

Haryana Power Generation Corporation Limited

(A Government of Haryana Undertaking)

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E- Tender Documents

For

NOTICE INVITING TENDER FOR SHORTLISTING AND ENGAGEMENT OF FIRMS OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS/ COST ACCOUNTANTS FOR CONDUCTING INTERNAL APUDIT IN HARYANA POWER GENERATION CORPORATION LTD, FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 2025-26, 2026-27, 2027-28.

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Haryana Power Generation Corporation Ltd., a Government of Haryana Undertaking, invites bids from reputed Indian Chartered Accountant/ Indian Cost Accountant Firms for conducting Internal Audit for F.Y. **YEARS 2025-26, 2026-27, 2027-28.**

The format of application along with annexure on areas and extent of coverage, reporting requirements, terms of reference, list of units and locations, selection criteria etc. can be downloaded from website www.hpgcl.org.in. Any updates to the NIT shall be hosted on our website from time to time. The interested firms are requested to ensure that all updates to the NIT are strictly considered while submitting the bids.

Firms may submit their applications online with EMD of Rs. 7,810/- latest by 28.07.2025 up to 15.00 hrs. EMD of successful bidders shall be converted into security deposit which shall be released on faithful completion of the work. EMD of the unsuccessful bidders shall be returned without any interest immediately after awarding the work to the successful bidder/s.

Validity of the bids shall be up to 120 days from the date of opening of financial bid.

Shortlisted firms shall remain on the panel of the HPGCL for a period of three years from 2025-26.

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INFORMATION REGARDING ONLINE PAYMENT OF TENDER DOCUMENT, E SERVICE AND EMD FEES.

The Bidders can download e tender documents from the Portal: <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.

The Bidders shall have to pay for the Tender documents, EMD Fees & eService Fee online by using the service of secure electronic payment gateway. The secure electronic payments gateway is an online interface between contractors and online payment authorization networks. The Payment for Tender Document Fee and eService Fee is amounting to Rs. 2360 (Rs. 1180 cost of tender documents + 1180 e-service charges) and **EMD** amounting to Rs. 7,810/- (Rs. Seven thousand Eight hundred ten only) can be made by eligible bidders/contractors online.

NOTE: If the tenders are cancelled or recalled on any grounds, the tender document fees & e-service fee will not be refunded to the agency.

The Tenders can submit their tender documents (Online) as per the dates mentioned in the key dates:-

Key Dates

Sr. No.	Department Stage	Tenderer's Stage	Start date and time	Expiry date and time
1	-----	Downloading of Tender Documents, Bid Preparation & submissions	27.06.2025 15.00 Hours	28.07.2025 15.00 Hours
2	Technical Opening (Part-I)	-	30.07.2025 15.00 Hours	
3	Opening of Price Bid (Part-II)		Will be intimated through email	

INSTRUCTION TO BIDDER ON ELECTRONIC TENDERING SYSTEM

These conditions will over-rule the conditions stated in the tender documents, wherever relevant and applicable.

1. Registration of bidders on e-Procurement Portal:-

All the bidders intending to participate in the tenders processed online are required to get registered on the centralized e-Procurement Portal i.e. <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.

Please visit the website for more details.

2. Obtaining a Digital Certificate:

- 2.1** The Bids submitted online should be encrypted and signed electronically with a Digital Certificate to establish the identity of the bidder bidding online. These Digital Certificates are issued by an Approved Certifying Authority, by the Controller of Certifying Authorities, Government of India.
- 2.2** The bidders may obtain Class-II or III digital signature certificate from any Certifying Authority or Sub-certifying Authority authorized by the Controller of Certifying Authorities.
- 2.3** Bid for a particular tender must be submitted online using the digital certificate (Encryption & Signing), which is used to encrypt the data and sign the hash during the stage of bid preparation & hash submission. In case, during the process of a particular tender, the user loses his digital certificate (due to virus attack, hardware problem, operating system or any other problem) he will not be able to submit the bid online. Hence, the users are advised to keep a backup of the certificate and also keep the copies at safe place under proper security (for its use in case of emergencies).
- 2.4** If the digital certificate issued to the authorized user of a firm is used for signing and submitting a bid, it will be considered equivalent to a no-objection certificate/power of attorney /lawful authorization to that User. The firm has to authorize a specific individual through an authorization certificate to use the digital certificate as per Indian Information Technology Act 2000. Unless the certificates are revoked, it will be assumed to represent adequate authority of the user to bid on behalf of the firm in the department tenders as per Information Technology Act 2000. The digital signature of this authorized user will be binding on the firm.
- 2.5** In case of any change in the authorization, it shall be the responsibility of management / partners of the firm to inform the about the change and to obtain the digital signatures of the new person / user on behalf of the firm / company. The procedure for application of a digital certificate however will remain the same for the new user.

