

Request for Proposal For Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library

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[A] Important Dates:

#	Particulars	Timeline
1	RFP Issuance Date	12 th September, 2018
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3	Last Date of Written request for Clarifications Before the Pre-bid Meeting	10:00 AM on 17 th September, 2018
4	Pre-bid Meeting& Venue details	2:00 PM on 18 th September, 2018 at Bank of Baroda, Baroda Sun Tower, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai – 400051
5	Last Date of Submission of RFP Response (Closing Date)	2.00 PM on 3 rd October, 2018, Mode: Online URL: <u>https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com</u>
6	Eligibility Cum Technical Bid Opening Date	2:30 PM on 3 rd October, 2018 Mode: Online URL: <u>https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com</u>
7	Commercial Bid	The commercial bids of only those Bidders who qualify in both eligibility and technical evaluation will be opened. The date for opening of the commercial bid would be communicated separately to the technically eligible Bidders.
8	Application Money	Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)
9	Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit)	Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Only)
10	Minimum requirement for Online RFP response submission	 Computer / Laptop (Notebook) with internet connection Operating system - Windows 7 or above Digital certificate (DC) - Class II or III, Singing + Encryption. (DC to be organizational type if



		bidder is participating on behalf of an organization)
		 Web Browsers: Internet Explorer 9.0 (32-bit Browser only) & above
11	1 Mode of bid submission & online portal's URL	Mode: Online
		URL: https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com
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[B] Important Clarifications:

Following terms are used in the document interchangeably to mean:

- 1. Bank, BOB means 'Bank of Baroda'
- 2. Recipient, Respondent, Bidder, means the respondent to the RFP document
- 3. RFP means the Request For Proposal document
- 4. Proposal, Bid means "Response to the RFP Document"
- 5. Tender means RFP response documents prepared by the bidder and submitted to Bank of Baroda
- 6. Support means Support & Services to be provided as part of the Scope of Work
- 7. MSP means Managed Service Provider of the Bank for Data Center
- 8. ATP means Acceptance Test Procedure

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1. Introduction

1.1 Introduction

Bank of Baroda is one of the largest Public Sector Bank (PSU) in India with a branch network of over 5500+ branches in India and 100+ branches/offices overseas including branches of our subsidiaries, distributed in 25 countries.

Bank of Baroda, a body corporate constituted under the Banking Companies (Acquisition & Transfer of Undertakings) Act 1970, having its Corporate Office at C-26, G-Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra East, Mumbai - 400051 (hereinafter referred to as the "Bank") which expression unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof shall mean and include its successors and assigns), intends to issue this RFP document, hereinafter called RFP, to eligible Bidders, hereafter called as 'Bidders', to participate in the competitive bidding for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library.

1.2 **Project overview**

This Request for Proposal (RFP) document has been prepared solely for the purpose of enabling Bank of Baroda ("the Bank") to select a Bidder for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library.

The Bank, for this purpose, invites proposal from Bidders who are interested in participating in this RFP who fulfill the eligibility criteria mentioned under Annexure 02 and are also in a position to comply with the technical requirement as mentioned in Annexure 10. Apart from the above the bidder must also agree to all our terms & conditions mentioned under this RFP.

The RFP document is not recommendation, offer or invitation to enter into a contract, agreement or any other arrangement, in respect of the services. The provision of the services is subject to observance of selection process and appropriate documentation being agreed between the Bank and any successful Bidder as identified by the Bank, after completion of the selection process as detailed in this document.

1.3 Project Scope

The requirement is for Bank's offices located at Mumbai and Hyderabad. Bank will award the contract to the successful bidder and the bidder should provision of Physical and Virtual Tape Library at Mumbai Office and Hyderabad Offices including supply, install and commissioning of the Physical and Virtual Tape Library as per the scope briefed in this RFP.

The Bidder shall perform the following tasks at Bank's existing/upcoming offices at Hyderabad and Mumbai as per Bank requirement and satisfaction as per this RFP, but not limited to:

- a) Supply, Commissioning, Installation, Configuration and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library.
- b) Documentation (Drawings as per architecture and as installed, configuration details)



and Acceptance Test Plan.

- c) Acceptance Testing
- d) Certification from OEM
- e) Training/Handholding
- f) Handover to Bank/Managed Service Provider (MSP) with full functionality and Technical knowledge transfer to Bank & MSP.
- g) Completion Schedule, Warranty, AMC and Service Support for the Physical and Virtual Tape Library through MSP as part of Warranty and Annual Maintenance Contract.

Description of the envisaged scope is enumerated as part of Annexure 10 however the Bank reserves its right to change the scope of work considering the size and variety of the requirements and the changing business conditions.

The bidder needs to quote as per the Commercial Sheet mentioned in Annexure 13

Considering the enormity of the assignment, any service which forms a part of the Project Scope that is not explicitly mentioned in scope of work as excluded would form part of this RFP, and the Bidder is expected to provide the same at no additional cost to the Bank. The Bidder needs to consider and envisage all services that would be required in the Scope and ensure the same is delivered to the Bank. The Bank will not accept any plea of the Bidder at a later date for omission of services on the pretext that the same was not explicitly mentioned in the RFP.

1.3.1 General Conditions

- a) For installation & commissioning work, it shall be the responsibility of the Bidder to arrange and provide requisite tools, testing & measurement equipment and all other things required for carrying out the installation job industry practice and safety norms.
- b) The Bidder shall ensure that no other equipment / structure / setup get damaged due to their activities. Any damages caused to Bank property due to Bidder's negligence shall be passed on the Bidder's account
- c) Bidder shall complete the entire work and make all the systems operational (Supply, Installation, Commissioning, Acceptance of the Physical and Virtual Tape Library and handing over to Bank within stipulated timeline mentioned in the delivery & installation section of this RFP.
- d) The support window shall be on 24*7*365 basis

1.3.2 Technical Proposal Attention Items

- a) This RFP is not a contract offer. Receipt of a proposal neither commits Bank to award a contract to any bidder, nor limits Bank's rights to negotiate with any bidders, suppliers or contractors in Bank's best interest. Bank reserves the right to contract with any bidder, supplier or contractor at its own discretion.
- b) Bank reserves the right to request additional information necessary and pertinent to the project so as to assure the bidder's ability and qualification to perform the contract.
- c) Failure to answer any questions within stipulated timeline at any stage of this RFP may Request for Proposal for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library



be considered non-responsive and the proposal may be disqualified.

- d) For any ambiguity, omissions or unclear content in the RFP the bidders should request Bank to clarify along with pre-bid queries within the time line mentioned in the "[A] Important Dates.
- e) For all technical details and relevant standards and specifications of this RFP that may not be stated in detail; bidders should ensure and provide quality and industrial standard products to Bank.
- f) In case of any difference in the standards between this RFP and the bidders' proposal, the higher standards shall prevail and be applicable.
- g) Expenses incurred in the preparation of proposals in response to this RFP are the sole responsibility of the bidders.
- h) Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals, or any part of any proposal, without penalty. Any allowance for oversight, omission, error, or mistake by the bidder made after receipt of the proposal will be at the sole discretion of Bank.
- i) Entire work specified in this RFP shall be carried out on Turnkey basis.
- j) As the contract is on Turnkey solution basis, any other miscellaneous requirements related to the scope described in the RFP or extra work required to be perform due to existing structure limitation shall be provided by the successful bidder even if those items are not mentioned explicitly in this RFP.

1.4 Contract period

The Contract with the selected vendor will be valid for a period of 5 years from the last date of delivery of the hardware. The contract will be deemed completed only when all the items and services contracted by the Bank are provided in good condition, installed, implemented, tested and accepted along with the associated documentation provided to Bank's employees; as per the requirements of the contract executed between the Bank and the Vendor. The Bank will have the right to renegotiate these prices at the end of the contract period.

1.5 Service Levels and Uptime Guarantee

For details, please refer to Annexure 11 that provides the service levels for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library.



2. Evaluation process

A two stage process is adopted for selection of the vendor:

- Stage 1 Eligibility Cum Technical Bid
- ▶ Stage 2 Commercial Bid

During evaluation of the Tenders, the Bank, at its discretion, may ask the Vendor for clarification in respect of its tender. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing, and no change in the substance of the tender shall be sought, offered, or permitted. The Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any tender in whole or in parts without assigning any reason thereof. The decision of the Bank shall be final and binding on all the vendors to this document and bank will not entertain any correspondence in this regard.

2.1 Eligibility cum Technical Bid

Eligibility criterion for the Vendor to qualify this stage is clearly mentioned in Annexure 02 – Eligibility Criterion Compliance to this document. The vendor would need to provide supporting documents as part of the eligibility proof.

The technical bids of only those vendors who qualify in the eligibility criteria will be evaluated. The Technical Proposal will be evaluated for technical suitability Annexure 10. Vendor needs to provide compliance on the technical specification as given in Annexure 10A & 10B.

Proof of Concept (POC) for Physical and Virtual Tape Library:

Bank has the discretion to ask the bidder to demonstrate the Bank's existing setup as a part of POC with the proposed product. The bidder can demonstrate the setup at Bidder/OEM lab or in a customer environment.

POC will be based on the following conditions:

- a) All and any cost associated with demonstrating the POC (including provision of hardware, technical resources, travel cost, boarding cost etc.) will be to the account of the vendor and bank will not bear any cost.
- b) Bank reserves its right to extend / shorten the period of POC where needed.
- c) The POC would be done to check whether the quoted model meets the technical specifications as mentioned in Annexure 10, Annexure 10A & Annexure 10B. Further POC will verify the compatibility with existing infrastructure of the Bank
- d) Vendors who have failed in the POC will automatically stand disqualified technically.

The Bank's officials would visit reference sites provided by the Vendor if deemed necessary. The reference site which will be visited by the bank officials should be installed with the proposed make. The Bank at its discretion may reject the proposal of the Vendor in case the responses received from the site visited are negative or the Physical and Virtual Tape Library does not meet Bank's technical /functional requirement and / or in case there are no such reference sites with the requirement detailed above.

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The Bank reserves the right to modify the configuration of Hardware thereof to be ordered.

Vendors who meet these criteria would only qualify for the commercial bid opening.

2.2 **Commercial Bid Evaluation**

The commercial bids of only those vendors who qualify in both eligibility and technical evaluation will be opened. The date for opening of the commercial bid would be communicated separately to the eligible vendors. The commercial bid would be evaluated based on a "Total Cost of Ownership" ('TCO') basis. The key considerations of the TCO would be the total payouts for entire project through the contract period of 5 years, discounted at 10% to arrive at the present value of the future cash outflows. The evaluation will be done as follows:

- ► The discounted rate will be calculated on yearly basis based on the formula A/(1+i/100)ⁿ where A= Total Value in each Year; i=10% and n =Year.
- The Present Value will be calculated for all components where the payment is recurring year on year. The Present Value for the component will start from the year of purchase of that component / start of the services (AMC) and shall be calculated till the end year of the contract. Further n number of period will be '0' in the year of purchase of that component / start of the services and subsequently increased by 1 for subsequent years.

Any component / service for which the payment is a One Time Cost the NPV cost of the equipment / service for that year will be considered and the relevant year's NPV cost will be added as part of the Present Value calculation for that year. Further the payment of the OTC component / service not being recurring in nature hence the present value for that component / service will be considered in the year of purchase only and not in subsequent years



3. Terms and conditions

3.1 General

3.1.1 General Terms

- 3.1.1.1 Information Provided : The RFP document contains statements derived from information that is believed to be true and reliable at the date obtained but does not purport to provide all of the information that may be necessary or desirable to enable an intending contracting party to determine whether or not to enter into a contract or arrangement with the Bank in relation to the provision of services. Neither the Bank nor any of its directors, officers, employees, agents, representative, contractors, or advisers gives any representation or warranty (whether oral or written), express or implied as to the accuracy, updating or completeness of any writings, information or statement given or made in this RFP document. Neither the Bank nor any of its directors, officers, employees, agents, representative, contractors, or advisers has carried out or will carry out an independent audit or verification or investigation or due diligence exercise in relation to the contents of any part of the RFP document.
- 3.1.1.2 For Respondent Only :The RFP document is intended solely for the information of the party to whom it is issued ("the Recipient" or "the Respondent") and no other person or organization.
- 3.1.1.3 Costs Borne by Respondents :All costs and expenses (whether in terms of time or money) incurred by the Recipient / Respondent in any way associated with the development, preparation and submission of responses, including but not limited to attendance at meetings, discussions, demonstrations, etc. and providing any additional information required by the Bank, will be borne entirely and exclusively by the Recipient / Respondent.
- 3.1.1.4 No Legal Relationship : No binding legal relationship will exist between any of the Recipients / Respondents and the Bank until execution of a contractual agreement to the full satisfaction of the Bank.
- 3.1.1.5 Recipient Obligation to Inform Itself : The Recipient must apply its own care and conduct its own investigation and analysis regarding any information contained in the RFP document and the meaning and impact of that information.
- 3.1.1.6 Evaluation of Offers :Each Recipient acknowledges and accepts that the Bank may, in its sole and absolute discretion, apply whatever criteria it deems appropriate in the selection of bidder, not limited to those selection criteria set out in this RFP document.
- 3.1.1.7 The issuance of RFP document is merely an invitation to offer and must not be construed as any agreement or contract or arrangement nor would it be construed as any investigation or review carried out by a Recipient. The Recipient unconditionally acknowledges by submitting its response to this RFP document that it has not relied on any idea, information, statement,



representation, or warranty given in this RFP document.

- 3.1.1.8 Standards : All standards to be followed will adhere to Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) specifications or other acceptable standards.
- 3.1.1.9 Acceptance of Terms : A Recipient will, by responding to the Bank's RFP document, be deemed to have accepted the terms as stated in this RFP document
- 3.1.1.10 Only one submission of response to RFP by each Respondent will be permitted
- 3.1.1.11 The Bank expects the bidder to adhere to the terms of this tender document and would not accept any deviations to the same.
- 3.1.1.12 The Bank expects that the bidder appointed under the tender document shall have the single point responsibility for fulfilling all obligations and providing all deliverables and services required by Bank.
- 3.1.1.13 Unless agreed to specifically by the Bank in writing for any changes to the issued tender document, the bidder responses would not be incorporated automatically in the tender document.
- 3.1.1.14 Unless expressly overridden by the specific agreement to be entered into between the Bank and the bidder, the tender document shall be the governing document for arrangement between the Bank and the bidder.
- 3.1.1.15 The Bank will notify the Respondents in writing as soon as practicable after the RFP Evaluation Complete date, about the outcome of the RFP evaluation process, including whether the Respondent's RFP response has been accepted or rejected. The Bank is not obliged to provide any reasons for any such acceptance or rejection.

3.1.2 Rules for Responding to this RFP

- 3.1.2.1 The timeframe provided in point "[A] Important Dates" above is for the overall selection process. The Bank reserves the right to vary this timeframe at its absolute and sole discretion and without providing any notice/intimation or reasons thereof. Changes to the timeframe will be relayed to the affected Respondents during the process. The time schedule will be strictly followed. Interested parties are expected to adhere to these timelines. However, the Bank reserves the right to change the aforementioned timelines.
- 3.1.2.2 All responses received after the due date/time as mentioned in "[A] Important Dates 5. Last Date of Submission of RFP Response (Closing Date)" would be considered late and would be liable to be rejected. E procurement portal will not allow to lodgment of RFP response after the deadline. It should be clearly noted that the Bank has no obligation to accept or act on any reason for a late submitted response to RFP. The Bank has no liability to any Respondent who lodges a late RFP response for any reason whatsoever, including RFP responses taken to be late only because of another condition of responding.
- 3.1.2.3 The Bank has established RFP coordinators to provide a venue for managing Request for Proposal for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library



bidder relationship and other requirements through the Bank's decision making body for contract clarification. All the queries and communication must be addressed to the RFP coordinators / contact persons from the Bank mentioned in "[**A**] **Important Dates - RFP Coordinator**"

Recipients are required to direct all communications for any clarification related to this RFP to RFP Coordinator.

All questions relating to the RFP, technical or otherwise, must be in writing and addressed to the addresses given in point "[A] Important Dates" above. Interpersonal communications will not be entered into and a Respondent will be disqualified if attempting to enter into such communications. The Bank will try to reply, without any obligation in respect thereof, every reasonable question raised by the Respondents in the manner specified.

However, the Bank may in its absolute discretion seek, but under no obligation to seek, additional information or material from any Respondents after the RFP closes and all such information and material provided must be taken to form part of that Respondent's response.

Respondents should invariably provide details of their email address(es) as responses to queries will only be provided to the Respondent via email. If Bank in its sole and absolute discretion deems that the originator of the query will gain an advantage by a response to a question, then Bank reserves the right to communicate such response to all Respondents.

The Bank may in its absolute discretion engage in discussion or negotiation with any Respondent (or simultaneously with more than one Respondent) after the RFP closes to improve or clarify any response.

3.1.2.4 Bidder should submit their Eligibility Cum Technical and Commercial bids Online i.e. through https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com. The bidder must register for submission of their bid as specified in this document.

Application Money as mentioned in "[A] Important Dates – Application Money" must be deposited through RTGS (Real Time Gross Settlement) / NEFT as mentioned in the clause 5.2.Vendor should submit the bid security as mentioned section 5.2 along with the bid response. The details of the transaction viz. scanned copy of the receipt of making transaction is required to be uploaded on e-procurement website at the time of "final online bid submission

The RFP response without the accompanying amount towards Application Money / Bid Security are liable to be rejected.

Commercial Bid - Annexure 13 (Commercial bid must be sealed and singed by authorized signatory by the bidder and must be submitted through online mode and after encryption by e-signer tool only).

If the submission to this RFP does not include all the documents and information required or is incomplete or submission is through Fax mode, the RFP is liable to be summarily rejected.



All submissions, including any accompanying documents, will become the property of the Bank. The Recipient shall be deemed to have licensed, and granted all rights to, the Bank to reproduce the whole or any portion of their submission for the purpose of evaluation, to disclose the contents of the submission to other Recipients who have registered a submission and to disclose and/or use the contents of the submission as the basis for any resulting RFP process, notwithstanding any copyright or other intellectual property right of the Recipient that may subsist in the submission or accompanying documents

- 3.1.2.5 All responses should be in English language. All responses by the bidder to this tender document shall be binding on such bidder for a period of 180 days after opening of the bids. The Bank shall have the right at its sole and absolute discretion to continue the assignment/contract on the selected bidder for future requirement for various items/activities as described in the RFP after expiry of current assignment period.
- 3.1.2.6 All responses including commercial and technical bids would be deemed to be irrevocable offers/proposals from the vendors and may be accepted by the Bank to form part of final contract between the Bank and the selected vendor. Vendors are requested to attach a letter from an authorized signatory attesting the veracity of information provided in the responses. Unsigned responses would be treated as incomplete and are liable to be rejected.
- 3.1.2.7 The bids once submitted cannot be withdrawn / modified after the last date for submission of the bids unless specifically permitted by the Bank. Incase, due to unavoidable circumstances, the Bank does not award the contract within six months from the last date of the submission of the bids, and there is a possibility to award the same within a short duration, the bidder would have the choice to maintain the EMD or bank guarantee in lieu of EMD with the Bank or to withdraw the bid and obtain the security provided.
- 3.1.2.8 The bidder may modify or withdraw its offer after submission but prior to the closing date and time as prescribed by Bank. No offer can be modified or withdrawn by the bidder subsequent to the closing date and time for submission of the offers.
- 3.1.2.9 The bidders required to quote for all the components/services mentioned in the "Project scope" and all other requirements of this RFP. In case the bidder does not quote for any of the components/services, the response would be deemed to include the quote for such unquoted components/service. It is mandatory to submit the details in the formats provided along with this document duly filled in, along with the offer. The Bank reserves the right not to allow / permit changes in the technical specifications and not to evaluate the offer in case of nonsubmission of the technical details in the required format or partial submission of technical details.
- 3.1.2.10 Based on the Bank's requirements as listed in this document, the bidder should identify the best-suited product / solution that would meet the Bank's



requirements and quote for the same. In case the bidder quotes more than one model and they have not specified which particular model quoted by them needs to be considered, then the response would be considered as improper and the whole tender submitted by the vendor is liable to be rejected. The vendor is expected to provide the best option and quote for the same.

