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	Vupadhi Techno Services	6	 3. Scope of Work 3.3 Core Tech Features Blockchain for records securitization 		Please let us know which data records need to be securitized. Documents such as: • Vendor Registration data and documents • Bid History for auction • Invoices and Payments Request you to please confirm the same.	Buyer & Seller Data and Documents, Bid history, Payment Details, Contracts, Despatch Information, Invoice, Quality Assessment details are to be securitized	
2	Vupadhi Techno Services	10	4.2 Technical Bid Criteria & Evaluation Technical Evaluation Framework Serial No.2	The bidder should have experience in providing customized Software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology Project on Blockchain Platform; experience with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission.	As per our understanding is that in order to be qualified, the bidder must have prior experience in	Bidder should have experience in providing customised Software solution or Digital Technology Project with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years. Lack of experience in Blockchain Technology Platform will not be factored in QCBS Scoring in this particular parameter.	
3	Vupadhi Techno Services	12	5.2 Price Quotation	Security and functional audit fee (Audit to be conducted from STQC or any CERT-IN certified agency)	Annual STQC/CERT-IN audits are necessary, or a pre- go-live audit is adequate. Please confirm the same.	A valid STQC / CERT-IN Audit Certificate should be present throughout the Warranty Period. In addition to this, 3rd Party Functional Audit is also to be carried out.	
4	Vupadhi Techno Services	3		 b) The bids without EMD shall be summarily rejected. However, exemption from payment of EMD will be given as per Gem T&Cs. We are registered with UDYAM-TS-09-0013575. As per the GEM terms our category comes under 62 - Computer programming, consultancy and related activities. GEM: Item Category - Custom Bid for Services - Design development operations and maintenance of a blockchain based eauction platform in the supply chain of jute 	Please confirm our eligibility for exemption of EMD	Exemption of EMD shall be administered as per Gem 4.0 Terms and Conditions	

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5	Ernst & Young LLP	11	3 Technical Evaluation Framework	The bidder should have experience in providing customised Software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology Project on Blockchain Platform; experience with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission. 1 - 2 Project = 5 Marks 3 - 4 Project = 10 Marks 5 - 6 Project = 20 Marks	We kindly request JCI (Jute Corporation of India) to furnish a more detailed clarification on whether bidders with experience in both project-specific on large IT transformation with or without blockchain component would be considered for this evaluation	Please refer to reply given against Query#2	
6	Ernst & Young LLP	11	1 Technical Evaluation Framework	Above 6 Projects = 30 Marks The Bidder should possess following valid certifications. • ISO 9001:2008 or higher • ISO 27001 or Higher • CMMi3 or Higher Any 2 Certificate – 2 Marks All the 3 Certificate – 5 Marks	We would like to request to change the clause as below: The Bidder should possess following valid certifications. • ISO 9001:2008 or higher • ISO 27001 or Higher • CMMi5 We request to increase the minimum certification to CMMi5 level. The lesser certification may invite competition from smaller firms, which may not be able to sustain such a significant project for a longer duration considering quality of work and advanced technology implementation	No changes	
7	Ernst & Young LLP	11	3 Technical Evaluation Framework	The bidder should have experience in providing customised Software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology Project on Blockchain Platform; experience with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission. 1 - 2 Project = 5 Marks 3 - 4 Project = 10 Marks 5 - 6 Project = 20 Marks Above 6 Projects = 30 Marks	We would like to request requested to add the- order value as below. Blockchain solutions for one or more customers with value > INR 2 Cr.	The bidder should have experience in providing customised Software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology Project on Blockchain Platform of at least ₹2.0 crore value; experience with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission.	Yes
8	Ernst & Young LLP	Across the RFP	Non - IT Assets		We assume that no IT / Non-IN Infrastructure, Scanning, Digitization work as part of scope of work. We request JCI to confirm	No IT / Non-IT Infrastructure other than items mentioned in the document, Scanning, Digitization work are part of scope of work	

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9	Ernst & Young LLP	Across the RFP	Cloud Infrastructure		It is requested to share more insights on Cloud infrastructure for development, staging and production	Hosting is to be done on MeiTy empanelled (GCC) CLoud Server Provider	
10	Ernst & Young LLP	Across the RFP	Enhancements/Upgrade S		It is requested to keep any enhancement/ upgrades out of scope for the bidder	Any kind of major enhancement / Upgrades shall not be part of the Scope of Work	
11	Ernst & Young LLP	Across the RFP	Detailed Scope of work		We request JCI to provide detailed scope of work of software development & blockchain implementation	Tentative Work flow shall be shared with the Corrigendum.	
12	Ernst & Young LLP	Across the RFP	Resources		Considering the scope of work to be large, it is requested JCI to allow subcontracting to augment core team by bidder while overall responsibility remains with bidder. We request JCI to confirm	As per Terms of RFP	
13	Ernst & Young LLP	Across the RFP	IT Products		It is requested to share more insights on the provider of hardware's. We would also like to confirm that no hardware is part of scope of work	Please refer to reply given against Query# 8	
14	Ernst & Young LLP	Across the RFP	Project Management Unit		We request for any information regarding the project management unit specifications.	Suitable Project Management Unit may be constituted with the officials having working in similar domain and expertise with desired technology. Considertaion should be made in abiding the project timeline and deliverables	
15	Ernst & Young LLP	5	Scope of Work	"The platform will be multilingual in English, Bengali, Oriya, Assamese, Hindi."	 Please advise the scope of translation: 1. Please confirm if multi-language support is to be provided only for the static part (labels/buttons) of webs of it will also include translation of supporting documents/notices that will be uploaded in the document. 2. Can translation will be done using third party APIs? 	Bi-language (English and Hindi) support is to be provided for Display Texts and Buttons on the portal. 3rd Party API shall not be allowed for translation. Static documents both english and hindi version shall be provided by JCI	

