.

Bid submission date is planned to be extended up to 29.09.2026.

Common Points: 5

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Participation of a firm in both the tender i.e. Global and Domestic Development PQB.

Note-6: In case of Non-MSE & Non-Startups: Bidder firm's experience & past performance criteria and financial criteria are not exempted. However, non-MSE & non-Start-up firm can participate in the both tender (Global and Development Tenders) either as Sole bidder or by Consortium as per tender condition.

Note-7: Applicability of other/ common provisions:

- i. MSE & Startup can participate in both the tenders subject to meeting capability & capacity and other required qualifications.
- ii. In case a bidder participates in both the Global and Domestic Development Tenders and subsequently contracts are awarded to that bidder against both the tenders, fall clause shall be applicable (i.e. the bidder has to supply the material at the lowest offered price out of the two tenders). A declaration accepting the above, needs to be submitted along with the bid.

Explanations :

In case a bidder as a consortium/JV, participate in both Global and Domestic Development PQB Tenders, no member of consortium/JV can be part of multiple consortium/JV against both Global and Domestic Development PQB Tenders.

Common Points: 6

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9. Following declaration/ undertakings shall be submitted along with the offer/ bid document duly sealed and signed by the authorized signatory of bidders as well as Principal Manufacturer (if any).
 - a. The bidder shall confirm that the offered Composite product (chip plus OS) as well as individual components shall be evaluated by Common Criteria licensed laboratories with a minimum assurance level of EAL5+. The protection profiles to be complied with are:
 - i. BSI-CC-PP-0068-V2-2011 & BSI-CC-PP-0056-V2-2012 or latest for individual OS components as well as for composite product having integrated Chip and OS, for Electronic Machine-Readable Travel Document with PACE, AA & CA.
 - ii. BSI-CC-PP-0084-2014 or latest for integrated chip.

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The Certificate should be issued by any of the internationally recognized certificate authorizing schemes that are members of Common Criteria.

Explanation :

It means the bidder has to submit Declaration/ undertakings to provide following CC Certification with a minimum assurance level of EAL5+, as per required PPs:

- i. Integrated Chip: Includes Chip along with its Bootloader, in the name of Chip Manufacturer
- ii. Operation System, in the name of OS Manufacturer/ Developer.
- iii. Composite Product (Integrated Chip + OS), in the name Chip Manufacturer.

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"In addition to the above, you are also requested to submit a Certificate that this product is exclusive and design / parameter/ specification for ICAO Compliant Electronic Contactless Inlays (in 2 ups) along with its operating system for Indian e-Passport Booklets will be exclusive for India."

Explanation:

It is further clarified that the OS shall be native and make in India only.

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9.f The bidder shall confirm that they will provide Proprietary/Custodian/Escrow right to ISP & MEA of audited & running compiled source code of OS.

Explanation:

Since, the OS shall be native, make in India and exclusive for India, therefore Indian Government must have Proprietary/Custodian/Escrow right of audited & running complied source code of OS at least.

MEA being a Government of India Ministry and custodian of Indian e-Passport and ISP, a Government of India owned entity as well as an exclusive manufacturer of Indian e-Passport, are eligible to have Proprietary/Custodian/Escrow right of audited & running complied source code of OS.

Common Points: 8

General Query : Please confirm whether a global bidder, submitting a direct bid either as a sole bidder or as the leader of a consortium, can choose Euro or USD as the bidding and payment currency, as permitted in other ISP and SPMCIL global tenders. Are the Incoterms CIP or FOB acceptable to ISP?

Explanation:

The bidders have to give/quote the price in INR. Foreign Exchange Hedging shall be borne by the bidder.

Bidder will have to quote the price & other details like incoterms, as per the price schedule, given in 'Techno-commercial Bid'.

Common Points: 9

Following points shall be deleted :

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7.(h) The bidder needs to fill up the section III of tender form regarding the local content of as per Public Procurement (Preference to make in India) order 2017 No. P-45021/2/2017-PP(BE-II) of DPIIT, dated 19.07.2024 (or any further amendment thereof).

Section III: Tender Form

1. Make in India Status: Having read and understood the Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India PPP_MII) Order, 2017 (as amended and revised till date) and related notifications from the relevant Nodal Ministry/ Department, and solemnly declare the following:

(a) Self-Certification for category of supplier:

☐ Class-I Local Supplier/

☐ Class-II Local Supplier/

☐ Non-Local Supplier.

Section V: Application for Pre-qualification

7. Checklist for submission of all the documents as per PQB requirement:

13.	Details w.r.t. Clause '1.4 Preference to Make in India Products' of Section IV: General Instruction for the Bidders.
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Section II: Eligibility Criteria:

Note - 8

2] Consortium/JV

- (v) The members of the Consortium shall enter into an agreement for submitting a bid which should be duly notarized. The agreement shall convey the intent to form a Consortium which meets the requirements of this tender, clearly mentioning the roles and responsibilities of each member. The composition or constitution of the Consortium shall not be altered without the prior consent of the Purchaser.

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- (v) The members of the Consortium meeting the requirements of this tender shall enter into an agreement for submitting a bid which should be duly notarized, clearly mentioning the roles and responsibilities of each member. The composition or constitution of the Consortium shall not be altered without the prior consent of the Purchaser.



For Both Global Tender and Domestic Development PQB Tender:

As per **Eligibility Criteria Section: II Point 9 (a)**: CC Certification with a minimum assurance level of EAL5+, as per required PPs:

- i. Integrated Chip: Includes Chip along with its Bootloader, in the name of Chip Manufacturer
- ii. Operating System, in the name of OS Manufacturer/ Developer.
- iii. Composite Product (Integrated Chip + OS), in the name Chip Manufacturer.

Recommendations by the Vendor:

For Point No.ii.: The OS in the name of OS Manufacturer / Developer is not required as taken care in the Composite Product.

For Point No.iii.: The composite product (Integrated Chip + OS), in the name of Chip / OS Manufacturer.

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