- 3.1.2.11 Bidder must furnish requirements as per the formats provided in the RFP document.
- 3.1.2.12 In the event the bidder has not quoted for any mandatory items as required by the Bank and forming a part of the tender document circulated to the Bidder's and responded to by the bidder, the same will be deemed to be provided by the bidder at no extra cost to the Bank.
- 3.1.2.13 In the event the Bank has not asked for any quotes for alternative prices, and the bidder furnishes the alternative price in the vendor's financial bid, the higher of the prices will be taken for calculating and arriving at the Total Cost of Ownership. However, payment by the Bank will be made at the lower price. The Bank in this case may also reject the offer outright.
- 3.1.2.14 In the event optional prices are not quoted by the bidder, for items where such prices are a must and required to be quoted for, the highest price quoted by any of the participating vendor will be taken as the costs, for such alternatives and also for arriving at the Total Cost of Ownership for the purpose of evaluation of the Vendor. The same item has to be supplied by the Vendor free of cost
- 3.1.2.15 The Bank is not responsible for any assumptions or judgments made by the bidder for proposing and implementing the solution. The Bank's interpretation will be final.
- 3.1.2.16 The Bank ascertains and concludes that everything as mentioned in the tender documents circulated to the Vendor and responded by the vendors have been quoted for by the vendor, and there will be no extra cost associated with the same in case the vendor has not quoted for the same.
- 3.1.2.17 All out of pocket expenses, traveling, boarding and lodging expenses for the entire life of the contract should be a part of the financial bid submitted by the vendor to the Bank. No extra costs on account of any items or services or by way of any out of pocket expenses, including travel, boarding and lodging etc. will be payable by the Bank. The vendor cannot take the plea of omitting any charges or costs and later lodge a claim on the Bank for the same.
- 3.1.2.18 The bidder at no point in time can excuse themselves from any claims by the Bank whatsoever for their deviations in confirming to the terms and conditions, payments schedules, time frame for solution etc. as mentioned in the tender document circulated by the Bank. Bidder shall be fully responsible for deviations to the terms & conditioned as proposed in the tender document.
- 3.1.2.19 Grievance Redressal: Any bidder who claims to have a grievance against a decision or action with regards to the provisions of this RFP may file a request



to the Chief Technology Officer at cto@bankofbaroda.com. It may please be noted that the grievance can be filed by only that bidder who has participated in Procurement proceedings in accordance with the provisions of this RFP. All letters must be addressed to the following:

Chief Technology Officer Bank of Baroda, Baroda Sun Tower C-34, G-Block, BKC, Mumbai-51

3.1.3 Price Bids

- 3.1.3.1 The bidder is requested to quote in Indian Rupee (INR). Bids in currencies other than INR would not be considered. The date for opening of price bids would be communicated separately to the successful bidders post the completion of the technical evaluation
- 3.1.3.2 The prices and other terms offered by bidders must be firm for an acceptance period of 180 days from the opening of the commercial bid.
- 3.1.3.3 In case of any variation (upward or down ward) in Government levies / taxes / cess / duties etc. which has been included as part of the price will be borne by the bidder. Variation would also include the introduction of any new tax / cess/ duty, etc provided that the benefit or burden of other taxes quoted separately as part of the commercial bid like GST and any taxes introduced instead of GST and levies associated to GST or any new taxes introduced after the submission of bidder's proposal shall be passed on or adjusted to the Bank. If the Bidder makes any conditional or vague offers, without conforming to these guidelines, Bank will treat the prices quoted as in conformity with these guidelines and proceed accordingly. Necessary documentary evidence should be produced for having paid any tax/cess/duty, if applicable, and or other applicable levies.
- 3.1.3.4 If any Tax authorities of any state, including, Local authorities like Corporation, Municipality etc. or any Government authority or Statutory or autonomous or such other authority imposes any tax, charge or levy or any cess / charge other than GST and if the Bank has to pay the same for any of the items or supplies made here under by the bidder, for any reason including the delay or failure or inability of the bidder to make payment for the same, the Bank has to be reimbursed such amounts paid, on being intimated to the Bidder along with the documentary evidence. If the Bidder does not reimburse the amount within a fortnight, the Bank shall adjust the amount out of the payments due to the Bidder from the Bank along with the interest calculated at commercial rate.
- 3.1.3.5 Terms of payment as indicated in the Purchase Contract that will be issued by the Bank on the selected Bidder will be final and binding on the bidder and no interest will be payable by the Bank on outstanding amounts under any circumstances. If there are any clauses in the Invoice contrary to the terms of the Purchase Contract, the bidder should give a declaration on the face of the Invoice or by a separate letter explicitly stating as follows "Clauses, if any

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contained in the Invoice which are contrary to the terms contained in the Purchase Contract will not hold good against the Bank and that the Invoice would be governed by the terms contained in the Contract concluded between the Bank and the bidder".

- 3.1.3.6 The Bank ascertains and concludes that everything as mentioned in the tender documents circulated to the bidder and responded by the bidders have been quoted for by the bidder, and there will be no extra cost associated with the same in case the bidder has not quoted for the same.
- 3.1.3.7 The Bank is not responsible for any assumptions or judgments made by the bidder for arriving at any type of costing. The Bank at all times will benchmark the performance of the bidder to the RFP and other documents circulated to the bidder and the expected service levels as mentioned in these documents. In the event of any deviations from the requirements of these documents, the bidder must make good the same at no extra costs to the Bank, in order to achieve the desired service levels as well as meeting the requirements of these documents. The Bank shall not be responsible for any assumptions made by the bidder and the Bank's interpretation will be final.
- 3.1.3.8 The Commercial Offer should give all relevant price information and should not contradict the Technical Offer in any manner. There should be no hidden costs for items quoted.
- 3.1.3.9 The Bank is not responsible for the arithmetical accuracy of the bid. The bidders will have to ensure all calculations are accurate. The Bank at any point in time for reasons whatsoever is not responsible for any assumptions made by the Bidder. The Bank at a later date will not accept any plea of the bidder or changes in the commercial offer for any such assumptions.
- 3.1.3.10 Considering the enormity of the assignment, any service which forms a part of the Project Scope that is not explicitly mentioned in scope of work as excluded would form part of this RFP, and the Bidder is expected to provide the same at no additional cost to the Bank. The Bidder needs to consider and envisage all services that would be required in the Scope and ensure the same is delivered to the Bank. The Bank will not accept any plea of the Bidder at a later date for omission of services on the pretext that the same was not explicitly mentioned in the RFP

3.1.4 **Price Comparisons**

- 3.1.4.1 The successful bidder will be determined on the basis evaluation mentioned in Evaluation Criteria in this RFP document.
- 3.1.4.2 Normalization of bids: The Bank will go through a process of evaluation and normalization of the bids to the extent possible and feasible to ensure that bidders are more or less on the same ground of evaluation. After the normalization process, if the Bank feels that any of the bids needs to be normalized and that such normalization has a bearing on the price bids; the



Bank may at its discretion ask all the shortlisted bidders to resubmit the commercial bids once again for scrutiny. The Bank can repeat this normalization process at every stage of bid submission or till the Bank is satisfied. The bidders agree that they have no reservation or objection to the normalization process and all the bidders will, by responding to this RFP, agree to participate in the normalization process and extend their co-operation to the Bank during this process. The bidders, by submitting the response to this RFP, agree to the process and conditions of the normalization process.

- 3.1.4.3 The Price offer shall be on a fixed price basis. Bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation will be treated as non-responsive and will be liable to be rejected. The rate quoted by the bidder should necessarily include the following:
 - 3.1.4.3.1 Transportation, forwarding and freight charges of all equipment to the site;
 - 3.1.4.3.2 Prices quoted by the Bidder should be inclusive of all taxes, duties, levies etc. except GST. GST will be paid at actuals. The Bidder is expected to provide the GST percentage in both the commercial and masked bids (without amounts being submitted in the technical response). There will be no price escalation for during the contract period and any extension thereof. Bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation will be treated as nonresponsive and will be rejected.
- 3.1.4.4 The Bidders expected to provide details of services which are required to be extended by the Bidder in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract.
- 3.1.4.5 The Bidder must provide and quote for the required product and services as desired by the Bank as mentioned in this RFP. Any product or services not proposed to be provided by the Bidder will result in the proposal being incomplete, which may lead to disqualification of the Bidder.

3.2 Application Money, Bid Security and Performance Guarantee

3.2.1 Application Money

Application Money as mentioned in "[A] Important Dates – Application Money" shall be denominated in the Indian Rupees only and shall be paid through RTGS (Real Time Gross Settlement) / NEFT (National Electronic Fund Transfer) favoring BANK OF BARODA, BANK ACCOUNT NO. 29040400000418, BANK IFSC CODE - BARB0BANEAS or by way of Bankers Cheque/Demand Draft/Pay Order favoring Bank of Baroda, payable at Mumbai, which is non-refundable, must be submitted separately along with RFP response. The Bank may, at its discretion, reject any vendor where application money has not been furnished with RFP response.

3.2.2 Bid Security / Earnest Money Deposit

3.2.2.1 Vendors are required to give an earnest money deposit of an amount as mentioned in "[A] Important Dates – 9. Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit)" shall be paid through RTGS (Real Time Gross Settlement) / NEFT (National Electronic Fund Transfer) favoring BANK OF BARODA, BANK ACCOUNT NO. 29040400000418, BANK IFSC CODE - BARBOBANEAS or by way of Demand Draft/Pay Order drawn Request for Proposal for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library



on BKC, Mumbai payable to "Bank of Baroda" or a Bank Guarantee of an equal amount issued by a Commercial Bank (other than Bank of Baroda) located in India, valid for 8 months in the form provided in the RFP (Annexure 04 – Bid Security Form). The Demand Draft should be of a Commercial Bank only (other than Bank of Baroda) and will be accepted subject to the discretion of the Bank.

- 3.2.2.2 Offers made without the Earnest money deposit will be rejected.
- 3.2.2.3 The amount of Earnest money deposit would be forfeited in the following scenarios:
- 3.2.2.3.1 In case the vendor withdraws the bid prior to validity period of the bid for any reason whatsoever;
- 3.2.2.3.2 In case the vendor refuses to accept and sign the contract as specified in this document within 1 month of issue of contract order/letter of intent for any reason whatsoever; or
- 3.2.2.3.3 In case the Vendor fails to provide the performance guarantee within 30 days from the purchase order date, for any reason whatsoever.
- 3.2.2.4 **Unsuccessful Vendor's** Bid security money deposit or bank guarantee will be returned by the Bank within two weeks from closure of the RFP. No interest shall be paid on Bid security money deposit to unsuccessful Vendors.
- 3.2.2.5 **Successful Vendor** Bid security money deposit or bank guarantee will be discharged upon the vendor furnishing the performance guarantee. The Bid security Money of the successful vendor may be forfeited or the bank guarantee in lieu of Bid security money may be invoked by the Bank if the vendor fails to furnish performance guarantee within 30 days from the date of Bank placing the order for any reason whatsoever and / or the vendor refuses to accept and sign the contract within 1 month of issue of contract order / letter of intent for any reason whatsoever.
- 3.2.2.6 MSEs (Micro and Small Enterprise (MSE) are exempted from paying the application money and Bid security amount for which the concerned enterprise needs to provide necessary documentary evidence. For MSEs Government of India provisions shall be considered while evaluating the tender

3.2.3 **Performance Guarantee**

- 3.2.3.1 The successful vendor shall provide a Performance Guarantee within 30 days from the date of receipt of the order or signing of the contract whichever is earlier in the format as provided in Annexure 14 to the extent of 10% of the total order value for the entire period of the contract plus 3 months and such other extended period as the Bank may decide for due performance of the project obligations. The guarantee should be of that of a nationalized Bank only, other than Bank of Baroda.
- 3.2.3.2 In the event of non-performance of obligation or failure to meet terms of this Tender the Bank shall be entitled to invoke the performance guarantee without notice or right of demur to the vendor. Any amount pending for payment due to non-achieving of milestone/s set under the agreement or any other reason solely Request for Proposal for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library



attributable to the vendor should be included in the remaining amount of the contract value.

- 3.2.3.3 The Bank reserves the right to recover any dues payable by the selected vendor from any amount outstanding to the credit of the selected vendor, including the pending bills and/or invoking Performance Guarantee, if any, under this contract.
- 3.2.3.4 If the Performance guarantee is not submitted within the stipulated time, the Bank reserves the right to cancel the order / contract and the earnest money deposit taken from the vendor, will be forfeited.

3.3 Others

- 3.3.1 The product / solution will be deemed accepted only after successful ATP and sign off from Bank's identified Project Manager.
- 3.3.2 Responses to this RFP should not be construed as an obligation on the part of the Bank to award a purchase contract for any services or combination of services. Failure of the Bank to select a bidder shall not result in any claim whatsoever against the Bank. The Bank reserves the right to reject any or all bids in part or in full, without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- 3.3.3 By submitting a proposal, the bidder agrees to promptly contract with the Bank for any work awarded to the bidder. Failure on the part of the awarded bidder to execute a valid contract with the Bank will relieve the Bank of any obligation to the bidder, and a different bidder may be selected based on the selection process.
- 3.3.4 The terms and conditions as specified in the RFP and addendums (if any) thereafter are final and binding on the bidders. In the event the bidders not willing to accept the terms and conditions of the Bank, the bidder may be disqualified. Any additional or different terms and conditions proposed by the bidder would be rejected unless expressly assented to in writing by the Bank and accepted by the Bank in writing
- 3.3.5 The bidder must strictly adhere to the delivery dates or lead times identified in their proposal and as agreed by the Bank. Failure to meet these delivery dates, unless it is due to reasons entirely attributable to the Bank, may constitute a material breach of the Bidder's performance. In the event that the Bank is forced to cancel an awarded contract (relative to this tender document) due to the Bidder's inability to meet the established delivery dates or any other reasons attributing to the bidder then that bidder will be responsible for any re-procurement costs suffered by the Bank. The liability in such an event could be limited to the differential excess amount spent by the Bank for procuring similar deliverables and services.
- 3.3.6 The bidder shall represent and acknowledge to the Bank that it possesses necessary experience, expertise and ability to undertake and fulfill its obligations, involved in the performance of the provisions of this RFP. The bidder represents that the proposal to be submitted in response to this RFP shall meet the proposed RFP requirement. If any services, functions or responsibilities not specifically described in this RFP are an inherent, necessary or customary part of the

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deliverables or services and are required for proper performance or provision of the deliverables or services in accordance with this RFP, they shall be deemed to be included within the scope of the deliverables or services, as if such services, functions or responsibilities were specifically required and described in this RFP and shall be provided by the bidder at no additional cost to the Bank. The bidder also acknowledges that the Bank relies on this statement of fact, therefore neither accepting responsibility for, nor relieving the bidder of responsibility for the performance of all provisions and terms and conditions of this RFP, the Bank expects the bidder to fulfill all the terms and conditions of this RFP. The modifications, which are accepted by the Bank, shall form a part of the final contract.

- 3.3.7 The Bidder shall represent that the services provided and/or use of the same by the Bank shall not violate or infringe the rights of any third party or the laws or regulations under any governmental or judicial authority. The Bidder further represents that the documentation to be provided to the Bank shall contain a complete and accurate description of the deliverables and services (as applicable), and shall be prepared and maintained in accordance with the highest industry standards. The Bidder represents and agrees to obtain and maintain validity throughout the specified term, of all appropriate registrations, permissions and approvals, which are statutorily required to be obtained by the bidder for performance of the obligations of the bidder. The bidder further agrees to inform and assist the Bank for procuring any registrations, permissions or approvals, which may at any time during the Contract Period be statutorily required to be obtained by the Bank for availing services from the bidder.
- 3.3.8 All terms and conditions, payments schedules, time frame for expected service levels as per this tender will remain unchanged unless explicitly communicated by the Bank in writing to the bidder. The Bank shall not be responsible for any judgments made by the bidder with respect to any aspect of the Service. The bidder shall at no point be entitled to excuse themselves from any claims by the Bank whatsoever for their deviations in confirming to the terms and conditions, payments schedules, expected service levels etc. as mentioned in this tender document.
- 3.3.9 The Bank and the bidder covenants and represents to the other Party the following:
- 3.3.9.1 It is duly incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under as per the laws of the state in which such Party is incorporated.
- 3.3.9.2 It has the corporate power and authority to enter into Agreements and perform its obligations there under. The execution, delivery and performance of terms and conditions under Agreements by such Party and the performance of its obligations there under are duly authorized and approved by all necessary action and no other action on the part of such Party is necessary to authorize the execution, delivery and performance under an Agreement.
- 3.3.9.3 The execution, delivery and performance under an Agreement by such Party:



- 3.3.9.3.1 Will not violate or contravene any provision of its documents of incorporation;
- 3.3.9.3.2 Will not violate or contravene any law, statute, rule, regulation, licensing requirement, order, writ, injunction or decree of any court, governmental instrumentality or other regulatory, governmental or public body, agency or authority by which it is bound or by which any of its properties or assets are bound;
- 3.3.9.3.3 Except to the extent that the same have been duly and properly completed or obtained, will not require any filing with, or permit, consent or approval of or license from, or the giving of any notice to, any court, governmental instrumentality or other regulatory, governmental or public body, agency or authority, joint venture party, or any other entity or person whatsoever;
- 3.3.9.3.4 To the best of its knowledge, after reasonable investigation, no representation or warranty by such Party in this Agreement, and no document furnished or to be furnished to the other Party to this Agreement, or in connection herewith or with the transactions contemplated hereby, contains or will contain any untrue or misleading statement or omits or will omit any fact necessary to make the statements contained herein or therein, in light of the circumstances under which made, not misleading. There have been no events or transactions, or facts or information which has come to, or upon reasonable diligence, should have come to the attention of such Party and which have not been disclosed herein or in a schedule hereto, having a direct impact on the transactions contemplated hereunder.
- 3.3.10 The bidder shall undertake to provide appropriate human as well as other resources required, to execute the various tasks assigned as part of the project, from time to time.
- 3.3.11 It would be the responsibility of the bidder to arrange / obtain necessary road permits or any other document for delivery of the material till Bank's premises. The bidder shall arrange road permit for locations applicable at no extra cost to the Bank.
- 3.3.12 The Bank would not assume any expenses incurred by the bidder in preparation of the response to this RFP and also would not return the bid documents to the Bidders
- 3.3.13 The Bank will not bear any costs incurred by the bidder for any discussion, presentation, demonstrations etc. on proposals or proposed contract or for any work performed in connection therewith.

