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	e-TENDER REFERENCE No. & DATE	KSEAB/DPIE/B4(SUVA)/1/2023-BSEC, DATE:16.02.2023
1.	APPROXIMATE VALUE OF TENDER	17,25,000/-
2.	EMD AMOUNT	34,500/-
3.	DATE OF COMMENCEMENT	03.03.2023, 10-00 AM
4.	PRE-BID MEETING	10.03.2023, 11-30 AM
5.	LAST DATE AND TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF e-TENDER	17.03.2023, 04-00 PM
6.	TIME AND DATE OF OPENING OF TECHNICAL BID	20.03.2023, 12-00 PM
7.	TIME AND DATE OF OPENING OF FINANCIAL BID	24.03.2023, 12-00 PM
8.	PLACE OF OPENING OF TENDERS	OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, EXAMS,
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SECTION I:

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

IFT No:

Date:

- 1. The Director, Exams, Karnataka School Examination And Assessment Board, 6th cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560003, invites e-tenders from eligible bidders for "DIGITIZATION OF THE VALUED ANSWER SCRIPTS BY WAY OF SCANNING, CONVERTING INTO PDF & UPLOADING IN THE KSEAB PORTAL FOR S.S.L.C EXAMINATION-2023".s
- 2. The tenderers may submit tenders through e-procurement portal for the above given services. Tenderers are advised to note the qualification criteria specified in Section VII to qualify for award of the contract.
- 3. Tender documents may be downloaded from www.eproc.karntaka.gov.in and https://kseab.karnataka.gov.in The bidders will be required to register themselves with the Centre for e governance to participate in the bidding process and also get necessary digital signature certificates. The details of the process of registration and obtaining the digital signature certificates are available on the website http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Necessary training and hands on experience in handling e procurement system could be obtained from the Centre for e governance. Necessary details could also be obtained over telephone
- 4. The Earnest Money Deposit shall be paid through any of the following e-payment modes.
 - a. Credit card
 - b. Direct debit (ICICI bank holders only)
 - c. National Electronic Fund Transfer.
 - d. Remittance over the ICICI Bank counters using OTC challan anywhere in India.

The supplier/contractor's bid will be evaluated only on confirmation of receipt of the payment (EMD) in the GoK's central pooling a/c held at ICICI Bank

- 5. Technical bids will be opened as per the tender schedule in the presence of the tenderers or their authorized representative who wish to attend. If the office happens to be closed on the last date of receipt of the tenders as specified, the tenders will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.
- 6. Other details can be seen in the tender document.

ABBREVIATIONS

1	ITT	Instructions to Tenderers	
2	IFT	Invitation for Tenders	
3	GCC General Conditions of Contract		
4	SCC Special Conditions of Contract		
5	KSEAB Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board		
6	EMD	Earnest Money Deposit	
7	CeG	Centre for e-Governance	

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SECTION II: INSTRUCTION TO TENDERERS

A. INTRODUCTION

1. Eligible Tenderers:

- Tenderers should not be associated, or have been associated in the past, directly or indirectly, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged by the Purchaser to provide consulting services for the preparation of the design, specifications, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the services to be obtained under this Invitation of Tenders.
- Bidders shall not be under a declaration of ineligibility for corrupt and fraudulent practices issued by Government of Karnataka.
- A pre bid meeting is scheduled at the Director's office on to determine the technical efficacy of the bidder, all bidders desirous of participating in the tender are required give a demonstrate or presentation to establish their ability to provide the required services as per tender document.

2. Cost of Tendering:

The Tenderer shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its tender, and Director, Exams, K.S.E.A. Board hereinafter referred to as "the Purchaser", will in no case be responsible or liable for these costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the tender process

B. Tender Documents

3. Contents of Tender Documents

- 3.1 The services required, tendering procedures and contract terms are prescribed in the tender documents. In addition to the Invitation for Tenders, the tender documents include:
 - a) Instruction to Tenderers (ITT).
 - b) General Conditions of Contract (GCC).
 - c) Special Conditions of Contract (SCC).
 - d) Schedule of Requirements.
 - e) Technical Specifications.
 - f) Qualification Criteria
 - g) Tender Form and Price Schedules.
 - h) Contract Form.
 - i) Performance Security Form.
- 3.2 The Tenderer is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms and specifications in the tender documents. Failure to furnish all information required by the tender documents or submission of a tender not substantially responsive to the tender documents in every respect will be at the Tenderer's risk and may result in rejection of its tender.

4. Clarification of Tender Documents

4.1 A prospective Tenderer requiring any clarification of the tender documents may notify the Purchaser in writing at the time of pre-bid meeting or with in last Date & Time specified for Tender Queries/Clarifications. The Purchaser will publish the respond in writing to any request for clarification of the tender documents on e-procurement portal only.

5. Amendment of Tender Documents

- At any time prior to the deadline for submission of tenders, the purchaser may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective tenderer, modify the tender documents by amendment and the same will be uploaded in the e-Tender portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in
- In order to allow prospective tenderers reasonable time in which to take the amendment into account in preparing their tenders, the purchaser, at its discretion, may extend the deadline for the submission of tenders.
- 5.3 Pre-bid meeting shall be held as per the Tender Schedule at KSEAB, 6th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru 560003. Proceedings of the meeting will be published in the e-procurement portal. Online queries will be addressed only till 4.00PM of pre-bid meeting date.