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16	Ernst & Young LLP		General		 RFP does not contain any resource requirements and location where they need to be deployed in development and maintenance period. We request you to share the resource requirements especially if they need to be deployed in JCI office. Also advise, if all resources are to be deployed in JCI office or development can be done in hybrid mode with mix of on premise and remote. 	 During maintenance period, onsite resource will be required for 20% of AMC period excluding the workshops. Remote Development is allowed. However, at the time handover for UAT; onsite presence will be required. 	
17	Ernst & Young LLP	6	Key Deliverables	Procurement of SSL certificate	Please specify what kind of SSL certificate needs to be procured, few of the possible options can be: 1. Single domain SSL certificate 2. Wildcard SSL Certificates 3. Multi-domain SSL Certificates 4. Organization Validation 5. Extended validation Please note, cost and time required to procure these certifications are dependent on external agencies and can have a direct impact on validation.	Validation will be required	
18	Ernst & Young LLP		General		Domain (s) to run E-auction platform will be provided by JCL. Please confirm the same.	Domain is to be provided by the vendor and its ownership will be with JCI.	
19	Ernst & Young LLP	7, 36	Key Input	 MeiTy empaneled Government Community Cloud Server or the hosting infrastructure. Deployment of System: Deployment of required system software and application shall be done by the bidder on NIC Cloud. 	Key input suggests that application has to be hosted on any MeiTY empaneled govt. community cloud server while statement mentioned under "Deployment of System" mentions that it can only be hosted on NIC cloud. Also, we would also request you to consider MeiTy empaneled private cloud service providers as mentioned in below url: https://www.meity.gov.in/writereaddata/files/Annex ure%20- %20Contact%20details%20of%20MeitY%20empanelle d%20CSPs%2013.05.2022.pdf	Please refer to reply given against Query#9	Yes

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20	Ernst & Young LLP Ernst & Young	26	(d)	The vendor shall be required to provide performance tuning parameters/configuration of the Server/OS/Application Server software on which the system would be hosted for efficient working of the System	We have following questions related to hosting of applications: 1. Does vendor also has to manage servers during maintenance phase? 2. If yes, what is the level of support that needs to be provided. 3. We are assuming that recommended server infrastructure will be provided by JCI as per the requested configuration and vendor will be able to request for change in configuration based on the growth in traffic and transactions. We recommend that "Safe to host" certification is	 As per MeiTy empanelment terms of Cloud Service Provider, if anything is mentioned to be done from user end; it has to be done by the vendor. Server configuration and has to be identified by the vendor, as per the need of the application No changes 	
21	LLP	20	(e)	certification and Functional Audit Certification from STQC/CERT-IN Empaneled vendors before deploying the system in production environment at GI Cloud	conducted by JCI from the vendor of their choice to ensure neutrality and quality. We will be working very closely to close any observations identified by certification agency. We will be able recommend potential vendors who provide these services.		
22	Ernst & Young LLP	37	Demonstration of the developed System:	Demonstration of the developed System: a) The bidder shall provide conduct multiple workshops to the targeted stakeholders for proper functioning and management of the system. 1 st Year – 10, 2nd & 3rd Year – 5 each, 4th, 5th, 6th Year – 2 each (26 total) b) The workshops shall be conducted for at least 4 hrs. in Kolkata and any district HQ of Jute growing districts	Project duration proposed is for 22.5 months while these points request demonstration of developed product for 6 years. We request you to make the duration consistent so these services can be provided for the duration of project.	The demonstration plan has been deisgned based on consideration the selected vendor will continue to provide AMC for 5 years after warranty period.	
23	Ernst & Young LLP	37	Demonstration of the developed System:	During the workshop, printed multi-lingual user manuals for the system shall be prepared and provided by the successful bidder.	Please confirm if manuals have to be prepared for all the languages (English, Bengali, Oriya, Assamese, Hindi) or only English and Hindi.	Yes	
24	Ernst & Young LLP	37	Post Implementation Support/Warranty (Support after sign off of UAT)	i) During the Warranty period, the bidder shall perform all the upgrade/new version update for free ii) The bidder shall compulsorily offer AMC for a minimum of five years @8% per annum of contract value after expiry of warranty period. However, JCI may or may not award the AMC at its own sole discretion	1. We request you to amend point i) to factor in below consideration. Since it is possible that new version that has been released in not stable yet and might change commercial modules from open source to		