3.4 **Other RFP Requirements**

- 3.4.1 This tender document may undergo change by either additions or deletions or modifications before the actual award of the contract by the Bank. The Bank also reserves the right to change any terms and conditions of the tender document and its subsequent addendums as it deems necessary at its sole discretion. The Bank will inform all bidders about changes, if any.
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- 3.4.2 The Bank may revise any part of the tender document, by providing a written addendum at stage till the award of the contract. The Bank reserves the right to issue revisions to this tender document at any time before the award date. The addendums, if any, shall be published on Bank's website only.
- 3.4.3 The Bank reserves the right to extend the dates for submission of responses to this document.
- 3.4.4 **Preliminary Scrutiny** The Bank will scrutinize the offers to determine whether they are complete, whether any errors have been made in the offer, whether required documentation has been furnished, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether items are quoted as per the schedule. The Bank may, at its discretion, waive any minor non-conformity or any minor deficiency in an offer. This shall be binding on all bidders and the Bank reserves the right for such waivers and the Bank's decision in the matter will be final.
- 3.4.5 **Clarification of Offers** To assist in the scrutiny, evaluation and comparison of offers, the Bank may, at its discretion, ask some or all bidders for clarification of their offer. The Bank has the right to disqualify the bidder whose clarification is found not suitable to the proposed project.
- 3.4.6 No Commitment to Accept Lowest bid or Any Tender The Bank shall be under no obligation to accept the lowest price bid or any other offer received in response to this Tender notice and shall be entitled to reject any or all offers including those received late or incomplete offers without assigning any reason whatsoever. The Bank reserves the right to make any changes in the terms and conditions of purchase. The Bank will not be obliged to meet and have discussions with any Bidder, and / or to listen to any representations unless there is change in the terms and conditions of purchase
- 3.4.7 **Erasures or Alterations** The offers containing erasures or alterations will not be considered. There should be no hand-written material, corrections or alterations in the offer. Technical details must be completely filled up. Correct information of the services being offered must be filled in. Filling up of the information using terms such as "OK", "accepted", "noted", "as given in brochure / manual" is not acceptable. The Bank may treat the offers not adhering to these guidelines as unacceptable.
- 3.4.8 **Price Discussion** It is absolutely essential for the Bidders to quote the lowest price at the time of making the offer in their own interest. The Bank reserves the right to do price discovery and engage the successful bidder in discussions on the prices quoted.
- 3.4.9 **Right to Alter Quantities** The Bank reserves the right to alter the requirements specified in the Tender. The Bank also reserves the right to delete one or more items from the list of items specified in the Tender. The Bank will inform all Bidders about changes, if any. The Bidder agrees that the Bank has no limit on the additions or deletions on the items for the period of the contract. Further the Bidder agrees that the prices quoted by the Bidder would be proportionately adjusted with



such additions or deletions in quantities

3.4.10 Inspections and Tests

- 3.4.10.1 The Bank or its representative shall have the right to inspect and/or to test the Goods and Materials and the Works carried out by the Bidder to confirm their conformity to the Contract specifications at no extra cost to the Bank.
- 3.4.10.2 Should any inspected or tested Goods fail to conform to the specifications or requirements set out in the Contract, the Bank may reject the Goods, and the Bidder shall either replace the rejected Goods or make alterations necessary to meet specifications or requirements free of cost to the Bank.
- 3.4.10.3 The Bidder shall have the manufacturer, before making delivery, carry out a precise and comprehensive inspection of the Goods regarding quality, specification, performance, quantity and weight and issue a quality certificate certifying that the Goods are in conformity with the stipulations in the Contract. The quality certificate shall not be regarded as final with respect to quality, specification, performance, quantity and weight. Particulars and results of the tests made by the manufacturer shall be shown in a statement to be attached to the quality certificate.
- 3.4.10.4 If, during the warranty period, it is found that the quality or specifications of the Goods or Works are not in conformity with the Contract or if the Goods or Works are proven to be defective for any reason, including latent defects or the use of unsuitable materials, the Bank shall promptly notify the Bidder of the existence of a claim.
- 3.4.10.5 No clause in "Inspection and Tests" clause shall in any way release the Bidder from any warranty or other obligations under this Contract.
- 3.4.11 **Incidental Services** The Bidder shall provide all the services as specified in the tender document, particularly the Project Overview and Technical Summary. The price for performing the required incidental services shall be deemed to be included in the Contract Price.
- 3.4.12 If the Bank is not satisfied with the specifications as specified in the tender document and observes major deviations, the bids of such bidders will not be short-listed for further evaluation. No further discussions shall be entertained with such bidders in respect of the subject bid.
- 3.4.13 There will be an acceptance test by the Bank after implementation of the solution. In case of discrepancy in solution implemented, the Bank reserves the right to cancel the entire purchase contract and the bidder should take back their equipment at their costs and risks. The test will be arranged by the bidder at the sites in the presence of the officials of the Bank and / or its consultants
- 3.4.14 Bidder shall indemnify, protect and save the Bank against all claims, losses, costs, damages, expenses, action, suits and other proceedings, resulting from infringement of any patent, trademarks, copyrights etc or such other statutory infringements under any laws including the Copyright Act, 1987 in respect of Request for Proposal for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library



services provided by them in the Bank from whatsoever source, provided the Bank notifies the Bidder in writing as soon as practicable when the Bank becomes aware of the claim. However, (i) the Bidder has sole control of the defense and all related settlement negotiations (ii) the Bank provides the Bidder with the assistance, information and authority reasonably necessary to perform the above and (iii) the Bank does not make any statements or comments or representations about the claim without the prior written consent of the Bidder, except where the Bank is required by any authority/regulator to make a comment/statement/representation.

- 3.4.15 Letter of Undertaking from OSD / OEM (Annexure 08) The Bidder should furnish a letter from original equipment manufacturer (OEM / OSD) authorizing the Bidder to quote for OEM's / OSD's product in response to the RFP from the Bank. The said letter should also offer to extend the required support from the OEM / OSD in respect of the items stipulated in the RFP
- 3.4.16 Undertaking on Information Security (Annexure 09) The Bidder should furnish a letter both from the original equipment manufacturer (wherever applicable) and also from the Bidder's end providing an undertaking on Information Security of Authenticity for HW and also the solution supplied. This undertaking from both OEM and the bidder is on Information security as per regulatory requirement.
- 3.4.17 The Bidder shall perform its obligations under this Tender as an independent contractor, and may engage subcontractors to perform any of the Deliverables or Services with prior permission from Bank. Neither this Tender nor the Bidder's performance of obligations under this Tender shall create an association, partnership, joint venture, or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employee and employee, between the Bank and the Bidder or its employees, subcontractor; and neither Party shall have the right, power or authority (whether expressed or implied) to enter into or assume any duty or obligation on behalf of the other Party.
- 3.4.18 The Bidder shall solely be responsible for all payments (including any statutory payments) to its employees and / or sub-contractors and shall ensure that at no time shall its employees, personnel or agents hold themselves out as employees or agents of the Bank, nor seek to be treated as employees of the Bank for any purpose, including claims of entitlement to fringe benefits provided by the Bank, or for any kind of income or benefits. The Bidder alone shall file all applicable tax returns for all of its personnel assigned hereunder in a manner consistent with its status as an independent contractor of services; and the Bidder will make all required payments and deposits of taxes in a timely manner.

3.5 **Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices**

- 3.5.1 As per Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) directives, it is required that Bidders / Suppliers / Contractors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts in pursuance of this policy:
 - "Corrupt Practice" means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything



of values to influence the action of an official in the procurement process or in contract execution AND

- Fraudulent Practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of contract to the detriment of the Bank and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the Bank of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 3.5.2 The Bank reserves the right to reject a proposal for award if it determines that the bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question.
- 3.5.3 The Bank reserves the right to declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a contract if at any time it determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 3.5.4 Bidders responding to this RFP need to sign the Integrity Pact (IP) as per attached Annexure 16 which will be also signed by Banks representative.

3.6 Authorized Signatory

The selected bidder shall indicate the authorized signatories who can discuss and correspond with the Bank, with regard to the obligations under the contract. The selected bidder shall submit at the time of signing the contract, a certified copy of the resolution of their Board, authenticated by Company Secretary/Director, authorizing an official or officials of the company or a Power of Attorney copy to discuss, sign agreements/contracts with the Bank. The bidder shall furnish proof of signature identification for above purposes as required by the Bank.

3.7 Terms of Reference

3.7.1 Delivery

All the deliverables should be delivered within 6 weeks from the date of acceptance of purchase order by successful vendor. Vendor will have to pay late delivery charges to Bank of Baroda @ 1% of the delayed product value inclusive of all taxes, duties, levies etc., per week or part thereof, for late delivery beyond due date of delivery, to a maximum of 5% of the delayed product value. If delay exceeds the maximum percentage of 5%, Bank of Baroda reserves the right to cancel the entire order.

Bidder will be responsible for ensuring proper packing, delivery and receipt of the hardware/ equipment at the site. Sealed packs will be opened in the presence of Bank officials.

All necessary accessories as part of the hardware/ equipment's should be delivered together with the hardware/ equipment.

Any component (hardware or software) has not been delivered or if delivered is not operational, will be deemed / treated as non-delivery thereby excluding the Bank from all



payment obligations under the terms of this contract. Partial delivery of products is not acceptable and payment for such products will not be made until full delivery is completed.

3.7.2 Transportation and Insurance

All the costs should include cost, insurance and freight (c.i.f). However, the Bidder has the option to use transportation and insurance cover from any eligible source. Insurance cover should be provided by the bidder till the acceptance of the goods by the Bank. The bidder should also assure that the goods would be replaced with no cost to Bank in case insurance cover is not provided.

3.7.3 Installation

Installation of all the hardware/ equipment including unpacking of cartons / boxes, mounting of the hardware/ equipment's and installation will be the responsibility of Bidder. Bidder will have to install the hardware/ equipment sand hand it over to Bank for acceptance testing within a maximum of 2 week from the date of receipt of the deliverables at our office and Bank's notification for installation of the Hardware.

Vendor will have to pay late installation charges to Bank @ 1% of the product cost for the delayed item per day or part thereof subject to maximum of 5%, for delay in installation, if the delay is caused owing to reasons attributable to Vendor.

Bank reserves the right to shift any hardware / equipment to new location/s and warranty and AMC will continue to be in force at the new location also.

3.7.4 Warranty

The Physical and Virtual Tape Library covering all components will remain under, onsite, comprehensive maintenance warranty for a period of three years. The service support during warranty period shall be for complete Network infrastructure setup and accessories supplied.

Bidder will have to provide a post-installation warranty as per the terms mentioned below:

Comprehensive Warranty for 36 Months from the date of installation or 37 months from the date of the delivery whichever is earlier.

Bidder will have to upgrade the Hardware/ Software (in case of requirement) during warranty period at no cost to Bank. Patch updation, security patch updates etc to be done (as and when required) preferably quarterly / half yearly in coordination with the Bank / MSP team.

In event of any equipment / part is replaced or any defect in respect of any equipment / part is corrected for more than one instance of any quarter during the base warranty period of 3 years, where the period of warranty remained is less than twelve month of the comprehensive warranty, the warranty in respect of the entire hardware equipment for which the equipment / part is replaced / defect is corrected, will be extended for an additional period of twelve months from the date of such replacement/ correction of defects.

In case of significant failures of specific component entire hardware/ equipment has to be



replaced with new ones in proactive manner. The proactive action has to be taken immediately without affecting the banks day to day functioning and in a mutually convenient time. The proactive action plan is required to be submitted well in advance. Bidder is required to ensure that this kind of situation never arises.

The Bidders warrants that the Goods supplied under the Contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the Contract.

The Bidder further warrants that all Goods supplied or Works carried out under this Contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and /or material is required by the Bank's specifications) or from any act or omission of the Bidder, that may develop under normal use of the supplied Goods or Works in the conditions prevailing in the country.

3.7.5 Annual Maintenance Contract and Annual Technical Support

Bidders must quote for comprehensive on-site AMC, which shall include labour and cost of the material, strictly as per SLA terms, for a period of 2 (two) years after the expiry of 3 years' warranty period as mentioned above. The AMC shall be on-site comprehensive and shall not require the purchaser to procure and store recommended spares at the site during warranty / AMC. Entering into AMC for a lesser number of years (pro-rata charges to apply) shall be at the discretion of BANK.

The Comprehensive on-site AMC must be quoted by all the bidders for the subsequent 2 years' period over and above the warranty period. The Comprehensive on-site AMC prices should be based upon the percentage of the Purchase price or prevailing list price at the completion of three years, whichever is lower. Price Bids without AMC shall be summarily rejected. AMC rates must be quoted as per the price bid format enclosed. No other format shall be accepted.

In case of software, Operating System, Equipment Firmware and Equipment OS, during installation, integration, acceptance testing, warranty period, extended warranty period and CAMC, all updates and upgrades shall be supplied and installed free of cost on prepaid freight basis. The support shall have to be mandatorily on-site.

However, in exceptional cases remote support from OEMs'/bidders' software/service centers, through phone/Email/Fax, etc shall also be required and is a must. The time limit within which such calls shall be attended to shall be only based on the SLAs mentioned in this RFP.

3.7.6 Affixing Asset Tags on the Equipment's:

It will be the responsibility of Vendor to affix the Asset tags on each Hardware component being supplied to Bank and also share the details with the Bank team. The Asset Tags so printed by Vendor must have the company's logo of Vendor along with other details like call logging no., mail id etc. The asset tag details for the Hardware component would be mutually decided by the Bank and Vendor Complete asset inventory (under the scope of this RFP) including replacement of Hardware component on account of failure is the responsibility of Vendor

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3.7.7 Handover Services

Physical and Virtual Tape Library handover services are the services provided by Bidder to Bank during the handover period of 15 days which will start after completion of operationalization of Physical and Virtual Tape Library to facilitate an orderly transfer of the Services to Bank and/ or Managed Service Provider of the Bank

Physical and Virtual Tape Library handover services, to be provided by the bidder to the Bank and/ or MSP of the Bank shall include the following but not limited to:

- The Bidder shall suitably and adequately train the Bank's and its MSP team for fully and effectively manning, operating and maintaining the Physical and Virtual Tape Library.
- The Bidder shall provide such necessary information, documentation to the Bank or its designee, for the effective management and maintenance of the deliverables under this RFP. Bidder shall provide all updated documentation (in English) in electronic form where available or otherwise a single hardcopy of all existing procedures, policies and programs required for Physical and Virtual Tape Library Services. Such documentation shall include but not limited to:
 - a) Standard Operating Procedures of all the equipment's/ hardware/ software installed at DC
 - b) Listing of all process being monitored with their monitoring frequency
- Bidder shall provide inventory details for Physical and Virtual Tape Library assets including licenses.
- All trainings that the Bank feels are necessary to be imparted to the Bank or its designated personnel / bidder.
- The Bidder agrees that the Transfer to Bank and/ or its MSP shall be completed within 15 days post the completion of Installation of Physical and Virtual Tape Library (8 weeks), during which the Bidder shall adequately supervise the hand-over of the various components of the Bidder's functions under this RFP.
- Bidder must consult with Bank on any Third Party Contracts between Bidder and Third Parties that are necessary or useful for Bank or a Third Party to perform the Services and arrange for transfer or assignment of such Third Party Contracts that Bank wishes to have transferred or assigned to Bank or a Third Party designated by Bank on commercially reasonable terms mutually acceptable to both Parties.
- All the warranties held by or in the name of the Bidder shall be assigned or transferred "As Is" in the name of the Bank. The Bidder shall execute any and all such documents as may be necessary in this regard.
- The Parties shall return confidential information and will sign-off and acknowledge the return of such confidential information.
- Bidder shall provide all other Services as may be agreed by the Parties in connection with the Network Handover Services.



- The Bidder recognizes that considering the enormity of the Assignment, the Handover Services listed herein are only indicative in nature and the Bidder agrees to provide all assistance and services required for fully and effectively handing over the Services provided by the Bidder under this RFP and subsequent Agreement, upon termination or expiration thereof, for any reason whatsoever.
- Post the handover process the bidder shall continue to provide necessary support and services during warranty and AMC period for all the components supplied and installed as per the RFP terms including SLA.
- Handover Process of hardware directly done by Bidder / OEM
- During the contract period, if there is an upgrade done by vendor is to be transferred to MSP, a knowledge transfer process needs to be followed so that the MSP can take over the support the hardware smoothly.
- MSP deploys the following process to be jointly followed by Bank and MSP for a smooth hand over of the hardware to MSP team.
 - Early engagement with MSP team
 - For a proper planning, MSP proposes that critical information like proposed upgrade schedule, details about the proposed changes etc. to be shared with MSP team in advance by Bank
 - An early review of any the change by MSP technical team including changes in h/w, s/w so that MSP team can perform impact analysis of the proposed change. MSP will also propose any changes to be required for optimal performance of the change. Documentation required for such an analysis by MSP team to be provided by Bank/3P/OEM
 - Jointly define an acceptance criteria for the upgrade/change depending upon the nature of the upgrade/change
 - Knowledge transfer phase activities
 - Note: Though the key guidelines are given below, both MSP and Bank will agree on the requirements for minor and major changes/releases.
 - Mutually agree on the knowledge transfer schedule
 - Bank to provide requirement documents, design documents, test case documents, other hardware sizing done if applicable in advance to MSP team so that MSP team can prepare for the knowledge transfer.
 - > Bank to Provide the latest test results and list of any critical and other open issues
 - Bank to provide performance testing results, if applicable
 - Knowledge transfer to MSP team, by the technical teams from Bank, OEM, 3rd Party as applicable
 - Joint sanity checking by MSP team and Bank/OEM/3P team to ensure the acceptability of the hardware changes/upgrade.
 - In the event of performance issues or other critical issues are observed during sanity checking, the same has to be resolved by Vendor/OEM/3P before MSP can take up the support of the changed/upgraded application meeting the service level requirements.



- For complex upgrades/changes done to the existing hardware, a cool off period to be applied before SLA can be applied. This is over and above the 1 month knowledge transfer mandated in the RFP. The need of the cool off period can be mutually discussed and agreed based on the complexity of the upgrade
- The scope of MSP is to only coordinate and front end the data center operations for the components supplied by the bidder.

The cost for handover if any should be part of the commercial offer.

During this handover the Bidder would transfer all knowledge, knowhow and other things necessary for the Bank and / or its MSP to take over and continue to manage the Physical and Virtual Tape Library.

The Bidder agrees that in the event of cancellation or exit or expiry of the contract it would extend all necessary support to the Bank or its selected bidders as would be required.

3.7.8 Payment Terms

The bidder must accept the payment terms proposed by the Bank. The commercial bid submitted by the bidders must be in conformity with the payment terms proposed by the Bank. Any deviation from the proposed payment terms would not be accepted. The Bank shall have the right to withhold any payment due to the bidder, in case of delays or defaults on the part of the bidder. Such withholding of payment shall not amount to a default on the part of the Bank. If any of the items / activities as mentioned in the price bid is not taken up by the bank during the course of the assignment, the bank will not pay the cost of such items and professional fees quoted by the bidder in the price bid against such activity / item.

The method and conditions of payments to be made to the successful bidder shall be:

A. Delivery of Hardware Components

- 1. 50% of the total cost of hardware on delivery of Physical and Virtual Tape Library plus 100% of GST. (wherever applicable) at actuals. The required documents to be provided along with original invoice:
 - a) Original delivery Challans duly stamped and signed by the Project Managers of the successful bidder and Bank.
 - b) In case of softwares, original License copies (if any)
- 2. 20% of total cost of hardware on successful installation of the Physical and Virtual Tape Library / software (if any)

SNR case - Wherever installation could not be carried out by the successful bidder due to the Bank's dependencies like Site not ready etc. even after 60 days beyond the date of delivery then the payment would be released, upon the successful bidder's submission of certificate from location concerned duly signed (with Bank's seal affixed) by the Bank Authority concerned on the Bank's dependencies like site is not ready etc. However, in such a case the successful bidder has to give an undertaking to complete installation within a week of being informed that the site is



ready.

In case of SNR case, 20% of total cost of hardware and GST (if any) after two months on delivery of Physical and Virtual Tape Library.

The required documents to be provided along with original invoice:

- a) Original installation reports duly stamped and signed by the Project Managers of the successful bidder and Bank.
- b) In Case of SNR Submission of certificate from location concerned duly signed (with Bank's seal affixed) by the Bank Authority concerned on the Bank's dependencies like site is not ready etc. along with an undertaking from bidder to complete installation within a week of being informed that the site is ready
- 3. Balance amount of 10% of total cost of hardware will be released on completion of warranty period plus 3 months or against bank guarantee in the format as specified in Annexure 15 Bank Guarantee for early release of retention money by a scheduled commercial bank other than Bank of Baroda valid for an equivalent amount valid for the period of warranty period plus 3 months.