C. PREPARATION OF TENDERS

6. Language of Tender

The tender prepared by the tenderer, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the tender exchanged by the tenderer and the purchaser, shall be written in English/Kannada language.

7. Documents comprising the Tender

- 7.1 The tender prepared by the tenderer shall comprise the following components:
 - a) A tender Form and a price schedule completed in accordance with ITT Clauses 8, 9 & 10.
 - b) Documentary evidence established in accordance with ITT Clause 11 that the tenderer is eligible to tender and is qualified to perform the contract if its tender is accepted.
 - c) Documentary evidence established in accordance with ITT Clause 12 that the services to be supplied by the tenderer conform to the tender documents, and
 - d) Earnest money deposit furnished in accordance with ITT Clause 13.

8. Tender Form

The tenderer shall complete the tender form and the price schedule as furnished at the *www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in*, Indicating the quantity and prices for the services to be supplied.

9. Tender Prices

The tenderer shall indicate on the price schedule the unit prices to supply under the Contract. To this end, the tenderers are allowed the option to submit the tenders for any one or more schedules specified in the 'Schedule of Requirements' and to offer discounts for combined schedules. However, tenderers shall quote for the complete requirement of services specified under each schedule on a single responsibility

basis, failing which such tenders will not be taken into account for evaluation and will not be considered for award

- 9.2 Prices on the price schedule shall be entered including of all taxes:
 - i. The price of the services, including all duties and sales and other taxes. Already paid or payable on components and raw material used for providing the services.
 - ii. Any Indian duties, sales and other taxes which will be payable on the services if this contract is awarded;
 - iii. The price for inland transportation, insurance and other local costs incidental to delivery of the services to their final destination; and
 - iv. The price of other incidental services listed in Clause 6 of the special conditions of contract.
- Prices quoted by the Tenderer shall be fixed during the Tenderer's performance of the contract and not subject to variation on any account. A tender submitted with an adjustable price quotation will be treated as non-responsive and rejected, pursuant to ITT Clause 21.

10. Tender Currency

10.1 Prices shall be quoted in Indian Rupees:

11. Documents Establishing Tenderer's Eligibility and Qualifications

- Pursuant to ITT Clause 7, the tenderer shall furnish, as part of its tender, documents establishing the Tenderer's eligibility to tender and its qualifications to perform the contract if its tender is accepted
- The documentary evidence of the Tenderer's qualifications to perform the contract if its tender is accepted, shall establish to the Purchaser's satisfaction:
 - a) That the Tenderer has the financial, technical, and production capability necessary to perform the contract and meets the criteria outlined in the qualification requirements specified in Section VII.
 - b) That the Tenderer has the financial, technical and production capability necessary to perform the Contract and meets the criteria outlined in the Qualification requirements specified in Section VII. To this end, all tenders submitted shall include the following information:
 - i. The legal status, place of registration and principal place of business of the company or firm or partnership, etc.,
 - ii. Details of experience and past performance of the tenderer on equipment offered and on those of similar nature within the past three years and details of current contracts in-hand and other commitments (suggested proforma given in Section XI)

12. Documents Establishing Services Eligibility and Conformity to Tender Documents:

Pursuant to ITB Clause 5, the Tenderer shall furnish, as part of its tender, documents establishing the conformity to the tender documents of all services which the tenderer proposes to supply under the contract.

13. Earnest Money Deposit

- 13.1 Pursuant to ITT Clause 7, The tender shall furnish as a part of its tender, Earnest Money Deposit as specified in Section V Schedule of Requirements. shall be credited to the account specified by the of Centre for e governance.
- 13.2 The tenderer shall transfer an amount of................ as EMD to e-governance. The earnest money deposit is required to protect the Purchaser against the risk of Tenderer's conduct which would warrant the Security's forfeiture, pursuant to ITT Clause 13.7
- 13.3 The earnest money deposit shall be denominated in Indian Rupees and shall:
 - (a) at the tenderer's option, be in the form of either a certified check, pay order, letter of credit, a demand draft, or a bank guarantee from a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank located in India or specified small savings instruments;
 - (b) the bank guarantee be substantially in accordance with the form of earnest money deposit included in Section VIII or other form approved by the Purchaser prior to tender submission;
 - (c) be payable promptly upon written demand by the Purchaser in case any of the conditions listed in ITT Clause 13.7 are invoked;
 - (d) be submitted in its original form; copies will not be accepted; and
 - (e) remain valid for a period of 60 days beyond the original validity period of tenders, or beyond any period of extension subsequently requested under ITT Clause 14.2.
- 13.4 Any tender not secured in accordance with ITT Clauses 13.1 and 13.3 above (unless the category of tenderer has been specifically exempted by the Karnataka Government) will be rejected by the Purchaser as non-responsive, pursuant to ITT Clause 22.
- 13.5 Unsuccessful Tenderer's earnest money deposit will be discharged/returned as promptly as possible but not later than 30 days after the expiration of the period of tender validity prescribed by the Purchaser, pursuant to ITT Clause 14.
- 13.6The successful Tenderer's earnest money deposit will be discharged upon the Tenderer signing the Contract, pursuant to ITT Clause 30, and furnishing the performance security, pursuant to ITT Clause 31.
- 13.7 The earnest money deposit may be forfeited:
 - (a) if a Tenderer
 - (i) withdraws its tender during the period of tender validity specified by the Tenderer on the Tender Form; or
 - (ii) does not accept the correction of errors pursuant to ITT Clause 22.2; or
 - (b) in case of a successful Tenderer, if the Tenderer fails:
 - (i) to sign the Contract in accordance with ITT Clause 30; or
 - (ii) to furnish performance security in accordance with ITT Clause 31.