2.6 The same procedure holds true for the authorized users in a private/Public limited company. In this case, the authorization certificate will have to be signed by the directors of the company.

2.7 In case of sole proprietary Firm there is no need of authorized representative as proprietor is owner of the firm and competent to sign.

3 Opening of an Electronic Payment Account:

Tender document can be downloaded online. Bidders are required to pay the tender documents fees online using the electronic payments gateway service. For online payments guidelines, please refer to the Home page of the e-tendering Portal <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.

4 Online Viewing of Detailed Notice Inviting Tenders:

The bidders can view the detailed N.I.T and the time schedule (Key Dates) for all the tenders floated through the single portal e-Procurement system on the Home Page at <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.

5 Download of Tender Documents:

The tender documents can be downloaded from the e-Procurement portal <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.

6 Key Dates:

The bidders are strictly advised to follow dates and times as indicated in the online Notice Inviting Tenders. The date and time shall be binding on all bidders. All online activities are time tracked and the system enforces time locks that ensure that no activity or transaction can take place outside the start and end dates and the time of the stage as defined in the online Notice Inviting Tenders.

7 Bid Preparation (Technical & Financial) Online Payment of Tender Document Fee, eService fee, EMD fees and Submission of Bid Seal (Hash) of online Bids:

7.1 The online payment for Tender document fee, e-Service Fee & EMD can be done using the secure electronic payment gateway. The Payment for Tender Document Fee and eService Fee can be made by eligible bidders/contractors online.

7.2 The bidders shall upload their technical offer containing documents, qualifying criteria, technical specification, schedule of deliveries, and all other terms and conditions except the rates (price bid).

The bidders shall quote the prices in price bid format.

7.3 Submission of bids will be preceded by submission of the digitally signed & sealed bid (Hash) as stated in the time schedule (Key Dates) of the Tender.

8. Validity

The validity of the tender / offer shall be for 120 days from the date of opening of the price bid.

- a) The bidder / tenderer are not allowed to revise the price bid, during the validity of the price bid already submitted. In case the bidder submit a revised price bid suo-moto, original as well as revised offers shall be opened and lowest will be considered only.
- b) Negotiations will be held as per negotiation policy of HPGCL or amendment thereof from time to time.

NOTE:-

- (A) If bidder fails to complete the Online Bid Submission stage on the stipulated date and time. His/her bid will be considered as bid not submitted, and hence not appear during tender opening stage.**
- (B) Bidders participating in online tenders shall check the validity of his/her Digital Signature Certificate before participating in the online Tenders at the portal <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.**
- (C) For help manual please refer to the 'Home Page' of the e-Procurement website at <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.**

FORMAT OF APPLICATION

1. Name of the Firm:
2. Registration No. of the Firm :
3. Date of Registration of the Firm:
4. Details of Head Office & Branch Office(s):

Head Office:

Address	Date of Establishment	Contact No./Fax	E-mail

Branch Office 1:

Address	Date of Establishment	Contact No./Fax	E-mail

Branch Office 2:

Address	Date of Establishment	Contact No./Fax	E-mail

5. Details of Partners in the Firm/Limited Liability Partnership:

Sr. No.	Name of the Partner	Membership No.	Membership Status ACA/ FCA/ACMA/ FCMA	CISA/DISA/ ISA or equivalent qualification	Date of joining the firm as partner
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					

6. Details of Qualified Assistants:

Sr. No.	Name of the Assistant	Membership No.	Membership Status ACA/ FCA/ACMA/ FCMA	CISA/DISA/ ISA or equivalent qualification	Date of joining the firm as Assistant
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					

7. Details of Semi-Qualified Assistants:

Sr. No.	Name of the Assistant	Whether Intermediate/IPCC completed	Date of Joining the firm as Semi-Qualified Assistant
1.			
2.			
3.			

8. Details of Technical Experts:

Sr. No.	Name of the Expert	Engineering field in which qualified	Date of Joining the firm
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

9. Details of Experience in PSUs

Sr. No.	Name of the Company/Unit	Year of Audit	Type of Audit — whether Financial Audit/Cost Audit / Internal Audit/Physical verification of Fixed assets
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

10. Income Tax/ PAN No. of the Firm:

11. GST No.:

12. Bank details:

1.	Bank Name, Address and Telephone No.	
2.	Branch Name, Address & Code	
3.	Bank Account Number with style of account, Saving/ Current	
4.	IFSC Code No. of the Bank	
5.	A cancelled cheque of the said Bank	

13. It is confirmed that all the requirements as per Annexure-A to H to the NIT documents have been complied with.

14. We confirm that we have not claimed any deviation from the specified terms & conditions, of the NIT documents. A copy of complete NIT document duly signed and sealed on all pages as a token of acceptance of all terms & conditions is attached.