B. Implementation Cost (OTC)

- ✓ 70% of the implementation cost after go- live sign off from Bank. Go Live Sign Off in the form of Acceptance Test should be signed by both Banks identified Project Manager & Successful Vendor representative.
- ✓ 30% of the implementation cost after Go-Live closure signoff from Bank. Successful Vendor has to ensure that detailed scope and deliverables are covered as part of Go-Live as per the detailed Statement of Work (SoW) signed between Bank and Successful Vendor. Go Live Closure Sign Off in the form of Final Acceptance Test should be signed by both Banks identified Project Manager & Successful Vendor representative. Operational Issues will be part of AMC Services and not part of Go-Live Sign Off.
- C. **AMC / ATS** AMC payments will be divided into four equal installments for the year and paid quarterly at the end of each quarter, on actuals. The payment will be on production of original invoice against receipt of satisfactory support report of previous quarter from Operations Managers of the Bank and Bank's Managed Service Provider. All the above documents to be duly signed by the authorized service delivery head of the bidder.

There shall be no escalation in the prices once the prices are fixed and agreed to by the Bank and the bidder. Payment will be released by IT Dept., Hyderabad as per above payment terms on submission of relevant documents.

The Bank will pay invoices within a period of 30 days from the date of receipt of undisputed invoices. Any dispute regarding the invoice will be communicated to the selected bidder within 15 days from the date of receipt of the invoice. After the dispute is resolved, Bank shall make payment within 30 days from the date the dispute stands resolved.

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3.8 Service Level Agreement and Non Disclosure Agreement

The successful bidder shall execute a) Service Level Agreement (SLA), which must include all the services and terms and conditions of the services to be extended as detailed herein, and as may be prescribed or recommended by the Bank and b) Non Disclosure Agreement (NDA). The successful bidder shall execute the SLA and NDA within 30 days from the date of acceptance of Purchase Order

All the expenses related to execution of the document such as the applicable stamp duty and registration charges if any shall be born by the vender.

3.9 Right to Reject Bids

Bank reserves the absolute and unconditional right to reject the response to this RFP if it is not in accordance with its requirements and no correspondence will be entertained by the Bank in the matter. The bid is liable to be rejected if:

- It is not in conformity with the instructions mentioned in the RFP document.
- It is not accompanied by the requisite Application Money and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD).
- It is not properly or duly signed.
- It is received through email.
- It is received after expiry of the due date and time.
- It is incomplete including non- furnishing the required documents.
- It is evasive or contains incorrect information.
- There is canvassing of any kind.
- It is submitted anywhere other than the place mentioned in the RFP
- Any form of canvassing/lobbying/influence/query regarding short listing, status etc will be a disqualification.



4. General Terms and Conditions

4.1 Governing Laws

The subsequent contract shall be governed and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of India applicable to the contracts made and to be performed therein, and both Parties shall agree that in respect of any dispute arising upon, over or in respect of any of the terms of this Agreement, only the courts in Mumbai shall have exclusive jurisdiction to try and adjudicate such disputes to the exclusion of all other courts.

4.2 **Confidentiality**

The Parties acknowledge that in the course of performing the obligations under this Tender and subsequent Agreement, each party shall be exposed to or acquire information of the other party, which such party shall treat as confidential. Neither party shall disclose the Confidential Information to a third party.

"Confidential Information" means any and all information that is or has been received by the "Receiving Party" from the "Disclosing Party" and that:

- Relates to the Disclosing Party; and
- is designated by the Disclosing Party as being confidential or is disclosed in circumstances where the Receiving Party would reasonably understand that the disclosed information would be confidential or
- Is prepared or performed by or on behalf of the Disclosing Party by its employees, officers, directors, agents, representatives or consultants.
- Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Confidential Information shall mean and include any information, data, analysis, compilations, notes, extracts, materials, reports, specifications or other documents or materials that may be shared by the Bank with the vendor.

"Confidential Materials" shall mean all tangible materials containing Confidential Information, including, without limitation, written or printed documents and computer disks or tapes whether machine or user readable.

Information disclosed pursuant to this clause will be subject to confidentiality for the term of contract plus two years. However, where Confidential Information relates to the Bank's data or data of the Bank customers, including but not limited to the Bank customers' or the Bank employees' personal data or such other information as the Bank is required by banking secrecy or such other laws to protect for an indefinite period, such Confidential Information shall be protected by the receiving party for an indefinite period or until such time when the receiving party no longer has access to the Confidential Information and has returned or destroyed all Confidential Information in its possession.

Nothing contained in this clause shall limit vendor from providing similar services to any third parties or reusing the skills, know-how and experience gained by the employees in providing the services contemplated under this clause, provided further that the vendor shall at no point use the Bank's confidential information or Intellectual property.



The Parties will, at all times, maintain confidentiality regarding the contents of this Tender and subsequent Agreement and proprietary information including any business, technical or financial information that is, at the time of disclosure, designated in writing as confidential, or would be understood by the Parties, exercising reasonable business judgment, to be confidential.

The Parties will keep in confidence and not disclose to any third party any and all Confidential Information available to the Parties, whether such information is given in writing or, is oral or visual, and whether such writing is marked to indicate the claims of ownership and/or secrecy or otherwise. Except as otherwise provided in this Tender, the Parties shall not use, nor reproduce for use in any way, any Confidential Information. The Parties agrees to protect the Confidential Information of the other with at least the same standard of care and procedures used to protect its own Confidential Information of similar importance but at all times using at least a reasonable degree of care.

If the vendor hires another person to assist it in the performance of its obligations under this RFP, or assigns any portion of its rights or delegates any portion of its responsibilities or obligations under this Tender and subsequent Agreement to another person, it shall cause its assignee or delegate to be bound to retain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information in the same manner as the vendor is bound to maintain the confidentiality.

The Receiving Party shall, at all times regard, preserve, maintain and keep as secret and confidential all Confidential Information and Confidential Materials of the Disclosing Party howsoever obtained and agrees that it shall not, without obtaining the written consent of the Disclosing Party:

- Disclose, transmit, reproduce or make available any such Confidential Information and materials to any person, firm, Company or any other entity other than its directors, partners, advisers, agents or employees, sub contractors and contractors who need to know the same for the purposes of supply, implementation and maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library as a part of the contract. The Receiving Party shall be responsible for ensuring that the usage and confidentiality by its directors, partners, advisers, agents or employees, sub contractors and contractors is in accordance with the terms and conditions and requirements of this Tender; or
- Unless otherwise agreed herein, use of any such Confidential Information and materials for its own benefit or the benefit of others or do anything prejudicial to the interests of the Disclosing Party or its customers or their projects.

In maintaining confidentiality hereunder the Receiving Party on receiving the confidential information and materials agrees and warrants that it shall:

- Take at least the same degree of care in safeguarding such Confidential Information and materials as it takes for its own confidential information of like importance and such degree of care shall be at least, that which is reasonably calculated to prevent such inadvertent disclosure
- Keep the Confidential Information and Confidential Materials and any copies thereof secure and in such a way so as to prevent unauthorized access by any third party



- Limit access to such Confidential Information and materials to those of its directors, partners, advisers, agents or employees, and contractors who are directly involved in the consideration/evaluation of the Confidential Information and bind each of its directors, partners, advisers, agents or employees, and contractors so involved to protect the Confidential Information and materials in the manner prescribed in this document.
- Upon discovery of any unauthorized disclosure or suspected unauthorized disclosure of Confidential Information, promptly inform the Disclosing Party of such disclosure in writing and immediately return to the Disclosing Party all such Information and materials, in whatsoever form, including any and all copies thereof
- The Receiving Party who receives the confidential information and materials agrees that on receipt of a written demand from the Disclosing Party
- a) Immediately return all written Confidential Information, Confidential materials and all copies thereof provided to, or produced by it or its advisers, as the case may be, which is in Receiving Party's possession or under its custody and control
- b) To the extent practicable, immediately destroy all analyses, compilations, notes, studies, memoranda or other documents prepared by it or its advisers to the extent that the same contain, reflect or derive from Confidential Information relating to the Disclosing Party
- c) So far as it is practicable to do so immediately expunge any Confidential Information relating to the Disclosing Party or its projects from any computer, word processor or other device in its possession or under its custody and control
- d) To the extent practicable, immediately furnish a certificate signed by its director or other responsible representative confirming that to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief, having made all proper enquiries the requirements of this paragraph have been fully complied with
- e) The rights in and to the data / information residing at the Bank's premises, including at the DRC even in the event of disputes shall at all times solely vest with the Bank

This shall not be applicable and shall impose no obligation on the receiving party with respect to any portion of Confidential Information which:

- a) was at the time received or which thereafter becomes, through no act or failure on the part of the receiving party, generally known or available to the public;
- b) is known to the receiving party at the time of receiving such information as evidenced by documentation then rightfully in the possession of the receiving party;
- c) is furnished by others to the receiving party without restriction of disclosure;
- d) is thereafter rightfully furnished to the receiving party by a third party without restriction by that third party on disclosure;



- e) has been disclosed pursuant to the requirements of law or by any court of competent jurisdiction, the rules and regulations of any recognized stock exchange or any enquiry or investigation by any governmental, statutory or regulatory body which is lawfully entitled to require any such disclosure provided that, so far as it is lawful and practical to do so prior to such disclosure, the Receiving Party shall promptly notify the Disclosing Party of such requirement with a view to providing the Disclosing Party an opportunity to obtain a protective order or to contest the disclosure or otherwise agree to the timing and content of such disclosure
- f) was independently developed by the receiving party without the help of the Confidential Information.

On termination of the Tender and subsequent Agreement, each party must immediately return to the other party or delete or destroy all Confidential Information of the other party and all notes and memoranda (including copies of them) containing Confidential Information of the other party in its possession or control save for that training materials and Documentation that has been provided to the Bank which is contemplated for continued realization of the benefit of the Services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Vendor may retain a copy of such information (but which shall not include customer data and Confidential Information) as may be necessary for archival purpose. Where Confidential Information relates to the Bank's data or data of the Bank customers, including but not limited to the Bank customers' or the Bank employees' personal data or such other information as the Bank is required by banking secrecy or such other laws to protect for an indefinite period, such Confidential Information shall be protected by the receiving party for an indefinite period or until such time when the receiving party no longer has access to the Confidential Information and has returned or destroyed all Confidential Information in its possession.

The Confidential Information and materials and all copies thereof, in whatsoever form shall at all times remain the property of the Disclosing Party and its disclosure under the contract shall not confer on the Receiving Party any rights whatsoever beyond those contained in the contract.

Without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which a Party may have, the Parties acknowledge and agree that damages would not be an adequate remedy for any breach of the clause and the remedies of injunction, specific performance and other equitable relief are appropriate for any threatened or actual breach of any such provision and no proof of special damages shall be necessary for the enforcement of the rights under this Clause. Further, breach of this Clause shall be treated as 'Material Breach' for the purpose of the contract.

Bidder will respect the confidentiality of all information given to it by the Bank and will not divulge such information to any third party or other units without the consent of the Bank. The confidentiality obligations shall survive the expiry or termination of the agreement between the vendor and the Bank.



4.3 Information Ownership

All information processed, stored, or transmitted by Vendor equipment belongs to the Bank. By having the responsibility to maintain the equipment, the Bidder does not acquire implicit access rights to the information or rights to redistribute the information. The Bidder understands that civil, criminal, or administrative penalties may apply for failure to protect information appropriately.

4.4 **Sensitive Information**

Any information considered sensitive must be protected by the Bidder from unauthorized disclosure, modification or access.

Types of sensitive information that will be found on Bank's systems the Bidder may support or have access to include, but are not limited to: Information subject to special statutory protection, legal actions, disciplinary actions, complaints, IT security, pending cases, civil and criminal investigations, etc.

4.5 **Privacy and Security Safeguards**

The Bidder shall not publish or disclose in any manner, without the Bank's prior written consent, the details of any security safeguards designed, developed, or implemented by the Bidder or existing at any Bank location. The Bidder shall develop procedures and implementation plans to ensure that IT resources leaving the control of the assigned user (such as being reassigned, removed for repair, replaced, or upgraded) are cleared of all Bank data and sensitive application software. The Bidder shall also ensure that all subcontractors who are involved in providing such security safeguards or part of it shall not publish or disclose in any manner, without the Bank's prior written consent, the details of any security safeguards designed, developed, or implemented by the Bidder or existing at any Bank location.

4.6 **Dispute Resolution**

The Bank and the vendor shall make every effort to resolve amicably, by direct informal negotiation between the respective project managers / directors of the Bank and the vendor, any disagreement or dispute arising between them under or in connection with the contract.

If the Bank project manager / director and vendor project manager / director are unable to resolve the dispute after thirty days from the commencement of such informal negotiations, they shall immediately escalate the dispute to the senior authorized personnel designated by the vendor and Bank respectively.

If after thirty days from the commencement of such negotiations between the senior authorized personnel designated by the vendor and Bank, the Bank and the vendor have been unable to resolve contractual dispute amicably, either party may require that the dispute be referred for resolution through formal arbitration.



All questions, disputes or differences arising under and out of, or in connection with the contract or carrying out of the work whether during the progress of the work or after the completion and whether before or after the determination, abandonment or breach of the contract shall be referred to arbitration by a sole Arbitrator acceptable to both parties OR the number of arbitrators shall be three, with each side to the dispute being entitled to appoint one arbitrator. The two arbitrators appointed by the parties shall appoint a third arbitrator shall act as the chairman of the proceedings. Arbitration will be carried out at Bank's office that placed the order. The Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 or any statutory modification thereof shall apply to the arbitration proceedings.

The arbitral award shall be in writing, state the reasons for the award, and be final and binding on the parties. The award may include an award of costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements. Judgment upon the award may be entered by any court having jurisdiction thereof or having jurisdiction over the relevant Party or its assets.

In the event of any dispute and or the commencement of arbitration proceedings the successful Bidder shall continue to provide the Deliverables and the Services in accordance with this Tender and subsequent Agreement and shall maintain the agreed Service levels.

4.7 Force Majeure

The vendor shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, liquidated damages, penalties or termination for default, if any 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 explicitly beyond the reasonable control of the vendor and not involving the vendor's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events are Acts of God or of public enemy, acts of Government of India in their sovereign capacity, strikes, political disruptions, bandhs, riots, civil commotions and acts of war.

If a Force Majeure situation arises, the vendor shall promptly notify the Bank in writing of such conditions and the cause thereof within fifteen calendar days. Unless otherwise directed by the Bank in writing, the vendor shall continue to perform vendor's obligations under this Agreement as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the Force Majeure event.

If the duration of delay continues beyond a period of three months, the Bank and vendor shall hold consultations in an endeavor to find a solution to the problem.

4.8 **Termination**

- 4.8.1 Bank shall have option to terminate / cancel this RFP at any stage without any prier notice.
- 4.8.2 In following events Bank shall terminate this assignment or cancel any particular order if Vendor:
- 4.8.3 breaches any of its obligations set forth in this assignment or any subsequent agreement and Such breach is not cured within thirty (30) Working Days after Bank gives written notice; or



- failure by Vendor to provide Bank, within thirty (30) Working Days, with a reasonable plan to cure such breach, which is acceptable to the Bank. Or
- The progress regarding execution of the contract/ services rendered by the Service Provider is not as per the prescribed time line, and found to be unsatisfactory.
- Supply of sub standard materials/ services ;
- Delay in delivery / installation / commissioning of services.
- If deductions of penalty exceeds more than 10% of the total contract price.
- 4.8.4 This Tender or subsequent Agreement shall be deemed to have been terminated by either Party one day prior to the happening of the following events of default:
- The other Party becomes unable to pay its debt as they fall due or otherwise enters into any composition or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors or any class thereof;
- A liquidator or a receiver is appointed over all or a substantial part of the undertaking, assets or revenues of the other Party and such appointment continues for a period of twenty one (21) days;
- The other Party is subject of an effective resolution for its winding up other than a voluntary winding up for the purpose of reconstruction or amalgamation upon terms previously approved in writing by the other Party; or

The other Party becomes the subject of a court order for its winding up.

Not withstanding above, in case of change of policy or any unavoidable circumstances Bank reserve the right to terminate this assignment or any subsequent agreement and / or any particular order, in whole or in part by giving Vendor at least 90 days prior notice in writing.

The Bank reserves its right to cancel the order in the event of one or more of the following situations, that are not occasioned due to reasons solely and directly attributable to the Bank alone and it will be considered as a breach of obligations of vendor:

- Delay in implementation beyond the specified period that is agreed in the contract that will be signed with the successful vendor.
- Discrepancy in the quality of service / security expected during the implementation, rollout and subsequent maintenance process.
- The amount of penalties has exceeded the overall cap of 5% of the total contract value in any year during the contract period.
- Failure of the vendor make good the situation within the remedy period
- Amount of total penalties exceed overall cap of 20% of the fixed quarterly payment in any quarter
- The selected vendor commits a breach of any of the terms and conditions of the RFP / contract.



The Vendor understands the largeness of this Project and that it would require tremendous commitment of financial and technical resources for the same from the Vendor for the tenure of this Tender and subsequent Agreement. The Parties therefore agree and undertake that an exit at any point in time resulting due to expiry or termination of this Tender and subsequent Agreement for any reason whatsoever would be a slow process over a period of six (6) months, after the completion of the notice period of three (3) months. During this period, the Vendor shall continue to provide the Deliverables and the Services in accordance with this Tender and subsequent Agreement and subsequent and shall maintain the agreed Service levels.

Immediately upon the date of expiration or termination of the Agreement, Bank shall have no further obligation to pay any fees for any periods commencing on or after such date.

Without prejudice to the rights of the Parties, upon termination or expiry of subsequent Agreement, Bank shall pay to Vendor, within thirty (30) days of such termination or expiry, of the following:

All the undisputed fees outstanding till the date of termination;

Upon the termination or expiry of this Tender and subsequent Agreement:

- The rights granted to Vendor shall immediately terminate.
- Upon Bank's request, with respect to (i) any agreements for maintenance, disaster recovery services or other third-party services, and any Deliverables not owned by the Vendor, being used by Vendor to provide the Services and (ii) the assignable agreements, Vendor shall, use its reasonable commercial endeavors to transfer or assign such agreements and Vendor Equipment to Bank and its designee(s) on commercially reasonable terms mutually acceptable to both Parties.
- Upon Bank's request in writing, Vendor shall be under an obligation to transfer to Bank or its designee(s) the Deliverables being used by Vendor to perform the Services free and clear of all liens, security interests, or other encumbrances at a value calculated as stated.

In the event the Bank terminates the Contract in whole or in part, the Bank may, among other applicable remedies, procure Goods, Works or Services similar to those undelivered upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, and hold the Vendor liable to the Bank for any excess costs for such similar Goods, Works or Services. However, the Vendor shall continue performance of the Contract to the extent not terminated.

The Bank will provide the selected vendor a remedy period of 30 days to rectify a default or given situation. The Bank will provide in writing the nature of the default to the selected vendor through a letter or mail correspondence. The 90 day time period will commence from the day the Bank has sent such correspondence to the selected vendor.

In case of order cancellation, any payments made by the Bank to the Vendor for unacceptable deliverables would necessarily have to be returned to the Bank with interest @ 15% per annum from the date of each such payment. These payments to be returned would refer to those deliverables that will have to be reversed or redone post the termination of the vendor.

As part of Reverse Transition Services, Bank shall have the right, and Vendor shall not object to or interfere with such right, to contract directly with any Vendor's subcontractor.



4.9 **Contract Review and Effect of Termination**

The Bank desires to appoint the successful vendor for a total period of 5 years, considering the effort and investments required in the arrangement. However, understanding the complexities of the entire arrangement would like to safe guard the interests of all the entities involved in the arrangement. Therefore, the Bank would like to have options to revisit the arrangements and terms of contract as well as to re-price the same after the contract term on mutually agreed terms if necessary.

The Bank expects the benefits from any un-anticipated decrease in technology infrastructure costs, over the term of the contract due to reduction of prices, efficient use of IT infrastructure / reduction of statutory charges, etc. and operations management methods that yield more efficient operations, to be passed on through re-negotiation. No conflict between the successful vendor and the Bank will cause cessation of services. Only by mutual consent the services can be withdrawn. This would include a well-defined reverse transition mechanism, which would normally require 3 to 6 months and will contain

- Procedures for transition and migrating to the new service provider
- Time frame for parallel run

Skill transfer mechanism and in specific cases the human resources requirement.