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25	SettleMint India		Pre-Qualification Criteria		Our company is formed in 2019 and is 4 year old, we request to relax the criteria to 4 years	Relaxation will be provided to the registered Start-ups as per Government laid down guidelines	
26	SettleMint India		General		Is there any relaxation for SME in this regard?	Relaxation will be provided to the registered Start-ups as per Government laid down guidelines	
27	Gaia Smart Cities Solutions	7	(3.4) Key Deliverables	 Warranty period of the application software for a period of 1 (one) year after Go Live Maintenance and support of application software for a period of five years after completion of warranty period" 	"Request for Clarification: In GeM document you have mentioned contract period will be 2 years but in RFP it's mentioned AMC period will be 5 years. Please clarify actual contract period."	Initial Contract period will be covering development and warranty period. Entering contract for AMC for 5 years with the selected vendor is not binding on JCI.	
28	Gaia Smart Cities Solutions	36	Key Input	Cloud hosting to be done on NIC	"Request for Clarification: Please confirm who will provide server on NIC? Can we use MeiTy empaneled vendors for cloud services?"	Please refer to reply given against Query#9	Yes
29	Gaia Smart Cities Solutions	10	(4.2) Technical Evaluation Framework	"The bidder should have experience in providing customised Software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology Project on Blockchain Platform; experience with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission."	"Request to Amend: The bidder should have experience in providing customised Software (directly or indirectly through SI) or Digital technology Project on Blockchain/ AIML/ Emerging technologies;"	Please refer to reply given against Query#2 & 7	
30	Maxbridge Solutions LLP	10	Point No. 4.2 Clause 2 (Technical Evaluation Framework)	The Bidder should possess following valid certifications • ISO 9001:2008 or higher • ISO 27001 or Higher • CMMi3 or Higher Any 2 Certificate – 2 Marks All the 3 Certificate – 5 Marks	We request you to kindly amend the following clauses: The Bidder should possess following valid certifications: • ISO 9001:2008 or higher • ISO 20000 or Higher • ISO 27001 or Higher • CMMi3 or Higher Any 2 Certificate – 2 Marks All the 3 Certificate – 5 Marks	No changes	

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31	Antares Systems	2	Clause No .1	The Jute e-auction process is	1. Kindly confirm how many sellers (traders) & buyers	i) At present about 1000 active	
	Limited			anticipated as below diagram	(millers) are there currently.	traders , which may be scaled upto	
					2. Kindly confirm whether the auctions will be	6000 in future and 110 millers are	
					conducted daily or periodically.	envisaged.	
					3. Kindly confirm no. of auctions that will be	ii) Auctions will be conducted on	
					conducted on a day approximately.	daily.	
					4. Kindly confirm how many no. of auctions will be	iii) 1 no. of Auction may be	
					conducted monthly. (Approx.)	envisaged in a day	
					5. Kindly confirm who will appoint the mediators &	iv) Around 22 working days in a	
					scope of the various mediators & various stakeholders	month are envisaged	
					along with roles & responsibilities.	v) JCI will assign mediators out of	
						the empanelled ones	
32	Antares Systems	7	3.6		Kindly provide the details on integration touch points	Traders and millers transanctions	
	Limited		Key Integration	Supply Chain Platform, as well as other databases as required by JCI	of Supply Chain Platform & details on other databases		
33	Antares Systems	10	4.2 Technical Bid	The bidder should have experience in providing customised	We have the vast experience in providing customised	Please refer to reply given against	
	Limited		Criteria & Evaluation	Software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology	eProcurement & Eauction Solution (INCLUDING both	Query#2 & 7	
				Project on Blockchain Platform; experience with Central / State	reverse and forward EAUCTION) Software with		
				Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid	Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 25		
				submission.	years.		
				1 - 2 Project = 5 Marks	None of our clients insisted on us to provide the		
				3 – 4 Project = 10 Marks	solution on Blockchain Platform.		
				5 – 6 Project = 20 Marks			
				-	Hence kindly relax "providing service using		
					BLOCKCHAIN Technology" and consider the number		
					of project implemented for eAuction services by		
					Service provider.		
					Hence request your good selves to consider our		
					experience by relaxing Blockchain Platform for		
					finalizing the marks and Evaluation.		
34	Antares Systems	6	3.3 Core Tech Features			Shall be provided later	
	Limited				analytics & visualization. What exactly is the JCI is		
					looking out in the feature		
35	Antares Systems	6	3.4 Key Deliverables			JCI internal applications. 2-3	
	Limited				we need to integrate and how many databases.		
36	Antares Systems	7	3.6 Key Integration	The E-Auction platform will need to integrate with the Jute Digital	Please provide more details about Jute Digital Supply	Shall be shared later	
	Limited		,	Supply Chain Platform, as well as other databases as required by JCI			
					,,,		

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37	Antares Systems Limited	1		Date of Submission of RFP: 12/12/2023 17:00 Hrs.	Since Documents preparation is voluminous and requires detailed description to full fill the criteria we need more time. Please extend the Tender bid submission date by another 15 Days so that we can submit the best documentation with all the details requested in the clause 5.1 Submission Document.	03-01-2024	Yes
38	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	1	The Schedule for submission of e-Bids and Opening of eBids is as follows: -	Date of Submission of RFP: 12/12/2023 17:00 Hrs. Date of Opening of RFP: 12/12/2023 17:30 Hrs.	The firm is very interested in this opportunity and possess the required expertise and experience for executing large scale projects of similar nature and therefore we wish to submit our Bid and be a part of this project. However, due to some specific requirement listed in RFP we require some extra time to submit a competitive and strong bid, therefore, the firm would request you to consider for an extension of the Online bid submission date to 3 weeks from the date of pre-bid response.	03-01-2024	Yes
39	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	2	1. Introduction	Jute Corporation of India (JCI) is looking for selecting an agency for design, development, operations, and maintenance of a blockchain based e-auction platform to connect traders and millers.	The authority is requested to clarify on the scope of blockchain functionalities required for the e-auction workflows. The authority is also requested to clarify the type of auctions required to be supported.	Please refer to the process flow diagrams. However, the diagrams are indicative in nature only.	Yes
40	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	5	3.1 Technical Specifications of the Web Application	iv. There will be an access authentication using the registered information.	The authority is requested to clarify the kind of access authentication and authorization that is required basis which an optimal solution can be designed.	AADHAR, DSC	
41	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	5	3.2 Functional Specifications of the Web Application	c. Alerts and Notification Management via Email, SMS, In-App	The authority is requested to clarify if the department will provide email and SMS services and the bidder has to integrate them?	Vendor will have arrange and integrate into the system. However, JCI can provide DLT registration	
42	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	5	3.2 Functional Specifications of the Web Application	e. E-Auction Module i. List Lots by seller, variety, grade, reserve price during Lot Creation Window	The authority is requested to clarify if the details are already available with the department and can be used by the bidder or the bidder needs to create the database for the same.	These are transational records and system users will create those	
43	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	5	3.2: Functional Specifications of the Web Application	e. E-Auction Module iii. Bid on Lots during Trading Window	The authority is requested to elaborate the flow of bid on Lots for better clarity on designing the application. Also please confirm if the Trading window needs to be open for a specific period and the department will activate it as required or does it need to be automated.	diagrams. However, the diagrams	