Signature of authorized representative/ competent authority with Name & Seal of the Audit Firm.

ANNEXURE- A**LIST OF LOCATIONS TO BE AUDITED**

Consequent upon the restructuring of erstwhile HSEB, Haryana Power Generation Corporation Limited (HPGCL) came into existence on 14th August 1998 with the objective of generating power from State Owned Sources and supplying the same to Discoms i.e. UHBVNL and DHBVNL. The Company on the date of formation had a total generation capacity of 863 MW which has now been gone up to 2582.40 MW.

The present list of Audit locations of HPGCL (Corporate Office and Power Stations along with their installed capacity) is given below:

Sr. No.	Location	Installed Capacity	Commissioning Date
1.	Corporate Office Panchkula		
2.	Panipat Thermal Power Station, Panipat	Unit No-6: 210 MW Unit No-7: 250 MW Unit No-8: 250 MW Solar : 10 MW	31/03/2001 28/09/2004 28/01/2005 01/11/2016
3.	RGTPP, Hisar	Unit No-1: 600 MW Unit No-2: 600 MW	24/08/2010 01/03/2011
4.	DCRTPP, Yamuna Nagar	Unit No-1: 300 MW Unit No-2: 300 MW	14/04/2008 24/06/2008
	Western Yamuna Canal Hydro Project (Yamuna Nagar)	Power House A Unit No-1: 8 MW Unit No-2: 8 MW Power House B Unit No-1: 8 MW Unit No-2: 8 MW Power House C Unit No-1: 8 MW Unit No-2: 8 MW Power House D Unit No-1: 7.2 MW Unit No-2: 7.2 MW	29/05/1986 13/06/1986 15/05/1987 01/06/1987 27/03/1989 18/04/1989 16/04/2004 12/05/2004
	Total	2582.40 MW	

**MAJOR AREAS TO BE COVERED DURING THE INTERNAL AUDIT OF HEAD
OFFICE/PROJECT OFFICES OF HPGCL**

I.	Works including O&M Contracts (Pre-award and Execution)
II.	Procurement (Pre-award and Execution)
III.	Stores
IV.	Colony
V.	Petrol Pump
VI.	Vehicles Maintenance
VII.	Guest House/ Field Hostel/Shops
VIII.	School
IX.	Dispensary/Health Center
X.	Operations i) Thermal Energy – Fuel: Coal, Liquid fuel & Gas ii) Hydel Energy iii) Solar Energy
XI.	Books of Accounts
XII.	Commercial Accounts
XIII.	Establishment Accounts
XIV.	Human Resource Department
XV.	Loan Accounts
XVI.	Invoicing and Debtors for sale of energy
XVII.	Review of implementation of System and Procedures of the Corporation.
XVIII.	Land & Building
XIX.	To review budgetary control.
XX.	Reconciliation of inter unit transactions.
XXI.	Review of compliance of statutory obligations under various statutes.
XXII.	Any other area decided by the Chief Financial Officer

Note:

1. While auditing the above areas the contents of the internal audit manual of HPGCL and the specific instructions given by the office of Chief Financial Officer at the time of appointment or during the currency of the audit should be strictly followed.
2. The list of the above areas is illustrative only and not exhaustive. Special emphasis should be given to the key areas with a view to prudent and proprietary checks such as:
 - Guidelines issued by Corporate Finance from time to time have been complied with.
 - Physical verification of fixed assets and inventory is being carried out as per the system laid down in this regard. Further to report that the adjustments for excess and shortage are being carried out in the books in the same year.
 - Outstanding Internal audit or any other audit observations of the previous years have been complied with.
 - TDS and other statutory deduction are being made and deposited with the appropriate authority in all cases as per the relevant statute.