4.10 Subcontracting

The vendor shall not subcontract or permit anyone other than its personnel to perform any of the work, service or other performance required by it under this assignment without the prior written consent of Bank.

4.11 Indemnity

The Vendor shall indemnify the Bank, and shall always keep indemnified and hold the Bank, its employees, personnel, officers, directors, (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Personnel") harmless from and against any and all losses, liabilities, claims, actions, costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) relating to, resulting directly or indirectly from or in any way arising out of any claim, suit or proceeding brought against the Bank as a result of:

- Bank's authorized / bona fide use of the Deliverables and /or the Services provided by Vendor under this RFP; and/or
- an act or omission of the Vendor and/or its employees, agents, sub-contractors in performance of the obligations under this RFP; and/or
- claims made by employees or subcontractors or subcontractors' employees, who are deployed by the Vendor, against the Bank; and/or
- claims arising out of employment, non-payment of remuneration and non-provision of statutory benefits by the Vendor to its employees, its agents, contractors and sub contractors
- Material breach of any of the term of this RFP or breach of any representation or false representation or inaccurate statement or assurance or covenant or warranty of the Vendor under this RFP; and/or



- any or all Deliverables or Services infringing any patent, trademarks, copyrights or such other Intellectual Property Rights; and/or
- breach of confidentiality obligations of the Vendor contained in this RFP; and/or
- Negligence or gross misconduct attributable to the Vendor or its employees.

The Vendor shall at its own cost and expenses defend or settle any claim against the Bank that the Deliverables and Services delivered or provided under this RFP infringe a patent, utility model, industrial design, copyright, trade secret, mask work or trade mark in the country where the Deliverables and Services are used, sold or received,

- notifies the Vendor in writing as soon as practicable when the Bank becomes aware of the claim; and
- cooperates with the Vendor in the defense and settlement of the claims.

However, (i) the Vendor has sole control of the defense and all related settlement negotiations (ii) the Bank provides the Vendor with the assistance, information and authority reasonably necessary to perform the above and (iii) the Bank does not make any statements or comments or representations about the claim without the prior written consent of the Vendor, except where the Bank is required by any authority/regulator to make a comment/statement/representation.

If use of deliverables is prevented by injunction or court order because of any such claim or deliverables is likely to become subject of any such claim then the Vendor, after due inspection and testing and at no additional cost to the Bank, shall forthwith either 1) replace or modify the software / equipment with software / equipment which is functionally equivalent and without affecting the functionality in any manner so as to avoid the infringement; or 2) obtain a license for the Bank to continue the use of the software / equipment, as required by the Bank as per the terms and conditions of this Tender and subsequent Agreement and to meet the service levels; or 3) refund to the Bank the amount paid for the infringing software / equipment and bear the incremental costs of procuring a functionally equivalent software / equipment from a third party, provided the option under the sub clause (3) shall be exercised by the Bank in the event of the failure of the Vendor to provide effective remedy under options (1) to (2) within a reasonable period which would not affect the normal functioning of the Bank.

The Vendor shall not be liable for defects or non-conformance resulting from:

- Software, hardware, interfacing, or supplies for the solution not approved by Vendor; or
- any change, not made by or on behalf of the Vendor, to some or all of the software/deliverables supplied by the Vendor or modification thereof, provided the infringement is solely on account of that change;

Indemnity would cover damages, loss or liabilities suffered by the Bank arising out of claims made by regulatory authorities for reasons attributable to breach of obligations under this RFP and subsequent agreement by the Vendor.



In the event of successful vender does not fulfill its obligations under this clause within the period specified in the notice issued by the BOB, Bank has the right to recover the amounts due to it under this provision from any amount payable to the vendor under this project.

The indemnities under this clause are in addition to and without prejudice to the indemnities given elsewhere in this agreement.

4.12 Compliance with Laws

Compliance with all applicable laws: The vendor shall undertake to observe, adhere to, abide by, comply with and notify the Bank about all laws in force or as are or as made applicable in future, pertaining to or applicable to them, their business, their employees or their obligations towards them and all purposes of this tender.

Compliance in obtaining approvals/permissions/licenses: The vendor shall promptly and timely obtain all such consents, permissions, approvals, licenses, etc., as may be necessary or required for any of the purposes of this project or for the conduct of their own business under any applicable Law, Government Regulation/Guidelines and shall keep the same valid and in force during the term of the project, and in the event of any failure or omission to do so, shall indemnify, keep indemnified, hold harmless, defend, protect and fully compensate the Bank and its employees/ officers/ staff/ personnel/ representatives/agents from and against all claims or demands of liability and all consequences that may occur or arise for any default or failure on its part to conform or comply with the above and all other statutory obligations arising there from and the Bank will give notice of any such claim or demand of liability within reasonable time to the vendor.

The vendor is not absolved from its responsibility of complying with the statutory obligations as specified above. Indemnity shall exclude indirect, consequential and incidental damages.

4.13 Limitation of Liability

- 4.13.1 Service Provider's aggregate liability in connection with obligations undertaken as a part of the Agreement regardless of the form or nature of the action giving rise to such liability (whether in contract, tort or otherwise), shall be at actual and limited to the Total Contract Value.
- 4.13.2 Service Provider's liability in case of loss suffered by Bank on account of claims against the Bank resulting from Willful Misconduct or Gross Negligence arising due to infringement of patents, trademarks, copyrights or such other Intellectual Property Rights or breach of confidentiality obligations shall be unlimited.
- 4.13.3 Willful Misconduct" means any act or omission of a party which is willfully intended to harm the interests of the other party, provided however, that willful Misconduct does not include ordinary negligence, an error of judgment or mistake of a person.



- 4.13.4 "Gross Negligence" means an indifference to, and a blatant violation of a legal duty with respect to the rights of others, being a conscious and voluntary disregard of the need to use reasonable care, which is likely to cause foreseeable grave injury or harm to persons, property, or both. Gross negligence involves conduct that is extreme, when compared with ordinary negligence. A mere failure to exercise reasonable care shall not be a Gross negligence.
- 4.13.5 Bank shall not be held liable for and is absolved of any responsibility or claim / litigation arising out of the use of any third party software or modules supplied by Service Provider as part of procurement under the Agreement.

Under no circumstances shall either party be liable to the other for any loss of business, goodwill or profits even if such party has been advised of such damages

4.14 Visitorial Rights

The Bank and its authorized representatives, including Reserve Bank of India (RBI) or any other regulator shall have the right to visit any of the vendor's premises without prior notice to ensure that data provided by the Bank is not misused. The vendor shall cooperate with the authorized representative/s of the Bank and shall provide all information/ documents required by the Bank/ RBI / any other regulator failing which the vendor will be liable to pay any charges/ penalty levied by RBI/ any other regulator.

4.15 Inspection of Records

All vendor records with respect to any matters covered by this RFP shall be made available to auditors and or inspecting officials of the Bank and/or Reserve Bank of India and/or any regulatory authority, at any time during normal business hours, as often as the Bank deems necessary, to audit, examine, and make excerpts or transcripts of all relevant data. Said records are subject to examination. Bank's auditors would execute confidentiality agreement with the vendor provided that the auditors would be permitted to submit their findings to the Bank, which would be used by the Bank. The cost of the audit will be borne by the Bank. The scope of such audit would be limited to Service Levels being covered under the contract, and financial information would be excluded from such inspection, which will be subject to the requirements of statutory and regulatory authorities. Bank/ Bank's appointed External auditors/ Regulators have right to audit and right to examine the facilities, activities and assets (hardware and software).

4.16 Assignment

The vendor agrees that the vendor shall not be entitled to assign any or all of its rights and or obligations under this Tender and subsequent Agreement to any entity including vendor's affiliate without the prior written consent of the Bank.

If the Bank undergoes a merger, amalgamation, takeover, consolidation, reconstruction, change of ownership, etc., this RFP along with the subsequent Addendums published shall be considered to be assigned to the new entity and such an act shall not affect the rights of the vendor under this RFP.

4.17 Publicity

Request for Proposal for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library



Any publicity relating to the work to be carried out in BANK is strictly prohibited. No information of any nature related to this project shall be disclosed to any third party unless otherwise necessary prior permission to Bank. All the bidders must give a declaration in this regard duly signed by them.

4.18 Solicitation of Employees

Both the parties agree not to hire, solicit, or accept solicitation (either directly, indirectly, or through a third party) for their employees directly involved in this contract during the period of the contract and one year thereafter, except as the parties may agree on a caseby-case basis. The parties agree that for the period of the contract and one year thereafter, neither party will cause or permit any of its directors or employees who have knowledge of the agreement to directly or indirectly solicit for employment the key personnel working on the project contemplated in this proposal except with the written consent of the other party.

The above restriction would not apply to either party for hiring such key personnel who (i) initiate discussions regarding such employment without any direct or indirect solicitation by the other party (ii) respond to any public advertisement placed by either party or its affiliates in a publication of general circulation or (iii) has been terminated by a party prior to the commencement of employment discussions with the other party.

4.19 Notices and other Communication

If a notice has to be sent to either of the parties following the signing of the contract, it has to be in writing and shall be sent personally or by certified or registered post with acknowledgement due or overnight courier or email duly transmitted, facsimile/fax transmission (with hard copy to follow for email/fax), addressed to the other party at the addresses, email and fax number given in the contract.

Notices shall be deemed given upon receipt, except that notices send by registered post in a correctly addressed envelope shall be deemed to be delivered within 5 working days (excluding Sundays and public holidays) after the date of mailing dispatch and in case the communication is made by facsimile transmission or email, on business date immediately after the date of successful facsimile/email transmission (that is, the sender has a hard copy of a confirmation page evidencing that the facsimile was completed in full to the correct fax number or email sent to correct email address).

Any Party may change the address, email address and fax number to which notices are to be sent to it, by providing written notice to the other Party in one of the manners provided in this section.

4.20 Waiver



No failure or delay on the part of either party relating to the exercise of any right power privilege or remedy provided under this tender document or subsequent agreement with the other party shall operate as a waiver of such right power privilege or remedy or as a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach by the other party nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right power privilege or remedy preclude any other or further exercise of such or any other right power privilege or remedy provided in this tender document all of which are several and cumulative and are not exclusive of each other or of any other rights or remedies otherwise available to either party at law or in equity.

4.21 Severability

If any term or provision or clause of the Agreement (to be executed under this RFP) is declared invalid, illegal or unenforceable to any person the remainder of this Agreement shall be unimpaired and the invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision shall be replaced by such valid term or provision as comes closest to the intention underlying the invalid term or provision and that term or provision shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

4.22 Vendor's Design Liability

The Vendor shall carry out all and any works and services to give sufficient details for the construction or installation of the Works so as to ensure that the materials/equipment selected by the Vendor is in compliance with the Contract requirements, particularly those in the Project Overview and Technical Summary and on the Drawings, and the Works are workable as a whole in compliance with the performance requirements of all testing and commissioning and integrated system tests as stipulated in the Contract.

4.23 No implied deviation

The Bank expects the vendor to adhere to the terms of this RFP document, Unless agreed to specifically by the Bank in writing for any changes to the tender document issued, the vendor responses would not be incorporated automatically in the tender document.

All responses including commercial and technical bids would be deemed to be irrevocable offers/proposals from the vendors and may be accepted by the Bank to form part of final contract between the Bank and the selected vendor. Vendors are requested to attach a letter from an authorized signatory attesting the veracity of information provided in the responses. Unsigned responses would be treated as incomplete and are liable to be rejected.

The bids submitted by related parties

If related parties (as defined below) submit more than one bid then both /all bids submitted by related parties are liable to be rejected at any stage at Bank's discretion:

- a) Bids submitted by holding company and its subsidiary company;
- b) Bids submitted by two or more companies having common director/s
- c) Bids submitted by two or more partnership firms / LLPs having common partners



- d) Bids submitted by companies in the same group of promoters/management
- e) In the case of software or hardware Either the Indian agent on behalf of the principal/ OEM or Principal/ OEM itself can bid but both cannot bid simultaneously for the same solution in this tender. If an agent submits bid on behalf of the Principal/ OEM, the same agent cannot submit a bid on behalf of another Principal/ OEM in this tender for the same solution.

4.24 Governing Laws

4.24.1 This RFP and The subsequent contract shall be governed and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of India. both Parties shall agree that in respect of any dispute arising upon, over or in respect of any of the terms of this Agreement, only the courts in Mumbai shall have exclusive jurisdiction to try and adjudicate such disputes to the exclusion of all other courts.

Bank of Baroda reserves the right to:

- a) Reject any and all responses received in response to the RFP
- b) Waive or Change any formalities, irregularities or inconsistencies in proposal format delivery
- c) Extend the time for submission of all proposals
- d) Select the most responsive bidder (in case no bidder satisfies the eligibility criteria in totality)
- e) Select the next most responsive bidder if negotiations with the bidder of choice fail to result in an agreement within a specified time frame.
- f) Share the information/ clarifications provided in response to RFP by any bidder, with any other bidder(s) /others, in any form.
- g) Cancel the RFP/Tender at any stage, without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- h) Change the time schedule of the RFP for inviting the bids or evaluation thereof
- i) Modify the quantity or any specifications related to eligibility or technicalities.

no obligation to accept the lowest or any other offer received in response to the RFP and shall be entitled to reject any or all of the offers. Bank has full rights to reissue the tender / bid for any reasons felt necessary by the Bank. The Bank's decision in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the Bidder.



5. Disclaimer

Subject to any law to the contrary, and to the maximum extent permitted by law, the Bank and its directors, officers, employees, contractors, representatives, agents, and advisers disclaim all liability from any loss, claim, expense (including, without limitation, any legal fees, costs, charges, demands, actions, liabilities, expenses or disbursements incurred therein or incidental thereto) or damage, (whether foreseeable or not) ("Losses") suffered by any person acting on or refraining from acting because of any presumptions or information (whether oral or written and whether express or implied), including forecasts, statements, estimates, or projections contained in this RFP document or conduct ancillary to it whether or not the Losses arises in connection with any ignorance, negligence, inattention, casualness, disregard, omission, default, lack of care, immature information, falsification or misrepresentation on the part of the Bank or any of its directors, officers, employees, contractors, representatives, agents, or advisers..



6. Instructions to Vendors - E TENDERING

6.1 **General Instructions:**

To view the Tender Document along with this Notice and subsequently purchase the Tender Document and its supporting documents, kindly visit following e-Tendering website of Bank of Baroda:https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com

The Vendors participating first time for e-Tendering on Bank of Baroda e-tendering portal will have to complete the Online Registration Process on the e-Tendering portal. A link for enrolment of new vendors has been provided on the above link. All prequalified vendors interested in participating in the online e-Tendering process are required to procure Class II or Class III Digital e-Token having -2- certificates inside it, one for Signing/Verification purpose and another for Encryption/Decryption purpose. The tender should be prepared & submitted online using the vendor's authorized individual's (Individual certificate is allowed for proprietorship firms) Digital e-Token.

If any assistance is required regarding e-Tendering (registration / upload / download/ Bid Preparation / Bid Submission) please contact Bank of Baroda e-Tendering Help Desk on: 079-40270579/80/59/96 or mail: support@abcprocure.com / rfp.it.procurement@bankofbaroda.com.

Note: please note Support team will be contacting through email and whenever required through phone call as well. Depending on nature of assistance support team will contact on the priority basis. It will be very convenient for bidder to schedule their online demo in advance with support team to avoid last minute rush.

6.2 **Purchase and Downloading of Tender Document**

The tender document is uploaded / released on Bank of Baroda, (BOB) website. Tender document and supporting documents may be downloaded from above link also. Subsequently, bid has to be prepared and submitted ONLINE ONLY as per the schedule given in Notice Details. The Tender document will be available online only. Tender document will not be sold / issued manually.

Only those Tender offers shall be accepted for evaluation for which non-refundable Application Money and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) is deposited as per the terms mentioned in this RFP.

6.3 **Preparation & Submission of Bids**

The Bids (Eligibility Cum Technical as well as Commercial) shall have to be prepared and subsequently submitted online only. Bids not submitted "ON LINE" shall be summarily rejected. No other form of submission shall be permitted.



- 7. Guidelines to Contractors on the operations of Electronic Tendering System of Bank of Baroda (https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com /)
- 7.1 Pre-requisites to participate in the Tenders processed by BOB:

7.1.1 Registration of Contractors on Electronic Tendering System on Portal of BOB:

The Contractors Non Registered in BANK OF BARODA and interested in participating in the e-Tendering process of BOB shall be required to enroll on the Electronic Tendering System. To enroll contractor has to generate User ID and password on the (https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com)

i) Registration of New Contractors:

https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com/EPROC/bidderregistration

The Contractors may obtain the necessary information on the process of Enrollment either from Helpdesk Support Team: 079-40270579/80/59/96 or may download User Manual from Electronic Tendering System for **BOB**. i.e. https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com

7.2 **Preparation of Bid & Guidelines and functionalities of Digital Certificate**

The Bid Data that is prepared online is required to be encrypted and the hash value of the Bid Data is required to be signed electronically using a Digital Certificate (Class – II or Class – III). This is required to maintain the security of the Bid Data and also to establish the identity of the Contractor transacting on the System. This Digital Certificate should be having Two Pair (1. Sign Verification 2. Encryption/ Decryption)

The Digital Certificates are issued by an approved Certifying Authority authorized by the Controller of Certifying Authorities of Government of India through their Authorized Representatives upon receipt of documents required to obtain a Digital Certificate.

Bid data / information for a particular Tender may be submitted only using the Digital Certificate.

Certificate which is used to encrypt the data / information and Signing Digital Certificate to sign the hash value during the Online Submission of Tender stage. In case, during the process of preparing and submitting a Bid for a particular Tender, the Contractor loses his / her Digital Signature Certificate (i.e. due to virus attack, hardware problem, operating system problem); he / she may not be able to submit the Bid online. Hence, the Users are advised to store his / her Digital Certificate securely and if possible, keep a backup at safe place under adequate security to be used in case of need.

In case of online tendering, if the Digital Certificate issued to an Authorized User of a Partnership Firm is used for signing and submitting a bid, it will be considered equivalent to a no objection certificate / power of attorney to that User to submit the bid on behalf of the Partnership Firm. The Partnership Firm has to authorize a specific individual via an authorization certificate signed by a partner of the firm (and in case the applicant is a partner, another partner in the same form is required to authorize) to use the digital certificate as per *Indian Information Technology Act, 2000*.

Unless the Digital Certificate is revoked, it will be assumed to represent adequate authority of the Authority User to bid on behalf of the Firm for the Tenders processed on



the Electronic Tender Management System of Bank of Baroda as per *Indian Information Technology Act, 2000*. The Digital Signature of this Authorized User will be binding on the Firm. It shall be the responsibility of Partners of the Firm to inform the Certifying Authority or Sub Certifying Authority, if the Authorized User changes, and apply for a fresh Digital Signature Certificate. The procedure for application of a Digital Signature Certificate will remain the same for the new Authorized User.

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 Director of the Company or the Reporting Authority of the Applicant.

The bidder should Ensure while procuring new digital certificate that they procure a pair of certificates (two certificates) one for the purpose of Digital Signature, Non-Repudiation and another for Key Encipherment.

7.2.1 Recommended Hardware and Internet Connectivity:

To operate on the Electronic Tendering System, the Bidder are recommended to use Computer System with at least 1 GB of RAM and broadband connectivity with minimum 512 kbps bandwidth. However, Computer Systems with latest i3 / i5 Intel Processors and 3G connection is recommended for better performance.

Operating System Requirement: Windows 7 and above

Browser Requirement (Compulsory): Internet Explorer Version 9 (32 bit) and above and System Access with Administrator Rights.

Toolbar / Add on / Pop up blocker

Users should ensure that there is no software installed on the computers which are to be used for using the website that might interfere with the normal operation of their Internet browser. Users have to ensure that they do not use any pop-up blockers, such as those provided by Internet Explorer and complementary software, like for example the Google tool bar. This might, in certain cases depending on users' settings, prevent the access of the EAS application.