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44	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	6	3.2: Functional Specifications of the Web Application	j. Dashboards – Charts & Insights, GIS View with drill downs	The authority is requested to clarify on the requirement of GIS view. Also please clarify who will provide the GIS map. Please clarify the kind of dashboards are required here.	Shall be discussed later at the time of designing	
45	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	6	3.2: Functional Specifications of the Web Application	j. Dashboards – Charts & Insights, GIS View with drill downs i. Seller Dashboard - Drafts, History, Invoices, Challans, Payment, E-Wallet Summary, Mediation Summary ii. Buyer Dashboard - Bids, History, Invoices, Challans, Payment, E- Wallet Summary, Mediation Summary iii. Mediator Dashboard – Mediation History, Reports iv.ICI Admin Dashboard – Rules Management, Reference Data Management v.ICI Officer Dashboard – Role Based Access, Summaries, Histories	The authority is requested to clarify what is the volume of data available for proposing the storage sizing. Also please clarify, what is the data retention period required for the department.	Data retention policy as per Government guidelines.	
46	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	6	3.2: Functional Specifications of the Web Application	k. MIS Reports i. Bid Sheet with downloadable and verifiable audit trails.	The authority is requested to clarify what is the mechanism required for the verifiable audit trail?	Automated checking with trail of each transaction	
47	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	6	3.2: Functional Specifications of the Web Application	k. MIS Reports i.Bid Sheet with downloadable and verifiable audit trails. ii.Automated and on-demand report generation for JCI Management	The authority is requested to clarify who will create the on-demand reports?	System users, JCI users	
48	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	6	3.3 Core Tech Features	Blockchain for records securitization	The authority is requested to clarify the type of records required for blockchain based securitization. Also please clarify the scope of securitization required from the EAuction workflow perspective such as the smart contracts required	Please refer to reply given against Query#1	
49	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	10	4.2 Technical Bid Criteria & Evaluation	Technical Evaluation Framework 2 The bidder should have experience in providing customized software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology Project on Blockchain Platform; experience with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission. 1 - 2 Project = 5 Marks 3 - 4 Project = 10 Marks 5 - 6 Project = 20 Marks Above 6 Projects = 30 Marks	For ease of participation, request you to please amend the requirement as follows: 2 The bidder should have experience in providing customized software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology Project on Blockchain Platform; experience with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission. 1 - 2 Project = 5 Marks 3 - 4 Project = 15 Marks 5 - 6 Project = 25 Marks Above 6 Projects = 30 Marks	Please refer to reply given against Query#2 & 7	

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50	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	11	Technical Evaluation Framework	3 Average annual turnover for last 3 financial year ending 2022-23 ₹1 Crore – 2 Crore = 5 marks ₹2 Crore – 3 Crore = 10 marks Above ₹3 Crore = 15 marks	Considering the scope of work and the project duration, request you to please increase the average turnover as follows: ₹30 Crore – 40 Crore = 5 marks ₹40 Crore – 50 Crore = 10 marks Above ₹50 Crore = 15 marks	3 Average annual turnover for last 3 financial year ending 2022-23 ₹1 Crore – Less than ₹50 Crore = 5 marks ₹50 Crore – 200 Crore = 10 marks Above ₹200 Crore = 15 marks	Yes
51	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	25		f) INTERMEDIATE MILESTONE (i) In case delay in achieving milestone as mentioned in Schedule-I (Work/Time Schedule), is solely attributable to the vendor, 0.5% per week of contract value, limited to 5 %, will be withhold.	Request the department to please limit the withholding contract value to 2% and amend the clause as: f) INTERMEDIATE MILESTONE (i) In case delay in achieving milestone as mentioned in Schedule-I (Work/Time Schedule), is solely attributable to the vendor, 0.25% per week of contract value, limited to 2 %, will be withhold.	No changes	
52	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	25	33 Liquidated Damages:	g) OVERALL COMPLETION (i) If the completion of work is delayed beyond the completion due to reasons attributable to the contractor, they shall pay to JCI as penalty a sum @ 0.5% of contract value per week or part thereof subject to maximum of 10% of the contract value.	Request you to please amend it as: g) OVERALL COMPLETION (i) If the completion of work is delayed beyond the completion due to reasons attributable to the contractor, they shall pay to JCI as penalty a sum @ 0.25% of contract value per week or part thereof subject to maximum of 5% of the contract value.	No changes	
53	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	25	33 Liquidated Damages:	(ii) In case of LD/penalty recovery, the applicable GST shall also be recovered from the contractor.	(ii) In case of LD/penalty recovery, the amount shall be recovered from the contractor.	No changes	
54	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	37	Time schedule	Schedule and time line for delivery of the project: 8 - Development of the system - 120 Days	Considering the given scope of work that involves the creation of blockchain based auction system and the development of an analytics engine, request you to please amend the clause as below: 8 - Development of the system - 180 Days	No changes	