EXTENT OF COVERAGE OF AUDIT

Sr. No.	Area	Coverage in each phase
I	<u>WORKS INCL. O&M CONTRACTS</u> (Pre-award and execution) i) W.Os with value more than Rs.20 Lakh ii) W.Os with value from Rs.10 lakh to Rs.20 Lakh iii) W.Os with value less than Rs.10 lakh	100% 50% 25%
II	<u>PROCUREMENT</u> (Pre-award and execution) i) P.Os with value more than Rs.20 Lakh ii) P.Os with value from Rs.10 lakh to Rs.20 Lakh iii) P.Os with value less than Rs.10 lakh	100% 50% 25%
III	<u>STORES</u> i) Documentation and procedures ii) Claims iii) Store Accounts	2 Months 50% 50%
IV	<u>OPERATIONS</u> A. Thermal Energy (Coal, Liquid Fuels, Gas) i) Operational Data Analysis ii) Review of Fuel Accounting records for Receipt, Consumption and Stock iii) Verification of Fuel Price Adjustment iv) Review of Monthly Operating Results B. Hydel Energy C. Solar Energy D. Coal Mining Activities	3 Months
V	<u>BOOKS OF ACCOUNTS, FUNDS AND BANKING ARRANGEMENTS</u> Books of Accounts i) Review of GL and Sub-Ledgers ii) Voucher Verification Bank Payment Documents (for 3 complete months) Documents for Bank Receipt (-----Do-----) Documents for Adjustments (-----Do-----) iii) Review of Employee Compensation / Accounts Pay Bill Review Other Employee Benefits Funds and Banking Arrangements (including BRS) Maintenance of Cost Accounting Records	50% GL / 25% SL Apr, Sep, Nov, Mar and any one(1) more month 25% 50% 50% To Comment
VI	INVOICING AND DEBTORS FOR SALE OF ENERGY	100%

VII	<u>PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION</u> A. <u>Employee Related</u> i) Service Book ii) Employee Benefits B. <u>Other Administrative Matters</u> Land Mutation / Adverse Possession issues Unauthorized occupation	 25% 25% 50% 50%
VIII	<u>PROJECT / STATION / OFFICE related FACILITIES</u> (viz., Colony, Shops, Petrol Pump, Guest House / Transit Camp / Field Hostel, School, Dispensary / Health Centre and Vehicle Maintenance) i) Proprietary Aspects ii) Accounts	 100% 100%
IX	<u>LOANS</u> i) Domestic Loans ii) Foreign Loans	 100% 100%
X	<u>BONDS and DEBENTURES</u>	Test Check

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

On completion of the Audit of the respective Audit Unit of each phase, the following steps should be followed before finalization of the report and the partner of the Firm should meet and discuss the audit observations.

- (i) The preliminary audit observations shall first be discussed with the FA&CAO of the Audit Unit along with the Chief Engineer.
- (ii) Pursuant to the above discussions, the preliminary Audit observations of the respective Audit Unit shall be prepared.
- (iii) The salient audit observations of the respective preliminary Audit shall be discussed with the FA&CAO along with the Chief Engineer so that timely corrective action may be taken and based on the outcome a draft composite Audit Report covering all the Audit Units within the scope shall be compiled / prepared, including additional information if any, that may be provided / obtained during such discussions and rectifications carried out at the instance of audit. The report should also contain specific suggestions for improvements, if any.
- (iv) Based on the outcome of the discussions, the Audit Report thus compiled shall be structured as outlined hereunder:

Internal Audit Reports should be divided into four separate parts, namely:

Part-I Compliance Report:

This part shall cover the comments of the Auditors on the adequacy of the compliance and action taken for rectification of errors/discrepancies pointed out by previous auditor pertaining to earlier phase and also Phase-I of the current year. It shall also contain the confirmation regarding implementation of policies, systems, controls etc. to avoid the recurrence of such irregularities in future. It may be ensured that the compliance report on audit observations pointed out in reports relating to earlier audits is made and corrective actions taken on those points are furnished in the Audit Report. In other words it may be ensured while conducting the audit, compliance report of the audit observations pointed out in the earlier report of preceding period, is furnished along with the corrective action taken.

Part-II Important Observations/ Findings:

This part shall contain all such significant discrepancies observed during the current Audit and the observations in which, the auditor feels immediate attention of management specifying the financial implications, if any. In this part Auditor shall also bring the important areas requiring improvement and their recommendation, if any. Also to indicate the improvements made by the Company based on the audit observations. Further to report any deviations/observations from policies, systems and procedures of HPGCL.

PART – III Report on Contracts/POs placed on single tender & nomination basis:

It has been decided that internal auditors will report separately on Contracts/Purchase Orders (P.Os) placed on single Tender/Nomination basis. The coverage of such contracts and the format for such reporting is included in the statement below which may be adhered to.

A report indicating the number of contracts awarded on single tender & nomination basis in two categories viz, (i) Contracts more than Rs. 5 Lac and (ii) Contracts up to Rs. 5 Lac and furnish the same in the following statement indicating the contracts selected for review :

Sr. No	Contract Name	Party Name	LOA No. and date	Value of Contract	Whether proprietary item/urgency	Policies & procedures followed (Y/N), if no, reasons.