14. Period of Validity of Tender.

- 14.1 Tenders shall remain valid for Six months after the deadline for submission of tenders prescribed by the purchaser, pursuant to ITT Clause 18. A tender valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the purchaser as non-responsive.
- 14.2 In exceptional circumstances, the purchaser may solicit the Tenderer's consent to an extension of the period of validity. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing. The earnest money deposit provided under ITT Clause 13 shall also be suitably extended. A Tenderer may refuse the request without forfeiting its earnest money deposit. A Tenderer granting the request will not be required nor permitted to modify its tender.

15. Format and Signing of Tender

Eligible tenderer who are registered in e-procurement shall upload all the documents required for this bid, submit and sign using digital key.

D. SUBMISSION OF TENDER

16. Submission of Tenders:

- 16.1 All tenderers should submit their tenders through e-procurement portal only.
- Telex, Cable or facsimile tenders will be rejected.
- 16.3 Tender should be submitted in 2 cover system
 - 1. Technical bid (cover-I) as per section VII qualification criteria
 - 2. Commercial bid (cover-II) as per section VII qualification criteria.

17. Deadline for Submission of Tenders

- Tenders must be uploaded and signed as specified under ITT Clause 16, no later than the time and date specified in the Tender Schedule even in the event of the specified date for the submission of Tenders being a holiday or declared holiday.
- The Purchaser may, at its discretion, extend this deadline for submission of tenders by amending the tender documents in accordance with ITT Clause 5, in which case all rights and obligations of the Purchaser and Tenderers previously subject to the deadline will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

18. Late Tenders

e-procurement web-portals will not be accessible after the deadline hence no late Submission is possible and allowed.

19. Modification and Withdrawal of Tenders

- Modification or withdrawal of the Tenderer submitted is governed by the conditions as enumerated by 'Centre for e-Governance'. Post the deadline prescribed for submission of tenders there is no provision for modification or withdrawal of the tender submitted.
- No tender may be withdrawn in the interval between the deadline for submission of tenders and the expiration of the period of tender validity specified by the Tenderer in the Contract. Withdrawal of a tender during this interval may result in the Tenderer's forfeiture of its earnest money deposit, pursuant to ITT Clause 13.6

E. Tender Opening and Evaluation of Tenders

20. Opening of Tenders by the Purchaser

- 20.1 The Purchaser will open all tenders as per the tender schedule submitted through e-procurement portal in the presence of Tenderers' representatives who choose to attend, at the Office of the Director, Exams, Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board, 6th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru 560003.
- 20.2 The Tenderers' representatives who are present shall sign a register evidencing their attendance. In the event of the specified date of Tender opening being declared a holiday for the Purchaser, the tenders shall be opened at the appointed time and location on the next working day.
- 20.3 The Tenderers' names, tender modifications or withdrawals, tender prices, Discounts, and the presence or absence of requisite tender security and such other details as the Purchaser, at its discretion, may consider appropriate will be announced at the opening.
- 20.4 The Purchaser will prepare minutes of the technical bid evaluation and publish the same in e-portal.

21. Clarification of Tenders:

During evaluation of tenders, there will be no clarification sought by the Purchaser nor the tenderer is permitted to submit additional data.

22. Preliminary Examination

- The Purchaser will examine the tenders to determine whether they are complete, whether required sureties have been furnished, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the tenders are generally in order.
- Where the Tenderer has quoted for more than one schedule, if the earnest money deposit furnished is inadequate for all the schedules, the Purchaser shall take the price tender into account only to the extent the tender is secured. For this purpose, the extent to which the tender is secured shall be determined by evaluating the requirement of earnest money deposit to be furnished for the schedule included in the tender (offer) in the serial order of the schedule of Requirements of the Tender document.
- The Purchaser may waive any minor informality or non-conformity or irregularity in a tender which does not constitute a material deviation, provided such a waiver does not prejudice or affect the relative ranking of any Tenderer.
- Prior to the detailed evaluation, pursuant to ITT Clause 23, the Purchaser will purpose of these Clauses, a substantially responsive tender is one which conforms to all the terms and conditions of the tender documents without material deviations. Deviations from or objections or reservations to critical provisions such as those concerning Performance Security (GCC Clause 6). Applicable law (GCC Clause 14), and Taxes & Duties (GCC Clause 16) will be deemed to be a material deviation. The Purchaser's determination of a tender's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the tender itself without recourse to extrinsic evidence.
- 22.5 If a tender is not substantially responsive, it will be rejected by the Purchaser and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Tenderer by correction of the non-conformity.
- However, if any further supportive documents to already submitted records are required by the purchaser to fulfil the eligibility criteria, the purchaser may call for additional documents from some tenderers or all the tenderers.

23. Evaluation and Comparison of Tenders

- 23.1. The purchaser will evaluate and compare the tenders as per technical specification mentioned at section 6 and qualification criteria mentioned at section 7.
- 23.1. Those who qualified at technical specification and qualification criteria mentioned above among them the tenderer who as quoted the least price shall be selected as a successful tenderer.