7.3 Steps to be followed by Contractors to participate in the e-Tenders processed by BOB

7.3.1 Online viewing of Detailed Notice Inviting Tenders:

The Contractors can view the Detailed Tender Notice along with the Time Schedule (Key Dates) for all the Live Tenders released by BOB on the home page of BOB e-Tendering Portal on https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com

7.3.2 **Download of Tender Documents:**

The Pre-qualification / Main Bidding Documents are available for free downloading. However to participate in the online tender, the bidder must purchase the bidding documents via Demand Draft mode by filling the cost of tender form fee.



7.3.3 **Online Submission of Tender:**

Submission of Bids will be preceded by Online Submission of Tender with digitally signed Bid Hashes (Seals) within the Tender Time Schedule (Key dates) published in the Detailed Notice Inviting Tender. The Bid Data is to be prepared in the templates provided by the Tendering Authority of BOB. The templates may be either form based, extensible tables and / or uploadable documents. In the form based type of templates and extensible table type of templates, the Contractors are required to enter the data and encrypt the data/documents using the Digital Certificate / Encryption Tool.

In case Uploadable document type of templates, the Contractors are required to select the relevant document / compressed file (containing multiple documents) already uploaded in the briefcase.

Notes:

- a. The Contractors upload a single documents uploadable option.
- b. The Bid hash values are digitally signed using valid class II or Class III Digital Certificate issued any Certifying Authority. The Contractors are required to obtain Digital Certificate in advance.
- c. The bidder may modify bids before the deadline for Online Submission of Tender as per Time Schedule mentioned in the Tender documents.
- d. This stage will be applicable during both. Pre-bid / Pre-qualification and Financial Bidding Processes.

The documents submitted by bidders must be encrypted using document encryption tool which available for download under Download section on https://bobtenders.abcprocure.com

Steps to encrypt and upload a document:

- Select Action: Encryption -> Tender ID: (enter desired tender ID) -> Envelope: (Technical / Price Bid) -> Add File: (Select desired document to be encrypted) -> Save File(s) to: (select desired location for encrypted file to save).
- After successful encryption, format of encrypted file will change to .enc which is required to be uploaded by bidders.
- After encryption bidders are required to upload document as per the mandatory list mentioned in the envelope i.e Technical / Commercial.

Note: BOB and ETL shall not be liable & responsible in any manner whatsoever for my/our failure to access & bid on the e-tender platform due to loss of internet connectivity, electricity failure, virus attack, problems with the PC, any other unforeseen circumstances etc. before or during the event. Bidders are advised to ensure system availability and prepare their bid well before time to avoid last minute rush. Bidder can fix a call with support team members in case guidance is required by calling on above numbers.

Bidders need to take extra care while mentioning tender ID, entering incorrect ID will not allow bank to decrypt document.



7.3.4 Close for Bidding:

After the expiry of the cut- off time of Online Submission of Tender stage to be completed by the Contractors has lapsed, the Tender will be closed by the Tender Authority.

7.3.5 **Online Final Confirmation:**

After submitting all the documents bidders need to click on "Final Submission" tab. System will give pop up "You have successfully completed your submission" that assures submission completion

7.3.6 Short listing of Contractors for Financial Bidding Process:

The Tendering Authority will first open the Technical Bid documents of all Contractors and after scrutinizing these documents will shortlist the Contractors who are eligible for Financial Bidding Process. The short listed Contractors will be intimated by email.

7.3.7 **Opening of the Financial Bids:**

The Contractors may remain present in the office of the Tender Opening Authority at the time of opening of Financial Bids. However, the results of the Financial Bids of all Contractors shall be available on the BOB e-Tendering Portal after the completion of opening process.

7.3.8 **Tender Schedule (Key Dates):**

The Contractors are strictly advised to follow the Dates and Times as indicated in the Time Schedule in the detailed tender Notice for the Tender. All the online activities are time tracked and the electronic Tendering System enforces time-locks that ensure that no activity or transaction can take place outside the Start and End Dates and time of the stage as defined in the Tender Schedule.

At the sole discretion of the tender Authority, the time schedule of the Tender stages may be extended.



Annexure 01 - Table of Contents

Technical Bid envelope to contain the following

Secti on #	Section Heading	Proforma Given
1	Covering letter certifying compliance of Scope of Work for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library.	Bidder to provide
2	Credential letters / Supporting documents	Bidder to provide
3	Eligibility criteria compliance with bidder comments	Annexure 02
4	Application Money Transaction Details	Bidder to Provide
5	Bid Security Letter	Annexure 03
6	Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit) Or Bid Security Form (Earnest Money Deposit in the form of Bank Guarantee)	Bidder to provide Transaction Details Or DD Or Annexure 04
7	Undertaking from the bidder	Annexure 05
8	Conformity Letter	Annexure 07
9	Letter of Undertaking from OSD / OEM	Annexure 08
10	Undertaking of Information Security (Bidder & OEM)	Annexure 09
11	Executive Technical Summary	Bidder to provide
12	Technical Proposal: The proposal based on Technical Specification compliance should be submitted with pages properly numbered, each page signed and stamped.	Vendor to provide Annexure 10A & 10B along with covering all the scope mentioned in Annexure 10
13	Copy of the tender document along with annexures and addendum duly sealed and signed on all the pages of the document / digitally signed tender document.	Bidder to provide
14	Masked price bid (Please note that the masked price bid should be exact reflection of the commercial bid except that the masked price bid should not contain any financial information)	Annexure 12



Secti on #	Section Heading	Proforma Given
15	Integrity Pact (Dully Signed and Stamped by Authorized Signatory on proper stamp paper)	Annexure 16
16	Letter of authorization from the company authorizing the person to sign the tender response and related documents.	Bidder to provide
17	A certified copy of the resolution of Board, authenticated by Company Secretary/Director, authorizing an official/s of the company or a Power of Attorney copy to discuss, sign agreements/contracts with the Bank.	Bidder to provide
18	Make & Model of the Physical and Virtual Tape Library	Bidder to provide as per Annexure 17

Commercial Bid (Annexure13) must be sealed and singed by authorized signatory and must be encrypted through E-signer tool available on the portal https://bobtenders.auctiontiger.net.

The Commercial bid submission as part of the RFP response without encryption are liable to be rejected.

Authorized Signatory Name: Designation: Bidder's Corporate Name Address Email and Phone # Date:



Annexure 02 - Eligibility Criteria

Eligibility Criteria Compliance to be directly met by the Bidder and OEM

S No	Eligibility Criteria	Complied (Yes/No)	Supporting Required	
Α	General			
1	Bidder must be a Government Organization / PSU / PSE / partnership firm / LLP or private / public limited company in India at least for the last 5 years.		Documentary evidences to be attached.	
2	Bidder must have been in existence in business for a period of last 5 years (as on RFP date)	Articles of association (AoA) and other Documentary evidences to be attached		
3	Bidder must not be blacklisted / debarred by any Statutory, Regulatory or Government Authorities or Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs / PSBs) since 1 st April 2017 till date.		Letter of confirmation (self-certified letter signed by authorized official of the bidder).	
4	The Bidder to provide information that any of its subsidiary or associate or holding company or companies having common director/s or companies in the same group of promoters/management or partnership firms/LLPs having common partners has not participated in the bid process.		Letter of confirmation (self-certified letter signed by authorized official of the bidder)	
5	The Bidder to provide an undertaking on his letter head that all the technical features highlighted as part of Technical Scope are covered in totality in the proposal submitted by the bidder.		Letter of confirmation from bidder	
В	Financial			
B1	Below clause Applicable for the OEM whose p directly	product are o	quoted or OEM is bidding	
1	Must have registered a turnover of 150 Crores or above (from Indian / Global operations) in each year during the last three completed financial years 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18* (Not inclusive of the turnover of associate companies).		AuditedFinancialstatementsforthefinancial years2015-16,2016-17 and2017-18*.CertifiedletterfromCharteredAccountant.The CA certificateinthisregardshouldtentoyridersor	



S	6 Complied Contraction Description			
No	Eligibility Criteria	(Yes/No)	Supporting Required	
			qualification.	
2	Must have a net profit (after tax) making entity (from Indian / Global operations) continuously for the last three years, that is financial years – 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18*. OR Must be a cash profit making entity (Net profit + depreciation) (from Indian / Global operations only) continuously for the last three years, AND must have a positive net worth** of Rs. 10 Cr in each of the last three financial years. **Net worth is to be calculated as: Capital Funds (Paid up Equity Capital + Paid up preference		Audited Financial statements for the financial years 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18*. Certified letter from the Chartered Accountant. The CA certificate in this regard should be without any riders or	
	Shares + Free Reserve) – (Accumulated Balance of loss + Balance of deferred revenue expenditure + Other intangible assets).		qualification.	
B2	Below clause Applicable for the Bidder if sub	mitting bid a	is a partner of the OEM	
1	Must have registered a turnover of 100 Crores or above (from Indian Operations only) in each year during the last three completed financial years 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18*. (Not inclusive of the turnover of associate companies).		AuditedFinancialstatementsforthefinancial years2015-16,2016-17 and2017-18*.CertifiedletterfromCharteredAccountant.The CA certificate in thisregardshouldbewithoutanyridersorqualification.	
	Bidder must be net profit (after tax) making entity (from Indian operations only) continuously for the last three years, that is financial years – 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18*.		AuditedFinancialstatementsforthefinancialyears2015-16,2016-17and2017-18*.	
	OR		Certified letter from the	
2	Must be a cash profit making entity (Net profit + depreciation) (from Indian operations only) continuously for the last three years, AND must have a positive net worth** of Rs. 10 Cr in each of the last three financial years.		Chartered Accountant. The CA certificate in this regard should be without any riders or qualification.	
	**Net worth is to be calculated as: Capital Funds (Paid up Equity Capital + Paid up preference			



S No	Eligibility Criteria	Complied (Yes/No)	Supporting Required
	Shares + Free Reserve) – (Accumulated Balance of loss + Balance of deferred revenue expenditure + Other intangible assets).		
С	Others		
1	The Bidder should be the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or authorized partner of OEM for last 3 years for supply, installation & support under the proposed product category in India for past three years (from RFP date).		Certificate / Letter from OEM
	Bidder should have received ISO 9001:2008 AND		Copies of relevant Certificates
2	OEM should have received ISO 9001:2008 & 14001:2004 certifications for manufacturing facility from where the equipment will originate.		
3	Bidder must provide a letter of Authorization of OEM whose products is quoted for submitting the offer on behalf of the OEM.		Letter of Authorization from OEM
4	If OEM is bidding directly he cannot bid with any other bidder at the same time.		Letter of confirmation from both bidder and OEM.
5	Bidder must ensure that the Hardware to be supplied will not be End of Life in next 3 years and End of Support in next 5 years		Letter of undertaking from the OEM.
6	Bidder to have adequate stock of spares (at Mumbai & Hyderabad) of all items supplied and should be able to replace the faulty hardware within 4 hours from the time of incident reporting.		A self-Certified letter to be submitted.
D	Experience & Support Infrastructure		
	Bidder should have successfully delivered & installed minimum -05- numbers of Tape Library of the proposed OEM, whose products are quoted under this RFP.		Documentary Proof of order / contract copy / customer credentials.
1	at minimum -2- Data Centers / Disaster Recovery Centers (Data Centre/ Disaster Recovery Centre of single Organization will be considered as one Order) of Public Sector Banks / Commercial Banks / Financial Institutions / Government Organizations / Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) / Telecom sector in India, at each Data Center / Disaster Recovery		



S No	Eligibility Criteria	Complied (Yes/No)	Supporting Required
	Center, during last -5- Years (as on RFP date)		
3	Bidder must have experience in delivery, installation & Support for Tape Library of the same OEM whose products are quoted under this RFP) of Data Centre /or Disaster Recovery Centre for a period of last -5- Years (as on RFP date) in at least Two Public Sector Banks / Commercial Banks / Financial Institutions / Government Organizations/ Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) / Telecom Sector in India having network of minimum 1000 domestic branches.		Documentary Proof of Order / Contract copy and Customer credentials
4	Bidder should have direct support offices in Mumbai and Hyderabad and technically qualified engineers who have expertise in support and installations of the proposed product		Letter of confirmation

* If 2017-18 Financial Statements of any bidder is unaudited then Bank would consider the Audited Financial Statements of 2014-15 along with an undertaking letter from the bidder that the 2017-18 Statements are not audited.

All dates if not specified to be applicable from the date of the RFP.

Authorized Signatory Name: Designation: Vendor's Corporate Name Address Email and Phone #



Annexure 03 - Bid Security Letter

- 3. The Bidder specifically acknowledges and agrees that the Bidder has furnished his Bid on the understanding and condition that, if the Bidder:
 - a) Withdraws its Bid during the period of Bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Tender Documents or
 - b) Having been notified of the acceptance of its Bid by Bank of Baroda during the period of validity:
 - i. Fails or refuses to execute the contract form if required; or
 - ii. Fails or refuses to furnish the Performance Security, in accordance with the instruction to Bidders.

Bank of Baroda has the right to forfeit the entire Bid Security amount merely on the occurrence of one or more of the foregoing events without demur or a written demand or notice to the Bidder.

- 4 The Bid Security shall be returned to unsuccessful Bidders within thirty (30) days from the date of the award of contract to a successful Bidder. The Bid Security shall be returned to the successful Bidder upon furnishing of Performance Security in accordance with the instructions of the Bidder.
- 5 The Bidder undertakes that it will not cancel the Bid Security referred to above till the Bidder is returned the Bid Security from Bank of Baroda in accordance with the foregoing conditions.
- 6 The Bidder represents and warrants that the Bidder has obtained all necessary approvals, permissions and consents and has full power and authority to issue this Bid Security and perform its obligations hereunder, and the Bidder has taken all corporate, legal and other actions necessary or advisable to authorise the execution, delivery and performance of this Bid Security. The absence or deficiency of authority



or power on the part of the Bidder to issue this Bid Security or any irregularity in exercise of such powers shall not affect the liability of the Bidder under this Bid Security.

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

Place:

Date:

Seal and signature of the Bidder



Annexure 04 - Bid Security Form

(FORMAT OF BANK GUARANTEE (BG) IN LIEU OF EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT)

То

Chief Technology Officer Bank of Baroda Baroda Sun Tower Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

WHEREAS ______ (hereinafter called "the Bidder") has submitted its bid dated______ (date of submission of bid) for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library in response to Request for Proposal (RFP) No. ______ (hereinafter called "the Bid") issued by Bank of Baroda.

KNOW ALL PEOPLE by these presents that WE_____(name of bank) of ______(name of country) having our registered office at______(address of bank) (hereinafter called "the Bank") are bound unto Bank of Baroda (hereinafter called "the Purchaser") in the sum of______ for which payment will and truly to be made to the said Purchaser, the Bank binds itself, its successors and assigns by these presents. Sealed with the common seal of the said Bank this _____ day of_____, 20___.

THE CONDITIONS of this obligation are:

- 1. If the Bidder withdraws its Bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Form; or
- 2. If the Bidder, having been notified of the acceptance of its bid by the Purchaser during the period of bid validity :
 - a) fails or refuses to execute the mutually agreed Contract Form if required; or
 - b) fails or refuses to furnish the Performance Security, in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Contract;

We undertake to pay the Purchaser up to the above amount upon receipt of its first written demand, without the Purchaser having to substantiate its demand, provided that in its demand the purchaser will note that the amount claimed by it is due owing to the occurrence of one or both of the two conditions, specifying the occurred condition or conditions.

This guarantee will remain in force up to and including 90 days after the period of the bid validity, and any demand in respect thereof should reach the Bank not later than the above date.



Notwithstanding any other term contained herein

- a) this guarantee shall be valid only up to ______ (Insert Guarantee End Date) whereupon it shall automatically expire irrespective of whether the original guarantee is returned to the Bank or not; and
- b) the total liability of Bank under this guarantee shall be limited to Rs._____/- (Rupees ______ only).

Place :

SEAL Code No.

SIGNATURE.

NOTE:

- 1. BIDDER SHOULD ENSURE THAT THE SEAL & CODE NO. OF THE SIGNATORY IS PUT BY THE BANKERS, BEFORE SUBMISSION OF BG
- 2. STAMP PAPER IS REQUIRED FOR THE BG ISSUED BY THE BANKS LOCATED IN MUMBAI.



Annexure 05 – Undertaking from the Bidder

То

Chief Technology Officer Bank of Baroda Baroda Sun Tower Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

Sir,

Sub: RFP for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library.

- Having examined the Tender Documents including all Annexures and Appendices, the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we, the undersigned offer to supply, deliver, implement and commission ALL the items mentioned in the 'Request for Proposal' and the other schedules of requirements and services for your bank in conformity with the said Tender Documents in accordance with the schedule of Prices indicated in the Price Bid and made part of this Tender.
- 2. If our Bid is accepted, we undertake to comply with the delivery schedule as mentioned in the Tender Document.
- 3. We agree to abide by this Tender Offer for 180 days from date of bid opening and our Offer shall remain binding on us and may be accepted by the Bank any time before expiry of the offer.
- 4. This Bid, together with your written acceptance thereof and your notification of award, shall constitute a binding Contract between us.
- 5. a) We undertake that in competing for and if the award is made to us, in executing the subject Contract, we will strictly observe the laws against fraud and corruption in force in India namely "Prevention of Corruption Act 1988".
 - a) Commission or gratuities, if any paid or to be paid by us to agents relating to this Bid and to Contract execution, if we are awarded the Contract are listed below.
 - i. Name and Address of the Agent
 - ii. Amount and Currency in which Commission paid / payable
 - iii. Purpose of payment of Commission (If commission is not paid / not payable indicate the same here)
- 6. We agree that the Bank is not bound to accept the lowest or any Bid the Bank may receive.
- 7. We certify that we have provided all the information requested by the bank in the format requested for. We also understand that the bank has the exclusive right to reject this offer in case the bank is of the opinion that the required information is not



provided or is provided in a different format.

Dated this......20

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signatory Name: Designation: Bidder's Corporate Name Address Email and Phone #



Annexure 06–Pre-Bid Queries Form

(Please note that all pre-bid queried need to be send by email in excel format only)

[Please provide your comments on the Terms & conditions in this section. You are requested to categorize your comments under appropriate headings such as those pertaining to the Scope of work, Approach, Work plan, Personnel schedule, Curriculum Vitae, Experience in related projects etc. You are also requested to provide a reference of the page number, state the clarification point and the comment/ suggestion/ deviation that you propose as shown below.]

Name of the Respondent:

Contact Person from Respondent in case of need.

Name :

Tel No:

e-Mail ID:

Sr. No.	Page #	Point / Section #	Category (Scope/Commercial/Legal/General)	Clarification point as stated in the tender document	Comment/ Suggestion/ Deviation
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6					

Authorized Signatory Name: Designation: Vendor's Corporate Name Address Email and Phone # Date:



Annexure 07–Conformity Letter

(This letter should be on the letterhead of the bidder duly signed by an authorized signatory)

То

Chief Technology Officer Bank of Baroda Baroda Sun Tower Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

Sir,

Sub: RFP for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library

Further to our proposal dated, in response to the Request for Proposal.....(Bank's tender No. hereinafter referred to as "RFP") issued by Bank of Baroda ("Bank") we hereby covenant, warrant and confirm as follows:

We hereby agree to comply with all the terms and conditions / stipulations as contained in the RFP and the related addendums and other documents including the changes made to the original tender documents issued by the Bank shall form a valid and binding part of the aforesaid RFP document. The Bank is not bound by any other extraneous matters or deviations, even if mentioned by us elsewhere either in our proposal or any subsequent deviations sought by us, whether orally or in writing, and the Bank's decision not to accept any such extraneous conditions and deviations will be final and binding on us.

