



Frequently Asked Questions

1) Can Linear Fresnel or any other CSP technology be considered for the project instead of Parabolic Trough?

As per MNRE recommendations, state-of-the-art Parabolic Trough is the preferred technology for this project. However, Linear Fresnel or other CSP technologies using Heat Transfer Fluid could be considered provided sufficient technical proneness, proven long-term sustainability and supply-chain guarantee are ensured.

2) Should the EPC contractor raise 25% finance for the project?

The project is funded by the European Union (EU). As per the guidelines, the EU will pay only ~75% value of the project as Grant. The balance amount i.e., ~25% as co-share to the project to be borne by the parties involved in the project on a pro-rata basis.

For example: Say the value of the Project is Rs. 100 involving three parties to complete the project. The break-up of the Grant and co-share are as below:

	Grant (Rs)	Co-share (Rs)	Total (Rs)
Party1	47	16	63
Party2	13	4	17
Party3	15	5	20
Total	75	25	100

3) A foreign player having required experience in solar thermal and biomass power in a consortium with an Indian organization is eligible to bid for the project? The foreign player will be the lead member and will fulfil both technical and financial criteria as mentioned in bid document?

Please note that the bidder can submit the bid as an individual organisation or as Joint Venture (JV) as deemed fit by the bidder. The terms and conditions for the joint venture /consortium were clearly indicated in Volume 1 of bid document.

Any National or International EPC firms fulfilling the criteria/criterions mentioned in Clause 3.4, Clause 3.10 and Clause 3.11 in Volume 1 of the Bid Documents are eligible to bid for the project.

4) Should the expenses be borne by the bidder on the Site investigation to prepare and submit the bid?

Yes. All the costs and expenses incidental to preparation of the Bids, discussions, visit to the project site and conferences if any, including pre-award discussions, technical and other presentation in the CSTEP's / Consultant's office etc., shall be to the account of the Bidder and CSTEP shall bear no liability whatsoever for such costs and expenses

5) The criteria for the bidder eligibility in terms of plants capacity installed in the past?

The Bidder should have successfully completed within the last 5 years the design, engineering, procurement / manufacturing, erection, testing and commissioning of a Solar thermal of capacity of at least 3MW and above and a biomass power plant of capacity at



least 3 MW and above, which is / are in successful operation for a period of one year as on the date of bid opening.

6) Should the Financial criteria (Turnover \geq Rs. 100 Cr and Net-worth \geq Rs. 50 Cr) be met for the eligibility?

Yes. The financial criteria to be met as per the bid document for the eligibility.

7) The last date for submission of bid documents is 23rd January 2017, but an email was received stating submission of certain documents on or before 4th January 2017. Is it mandatory to send those documents?

The revised bid submission date is 23rd January, 2017. However, the documents over an email on 29th December, 2016 were requested for pre-bid meeting. During the pre-bid meeting, all the deviations (technical and commercial) and queries notified by the bidders on the bid document will be clarified. The queries about the deviations will not be entertained after this meeting. Hence the documents requested are must for the pre-bid meeting. However, the documents listed under point no. 1 & 2 (deviations on technical and commercial) has to be received at least 3 - 4days prior to the meeting. Documents listed in point no. 3 & 4 requested may be submitted during the meeting.