Part- IV Detailed Report:

In this part, the Auditor shall furnish the detailed results of the Audit and Auditors confirmation whether Company's system/guideline/propriety has been adhered to in the areas viz. works including O&M contracts, procurement, operation, establishment records in Finance & HR, establishment expenses, other expenses, depreciation, Commercial billing & its realization/reconciliation, maintenance of fixed assets register, current assets, capital work in progress, expenditure during construction, IDC, mandatory spares, stores, inter unit accounts, review of accounts, township, transit camp and provision of liabilities, scrap income etc.

The report should be supplemented, in each Phase, by a statement indicating:

- (I) Particulars of records along with their volume (i.e. total no. of vouchers in each category for each phase) and value/volume checked as compared to the total volume and value of transactions viz. Bank receipt vouchers/Bank payment vouchers/Cash receipt vouchers/Cash payment vouchers/Journal Vouchers etc. Similar statistics are required with reference to audit of contracts with the total no. of contracts awarded and the percentage of audit done.
- (II) A summary report indicating the important observations for each phase and for each area.
- (III) A statement indicating the audit personnel deployed (designation) including the visits of partners and the period of audit for each substation. The partner is expected to carry out the audit by himself so that the entire scope is covered in a systematic manner and to facilitate the reporting as per the requirement.
- (IV) Any other observation of interest.
- (V) The report should be furnished for each audit unit/office separately.

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF INTERNAL AUDIT

The terms and conditions for conducting Internal Audit in HPGCL are indicated hereunder:-

1. Audit Team

Auditors should deploy suitable teams for undertaking the audit, after a thorough perusal of the requirements of the engagement letter, terms and conditions contained therein and the specific instructions for Internal Audit, ensuring that the size of the audit team is commensurate with the size of the auditee unit and the volume of work involved. The Head of Finance of the auditee Unit will coordinate with the Audit Team for smooth functioning of the audit.

The audit team is to be headed at all times by a Chartered Accountant/Cost Accountant two semi qualified assistants. The team members may be increased or decreased as per the requirement with the specific approval of Chief Financial Officer only.

2. Audit Report

The auditor should give report for each Phase as per the requirement of Annexure -D. Time is the essence of audit. Delay in submitting the report will attract a penalty of Rs. 500/ plus GST per day.

3. Audit Fee

Audit fee shall be paid as per agreement for each auditee unit. Payment shall be regulated as per man power deployed for audit. Any deviation /extension in the given programme could be considered if informed well in time and approved from Chief Financial Officer. In case the audit team member/members remain absent from the duty, proportionate deduction from the audit fee bill shall be made along with penalty of Rs. 500 plus GST per day per person.

The Audit Team including Partners will be provided free boarding, lodging.

Payment of Audit Fees

90% payment of the audit fee for each phase shall be released on completion and submission of the audit report of the audited Phase, on submission of the bill with all supporting evidences/documents required to process such bills including duty certificate issued by Head of Finance of the auditee unit and acceptance certificate issued by Chief Financial Officer.

Balance 10% of the audit fees shall be considered as security deposit and shall be released on faithful completion of the work.

4. Audit Period:

Internal Audit of all four locations shall be conducted in 2 phases for a financial year (Phase- I covering April to September and Phase- II covering October to March). The commencement of Phase- I audit will be on 5th September and Phase-II will be on 5th March and the reports for Phase- I & II are to be submitted by 31st October and 30th April, respectively.

Normally one month time shall be considered for audit of each phase of each unit which shall ordinarily be of 25 working days. However if further working days are required, then approval of Chief Financial Officer shall be obtained.

5.General Terms & Conditions

Qualifying Criteria for Short Listing

- i. Audit Firms having minimum experience of 5 years and above shall be considered for Short Listing and engagement.
- ii. Experience from the financial year 2015-16 onwards only shall be considered while carrying out selection criteria.
- iii. The Audit firms that secure 70% and above marks as per qualifying criteria shall be considered for short listing and engagement. The criteria for assigning marks are given in Annexure-G.
- iv. Preference will be given to Audit firms located/having offices near the location to be audited. However, depending on the requirement, any Audit firm can be assigned Audit of any unit/ location of HPGCL.
- v. The financial quotes of the shortlisted firms only shall be considered for the evaluation criteria for engagement. The evaluation criteria are as per Annexure-H.
- vi. Shortlisted firms will be intimated about their short listing. The firms who have been shortlisted but could not be assigned the work can be considered for the future assignments for the remaining periods at the negotiated prices.
- vii. The HPGCL reserves its right to accept or reject any application without assigning any reasons. The decision of the HPGCL for allotment of the work will be final and binding upon the parties participating in the short listing.