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55	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	39	Schedule – II Service Levels The SLAs for system availability and performance is as mentioned below:	 System Availability- Uptime availability of systems including all associated services - 99.90%. Drop from 99.90% to 99.00% will impose a penalty of 1% of Quarterly Payment. For every further drop of 1% in the uptime, the penalty amount will be doubled. The penalty amount will be capped at a maximum of 10% of TCO. 	Given SLA is very stringent. Request you to please amend it as: 1. System Availability- Uptime availability of systems including all associated services - 99.00%. Drop from 99.00% to 97.00% will impose a penalty of 0.5% of Quarterly Payment. For every further drop of 1% in the uptime, the penalty amount will be doubled. The penalty amount will be capped at a maximum of 5% of TCO.	No changes	
56	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	39	Schedule – II Service Levels The SLAs for system availability and performance is as mentioned below:	 2. Average response time- This is the time taken from submission of any request by enduser – to - response of the request to the enduser. Average response time < 2 sec 1% of Quarterly Payment. For every further delay of 1 second in the response time, the penalty amount will be doubled. The penalty amount will be capped at a maximum of 10% of TCO. 	Given SLA is very stringent. Request you to please amend it as: 2. Average response time- This is the time taken from submission of any request by end-user – to - response of the request to the end user. Average response time < 3 sec 0.5% of Quarterly Payment. For every further delay of 2 seconds in the response time, the penalty amount will be 0.1%. The penalty amount will be capped at a maximum of 5% of TCO.	No changes	
57	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	39	Schedule – II Service Levels The SLAs for system availability and performance is as mentioned below:	4. System Backup 24 X 7 X 52 O Data loss - Measured daily Reported monthly, 10% of Quarterly Payment.	Given SLA is very stringent. Request you to please amend it as: 4. System Backup 24 X 7 X 52 0 Data loss - Measured daily Reported monthly, 1% of Quarterly Payment.	No changes	
58	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	39	Schedule – II Service Levels The SLAs for system availability and performance is as mentioned below:	5. Page Transition (page to page) - 24 X 7 X 52 Less than 2 seconds Measured daily average Reported monthly 1% of Quarterly Payment. For every further delay of 1 second in the response time, the penalty amount will be doubled. The penalty amount will be capped at a maximum of 10% of TCO.	Given SLA is very stringent. Request you to please amend it as: 5. Page Transition (page to page) - 24 X 7 X 52 Less than 3 seconds Measured daily average Reported monthly 0.5% of Quarterly Payment. For every further delay of 2 seconds in the response time, the penalty amount will be 0.1%. The penalty amount will be capped at a maximum of 5% of TCO.	No changes	

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59	KPMG Advisory	40	Schedule – II	6. Hardware average daily utilization levels should be less than 80%.	6. Hardware average daily utilization levels should be	No changes	
	Services Private		Service Levels	(CPU, Memory,	less than 75%. (CPU, Memory, Cache, Hard Disk, NIC		
	Ltd.		The SLAs for system	Cache, Hard Disk, NIC cards) excluding EOD / BOD processing time	cards) excluding EOD / BOD processing time (Batch		
			availability and	(Batch processing)	processing)		
			performance is as	99.90% Sampled every 1 minute and averaged for half an hour.	99.00% Sampled every 1 minute and averaged for half		
			mentioned below:	From 99.90% to 99.00% drop – 10% of the Quarterly payment	an hour.		
				For every further 0.01% drop in Service Level the penalty amount	From 99.90% to 97.00% drop – 0.5% of the Quarterly		
				will be doubled.	payment		
					For every further 0.01% drop in Service Level the		
					penalty amount will be 0.1%.		
60	KPMG Advisory	40	Schedule – II	Critical Any problem due to which the entire system is inoperable.	Critical Any problem due to which the entire system	No changes	
	Services Private		Service Levels	Within 2 hours	is inoperable. Within 4 hours		
	Ltd.		The SLAs for system	Key Any problem due to which the system is not entirely down, but	Key Any problem due to which the system is not		
			availability and	some functionality is, and no workaround for it is available. Within	entirely down, but some functionality is, and no		
			, performance is as	4 hours	workaround for it is available. Within 6 hours		
			mentioned below:	Significant Any incident due to which some functionality is down,	Significant Any incident due to which some		
					functionality is down, but for which a (for the		
				provided Within 6 hours	Company) acceptable workaround has been provided		
				Minor •Dthers	Within 10 hours		
				•Enhancements Within 8 hours	Minor •Øthers		
					•Enhancements Within 12 hours		
61	KPMG Advisory	40	Schedule – II	Panalty Computation	Panalty Computation	No changes	
	Services Private		Service Levels				
	Ltd.		The SLAs for system	Service Measure∎estoration Time∎enalty Charges (₹ / Incident)	Service MeasureRestoration TimePenalty Charges		
			availability and	Support for Critical LevelWithin 2 hoursNIL	(₹ / Incident)		
			performance is as	Within 4 hours2,000	Support for Critical Level		
			mentioned below:	Within 6 hours5,000	Within 4 hoursNIL		
				Above 6 hours10,000	Within 6 hours1,000		
				Support for Key LevelWithin 4 hoursNIL	Within 8 hours2,000		
				Within 6 hours2,000	Above 8 hours3,000		
				Within 8 hours5,000	Support for Key Level		
				Above 8 hours10,000	Within 4 hoursNIL		
				Support for Significant LevelWithin 6 hoursNIL	Within 6 hours1,000		
				Within 8 hours2,000	Within 8 hours2,000		
				Within 12 hours5,000	Above 8 hours3,000		
				Above 12 hours10,000	Support for Significant Level		
				Support for Minor LevelWithin 8 hoursNIL	Within 4 hoursNIL		
				Within 10 hours2,000	Within 6 hours1,000		
				Within 16 hours4,000	Within 8 hours2,000		
				Above 16 hours5,000	Above 8 hours3,000		
					Support for Minor Level		
					Within 4 hoursNIL		
					Within 6 hours1,000		
					Within 8 hours2,000		
			l		Above 8 hours3,000		

