Request for Expression of Interest for Empanelment of Agencies for Carrying out Energy Efficiency activities in Selected MSME Clusters across India

Clarifications provided during pre-bid meeting held on December 20, 2021 at 1100 AM virtually through MS Teams:

| S. No. | Queries/ Clarification raised by participants | SIDBI's response |
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| 1 | Whether, the 100 MSME clusters mentioned in EoI have already been identified or it will be the responsibility of Agency to find these clusters | The selection of clusters is an evolving process which will depend on SIDBI's association / tie-ups with different State Government and agencies under their MSME cluster development initiatives. |
| 2 | Can a consultant apply for PAN India Location | There is no maximum / minimum number of States a consultant can apply for. |
| 3 | Experience related to Awareness, Outreach & Promotional Activities should be in specific cluster/ region or in general | The related experience can be in any industry however experience in MSMEs will be preferred. |
| 4 | Whether these 100 cluster will also include the cluster SIDBI has already worked earlier or untouched clusters will be covered | The activities to be done in a particular cluster will be based on current requirements and accordingly, it may or may not include the cluster wherein SIDBI has worked earlier |
| 5 | The qualification of Team Leader include Accredited auditor. Is it Mandatory or can be supplemented with experience and other equivalent qualification such as PhD | Key professional qualifications amended as per table give at Annex. |
| 6 | Whether the SIDBI financing scheme will be available to the participating MSMEs | SIDBI has number of financing products for promoting EE/RE/CP in MSMEs and will also be available to participating MSMEs base on their eligibilities. To facilitate this, SIDBI can arrange training programmes for empanelled agencies to equip them with required information. |
| 7 | Form 5: "No Key Experts" | It should be read as "Non- Key Experts" |
| 8 | Whether Consortium/ JV are allowed | No consortium/ JV is allowed at this stage |
| 9 | In case of mergers, the experience of both the companies in terms of years of establishment can be used | Yes |

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Annex

| S. No. | Key Position | Desirable Educational Qualifications | Desirable Professional Expertise & Experience | Min. no. of Experts Required |
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| 1 | Team Leader | a) Graduate Engineer (Electrical/ Mechanical/ Chemical/ Energy Engineering or equivalent) b) Post Graduate in Energy / Environmental Engineering, or MBA c) Accredited / Certified Energy Auditor | Min. 15 years of experience in implementing and leading a Team of professionals involved in Energy Efficiency/ Conservation (Preferably in MSMEs) projects funded by various national & international agencies | 1 |
| 2 | Energy Auditor | a) Graduate Engineer (Electrical/ Mechanical/ Chemical/ Energy Engineering or equivalent) b) Certified Energy Auditor | Min. 7 years of experience in conducting walk-through energy audits, detailed energy audits, preparation of Bankable DPR, Facilitation & Implementation of Energy Efficiency Projects, Energy Assessment studies etc. (Preferably in MSMEs) | 2 |
| | | | Experience in Conducting awareness and capacity workshops | |
| 3 | Field Engineer | Graduate Engineer (Electrical/ Mechanical/ Chemical/ Energy/ Environmental Engineering or equivalent) | | 2 |
| | | | Organising workshops/ seminars/ exhibitions and other promotional activities | |
| 4 | Financial Expert | Chartered Account / MBA Finance/ M. Com. | Min. 5 years of experience of financing on Energy Efficiency projects | 1 |

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