24. Contacting the Purchaser

- 24.1 Subject to ITT Clause 23, no Tenderer shall contact the Purchaser on any matter relating to its tender, from the time of the tender opening to the time the Contract is awarded. If the tenderer wishes to bring additional information to the notice of the purchaser, it should do so in writing.
- 24.2 Any effort by a Tenderer to influence the Purchaser in its decisions on tender evaluation, tender comparison or contract award may result in rejection of the Tenderer's tender.

F. Award of Contract

25. Post qualification

- The Purchaser will determine to its satisfaction whether the Tenderer that is selected as having submitted the lowest evaluated responsive tender meets the criteria specified in ITT Clause 11.2 (b) and is qualified to perform the contract satisfactorily.
- The determination will take into account the Tenderer's financial, technical and production capabilities. It will be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Tenderer's qualifications submitted by the Tenderer, pursuant to ITT Clause 13, as well as such other information as the Purchaser deems necessary and appropriate.
- An affirmative determination will be a prerequisite for award of the Contract to the Tenderer. A negative determination will result in rejection of the Tenderer's tender, in which event the Purchaser will proceed to the next lowest evaluated tender to make a similar determination of that Tenderer's capabilities to perform the contract satisfactorily.

26. Award Criteria

Subject to ITT Clause 28, the Purchaser will award the Contract to the successful Tenderer whose tender has been determined to be substantially responsive and has been determined as the lowest evaluated tender, provided further that the Tenderer is determined to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.

27. Purchaser's right to vary Quantities at Time of Award

The Purchaser reserves the right at the time of Contract award to increase or decrease by up to 25 percent of the quantity of services originally specified in the Schedule of Requirements without any change in unit price or other terms and conditions.

28. Purchaser's Right to Accept Any Tender and to Reject Any or All Tenders

28.1 The Purchaser reserves the right to accept or reject any tender, and to annul the tendering process and reject all tenders at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Tenderer or Tenderers.

29. Notification of Award

- Prior to the expiration of the period of tender validity, the Purchaser will notify the successful tenderer in writing by registered letter or fax, to be confirmed in writing by registered letter, that its tender has been accepted.
- 29.2 The notification of award will constitute the formation of the Contract.
- Upon the successful Tenderer's furnishing of performance security pursuant to ITT Clause 31, the Purchaser will promptly notify the name of the winning Tenderer in the e-tendering portal at www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and will discharge the earnest money deposit to the unsuccessful tenderers through the 'Centre for e-governance, Government of Karnataka', pursuant to ITT Clause 13.
- If, after notification of award, a Tenderer wishes to ascertain the grounds on which its tender was not selected, it should address its request to the Purchaser. The Purchaser will promptly respond in writing to the unsuccessful Tenderer.

30. Signing of Contract

At the same time as the Purchaser notifies the successful tenderer that its tender has been accepted, the Purchaser will send the Tenderer the Contract Form provided in the tender documents, incorporating all agreements between the parties.

Within 10 days of receipt of the Contract Form, the successful Tenderer shall sign and date the Contract and return it to the Purchaser.

31. Performance Security

- Within 7 days of the receipt of notification of award from the purchaser the successful Tenderer shall furnish the performance security in accordance with the conditions of Contract, in the performance security Form provided in the tender documents or in another form acceptable to the Purchaser.
- Failure of the successful Tenderer to comply with the requirement of ITT Clause 29.2 or ITT Clause 30.1 shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the earnest money deposit in which event the Purchaser may make the award to the next lowest evaluated Tenderer or call for new tenders.

32. Corrupt or Fraudulent Practices

- The Governmentrequires that Tenderers/ Suppliers/ Contractors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of Government financed contracts. In pursuance of this policy, the Government:
 - (a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth as follows:
 - (i) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of any thing of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
 - (ii) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Government, and includes collusive practice among Tenderers (prior to or after tender submission) designed to establish tender prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the Government of the benefits of free and open competition;
 - (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Tenderer recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question;
 - (c) will declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a government financed contract if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing, a government-financed contract.
- Furthermore, Tenderers shall be aware of the provision stated in sub-clause 4.4 and sub-clause 23.1 of the General Conditions of Contract.

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SECTION III: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

1 **Definitions**

- 1.1 In this Contract, the following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:
 - a) "The Contract" means the agreement entered into between the Purchaser and the Supplier, as recorded in the Contract Form signed by the parties, including all the attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein;
 - b) "The Contract Price" means the price payable to the Supplier under the Contract for the full and proper performance of its contractual obligations;
 - c) "The services" means all the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials which the Supplier is required to use for providing the services to the Purchaser under the Contract; and any other ancillary services, such as transportation and insurance, and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training and other obligations of the Supplier covered under the Contract;
 - d) "GCC" mean the General Conditions of Contract contained in this section.
 - e) "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
 - f) "The Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the Goods, as named in SCC.
 - g) "The Supplier" means the individual or firm supplying the Goods and Services under this Contract.
 - h) "The Government" means the Government of Karnataka State.
 - i) "The State" means the Karnataka State
 - j) "The Project Site", where applicable, means the place or places named in SCC.
 - k) "Day" means calendar day.

Note: Where ever has been mentioned as "Services" shall be considered as "
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2. Application

These General Conditions shall apply to the extent that they are not superseded by provisions in other parts of the Contract.