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signatory Name: Designation: Bidder's Corporate Name Address Email and Phone #



Annexure 08 - Letter of Undertaking from OEM

(This letter should be on the letterhead of the OEM / Manufacturer duly signed by an authorized signatory)

То

Chief Technology Officer Bank of Baroda Baroda Sun Tower Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

Sir,

Sub: RFP for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library

We (Name of the OSD / OEM) who are established and reputable
manufacturers / developers of having factories
/ offices atand do hereby authorize M/s
(who is the bidder submitting its bid pursuant to the
Request for Proposal issued by the Bank) to submit a Bid and negotiate and conclude a contract with you to Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library for supply of
We undertake to perform the obligations as set out in the RFP in respect of such services and hereby extend our support and services through M/s during the 5 year contract period as per terms and conditions of the RFP.
We assure you that in the event of M/s not being able to fulfill its obligation in respect of the terms defined in the RFP then
either directly or through alternate arrangements without any additional cost to the Bank.
Dated this20
Yours faithfully,
Authorized Signatory Name:
Designation:
Bidder's Corporate Name
Address
Email and Phone #



Annexure 09–Undertaking of Information Security

(This letter should be on the letterhead of the bidder as well as the OEM/ Manufacturer duly signed by an authorized signatory on Information security as per regulatory requirement

To Chief Technology Officer Bank of Baroda Baroda Sun Tower Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

Sir,

Sub: RFP for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library

We hereby undertake that the proposed hardware / software to be supplied will be free of malware, free of any obvious bugs and free of any covert channels in the code (of the version of the application being delivered as well as any subsequent versions/modifications done)

Dated this......20

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signatory Name: Designation: Bidder's Corporate Name Address Email and Phone #



Annexure 10–Scope of Work

A. Project Scope

Bank has requirement of Physical and Virtual Tape Library for DC and DR. Bank will award the contract to the successful vendor and the vendor should deliver the service with the scope as briefed below:

1. Detailed Scope of work :

The brief scope of Work of the successful bidder is to Supply, Commission, Installation, Configuration and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library. The services covered as part of the vendor includes, but not limited to the following:

- Supply, Commission, Installation and Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library per Bank's requirement with coordination of Bank's identified teams / Bank's MSP at Bank's identified location.
- The successful vendor shall co-ordinate with Bank's identified team to support for configuration issues, hardware replacement etc.
- The successful vendor will configure, install, de-install, re-install, re-configure (in case Bank need any configure change) at no extra cost during the entire contract period.
- Supply, commission, install, test, configure, integrate with existing system and maintain the Physical and Virtual Tape Library and add on components, which are approved by the bank.
- Break-fix support of supplied Physical and Virtual Tape Library and OS/ firmware upgrades for the appliance.
- The successful vendor shall provide patches/ upgrades of OS/ firmware during warranty and AMC period without any extra cost to Bank. The successful vendor will provide timely proactive deployment of latest firmware versions / security patches in coordination with Bank's identified team.
- The resolution/replacement time for any Physical and Virtual Tape Library issue shall be 4 hours. There should be 24x7x365 support for any technical issue for all the supplied products through this RFP directly from the OEM and the vendor.
- Bank shall freeze installation setup, configuration and schedule in mutual consultation with the successful vendor and Bank's identified teams / MSP.
- Confidentiality of the Bank's setup must be maintained by vendor.
- Engineer from vendor must have adequate knowledge for handling the installation, configuration and support & services for Physical and Virtual Tape Library.
- Successful vendor need to provide complete call logging details along with escalation matrix.
- The successful vendor need to specify various infrastructure requirements which need to be provided for commissioning and smooth functioning of the equipment. This will include site requirements, power, cables, connectors, network cards / ports, UPS, environmental conditions, illumination etc



- Bidder should submit a list of all features provided by the proposed Physical and Virtual Tape Library framework in addition to the technical specifications mentioned below that will be available to the bank without any additional charges and will be under support.
- If any services, functions or responsibilities not specifically described in this scope but are an inherent, necessary or customary part of the services and are required for proper performance or provision of the services in accordance with the scope, they shall be deemed to be included within the scope of the services, as if such services, functions or responsibilities were specifically required and described in this scope and shall be provided by the vendor at no additional cost to the Bank.
- After installation the successful vendor need to provide OEM authorized certification/training program to Bank's identified people, regarding installation, configuration, operation, basic troubleshooting etc as per Bank's requirement. Detailed training requirement will be shared with the successful vendor.
- Vendor is expected to provide post installation support to the Bank. The successful vendor will provide the assistance whenever required. Warranty and AMC support will be provided by the successful vendor.
- Vendor should provide the complete documentation including technical, operations, user manual, etc.
- Following documents should be delivered by the Vendor to the Bank including user manuals, installation manuals, operation manuals, design documents, process documents, technical manuals, technical specification, system configuration documents, debugging/diagnostics documents etc.
- The hardware/ software packages to be offered should be legally valid, licensed and with latest version along with the complete set of manuals along with the media.

The proposed Physical and Virtual Tape Library should be in the form of hardware box and should comply with technical specification given below. If the make and model proposed by the vendor do not comply with technical specification given below for Physical and Virtual Tape Library, the vendor would have deemed not to be meeting the Technical requirements hence will be disqualified in technical bid evaluation.



	Technical Specification of Physical and Virtual Tape Library Annexure 10A - Minimum Technical Requirement for Disk based Backup								
Sr. No.	Required Minimum Specifications	Bidder's Compliance (Yes/No)	Detail description how the solution/ component would be compliant						
1	The appliance should be sized to handle the backup of source system capacity of 200TB in 8 hours backup window and maintain the media retention for 3 months data to be available on disk system i.e. 6 Daily, 5 Weekly & 3 monthly backup copies.								
2	Should be able to interface with different server platforms and operating systems simultaneously via NFS v3, CIFS and FC.								
3	Should support LAN, SAN & NDMP backup solutions simultaneously.								
4	Should have a vertical headroom of 50% for future capacity augmentation								
5	The proposed appliance must support inline data duplication technology at block level using variable block length technology.								
6	Must support both LAN, VTL & SAN based D2D backup at the same time.								
7	Must support single management pane for multiple storage arrays for ease of management.								
8	Must have the ability to perform different backup or restore jobs simultaneously.								
9	Must support replication of data over Local or Wide Area Network. Only unique data of the overall duplicated data should be encrypted and replicate.								
10	Must support 10/40Gb Ethernet connectivity.								
11	Must support communications and data transfers through 16GB SAN, 10/40 Gb Ethernet LAN.								
12	Should support capacity on demand feature that allows the storage allocation associated with a virtual tape cartridge to be consumed upon write, and not creation or should support disk based backup software having the ability to create backup to disk volumes.								
13	Should support single storage pool and load balancing across multiple storage controllers.								

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14	Should support different retentions for primary and DR backup storage.	
15	Must protect against lost data in power fail and software crashes.	
16	Must support data compression using standard data compression methodologies.	
17	Must support schedule throttle of network bandwidth depending on the utilization of the WAN bandwidth.	
18	Must preferably support replication process while backup is running.	
19	Should support bi-directional, many-to-one, one-to-many, and one-to-one replication.	
20	Should support recovery from replica.	
21	Must support ACL for CIFS/NFS/telnet/http://ttps/ftp/ssh.	
22	Must support 64 virtual tape libraries, 540 virtual drives, 64,000 slots & 10,00,000 virtual tapes and should have ability to backup to disk folders and manage it.	
23	Should support Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) and should support backup across LAN and WAN.	
24	Should have SNMP and command line support.	
25	Should support IP aliasing/across IP network.	
26	Should support 256 bit AES encryption at rest and in flight to provide protection against unauthorized access to data through a stolen, discarded or replaced disk.	
27	Should comply with Standard FIPS 140-2 level 1 and level 2 or above.	
28	Should support enabling encryption on a per store basis and capable of encrypting data after it has been duplicated and prior to writing the data onto disk.	
29	The encryption and key management should be considered as a part of D2D Solution.	
30	The proposed solution expect to request encryption keys from enterprise class key manager using KMIP 1.2 or above protocols for centralized encryption key management.	



31	Proposed solution should protect against unauthorized recovery of deleted data by allowing customers to securely and permanently shred confidential data and it has to be comply with NIST SP 800-88 and can erase with 1-pass or multiple random overwrites of 3, 5 or 7 passes.	
32	Should support retention lock feature which ensures that no data is deleted accidently.	
33	Should have inbuilt NDMP tape server or industry standard equivalent for meeting the requirement.	
34	Must support RAID 6 technologies.	
35	The appliance should be able to integrate with BANK's existing backup software or integrated backup to disk and tape solution with deduplication.	
36	The appliance should be configured with all the licenses necessary for the above functionalities.	
37	The proposed appliance should support IPV6, in line with regulatory guidelines.	
38	The proposed appliance must support global data deduplication. The de- duplication appliance must provide a single de-duplication pool across multiple logical devices eg. across multiple VTL's, multiple NAS shares, CIFS shares, OST devices, etc in order to significantly improve storage utilization and help retain data longer.	
39	The proposed appliance must also provide Single Deduplication Pool across multiple data protocols viz. VTL, NAS, OST and CIFS/NFS, etc. in order to significantly improve storage utilization and help retain data longer.	
40	Physical and Virtual tape library must support Data Protector 7.03 and above versions	



	Annexure 10B - Minimum Technical Requirement for Tape Library									
Sr. No.	Required Minimum Specifications	Bidder's Compliance (Yes/No)	Detail description how the solution/ component would be compliant							
1	The tape library shall be supplied with the necessary OEM rack and rack mount kit. It shall support LTO6 and LTO7 tape drives with 8 Gbps FC interface. Tape should support minimum of 8 drives and scalable to 50 drives of LTO8 FC 8Gbps tape drive and minimum of 400 cartridge slots and scalable to 1200 cartridge slots. The tape library shall be supplied with LTO8 tape cartridges with barcode labels for all drives and 10 cleaning cartridges.									
~	Tape library shall support Barcode reader and mail slot.									
5	The Tape Library unit shall support upto 12TB native and 30TB compressed capacity for LTO8 Tape Drives/Media (when 2.5:1 compression is used).									
4	Offered LTO8 drive shall have native speed of at least 300 MB/sec and a compressed speed of at least 600 MB/sec for 2.5:1 compression.									
5	Tape Library shall have GUI touch panel.									
	Tape Library shall have web based secure management so that drives and robots can be assigned to clients on requests/demand.									
	Tape Library shall have a mechanism to hold persistent history and intelligent analysis of events and logs for easy troubleshooting.									
8	The tape library shall support a MSBF (mean swaps between failures) of 2 Million robot load/unload cycles.									
	Tape Library shall provide remote monitoring capability, hot swap tape drives and redundant hot swap power supplies.									
10	The tape library shall be supplied with dual (redundant) robotics for high availability, Control Path Failover, Data Path Failover, LUN Mapping and Library Partitioning which should support at least 8 partitions.									
11	Tape Library shall be supplied with at- least 24 Import Export Slots scalable upto 48.									
	The Library should support Unique digital vision camera system which performs continuous calibration and reads bar codes.									
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	Tape library should be proposed along with Analytic software which does a) Automated scheduling for scanning tapes b) Status information on the drive and system c) System configuration operations and reporting d) System error and status logs e) Library and drive firmware upgrade capabilities f) Diagnostic tests and information g) Cartridge movement for maintenance and management purposes h) Cleaning cartridge support i) Security and access control j) SNMP support k) IPv6 and IPv4 network protocol support I)Any software required to manage the tape library shall be included. Tape library should be proposed along with Analytic software which provides proactive health status, alerts for tape drives, libraries and media. Analytic software and Library Management software should provide Web Based UI.	
15	Redundant 230V AC power supply.	
16	The proposed tape libraries are capable of operation using KMIP 1.2 or above protocols and should be capable of working with all the enterprise key manager solutions.	
17	One library encryption license will be needed based on the protocol of choice KMIP 1.2 or above.	
18	Physical and Virtual tape library must support Data Protector 7.03 and above versions	

Annexure 11–Service Levels

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S.	Measurement	Definition	Measurement		Impact		Warranty	АМС		Remarks				
No		Demition	Interval			optimer/tunability	optime/Availability	optime/Availability	Interval	impact	%	Cost included	%	AMC charges included
1	Each Tape library	Damage / Degradation / Non	NA	Replaced / Refurbished / Rectified	Within 12 Hours		NIL							
	functioning			Within 24 Hours	1		5		Only one/four such					
					Within 36 Hours	2	Warranty cost	10	AMC charges mentioned	incident occur in				
			Within Hours	Within 48 Hours	3	mentioned in commercial 15 sheet for the	in commercial sheet for the	quarterly/an nually respectively						
					More than 48 Hours	5	respective item under Active components	25	respective item under Active components	. More than that event of default escalation for termination process				

Note

1. Uptime/Availability is considered without High Availability factor. However the failure of High availability equipment should be replaced/rectified within -12- hours of logging the call by the Bank/MSP.

2. High availability equipment is not rectified/replaced wihtin 48 hours is considered as default and escalation with the successful bidder management for termination.

Annexure 12–Masked Commercial Bid

S No	HW Particulars	Qty	Unit Rate (Rs)	Amount (Rs)	AMC (%)	AMC Amount (Rs) (2 Yrs)	Total Amount (Rs)	GST (%)	HSN / SAC Code
1	Physical Tape Library (As per Technical Specification Annexure - 10 A)	4 (2 DC & 2 DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Virtual Tape Library (As per Technical Specification Annexure - 10 B)	2 (1 DC & 1 DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Implementation Cost For Tape Library	6	0	0	ххх	XXX	0	0	0
4	Any Other Charges (please specify)*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	I Cost of Ownership for s AMC)	or 5 Year	rs (i.e. (3 Years Wa	arranty	& 2	0	х	xx

Note:

- a. The cost quoted by the bidder for all the hardware should include 3 years warranty (to be recoded at unit rate column) and 2 years AMC post warranty period.
- b. For each of the above items provided the vendor is required to provide the cost for every line item where the vendor has considered the cost in BOM.
- c. The vendor needs to clearly indicate if there are any recurring costs included in the above bid and quantify the same. In the absence of this, the vendor would need to provide the same without any charge. Vendor should make no changes to the quantity.
- d. If the cost for any line item is indicated as zero then it will be assumed by the Bank that the said item is provided to the Bank without any cost.
- e. All Deliverables to be supplied as per RFP requirements provided in the tender
- f. The Service Charges need to include all services and other requirement as mentioned in the RFP
- g. The vendor has to make sure all the arithmetical calculations are accurate. Bank will not be held responsible for any incorrect calculation show ever for the purpose of calculation Bank will take the corrected figures / cost.
- h. All prices to be in Indian Rupee (INR) only.
- i. Prices quoted by the Vendor should be inclusive of all taxes, duties, levies etc. except GST which will be paid extra at actuals. The Vendor is expected to provide the GST percentage in both the commercial and masked bids (without amounts being submitted in the technical response). There will be no price escalation for during the contract period and any extension thereof. Bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation will be treated as non-responsive and will be rejected
- j. * Details to be provided for any commercial provided against "Any Other Charges". Bank have discretion to mark these line items under any other charges if Bank feels



these items are not mandatory for the project. Cost of any other charges will be consider for TCO calculation purpose however Bank will place order for these items at Bank's discretion as per requirement.

k. All Quoted Commercial Values should comprise of values only upto 2 decimal places. Bank for evaluation purpose will consider values only upto 2 decimal places for all calculations & ignore all figures beyond 2 decimal places

Authorized Signatory Name: Designation: Vendor's Corporate Name



Annexure 13–Commercial Bid

S No	HW Particulars	Qty	Unit Rate (Rs)	Amount (Rs)	AMC (%)	AMC Amount (Rs) (2 Yrs)	Total Amount (Rs)	GST (%)	HSN / SAC Code
1	Physical Tape Library (As per Technical Specification Annexure - 10 A)	4 (2 DC & 2 DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Virtual Tape Library (As per Technical Specification Annexure - 10 B)	2 (1 DC & 1 DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Implementation Cost For Tape Library	6	0	0	ххх	XXX	0	0	0
4	Any Other Charges (please specify)*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total Cost of Ownership for 5 Years (i.e. 3 Years Warranty & 2 Years AMC)							X	xx

Note:

- I. The cost quoted by the bidder for all the hardware should include 3 years warranty (to be recoded at unit rate column) and 2 years AMC post warranty period.
- m.For each of the above items provided the vendor is required to provide the cost for every line item where the vendor has considered the cost in BOM.
- n. The vendor needs to clearly indicate if there are any recurring costs included in the above bid and quantify the same. In the absence of this, the vendor would need to provide the same without any charge. Vendor should make no changes to the quantity.
- o. If the cost for any line item is indicated as zero then it will be assumed by the Bank that the said item is provided to the Bank without any cost.
- p. All Deliverables to be supplied as per RFP requirements provided in the tender
- q. The Service Charges need to include all services and other requirement as mentioned in the RFP
- r. The vendor has to make sure all the arithmetical calculations are accurate. Bank will not be held responsible for any incorrect calculation show ever for the purpose of calculation Bank will take the corrected figures / cost.
- s. All prices to be in Indian Rupee (INR) only.
- t. Prices quoted by the Vendor should be inclusive of all taxes, duties, levies etc. except GST which will be paid extra at actuals. The Vendor is expected to provide the GST percentage in both the commercial and masked bids (without amounts being submitted in the technical response). There will be no price escalation for during the contract period and any extension thereof. Bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation will be treated as non-responsive and will be rejected
- u. * Details to be provided for any commercial provided against "Any Other Charges". Request for Proposal for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library



Bank have discretion to mark these line items under any other charges if Bank feels these items are not mandatory for the project. Cost of any other charges will be consider for TCO calculation purpose however Bank will place order for these items at Bank's discretion as per requirement.

v. All Quoted Commercial Values should comprise of values only upto 2 decimal places. Bank for evaluation purpose will consider values only upto 2 decimal places for all calculations & ignore all figures beyond 2 decimal places

Authorized Signatory Name: Designation: Vendor's Corporate Name



Annexure 14-Performance Guarantee

BANK GUARANTEE

(FORMAT OF PERFORMANCE BANK GUARANTEE)

То

Chief Technology Officer Bank of Baroda Baroda Sun Tower Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

AND WHEREAS the Bidder has approached us for providing the BANK GUARANTEE.

THEREFORE, WE, (name of Bank and it's address)through our local office atthrough India furnish you the BANK GUARANTEE in manner hereinafter contained and agree with you as follows:

1. We do hereby expressly, irrevocably and unconditionally undertake to pay the amounts due and payable under this Guarantee without Request for Proposal for Supply, Installation & Maintenance of Physical and Virtual Tape Library



breach on the part of the Bidder of their obligations or default in terms of the PO and RFP.

- 2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or elsewhere, we agree that your decision as to whether the bidder has committed any such breach/ default or defaults and the amount or amounts to which you are entitled by reasons thereof will be binding on us and we shall not be entitled to ask you to establish your claim or claims under Bank Guarantee, but will pay the same forthwith on your demand without any protest or demur. Any such demand made by Bank of Baroda shall be conclusive as regards the amount due and payable by us to you.
- 4. You will have the fullest liberty without our consent and without affecting our liabilities under this Bank Guarantee from time to time to vary any of the terms and conditions of the PO and RFP or extend the time of performance of the contract or to postpone for any time or from time to time any of your rights or powers against the bidder and either to enforce or forbear to enforce any of the terms and conditions of the said PO and RFP and we shall not be released from our liability under Bank Guarantee by exercise of your liberty with reference to matters aforesaid or by reason of any time being given to the bidder or any other forbearance, act or omission on your part or any indulgence by you to the bidder or any other act, matter or things whatsoever which under law relating to sureties, would but for the provisions hereof have the effect of so releasing us from our liability hereunder provided always that nothing herein contained will enlarge our liability hereunder beyond the limit of Rs./-(Rupees..... only) as aforesaid or extend the period of the guarantee beyond the said (date) unless expressly agreed to by us in writing.
- 5. The Bank Guarantee shall not in any way be affected by your taking or giving up any securities from the bidder or any other person, firm or company on its behalf or by the



winding up, dissolution, insolvency or death as the case may be of the bidder.