Evaluation Criteria:

Financial Evaluation:

1. The evaluation committee will determine if the financial proposals are complete and without computational errors. The lowest bid "B_{min}" will be given a financial score "F" of 100 marks. The financial scores of all the bids will be computed as follows:

$F = 100 \times B_{min} / B$ (B- indicates the quoted bid price).

The bids will finally be ranked according to their combined technical (T) and financial (F) scores using a weight of 60 % for technical bids and 40 % for price bids. Overall ranking ® shall be calculated as under:

$R = T \times 0.60 + F \times 0.40$

The bidders securing the highest ranking (R) shall be the first successful bidder and so on.

- viii. The Internal Auditor will ensure that the information obtained in respect of the operation of the Unit is maintained in strict confidence and secrecy. A certificate towards maintaining confidentiality is to be provided by the Internal Auditor at the time of acceptance of Audit assignment.
- ix. The engagement of the Audit Firm will be initially for one year i.e. FY 2025-26, which can be renewed further subject to satisfactory performance of the firms.
- x. HPGCL's management reserves the right to terminate the engagement of the Firm.
- xi. Internal Audit assignments can be terminated by giving 15 days notice in the following cases:
 - a) If the Firm obtains the engagements on the basis of false information/false statement at the time of submission of application/documents for the NIT or
 - b) The Audit Firm is found to have sub-contracted the work or
 - c) If the Firm does not conduct audit in terms of the engagement letter Or
 - d) If performance /progress of the firm is not found satisfactory or
 - e) If the Firm does not submit Audit Report, complete in all respect, in terms of the engagement within the specified date.
 - f) If there is violation of provision of Company Act, 2013. In case of termination, EMD of the firms shall be forfeited. Besides this HPGCL can also debar/blacklist the firm.
- xii. In case of any dispute between the internal audit firm and the HPGCL, the matter shall be referred to the sole arbitrator to be appointed by the Managing Director, HPGCL.
- xiii. Audit firm shall maintain utmost good faith and confidentiality about the information gathered by them during the course of audit.
- xiv. All the disputes arising out of engagement shall be subject to Panchkula Court only.

6.General Terms & Conditions:

CONTRACT AGREEMENT:-

The successful bidder shall accept the work order within 07 (Seven) days from the date of its issue by returning a duly signed copy thereof and shall enter into the Contract Agreement with HPGCL within 15 (Fifteen) days from the date of issue of work order, on a Non-Judicial Stamp Paper (NJSP) of requisite value.

EARNEST MONEY AND SECURITY DEPOSIT:-

Every tenderer, while submitting his tender, shall deposit the earnest money of Rs. 7,810/- (Rupees Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Ten only) specified in the NIT online by using the service of secure electronic payment gateway. The secure electronic payment gateway is an online interface between consultant and online payment authorization networks. The Payment for EMD can be made online directly through RTGS / NEFT. In case of RTGS/NEFT, proof of deposit of Earnest Money containing UTR number etc. duly certified by the bank shall be submitted.

The EMD of the successful Bidder to whom the contract is awarded, will be adjusted in the security as a guarantee for faithful and satisfactory execution of the work order.

The EMD of the unqualified bidders will be returned without any interest, as promptly as possible, after declaration of qualification result.

No interest shall be paid on EMD / Security deposit for the period it remains deposited with HPGCL.

The Security Deposit shall be 10% of the contract value. The deduction of the security deposit shall be regulated as per following:

10 % amount of the running bill shall be kept as security deposit. However, the EMD already deposited by the bidder shall be converted into the security deposit and the balance amount shall be deducted from the bill.

The earnest money / security deposit shall be forfeited in part or in full under the following circumstances:-

- i) If the tenderer withdraws his tender at any stage during the currency of validity period.
- ii) If the work order has been issued but the consultant refuses to comply with it irrespective of the fact that HPGCL sustains any loss on account of such default or not.
- iii) In the event of a breach of contract in any manner.
- iv) In case of evidence of cartel formation by the bidder(s).
- v) If the consultant fails or neglects to observe or perform any of his obligations under the contract, it shall be lawful for the HPGCL to forfeit either in whole or in part, in its absolute discretion, the EMD/security deposit furnished by the consultant.
- vi) The forfeiture of EMD/security deposit shall be without prejudice to the right of HPGCL to recover any further amount or any liquidated and/or other damages as admissible under the law, under payments or over payments made to the consultant under this contract or any other contract as well as to take such administrative action against the consultant as blacklisting etc.

RISK AND COST:-

In case the consultant fails to fulfill the contractual obligation, the work shall be got done from some other agency at the risk and cost of the consultant. It shall be without prejudice to the right of HPGCL to recover any further amount or any liquidated and/or other damages.