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62	KPMG Advisory Services Private Ltd.	36	vii. Deployment of System:	Deployment shall include implementation and maintenance of the developed system. a) Bidder shall submit ideal minimum deployment requirements for the proposed system that will be sufficient for the smooth functioning of the system without compromising the performance.	The authority is requested to share details of the total number users expected in the system for proposing a suitable solution.	Please refer to reply given against Query#31	
63	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	7	Section 3.4	Ongoing support for minor enhancements	What is considered to be minor enhancements in number of days?	2	
64	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	7	Section 3.5	MeiTy empanelled Government Community Cloud Server or the hosting infrastructure.	Do we need to consider the cost of Infra as well to be given by Bidder or it shall be provided by Jute corporation?	Please refer to reply given against Query#9	
65	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	7	Section 3.6	Integrate with the Jute Digital Supply Chain Platform	Request to elaborate more on this as what is this platform and which technology does it uses?	Shall be shared later	
66	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	5	Section 3.2	Alerts and Notification Management via Email, SMS, In-App	The cost of SMS to be considered by Bidder or it shall be provided by Jute as there is no data shared on number of users on the platform coming and using it. We would request few projections for the same to be coming from jute corporation to budget the usages.	Please refer to reply given against Query#41	
67	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	5	Section 3.2	Integration with banking / wallet / payment gateway system"	The payment gateway and wallet platform will be provided by Jute, or this needs to be coming from Bidder? What is the transaction value that is expected to happen on Monthly basis if bidder needs to consider the cost of PG?	Payment Gateway is to be provided by JCI	
68	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	6	Section 3.2	Invoice & Dispatch Management Module	We are with the assumption this is system generated GST invoice and the format will be shared by Jute corporation during the requirement gathering. Please confirm?	Format will be provided by JCI. E- Invoice facility should be there	
69	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	6	Section 3.3	Core Tech Features- Blockchain for records securitization	What all data is expected to be on the blockchain for the overall platform. Can you share some inputs? On the blockchain, our assumption is that this is going to be private blockchain. Is this understanding right?	Buyer & Seller Data and Documents, Bid history, Payment Details, Contracts, Despatch Information, Invoice, Quality Assessment details are to be securitized	
70	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	8	Section 3.7	Hosting Staging Server, UAT, and Security Audit	The security Audits will be conducted by Jute corporate or must be done by bidder? Also, in the AMC annual support how many security Audits are expected to be performed?	Please refer to reply given against Query#31	

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71	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	13	Section 5.3	Annual operations & maintenance and cloud infrastructure fees	Do we need to submit the cost of cloud as well during the bid submission separately? Also, in case the usage on the cloud become higher, how will that be considered for the Bidding and billing perspective ?		
72	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	13	Section 5.3	Annual operations & maintenance and cloud infrastructure fees etc (annual after Warranty)	Can you help understand that after warranty the cost of infra will be taken up by jute corporation and bidder will be doing the billing basis the usage? Please confirm	After completion of warranty period, these are to be borne by the vendor and will be part of AMC Charges	
73	Winjit Technologies Private Limited	13	Section 5.7	Bidders are neither allowed to join hands to participate in the tender nor allowed to submit multiple bids. In case of detection of such, their bid (s) is/are liable to be rejected. Bidding through consortium is not allowed	If bidder has to take the services of the Cloud server, in that case we will have to join hands with the bidder or any MeiTy approved provider. Our understanding is that this should be allowed to do the join hands for infrastructure engagement. Please confirm?	Bidders may be required to join hands with other vendors for	
74	Winjit Technologies Private Limited		Generic		Can we submit the proof documents (POs/SOWs) from our subsidiaries registered under Winjit, where we have done similar work on the technology you have requested?	No	
75	mjunction Services Limited	13, 27	5.3, 40	Annual operations & maintenance and cloud infrastructure fees etc (annual after Warranty) o Monthly billing Contract Period: The contract period for this agreement is 22.5 months from the Effective Date (9 months (implementation) + 1.5 month (stabilization/handholding) + 12 months (warranty support).	Post warranty AMC (cloud fee & maintenace fee, etc.) will be paid for how many years? Also, should be the contract period be 22.5 months or 22.5 months + AMC period?	Please refer to reply given against Query#27	
76	mjunction Services Limited	2	1	Introduction: the anticipated jute e-auction process	The diagram shows that the Sellers are required to bid the prices. It appears this is a typo error and it should be the buyers who requires to bid prices. Kindly confirm.	Buyers shall bid the prices	
77	mjunction Services Limited	3	2.3 (i)	The bidder should upload proof of online payment of EMD of 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs only) with the Technical Bid.	Request JIC to provide the bank details for payment of EMD.	Please refer to Clause 2.3.(iv).d of RFP Document	
78	mjunction Services Limited	5	3.1 (iii)	Aadhar integration or Jute Commissioner database	We assume that the cost of 3rd Party integrator is to be included in the commercial bid. Request JCl to confirm.	Yes	
79	mjunction Services Limited	10	4.2.2	The bidder should have experience in providing customised Software (directly or indirectly through SI) and/or Digital technology Project on Blockchain Platform; with experience with Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission.	Since this Project involves design and development of an eAuction platform in the Supply Chain of Jute, we recommend that JCI seeks for experience in providing "eAuction platforms", along with its Order value, to Central / State Government / ULBs / PSEs in last 5 years prior to date of bid submission for selection of a competent Service Provider.	Please refer to reply given against Query#2 & 7	

