## Lekhnath Damauli 220 kV Transmission Line Project BMZ 2016 67 773 Package B: Substations Re-tender

Response to Clarification Request

Pursuant to Bidding Documents, Part 1 - Bidding Procedures, Section I - Instructions to Bidders, Item 7.1

Response No. 7, 21 October 2024

Nō	Reference	Clarification Request	Response
1	Part I Bidding Procedures Section IV. Bidding Forms Preamble / Schedules of Rates and Prices  Conditions Applicable to Price Adjustment  Core Steel Source of Indices Used	Bidder refers to the source of Indices, mentioned in the bidding documents, the "Core steel" Grain Oriented Electrical Steel High Grade (GOES) which source of Indices to be used from "T&D Europe (official rate)"  1. We have referred weblink for all historical data and observed that the GOES indices have not been published since Apr'2022 including in latest editions.  https://tdeurope.eu/wp-content/uploads/TDE-INDICES-AUGUST-2024.pdf  2. Transformer OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturer) confirms to consider IEEMA Indices.  Accordingly, considering above situations, the T&D Europe (official rate) is not possible for bid calculation. Hence bidder request to confirm for acceptance of the "IEEMA Indices" for GOES (CRGO) instead of "T&D Europe (official rates) as an additional reference.	Please refer to Amendment № 4, Item 1.
2	Clarification 5 / point 36	The Structure required for Pre-engineered Building and other Steel e.g. Chequer Plate, Rail etc. are not manufacturing in Nepal. In India many qualified and competent vendors are available for Preengineered Structures with vast experience in Substation Buildings.	Please refer to Amendment № 4, Items 2 6.

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		In order to complete the work, bidder will have to source from India (outside from Nepal). And presently as per bidding documents the above items are part of Price Schedule 4 and is in Nepali Currency (NPR).	
		Since, Nepalese currency is not freely convertible currency hence the bidder cannot procure the materials in NPR currency from outside Nepal. Further, we have also requested to Indian suppliers to register or establish any permanent establishment for this project specific work, but they have expressed unwillingness to open the PE or register their firm in Nepal.	
		Also, note that in any previous executed project in Nepal, the complete structure i.e. Supply, fabrication of M.S. Structural steel for Pre-Engineered GIS Building and Other Miscellaneous item such as roof panels/wall panels etc. are part of Schedule 1 only in USD currency.	
		Accordingly, please allow to consider the same within any Structure item of Price Schedule 1 (in USD currency).	