3. Standards

3.1 The services supplied under this Contract shall conform to the standards mentioned in the Technical Specifications, and, when no applicable standard is mentioned, to the authoritative standard appropriate to the service industry and such standards shall be the latest issued by the concerned institution.

4. Use of Contract Documents and Information; Inspection and Audit by the Government

- The Supplier shall not, without the Purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the Contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample or information furnished by or on behalf of the Purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the Supplier in performance of the Contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 4.2 The Supplier shall not, without the Purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any

- document or information enumerated in GCC Clause 4.1 except for purposes of performing the Contract.
- Any document, other than the Contract itself, enumerated in GCC Clause 4.1 shall remain the property of the Purchaser and shall be returned (in all copies) to the Purchaser on completion of the Supplier's performance under the Contract if so required by the Purchaser.
 - The supplier shall permit the Government to inspect the Supplier's accounts and records relating to the performance of the Supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Government, if so required by the Government.

5. Patent Rights

The Supplier shall indemnify the Purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark or industrial design rights arising from use of the Goods or any part thereof in India.

6. Performance Security

- Within 7 days of the receipt of notification of award from the purchaser the successful Tenderer shall furnish the performance security in accordance with the conditions of Contract, in the performance security Form provided in the tender documents or in another form acceptable to the Purchaser valid up to 60 days after the date of completion of performance obligations.
- The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the Purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the Supplier's failure to complete its obligations under the Contract.
- The Performance Security shall be denominated in Indian Rupees and shall be in one of the following forms:
 - a) A Bank guarantee, issued by a nationalized/scheduled bank in the form provided in the tender documents or another form acceptable to the Purchaser; or
 - b) A cashier's check or Banker's certified check, or crossed demand draft or pay order drawn in favour of the Purchaser.; or
 - c) Specified small savings instruments duly pledged to the Purchaser.
- The Performance Security will be discharged by the Purchaser and returned to the Supplier not later than 60 days following the date of completion of the Supplier's performance obligations, including any Warranty obligations, under the Contract.
- In the event of any contract amendment, the Supplier shall, within 20 days of receipt of such amendment, furnish the amendment to the Performance Security, rendering the same valid for the duration of the Contract as amended for 60 days after the completion of performance obligations including Warranty obligations.

7. Inspections and Tests

- The Purchaser or its representative shall have the right to inspect and/or to test the services to confirm their conformity to the Contract specifications at no extra cost to the Purchaser. SCC and the Technical Specifications shall specify what inspections and tests the Purchaser requires and where they are to be conducted. The Purchaser shall notify the Supplier in writing in a timely manner of the identity of any representatives retained for these purposes.
- 5.2 Should any inspected or tested services fail to conform to the specifications, the

Purchaser may reject the services and the Supplier shall either replace the rejected services **or** make alterations necessary to meet Specification requirements free of cost to the Purchaser.

Nothing in GCC Clause 5 shall in any way release the Supplier from any warranty or other obligations under this Contract.

8.	Packing	Deleted
9.	Delivery of service and Documents	Deleted
10.	Insurance	Deleted
11.	Transportation	Deleted
12.	Incidental Services	Deleted
13.	Spare parts	Deleted
14.	Warranty	Deleted

15. Payment

- The payment for the services utilized will be made in one instalment only after submission of the final bill after successful completion of authorised work as per work order duly certified by concerned officer.
- The method and conditions of payment to be made to the Supplier under this Contract shall be specified in the SCC.
- The Supplier's request(s) for payment shall be made to the Purchaser in writing, accompanied by an invoice describing, as appropriate, the Services delivered and the Services performed, and by documents, submitted pursuant to GCC Clause 9, and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- Payments shall be made promptly by the Purchaser but in no case later than sixty (60) days after submission of the invoice or claim by the Supplier.
- Payment shall be made in Indian Rupees.

16. Prices

Prices payable to the supplier as stated in the contract shall be firm during the performance of the contract.

17. Change Orders

Deleted

18. Contract Amendments

No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties.

19. Assignment

The Supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the Contract, except with the Purchaser's prior written consent.

20. Subcontracts

20.1 No Subcontracts are allowed.

- Delivery of the services and performance of the Services shall be made by the Supplier in accordance with the time schedule specified by the Purchaser in the Schedule of Requirements.
- If at any time during performance of the Contract, the Supplier should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the services and performance of Services, the Supplier shall promptly notify the Purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, it's likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the Supplier's notice, the Purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may, at its discretion, extend the Supplier's time for performance with or without liquidated damages, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of the Contract.
- A delay by the Supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the Supplier liable to the imposition of liquidated damages pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of liquidated damages.

22. Liquidated Damages

- If the Supplier fails to deliver any or all of the services or to perform the Services within the period(s) specified in the Contract, the Purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the Contract, deduct from the Contract Price, as liquidated damages, a sum equivalent to 5% of the delivered price of the delayed Services or unperformed Services for each day or part thereof of delay until actual delivery or performance, up to a maximum deduction of 10% of the Contract Price. Once the maximum is reached, the Purchaser may consider termination of the Contract pursuant to GCC Clause 30.
- The tenderer should take at most care while scanning of answer scripts, in case of lost, mismatching of scanned copies, any damages caused to original scripts and missing of sheets from original answer scripts will attract a penal fee of Rs.10,000/- per damaged document & The tender firm will be blacklisted for two years on the grounds of negligence of duties.