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80	mjunction Services Limited	5, 27	3.2 (iv.c), 41	Alerts and Notification Management via Email, SMS, In-App. Contract Continuity: The contract shall terminate only on explicit correspondence to that effect. Until that time, vendor shall continue to provide the service at the contracted price per the agreement. As and when the JCI decides to change the current business model/ vendor, vendor has to coordinate for migration of Portal & Mobile Application to the JCI's new model without causing disruption of the Services at no extra cost to the JCI.	W.r.t to the word 'in-app', kindly confirm whether web application will suffice or seperate mobile app is required which will increase the cost?	Web application will be sufficient	
81	mjunction Services Limited	6	f(iv), g(ii), h(ii)	Payment of the difference between the Pre-bid Fee and Bid Guarantee Fee for successful buyers Invoice generation by JCI Mediator onboarding	What is bid guarantee fee? Who will pay JCI for Invoices of JCI? What is the role of mediator?	Shall be discussed later at the time of designing	
82	mjunction Services Limited	7	7	Client Sign-off for Requirement Analysis, preparation of data design and application architecture for the system, <u>data migration</u> <u>strategy</u> , development of appropriate screen layouts and forms for the users, approval of prototype (design interface) developed, coordination and collection of required data from JCI (design should comply with system security guidelines issued by Cert-IN, NIC, MeitY, GoI)	migrated to the proposed platform.	As of there is no existing system of similar nature in place, migration will not be required	
83	mjunction Services Limited	12	5.2	Hosting Charges on any MeitY empanelled GCC Service Provider	Since, you have mentioned GCC Service Provider (SP), will the following SPs not qualify? - AWS/Google/Microsoft?	Please refer to reply given against Query# 9	
84	mjunction Services Limited	12	5.2	Price Quotation	Request JIC to provide the format of Price Schedule.	Please refer to reply given against Query# 71	

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85	mjunction Services Limited	27, 33, 37	40, VIII, 2(II)	Further JCI reserves the right to renew the contract for another 4 years after the expiry of the initial term on mutually agreed terms and conditions and 8% cost of initial contract value per year. After expiry of warranty period, the bidder shall compulsorily offer AMC for a minimum of five years @ 8% per annum of contract value after expiry of warranty period. However, JCI may or may not award the AMC at its own sole discretion. The bidder shall compulsorily offer AMC for a minimum of five years @8% per annum of contract value after expiry of warranty period. However, JCI may or may not award the AMC at its own sole discretion.	Also the AMC of 8% per annum will be calculated on what figure? Is it on the one-time development fees or anything else? Is the AMC contract value pre-fixed @ 8% per annum	8% per annum is fixed. AMC value does not require to quote separately	
86	mjunction Services Limited	Pg. 33, Cl. Iii	System should be robust, responsive and support at least 1000 concurrent users per instance and scalable as per need.	System should be robust, responsive and support at least 1000 concurrent users per instance and scalable as per need.	Does the appplication need to be hosted in multiple instance?. If so, how many instance are required?	As of now the application is to be hosted in single instance	
87	mjunction Services Limited	36	VII (b) ©	These deployment requirements should consist of minimum required virtual hardware and networking items / components that JCI needs to arrange for the successful installation and implementation of system. Deployment of required system software and application shall be done by the bidder on NIC Cloud.	As per this clause, we understand that the deployment infrastructure will be provided by JCI. If this is correct, then who will bear the cost for Cloud Infra? JCI or the Service Provider?	Cost of hosting infrastructure is to be borne the vendor. In addition to the domain, SSL Certificate are to be borne by the vendor	
88	mjunction Services Limited		General Query	Bid due date extension	We are keen to participate. However the timeline provided is inadequette to do a detailed study of the requirement. We request you to extend the bid due date by at least 3 weeks.	03-01-2024	
89	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	5	(ii)	The web-based platform will allow traders and millers to register, trade (sell, bid, buy), make digital payments (payment, refund, claims), and manage the dispatch and dispute resolution processes.	Request you to confirm the payment rails to be integrated - RTGS, UPI, IMPS, Payment Gateway, Manual payments in checks / DDs, etc. Also if i. payment receipt needs to be confirmed in bank account ? li. A payment dispute management system needs to be implemented (rolling reserve, etc.)	i. No manual payments i.e. Cash / DD / Cheques. Also need automated checking, reconciliation ii. Payment receipt is needed.	