FORCE MAJEURE:-

- i. In the event of either party being rendered unable by Force Majeure to perform any obligation required to be performed by them under this Contract, relative obligation of the party affected by such Force Majeure shall be treated as suspended during which the Force Majeure Clause lasts.
- ii. The term "Force Majeure" shall have herein mean riots (other than among the Consultant's employee), Civil commotion, War (whether declared or not), invasion, act of foreign enemies hostilities, civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military coup, damage from aircraft, nuclear fission, embargoes, quarantines, acts of God such as earthquake (above 7.0 magnitude on Richter scales), lightning, unprecedented floods, fires not caused by the Consultant negligence and other causes which the Consultant has no control and accepted as such by HPGCL whose decision shall be final and binding. Normal rainy season and monsoons are not Force Majeure.

- iii. Upon occurrence of such causes and upon its termination, the party alleging that it has been rendered unable as aforesaid, thereby, shall notify the other party in writing by registered notice within 24 (twenty four) hours of the alleged beginning and ending thereof giving full particulars and satisfactory evidence in support of its claim.
- iv. Time for performance of the relative obligation suspended by the Force Majeure shall stand extended by the period for which such clause lasts.
- v. If works are suspended by Force Majeure conditions lasting for more than two (2) Months, HPGCL shall have the option of cancelling this Contract in whole or part thereof, at its discretion.

IDLE LABOUR CHARGES:-

No idle labour charges will be admissible in the event of any stoppage caused in the work.

OVER RUN CHARGES:-

No over run charges shall be paid in the event of the completion period being extended for any reasons.

WATCH & WARD:-

The watch and ward of T&P and other material will be the responsibility of the consultant

STATUTORY DEDUCTIONS:-

Statutory deduction as applicable shall be made at source from the bills of the consultant at the prevailing rates.

STATUTORY COMPLIANCES :-

The bidder shall comply with all the statutory laws/ acts as applicable.

INSURANCE OF WORKERS: -

The consultant will be solely responsible for any liability for his workers in respect of any accident, injury arising out during the currency of this contract. HPGCL will not be liable for any of the Claims arising out of any such incident.

SAFETY RULES: -

The bidder shall have to comply with all the provisions of safety rules and regulations as per industry standards.

SET OFF:-

Any sum of money due and payable to the supplier under the contract (including security-deposit returnable to the supplier) may be appropriated by the HPGCL and set-off against any claim of the Corporation for the payment of a sum of money arising out of under that or any other contract entered into by the consultant with the HPGCL.

SUBLETTING and ASSIGNMENT:-

The consultant shall not, sublet, transfer or assign the contract or any part thereof or interest therein or advantage thereof in any part thereof in any manner.

GST DOCUMENTS & UNDERTAKING:-

Prospective bidder should submit the following:-

- I. Copy of GST Registration Certificate under GST Act.
- II. Undertaking on the letter head of bidder that GST registration is valid as on date and that no default has ever been made by the bidder in filing various GST returns and deposit of GST dues with the department.

Note:-

- a) Bidder having multiple registrations under GST will submit above undertaking for each and every GST Number.
- b) A default under a GST number, even if the GST number pertains to some other state, will make the vendor ineligible to participate in tender.

WITHHOLDING OF PAYMENT:-

HPGCL reserves the right to withhold whole or any part of payment/Security Deposit(s) for work executed by the consultant, which in the opinion of the order placing authority, is necessary to protect HPGCL from loss on account of :-

- a) Services not rendered as per the scope of work
- b) Damage to HPGCL or to others' property.
- c) Penalties if imposed on account of non-compliance of statutory labour laws or by court of law in case of injuries inflicted on any personnel including those of HPGCL.

The terms & conditions not specified in the tender shall be governed by "HPGCL Works & Purchase Regulations 2015" and amendments thereto which are available on the HPGCL website i.e. www.hpgcl.org.in.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO AUDIT FIRMS AND DOCUMENTS LIST

(A) Instructions to Audit Firms

1. Format of Application must be completely filled in. Incorrect and incomplete applications will be rejected out-rightly.
2. Please ensure that date of opening of Registered Office, Branch Office, entrance dates of all Partners into the firm, date of joining of firm as qualified & semi-qualified assistants should be invariably indicated in the application.
3. All NITs will be evaluated on the basis of the documents furnished along with applications only. No further documents will be called for during the scrutiny of the NITs. Any additional document received, after last date & time of receiving the NITs as stipulated in the Notice Inviting NITs, will not be entertained.
4. Since, all the applications will be evaluated strictly on the basis of selection criteria as per Annexure-G please avoid attaching unsolicited information/documents for processing applications expeditiously.
5. All submitted documents should be signed by duly authorized Partner/partners with his name and with the seal of the firm.
6. One month shall be considered ordinarily of 25 working days. However, if further working days are required , then prior approval of Chief Financial Officer shall be obtained.