23. Termination for Default

22.3

- The Purchaser may, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the Supplier, terminate the Contract in whole or part:
 - a) If the Supplier fails to deliver any or all of the services within the period(s) specified in the Contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the Purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21; or
 - b) If the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the Contract.
 - c) If the Supplier, in the judgment of the Purchaser has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.
- In the event the Purchaser terminates the Contract in whole or in part, pursuant to GCC Clause 30.1, the Purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, Services similar to those undelivered, and the Supplier shall be liable to the Purchaser for any excess costs for such similar Services. However, the Supplier shall continue the performance of the Contract to the extent not terminated.

24. Force Majeure

Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 21, 22 23, the Supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, liquidated damages or termination for default, if

- and to the extent that, its delay in performance or other failure to perform its obligations under the Contract is the result of an event of Force Majeure.
- For purposes of this Clause, "Force Majeure" means an event beyond the control of the Supplier and not involving the Supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but are not limited to, acts of the Purchaser either in its sovereign or contractual capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 24.3 If a Force Majeure situation arises, the Supplier shall promptly notify the Purchaser in writing of such conditions and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the Purchaser in writing, the Supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the Force Majeure event.

25. Termination for Insolvency

25.1 The Purchaser may at any time terminate the Contract by giving written notice to the Supplier, if the Supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the Supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the Purchaser.

26. Termination for Convenience

- The Purchaser, by written notice sent to the Supplier, may terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, at any time for its convenience. The notice of termination shall specify that termination is for the Purchaser's convenience, the extent to which performance of the Supplier under the Contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.
- The Goods that are complete and ready for shipment within 30 days after the Supplier's receipt of notice of termination shall be accepted by the Purchaser at the Contract terms and prices. For the remaining Goods, the Purchaser may elect:
 - (a) to have any portion completed and delivered at the Contract terms and prices; and/or
 - (b) to cancel the remainder and pay to the Supplier an agreed amount for partially completed Goods and for materials and parts previously procured by the Supplier.

27. Settlement of Disputes

- The Purchaser and the supplier shall make every effort to resolve amicably by direct informal negotiation any disagreement or dispute arising between them under or in connection with the Contract.
- If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the Purchaser or the Supplier may give notice to the other party of its intention to commence arbitration, as hereinafter provided, as to the matter in dispute, and no arbitration in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given.
- Any dispute or difference in respect of which a notice of intention to commence arbitration has been given in accordance with this Clause shall be finally settled by arbitration. Arbitration may be commenced prior to or after delivery of the Goods under the Contract.
- 27.4 Arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to arbitration herein,

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 - (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the Contract unless they otherwise agree; and
 - (b) the Purchaser shall pay the Supplier any monies due the Supplier.

28. Limitation of Liability

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 5,
 - (a) the Supplier shall not be liable to the Purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the Supplier to pay liquidated damages to the Purchaser; and
 - (b) the aggregate liability of the Supplier to the Purchaser, whether under the Contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total Contract Price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

29. Governing Language

27.1 The contract shall be written in English language. Subject to GCC Clause 30, English language version of the Contract shall govern its interpretation. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the Contract which are exchanged by the parties shall be written in the English or Kannada language.

30. Applicable Law

The Contract shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Union of India.

31. Notices

- Any notice given by one party to the other pursuant to this Contract shall be sent to other party in writing or by cable, telex or facsimile and confirmed in writing to the other Party's address specified in SCC.
- A notice shall be effective when delivered or on the notice's effective date, whichever is later.

32. Taxes and Duties

Suppliers shall be entirely responsible for all taxes (including Sales tax) duties, license fees, octroi, road permits, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted Goods to the Purchaser.

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SECTION IV: SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

The following Special Conditions of Contract shall supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions herein shall prevail over those in the General Conditions of Contract. The corresponding Clause number of the General Conditions is indicated in parentheses.

- 1. Definitions (GCC Clause 1)
 - a) The Purchaser is Director, KSEAB 6th cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore-03
 - b) The Supplier is:
- 2. Inspection and Tests

As per GCC Clause 7

3. Delivery and Documents

"Deleted"

4. Incidental Service

As per GCC Clause 12

1. Payment

As per GCC Clause 15

2. Settlement of Disputes

"Deleted"

3. Notices

As per GCC Clause 13

4. Progress of Supply

"Deleted"

5. Right to use defective equipment

"Deleted"

6. Supplier Integrity

"Deleted"

7. Supplier's obligation

"Deleted"

8. Patent Rights

"Deleted"

For the purpose of all notices, the following shall be the address of the Purchaser and Supplier.

Purchaser: The Director, Exams,

Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board,

6th cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560003

Supplier: (To be filled in at the time of Contract signature)

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SECTION V: SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS

Digitization of valued answer scripts by way of scanning, converting into pdf & uploading the approximate 30 lakhs pages for S.S.L.C-2023 Examination.

Note: The Director, KSEAB, reserves the right to increase / decrease 25% of the above requirements.