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90	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	6	3.3	Advanced analytics & visualization	Reequest clarification on type of dashboards need to be created. We assume only three type of dashboards are required - i. Ttransaction data and volumes ii. Payment settlements iii. User history and actions. Please confirm	Shall be discussed later at the time of designing	
91	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	12	5.2	Hosting Charges on any MeitY empanelled GCC Service Provider	Request you to confirm whether Meity empanelled GI Cloud GCC vendor needs to be used or NIC Cloud. A subsequent clause (Pg 36. Deployment of Systems) states that NIC Cloud should be used - <i>Deployment of</i> <i>required system software and application shall be</i> <i>done by the bidder on NIC Cloud</i> . Please consider leveraging Meity empanelled Cloud providers with Hypervisors given the complexity of the application requested	Please refer to reply given against Query# 9	Yes
92	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	10	4.1	"The Bidder should not have been blacklisted by any Central and/or State Government departments, PSU's and/or any other Statutory or autonomous body/undertaking. "	Request you to change this clause to below - "The Bidder should not have been blacklisted by any Central and/or State Government departments, PSU's and/or any other Statutory or autonomous body/undertaking. at the time of submission of bid	Shall be allowed	Yes
93	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	11	4.2	Average annual turnover for last 3 financial year ending 2022-23 ₹1 Crore – 2 Crore = 5 marks ₹2 Crore – 3 Crore = 10 marks Above ₹3 Crore = 15 marks	Request this clause to be changed to below in line with the scale and complexity of the project and the diverse set of resource required for successful execution of the organization's vision Average annual turnover for last 3 financial year ending 2022-23 ₹100 Crore – 150 Crore = 5 marks ₹150 Crore – 200 Crore = 10 marks Above ₹200 Crore = 15 marks	Please refer to reply given against Query# 50	
94	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	11	4.2	Innovation and Deployment of new age technology like AI/ML, Big data,	Request you to clarify this clause. We assume that JCI requires the bidder to provide a profile of emerging tech projects (AI/ML, Blockchain, IoT, Drones,etc.) done by the bidding organization in the past. Please confirm	Yes	

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95	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	13	5.10 (i)	Proposed System should be accessible on all platforms and all major popular browsers (e.g. Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, Safari, Opera, etc.	Would request you to provide the minimum browser version to be supported. Also request yout to replace Internet Explorer with Edge	Proposed System should be accessible on all platforms and should support latest versions of all major popular browsers (e.g. Edge, Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, Safari, Opera etc.	Yes
96	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	21	20	the solution, shall belong to the JCI and the JCI shall have complete and unrestricted rights on such property. However, the Vendor shall	The successful bidder should have ownership of any pre-built software / code used for execution of this project. If required, a list of pre-built software artificats used for building the product may be submitted to JCI. Request you to change this clause as below- The Intellectual Property Rights on the software code, copyright and source code for various applications/ interfaces developed under this Agreement, and any other component/ framework/ middleware used/ developed to deliver the solution, shall belong to the JCI and the JCI shall have complete and unrestricted rights on such property. However, the Vendor shall hold All Intellectual Property rights in any pre-built software per se, including those which were used to execute this project.	No changes	
97	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd	33	v	Bidder shall carry out the Data migration /Porting of existing data	Request you to provide the volume of legacy data to be migrated to the new system. This would be required to arrive at storage and data transfer estimates required for providing a financial quote for cloud infrastructure	Please refer to reply given against Query# 82	
98	Price		Schedule II Service	1. System Availability- Uptime availability of systems including all	Request you to reduce Baseline to 99.7% as per	Allowed	Yes
	Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd		Levels 1.	associated services - Baseline performance - 99.90%	standards		
99	Price Waterhouse Cooper (PwC) Pvt Ltd		Schedule II Service Levels 6.	Hardware average daily utilization levels should be less than 80%. (CPU, Memory, Cache, Hard Disk, NIC cards) excluding EOD / BOD processing time (Batch processing)	Request this clause to be removed.	No changes	

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100	Price	40		SLA for issue resolution	Request to change the min acceptable resolution time	No changes	
	Waterhouse				below as per standards-		
	Cooper (PwC)			Level Response & Resolution Time	Critical (S1) - 4 hours		
	Pvt Ltd			Critical Within 2 hours	Key (S2) - 8 hours		
				Key Within 4 hours	Significant (S3) - 12 hours		
				Signficant Within 6 hours	Minor (S4) - 16 hours		
				Minor Within 8 hours			
101	Price	42		Showstopper issues pertaining to software need to be addressed as	Request this clause to be changed to below -	No changes	
	Waterhouse			an exigency and a Root Cause Analysis (RCA) shall be provided			
	Cooper (PwC)			within 30 minutes and a workaround or a solution in 2 hours.	Showstopper issues (Critical Issues) pertaining to		
	Pvt Ltd				software need to be addressed as an exigency and a		
					Root Cause Analysis (RCA) and a workaround or a		
					solution should be provided in 4 hours.		
102	Price			Infrastructure estimation on the basis of volume	Request you to share indicative trade and transaction	Please refer to reply given against	
	Waterhouse				volumes on a daily / weekly monthly basis and	Query# 31	
	Cooper (PwC)				quarterly growth percentage to allow us to estimate		
	Pvt Ltd				scalable cloud infrastructure for the engagement		
					period		
103	Price		Request you to add the		Limitation of Liability	No changes	
	Waterhouse		following clauses				
	Cooper (PwC)				The bidder's aggregate liability in connection with		
	Pvt Ltd				obligations undertaken as a part of the RFP shall be at		
					actual and limited to the Contracted Value.		
					Key Project Team members replacement		
					Key Project Team members once assigned for the		
					project shall not be normally replaced during the		
					tenure of the project. In case of any replacement of		
					resource the bidder will provide resources having		
					similar or better educational qualification and		
					experience		
104	Price		Extension of Bid		Request you to extend the bid submission date to	03-01-2024	Yes
	Waterhouse		submission date		26th December 2023 or atleast 3 weeks from the date		
	Cooper (PwC)				of response to pre-bid queries, whichever is greater		
	Pvt Ltd						