



KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

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Sub:- Evaluation of tenders and awarding of contracts within the tender validity period.

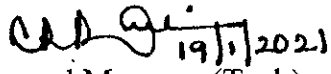
Ref:- KPTCL/B9/14628/2020-21 dated 13/11/2020.

1. As per Rule 12.2 of Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Rules 2000, the initial period of validity of tenders shall not be less than 90 days. Further, as per the Standard Tender Documents K/W-1, K/W-2, K/W-3 and K/W-4, the tenders shall remain valid for a period not less than 90 days after the deadline for submission of the tender. Further, in respect of tenders for major electrical projects, KPTCL has adopted that the tenders are valid for a period of 180 days from the date of opening of Techno Commercial bids.
2. Further as per Rule 22 of Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Rules 2000, the evaluation of tenders and award of contract shall be completed as far as possible within period for which the tenders are held valid. The Tender Accepting Authority shall seek extension of validity of tenders from the tenderers for completion of evaluation, if it is not completed within the validity period. In case, the evaluation of tenders and award of contracts are not completed within the extended period, all the tenders shall be deemed to have become invalid and fresh tenders have to be called for.
3. It is observed that in many cases, the processing of tenders are inordinately delayed which results in time and cost overrun. It is therefore essential that as far as possible, the tenders are finalized and contracts are awarded in a time bound manner, within the original validity of the tender, without seeking further extension of validity.
4. Further, in cases where the tenderers quoted price is less than the updated estimated cost (negative tender premium) and if the tenders are not processed/contracts are not awarded within the original validity period, there are chances of tenderers refusing to extend the bid validity period. This will result in retendering of the work with consequent time and cost overrun. This has been noticed in some of the cases.

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5. Hence, in order to avoid such occurrences, it is hereby directed that all the officers involved in the process of finalization of tenders, shall ensure that evaluation of tenders and award of contracts are done within the tender validity period in all cases and particularly so in respect of tenders where the quoted amount is less than or equal to the updated estimated cost.
6. If the validity of the tenders are nearing completion, in respect of tenders where the quoted amount is less than or equal to updated estimated cost, the concerned officers shall take all necessary steps to expedite the process of evaluation/award of contracts, within the tender validity period. This is essential not only to derive the benefits of early completion and also to avoid cost overrun.
7. The above guidelines shall be followed strictly and violation of the same will be viewed seriously.

(Approved by Managing Director)


Deputy General Manager (Tech)
KPTCL, Bengaluru.

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