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SECTION VI: TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. The bidder should be capable of establishing a LAN network with 100 Mbps bandwidth and a minimum of 20 or more Computers and 20 ADF scanners and scanning accessories of TWAIN compliance. These Equipment should be Established as instructed by the KSEAB.
- 2. The scanning machines should be 'Automatic Document Feed (ADF)' type with least manual intervention capable of reproducing quality colour image of the document.
- 3. The bidder should establish High speed Internet connection on rent/lease basis on own cost for uploading the scanned answer scripts as directed by the KSEAB to a sponsored link.
- 4. The scanning agency shall be responsible to scan and store all the pages of each Answer Booklets in to single PDF format not exceeding 4 MB for a booklet and assigning of distinct code to each scanned document.
- 5. The tenderer should be capable of scanning/verifying/Quality check & publish at least 10,000 answer booklets per day.
- 6. Provision to cut and staple the answer booklets before and after scanning.
- 7. Required power supply and seating arrangement including table chairs, number of printers with desktop for various reports printing. No furniture's are provided by KSEAB
- 8. Agency shall deploy required Human Resources to KSEAB having adequate qualification and skill to execute the tender work.
- 9. UPS with rated capability for uninterrupted operations of all the electronic systems involved in execution of the work.
- 10. All persons employed for the purpose should employ trained & skilled, Viz. Scanner operators, Verifiers & Quality controllers, Programmers & content publishers.
- 11. The scanners and computer systems should be not more than Three years old and free from all defects and shall be of the highest grade in all respect and the agency shall be responsible to install and update Anti-virus software during the contract period.
- 12. Rate must be quoted per Page for scanning of single Answer Booklet containing 40 pages including additional pages in PDF format, inclusive of all GST and statutory taxes and other charges, if any.
- 13. The tenderer shall be held responsible for any causality or other risk to men and materials during the operation and should insure both men and machineries as per law.
- 14. The tenderer should be ready to replace the scanners and computer systems immediately in the event of repair or problems and carry out work well in time.
- 15. During the course of the work, the tenderer has to protect the originality of the answer books / documents to be scanned. For any damage to the original document will be penalized at ₹ 10,000/-- per damaged document.

- 16. If the bidder fails to scan any page/pages in a booklet a penalty of Rs.2000/- per page will be deducted from the bill amount.
- 17. The Bidders should have at least 20 computers & ADF Scanners of their own & submit records for it
- 18. The tenderer must be prepared to work day and night to fulfill the scanning job as per the schedule of work order.
- 19. The performance of the scanners, computer systems and work proficiency of the staff employed is the responsibility of the tenderer.
- 20. The tenderer should be ready to take up the work from the very first day of the issue of the work order or as stipulated and should complete the work as per schedule.
- 21. The rate quoted per page should be inclusive of service tax and other charges, if any.
- 22. Income tax will be deducted at source.
- 23. No child labour should be engaged.

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SECTION VII: QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

(Referred to in Clause 11 of ITT)

- 1. The bidder should have presented a rundown scalar demonstration of the actual process to the Director, Exams, Karnataka school examination and assessment board, to ascertain their eligibility for short listing in Technical Bid.
- 2. The Tenderer shall be either proprietorship or partnership firm or a company registered under the companies Act 1956 or a registered society.

(UPLOAD SELF ATTESTED COPY)

3. The turnover of the tenderer shall not be less than ₹ 50 Lakhs aggregate for last 3 years.

(UPLOAD SELF ATTESTED COPY)

4. Copy of the PAN card of the firm has to be enclosed as detailed below.

(UPLOAD SELF ATTESTED COPY)

- a) If a firm is sole proprietorship PAN card copies of the proprietorship.
- b) If a firm is Partnership. PAN card copies of the firm only (partners Pan Card copy will not be considered.
- c) If a firm is Private Ltd. or Public Ltd. Company, PAN card copies of the Company.
- **5.** Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the years F.Y 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 respectively. (Preferably annual report of the company)

(UPLOAD AUDITOR ATTESTED COPY)

6. Details of Income Tax returns filed for the F.Y 2019-20, 2020-2021, 2021-2022 i.e. assessment year 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-23.

(UPLOAD SELF ATTESTED COPY)

7. Goods and Service Tax Registration certificate to be enclosed.

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SECTION VIII: TENDER FORM

Office of the Director, Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board, 6th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru – 560003.

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION FOR DIGITIZATION OF THE VALUED ANSWER SCRIPTS BY WAY OF SCANNING, CONVERTING IN TO PDF, PRINTING & UPLOADING IN THE KSEAB PORTAL FOR S.S.L.C EXAMINATION-2023

From,
Name and Address of the owner/
Propriter of the Firm.

To
The Director,
Karnataka School examination and assessment board,
6th Cross, Sampige Road, Malleswaram,
Bengaluru -03.

Sir,

Having examined the Tender Documents including Ref No: KSEAB/DPIE/B4(SUVA)/1/2023-BSEC Dated: we, the undersigned, offer to digitization of Valued Answer Scripts by way of scanning, converting into PDF and uploading in the KSEAB Portal for S.S.L.C EXAMINATION - 2023 in conformity with the said tender documents for the sum of (Total tender amount in words and figures) or such other sums as may be ascertained in accordance with the Schedule of Prices attached herewith and made part of this tender.

We undertake, if our tender is accepted, to deliver the service in accordance with the delivery schedule specified in the Schedule of Requirements.

If our tender is accepted, we will obtain the guarantee of a bank in a sum equivalent to 5% percent of the Contract Price for the due performance of the Contract, in the form prescribed by the Purchaser.