(B) List of documents to be submitted along with the applications/NITs:

Interested audit firms are advised to go through contents of the NIT documents carefully and submit all attested copies of the following documents in proper sequence along with the NITs as described hereinafter:

1. Registration certificate of the firm issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India/the Institute of Cost Accountants of India. Information related to year of establishment of Head Office & Branch Office(s), addresses, details of partners and their membership nos. etc. as indicated in the Certificate will be treated as conclusive and final information for the purpose of evaluation of NIT.
2. Membership certificates of the qualified assistants issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India/the Institute of Cost Accountants of India.
3. Certificates/mark sheets issued by the respective Institutes in evidence of qualifications of semi-qualified assistants.
4. Copies of appointment orders for Financial/cost/internal audit in HPGCL and its Subsidiaries/PSU/Govt./Scheduled Bank/others in evidence of experience.
5. Copy of PAN Card.
6. Copy of GST Registration.
7. A cancelled cheque form of the Bank to which Fee payments will be made.

ANNEXURE- G**SELECTION CRITERIA (POINT ALLOCATION) FOR SHORT LISTING OF AUDIT FIRMS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS**

Sr. No	Particulars	Points to be allocated	Maximum points
1	Year of Establishment of the Audit Firm/Limited Liability Partnership Firm (minimum experience - 5 years)	1 (one) per year in existence (fraction of the year to be ignored)	16 (sixteen)
2	No. of Partners in the Firm/Limited Liability Partnership Firm who are with the Firm for a minimum period of one year as on date of application.	2 (two) for each Partner who is ACA/ACMA 3(three) for each Partner who is FCA/FCMA	20 (twenty)
3	Number of ACA/FCA/ACMA/FCMA (who may be a Partner) with CISA / DISA	2 (two) per ACA/FCA/ACMA/FCMA	08 (eight)
4	No. of Qualified Assistants (CA/CMA) employed with the Firm	2 (two) per Qualified Assistant	16(sixteen)
5	No. of Semi-qualified Assistants (CA/CMA Intermediates/IPCC) employed with the Firm	1 (one) per Semi-qualified assistant	11 (eleven)
6	No. of Technical Experts having Engineering background	2 (two) per Expert	6 (six)
7	Experience of the Firm in any sectors/industries under Central/State Government as Financial/Cost/Internal Auditors	2 (two) per year of Audit (fraction of the year to be ignored)	12 (twelve)
8	Empanelment with Comptroller and Auditor General of India having head office at Chandigarh/ Panchkula/ Mohali)	2 (two) per year of Audit (fraction of the year to be ignored)	11 (eleven)
	Total Points		100 (hundred)

Note:

- (i) Audit Firms having minimum experience of 5 years and above shall be considered for financial bid opening.
- (ii) Experience from the financial year 2015-16 onwards only shall be considered while carrying out selection criteria at Sr. No. 7 above.
- (iii) The Audit firms that secure 70% and above marks as per qualifying criteria shall be considered for financial bid opening.

Annexure-H

FINANCIAL QUOTE SHEET AND FINANCIAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

Financial Quote:

The bidder shall quote the audit fee per month per member of the audit team in the following format:

Particular of the Audit team	No. Of members	Amount per man month (in Rs.)	Taxes (if any) (in Rs.)	Total including taxes (in Rs.)
1.	2. C1	3 C2	4 C3	5 C4
Head of Audit Team				
Audit Assistant				
Other Overheads/ Charges				
Total as per column 5				

Evaluation Criteria:

Financial Evaluation:

The evaluation committee will determine if the financial proposals are complete and without computational errors. The lowest bid “B_{min}” will be given a financial score “F” of 100 marks. The financial scores of all the bids will be computed as follows:

$$F = 100 \times B_{\min} / B \text{ (B- indicates the quoted bid price).}$$

The bids will finally be ranked according to their combined technical (T) and financial (F) scores using a weight of 60 % for technical bids and 40 % for price bids. Overall ranking (R) shall be calculated as under:

$$R = T \times 0.60 + F \times 0.40$$

The bidders securing the highest ranking (R) shall be the first successful bidder and so on.

After ascertaining successful bidder, their final negotiated annual fees shall be divided into two parts i.e 50% for Phase-I and 50% for Phase- II at the time of placement of Work Order and the payments shall be made Phase wise.