We agree to abide by this tender for the Tender validity period specified in Clause 12 of the ITT and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period.

Until a formal contract is prepared and executed, this tender, together with your written acceptance thereof and your notification of award, shall constitute a binding Contract between us.

We undertake that, in competing for (and, if the award is made to us, in executing) the above contract, we will strictly observe the laws against fraud and corruption in force in India namely "Prevention of Corruption Act 1988".

We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any tender you may receive.

We clarify/confirm that we comply with the eligibility requirements as per ITT Clause 1 of the tender documents.

Dated this......day of 2023.

Company Seal.

(signature)

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PRICE SCHEDULE

For reference only (Not to be uploaded)

Sl. No.	Service	Unit	Price in ₹ (inclusive of all statutory taxes)
1.	digitization of Valued Answer Scripts by way of scanning, converting into PDF, Printing and uploading single Answer Booklet containing minimum 24 pages to maximum 36 pages in PDF format as single file using their own infrastructure proposed in the Bid document	digitization of Valued Answer Scripts by way of scanning, converting into PDF, Printing and uploading single Answer Booklet containing minimum 24 pages to maximum 36 & including additional pages of all type in PDF format(single file),	Bidder shall quote the price in the e-procurement portal only as per the Government Circular ಅಥ 165 ವೆಚ್ಚ-12/2017 Dated 21.03.2017

: IMPORTANT NOTE:

- 1. Tenderer shall quote the price considering the Technical Specifications mentioned in the Section VI and other terms and conditions mentioned under the different sections of the Bid document.
- 2. Price quoted at ON-LINE e-bidding (Financial bid) will only be considered

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SECTION IX: EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT BANK GUARANTEE FORM

Not Applicable

SECT	TION X: CONTRACT FORM	
(Name of purchaser) o	theday of	einafter called "the
Description of Services) and has accepted	irous that certain services viz.,ted a tender by the Supplier for the supplier for the supplicated Price in Words and Figures) (herein	y of those services
NOW THIS AGREEMENT WIT	TNESSETH AS FOLLOWS:	·
1. In this agreement words and exprandations assigned to them in the Conditions	pressions shall have the same meanings	as are respectively
· ·	e deemed to form and be read and constr	rued as part of this
 b) The Schedule of Requirement c) The Technical Specifications d) The General Conditions of Control e) The Special Conditions of Control f) The Purchaser's Notification 3. In consideration of the payments mentioned, the Supplier hereby services and to remedy defects the Contract. 4. The Purchaser hereby covenants to goods and services and the remedy as may become payable under the prescribed by the Contract. 	Contract; Contract; Contract; and n of Award. to be made by the Purchaser to the Supcovenants with the Purchaser to provierein in conformity in all respects with the to pay the Supplier in consideration of the tying of defects therein, the Contract Price e provisions of the Contract at the times	de the goods and the provisions of the the provision of the the or such other sum and in the manner
	hall be supplied / provided by the Supplie	r are as under: Rate in ₹
Sl. No. Details of work	Price Schedule	(inclusive of all taxes)
1.		
TOTAL VALUE: DELIVERY SCHEDULE: IN WITNESS whereof the parties heret	to have caused this Agreement to be exec	cuted in accordance

IN WITNESS whereof the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed in accordance
with their respective laws the day and year first above written.
Signed, Sealed and Delivered by the
said (For the Purchaser)

in the presence of:.....

SECTION XI. PERFORMANCE SECURITY FORM

(NameofPurchaser) (Nam	e of Supplier) WHERE AS hereinafter
called "the Supplier" has undertaken, in pursuance of Co	
23 to Supply	
hereinafter called "the Contract".	
AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you is shall furnish you with a Bank Guarantee by a recognize as security for compliance with the Supplier's perform the Contract.	ed bank for the sum specified therein
AND WHEREAS we have agreed to give the Sur	pplier a Guarantee:
THEREFORE WE hereby affirm that we are G	uarantors and responsible to you, on
behalf of the Supplier, up to a total of	
(Amount of the Guarantee in Words and Figures) and first written demand declaring the Supplier to be in decavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limit Guarantee) as aforesaid, without your needing to prov	fault under the Contract and without of (Amount of
your demand or the sum specified therein.	
This guarantee is valid until theday of	23
Signature and Seal of Guarantors	
Date23	
Address:	
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	And Assessment Board Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003

SECTION XII

(Please see Clause 9.2 (b) of the Instructions to Tenders) Proforma for Performance Statement for the last three years

IFT No		Date of Op	ening	•••••	Time	Hours
Name of the F	irm:	••••••	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	••••••		••••••
Orders placed by (Full address of Purchaser)	Order No and Date	Description and Quantity of Scanning work ordered	Value of Order	Date of Completion of work As per contract/Actual	Remarks indicating reasons for delay in work, if any	Has the Scanning work/been satisfactorily Functioning. (Attach a Certificate from the Purchaser)
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Signature and Seal of the Tenderer:

Director (Exams) Karnataka School Examination And Assessment Board Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003

SECTION XIII: MANUFACTURERS' AUTHORIZATION FORM*

"Not Applicable"

SECTION XIV : PROFORMA FOR EQUIPMENT AND QUALITY CONTROL EMPLOYED BY THE MANUFACTURER

"Not Applicable"