- 6. In order to give full effect to the guarantee herein contained, you shall be entitled to act as if we were your principal debtors in respect of all your claims against the bidder hereby guaranteed by us as aforesaid and we hereby expressly waive all our rights of surety ship and other rights, if any, which are in any way inconsistent with any of the provisions of Bank Guarantee.
- 7. Subject to the maximum limit of our liability as aforesaid, Bank Guarantee will cover all your claim or claims against the bidder from time to time arising out of or in relation to the PO and RFP and in respect of which your claim in writing is lodged on us before expiry of Bank Guarantee.
- 8. Any notice by way of demand or otherwise hereunder may be sent by special courier, telex, fax or registered post to our local address as aforesaid and if sent accordingly it shall be deemed to have been given when the same has been posted.
- 9. The Bank Guarantee and the powers and provisions herein contained are in addition to and not by way of limitation of or substitution for any other guarantee or guarantees hereto before given to you by us (whether jointly with others or alone) and now existing uncancelled and this Bank Guarantee is not intended to and shall not revoke or limit such guarantee or guarantees.
- 10. The Bank Guarantee shall not be affected by any change in the constitution of the bidder or us nor shall it be affected by any change in your constitution or by any amalgamation or absorption thereof or therewith but will ensure to the benefit of and be available to and be enforceable by the absorbing or amalgamated company or concern.
- 11. The Bank Guarantee shall come into force from the date of its execution and shall not be revoked by us any time during its currency without your previous consent in writing.
- 12. We further agree and undertake to pay you the amount demanded by you in writing irrespective of any dispute or controversy between you and the bidder in any suit or proceeding pending before any court or Tribunal relating thereto, our liability under this present being absolute and unequivocal. The payments so made by us shall be a valid discharge of our liability for payment here under and the bidder shall have no claim against us for making such payment.
- 13. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above;
 - a. our liability under this Guarantee shall not exceed Rs.only)
 - b. this Bank Guarantee shall be valid and remain in force upto and including the date and
 - c. we are liable to pay the guaranteed amount or any part thereof under this Bank Guarantee only and only if you serve upon us a written claim or demand on or before the expiry of this guarantee.
- 14. We have the power to issue this Bank Guarantee in your favour under the Memorandum and Articles of Association of our Bank and the undersigned has full power to execute



this Bank Guarantee under the Power of Attorney issued by the Bank.

Dated this the, 20.....

For and on behalf of

Branch Manager Seal and Address



Annexure 15 - Bank Guarantee for early release of retention money

BANK GUARANTEE

(FORMAT OF BANK GUARANTEE)

То

Chief Technology Officer Bank of Baroda Baroda Corporate Centre Baroda Sun Tower BandraKurla Complex Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

Dear Sir,

<details of equipment that supplied to be filled in table>



against BOB or any disputes raised by the vendor or any suit or proceedings pending in any competent Court of Law in India or otherwise or before any arbitrator, and BOB's written demand shall be conclusive evidence to us that such amount is payable by us under the said contract and shall be binding in all respects on the Guarantor.

3. The Guarantor shall not be discharged or released from the aforesaid undertaking and guarantee by any agreement, variations made between BOB and the vendor, indulgence shown to the vendor by BOB, with or without the consent and knowledge of the Guarantor or by any alterations in the obligations of the vendor by any forbearance whether as to payment, time performance or otherwise.

4. (a) This guarantee shall remain valid until (date which is 3 months after expiry of warranty period), or until discharged by BOB in writing.

(b) This guarantee shall be a continuing guarantee and shall not be revocable except with the previous written consent of BOB and save as aforesaid it will be in force until the vendor complies with its obligations hereunder.

(c) This Guarantee shall not be affected by any change in the constitution of the vendor by absorption with any other body or corporation or dissolution or otherwise and this guarantee will be available to or enforceable against such body or corporation.

5. In order to give effect to this guarantee, BOB will be entitled to act as if the guarantor were the principal debtor and the guarantor hereby waives all and any of its rights of suretyship.

6. This guarantee shall continue to be in force notwithstanding the discharge of the vendor by operation of law and shall cease only on payment of the full amount by the guarantor to BOB of the amount hereby secured.

7. This Guarantee shall be in addition to and not in substitution for any other guarantee or security for the vendor given or to be given to BOB in respect of the said contract.

8. Any notice by way of request and demand or otherwise hereunder may be sent by post or any other mode of communication to the guarantor's address as aforesaid, and if sent by post, it shall be deemed to have been given at the time when it would be delivered in due course by post and in proving such notice when given by post it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope containing the notice was posted and a certificate signed by an officer of BOB that the envelope was so posted shall be conclusive.

9. These presents shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Indian Law. Notwithstanding anything contained herein:

a) Our liability under this Bank Guarantee shall not exceed Rs./- (Rupees only)

b) This Bank Guarantee shall be valid up to (date which is 3 months after expiry of warranty period) and

c) We are liable to pay the guaranteed amount or any part thereof under this Bank Guarantee



only and only if you serve upon us a written claim or demand on or before ______ (three months after the date of expiry of the warranty).

d) The guarantor has under its constitution powers to give this guarantee and Shri. (signatories) Officials / Managers of the Bank who has/have signed this guarantee has/have powers to do so.

Dated this day of 201 at

For and on behalf of..... (Bank).

Authorised Signatory in favour of the Bank

Designation



Annexure 16 – Integrity Pact

PRE CONTRACT INTEGRITY PACT

General

This pre-bid pre-contract Agreement (hereinafter called the Integrity Pact) is made on _____ day of _____ month, 20____, between, on one hand, Bank of Baroda, a body corporate constituted under the Banking Companies (Acquisitions and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970 having its head office at Mandvi Baroda, and its corporate office at Baroda Corporate Centre, C-26, G-Block, BandraKurla Complex, Bandra East, Mumbai-400051 (hereinafter called the "BUYER", which expression shall mean and include, unless the context otherwise requires, his successors in office and assigns) of the First Part and M/s _____ represented by Shri ______, Chief Executive Officer (hereinafter called the "BIDDER/Seller" which expression shall mean and include, unless the context otherwise requires, his successors and permitted assigns) of the Second Part.

WHEREAS the BUYER proposes to procure (Name of the Stores/Equipment/Item/Services) and the BIDDER/Seller is willing to offer/has offered the said stores/equipment/item/services and

WHEREAS the BIDDER is a private company/public company/Government undertaking/partnership/registered export agency, constituted in accordance with the relevant law in the matter and the BUYER is a Public Sector Undertaking performing its functions on behalf of the President of India.

NOW, THEREFORE, To avoid all forms of corruption by following a system that is fair, transparent and free from any influence/prejudiced dealings prior to, during and subsequent to the currency of the contract to be entered into with a view to :-

Enabling the BUYER to obtain the desired said stores/equipment at a competitive price in conformity with the defined specifications by avoiding the high cost and the distortionary impact of corruption on public procurement, and

Enabling BIDDERs to abstain from bribing or indulging in any corrupt practice in order to secure the contract by providing assurance to them that their competitors will also abstain from bribing and other corrupt practices and the BUYER will commit to prevent corruption, in any form, by its officials by following transparent procedures.

The parties hereto hereby agree to enter into this Integrity Pact and agree as follows:

Commitments of the BUYER

1.1 The BUYER undertakes that no official of the BUYER, connected directly or indirectly with the contract, will demand, take a promise for or accept, directly or through intermediaries, any bribe, consideration, gift, reward, favour or any material or immaterial benefit or any other advantage from the BIDDER, either for themselves or for any person, organization or third party related to the contract in exchange for an advantage in the bidding process, bid evaluation, contracting or implementation process related to the contract.



- 1.2 The BUYER will, during the pre-contract stage, treat all BIDDERs alike, and will provide to all BIDDERs the same information and will not provide any such information to any particular BIDDER which could afford an advantage to that particular BIDDER in comparison to other BIDDERS.
- 1.3 All the officials of the BUYER will report to the appropriate Government office any attempted or completed breaches of the above commitments as well as any substantial suspicion of such a breach.
- 1.4 In case any such preceding misconduct on the part of such official(s) is reported by the BIDDER to the BUYER with full and verifiable facts and the same is prima facie found to be correct by the BUYER, necessary disciplinary proceedings, or any other action as deemed fit, including criminal proceedings may be initiated by the BUYER and such a person shall be debarred from further dealings related to the contract process. In such a case while an enquiry is being conducted by the BUYER the proceedings under the contract would not be stalled.

Commitments of BIDDERs

- 2 The BIDDER commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corrupt practices, unfair means and illegal activities during any stage of its bid or during any pre-contract or post-contract stage in order to secure the contract or in furtherance to secure it and in particular commit itself to the following:-
- 2.1 The BIDDER will not offer, directly or through intermediaries, any bribe, gift, consideration, reward, favour, any material or immaterial benefit or other advantage, commission, fees, brokerage or inducement to any official of the BUYER, connected directly or indirectly with the bidding process, or to any person, organization or third party related to the contract in exchange for any advantage in the bidding, evaluation, contracting and implementation of the contract.
- 2.2 The BIDDER further undertakes that it has not given, offered or promised to give, directly or indirectly any bribe, gift, consideration, reward, favour, any material or immaterial benefit or other advantage, commission, fees, brokerage or inducement to any official of the BUYER or otherwise in procuring the Contract or forbearing to do or having done any act in relation to the obtaining or execution of the contract or any other contract with the Government for showing or forbearing to show favour or disfavor to any person in relation to the contract or any other contract with the Government.
- 2.3 BIDDERS shall disclose the name and address of agents and representatives and Indian BIDDERs shall disclose their foreign principals or associates.
- 2.4 BIDDERs shall disclose the payments to be made by them to agents/brokers or any other intermediary, in connection with this bid/contract.
- 2.5 The BIDDER further confirms and declares to the BUYER that the BIDDER is the original manufacturer/integrator/authorised government sponsored export entity and has not engaged any individual or firm or company whether Indian or foreign to intercede, facilitate or in any way to recommend to the BUYER or any of its



functionaries, whether officially or unofficially to the award of the contract to the BIDDER, nor has any amount been paid, promised or intended to be paid to any such individual, firm or company in respect of any such intercession, facilitation or recommendation.

- 2.6 The BIDDER, either while presenting the bid or during pre-contract negotiations or before signing the contract, shall disclose any payments he has made, is committed to or intends to make to officials of the BUYER or their family members, agents, brokers or any other intermediaries in connection with the contract and the details of services agreed upon for such payments.
- 2.7 The BIDDER will not collude with other parties interested in the contract to impair the transparency, fairness and progress of the bidding process, bid evaluation, contracting and implementation of the contract.
- 2.8 The BIDDER will not accept any advantage in exchange for any corrupt practice, unfair means and illegal activities.
- 2.9 The BIDDER shall not use improperly, for purposes of competition or personal gain, or pass on to others, any information provided by the BUYER as part of the business relationship, regarding plans, technical proposals and business details, including information contained in any electronic data carrier. The BIDDER also undertakes to exercise due and adequate care lest any such information is divulged.
- 2.10 The BIDDER commits to refrain from giving any complaint directly or through any other manner without supporting it with full and verifiable facts.
- 2.11 The BIDDER shall not instigate or cause to instigate any third person to commit any of the actions mentioned above.
- 2.12 If the BIDDER or any employee of the BIDDER or any person acting on behalf of the BIDDER, either directly or indirectly, is a relative of any of the officers of the BUYER, or alternatively, if any relative of an officer of the BUYER has financial interest/stake in the BIDDER's firm, the same shall be is closed by the BIDDER at the time of filing of tender. The term 'relative' for this purpose would be as defined in Section 6 of the Companies Act 1956.
- 2.13 The BIDDER shall not lend to or borrow any money from or enter into any monetary dealings or transactions, directly or indirectly, with any employee of the BUYER.

3 Previous Transgression

- 3.1 The BIDDER declares that no previous transgression occurred in the last three years immediately before signing of this Integrity Pact, with any other company in any country in respect of any corrupt practices envisaged hereunder or with any Public Sector Enterprise in India or any Government Department in India that could justify BIDDER's exclusion from the tender process.
- 3.2 The BIDDER agrees that if it makes incorrect statement on this subject, BIDDER can be disqualified from the tender process or the contract, if already awarded, can be terminated for such reason.



4 Earnest Money (Security Deposit)

- 4.1 While submitting commercial bid, the BIDDER shall deposit an amount (shall be specified in RFP) as Earnest Money/Security Deposit, with the BUYER through any of the following instruments:
 - (i) Bank Draft or a Pay Order in favour of Bank of Baroda
 - (ii) A confirmed guarantee by an Indian Nationalized Bank other than Bank of Baroda, promising payment of the guaranteed sum to the BUYER on demand within three working days without any demur whatsoever and without seeking any reasons whatsoever. The demand for payment by the BUYER shall be treated as conclusive proof of payment.
 - (iii) Any other mode or through any other instrument (to be specified in the RFP).
- 4.2 The Earnest Money/Security Deposit shall be valid upto a period of 8 Months or the complete conclusion of the contractual obligations to the complete satisfaction of both the BIDDER and the BUYER, including warranty period, whichever is later.
- 4.3 In case of the successful BIDDER a clause would also be incorporated in the Article pertaining to Performance Bond in the Purchase Contract that the provisions of Sanctions for Violation shall be applicable for forfeiture of Performance Bond in case of a decision by the BUYER to forfeit the same without assigning any reason for imposing sanction for violation of this Pact.
- 4.4 No interest shall be payable by the BUYER to the BIDDER on Earnest Money/Security Deposit for the period of its currency.

5 Sanctions for Violations

- 5.1 Any breach of the aforesaid provisions by the BIDDER or any one employed by it or acting on its behalf (whether with or without the knowledge of the BIDDER) shall entitle the BUYER to take all or any one of the following actions, wherever required:-
- 5.1.1 To immediately call off the pre contract negotiations without assigning any reason or giving any compensation to the BIDDER. However, the proceedings with the other BIDDER(s) would continue.
- 5.1.2 The Earnest Money Deposit (in pre-contract stage) and/or Security Deposit/Performance Bond (after the contract is signed) shall stand forfeited either fully or partially, as decided by the BUYER and the BUYER shall not be required to assign any reason therefore.
- 5.1.3 To immediately cancel the contract, if already signed, without giving any compensation to the BIDDER.
- 5.1.4 To recover all sums already paid by the BUYER, and in case of an Indian BIDDER with interest thereon at 2% higher than the prevailing Base Rate of Bank of Baroda, while in case of a BIDDER from a country other than India with interest thereon at 2% higher than the LIBOR. If any outstanding payment is due to the BIDDER from the BUYER in connection with any other contract for any other stores, such

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outstanding payment could also be utilised to recover the aforesaid sum and interest.

- 5.1.5 To encash the advance bank guarantee and performance bond / warranty bond, if furnished by the BIDDER, in order to recover the payments, already made by the BUYER, along with interest.
- 5.1.6 To cancel all or any other Contracts with the BIDDER. The BIDDER shall- be liable to pay compensation for any loss ·or damage to the BUYER resulting from such cancellation/ rescission and the BUYER shall be entitled to deduct the amount so payable from the money(s) due to the BIDDER.
- 5.1.7 To debar the BIDDER from participating in future bidding processes of the Government of India for a minimum period of five years, which may be further extended at the discretion of the BUYER.
- 5.1.8 To recover all sums paid in violation of this Pact by BIDDER(s) to any middleman or agent or broker with a view to securing the contract.
- 5.1.9 In cases where irrevocable Letters of Credit have been received in respect of any contract signed by the BUYER with the BIDDER, the same shall not be opened.
- 5.1.10 Forfeiture of Performance Bond in case of a decision by the BUYER to forfeit the same without assigning any reason for imposing sanction for violation of this Pact.
- 5.2 The BUYER will be entitled to take all or any of the actions mentioned at para 6.1(i) to (x) of this Pact also on the Commission by the BIDDER or any one employed by it or acting on its behalf (whether with or without the knowledge of the BIDDER), of an offence as defined in Chapter IX of the Indian Penal code, 1860 or Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 or any other statute enacted for prevention of corruption.
- 5.3 The decision of the BUYER to the effect that a breach of the provisions of this Pact has been committed by the BIDDER shall be final and conclusive on the BIDDER. However, the BIDDER can approach the Independent Monitor(s) appointed for the purposes of this Pact.

6 Fall Clause

The BIDDER undertakes that it has not supplied /is not supplying similar product/systems or subsystems at a price lower than that offered in the present bid in respect of any other Ministry/Department of the Government of India or PSU and if it is found at any stage that similar product/systems or sub systems was supplied by the BIDDER to any other Ministry/ Department of the Government of India or a PSU at a lower price, then that very price, with due allowance for elapsed time, will be applicable to the present case and the difference in the cost would be refunded by the BIDDER to the BUYER, if the contract has already been concluded.

The BIDDER undertakes that it has not supplied /is not supplying similar (in quantity) product / systems or subsystems at a price lower than that offered in the present bid in respect of any other Ministry /Department of the Government of India or PSU and if it is found at any stage that similar (in quantity) product / systems or sub systems was supplied



by the BIDDER to any other Ministry /Department of the Government of India or a PSU at a lower price within a period of one year before and after bid submission date, then that very price, with due allowance for elapsed time, will be applicable to the present case and the difference in the cost would be refunded by the BIDDER to the BUYER, if the contract has already been concluded.

7 Independent Monitors

- 7.1 The BUYER has appointed Independent External Monitors (hereinafter referred to as Monitors) for this Pact in consultation with the Central Vigilance Commission. Name: Mr.Shirish Balakrishna Agarkar (email id: agarkar.bob1@gmail.com)
- 7.2 The task of the Monitors shall be to review independently and objectively, whether and to what extent the parties comply with the obligations under this Pact.
- 7.3 The Monitors shall not be subject to instructions by the representatives of the parties and perform their functions neutrally and independently.
- 7.4 Both the parties accept that the Monitors have the right to access all the documents relating to the project/procurement, including minutes of meetings.
- 7.5 As soon as the Monitor notices, or has reason to believe, a violation of this Pact, he will so inform the Authority designated by the BUYER.
- 7.6 The BIDDER(s) accepts that the Monitor has the right to access without restriction to all Project documentation of the BUYER including that provided by the BIDDER. The BIDDER will also grant the Monitor, upon his request and demonstration of a valid interest, unrestricted and unconditional access to his project documentation. The same is applicable to Subcontractors. The Monitor shall be under contractual obligation to treat the information and documents of the BIDDER/Subcontractor(s) with confidentiality.
- 7.7 The BUYER will provide to the Monitor sufficient information about all meetings among the parties related to the Project provided such meetings could have an impact on the contractual relations between the parties. The parties will offer to the Monitor the option to participate in such meetings.
- 7.8 The Monitor will submit a written report to the designated Authority of BUYER/Secretary in the Department/ within 8 to 10 weeks from the date of reference or intimation to him by the BUYER I BIDDER and, should the occasion arise, submit proposals for correcting problematic situations.

8 Facilitation of Investigation

In case of any allegation of violation of any provisions of this Pact or payment of commission, the BUYER or its agencies shall be entitled to examine all the documents including the Books of Accounts of the BIDDER and the BIDDER shall provide necessary information and documents in English and shall extend all possible help for the purpose of such examination.

9 Law and Place of Jurisdiction



This Pact is subject to Indian Law. The place of performance and jurisdiction is the seat of the BUYER.

10 Other Legal Actions

The actions stipulated in this Integrity Pact are without prejudice to any other legal action that may follow in accordance with the provisions of the extant law in force relating to any civil or criminal proceedings.

11 Validity

The validity of this Integrity Pact shall be from date of its signing and extend upto 5 years or the complete execution of the contract to the satisfaction of both the BUYER and the BIDDER/Seller, including warranty period, whichever is later. In case BIDDER is unsuccessful, this Integrity Pact shall expire after six months from the date of the signing of the contract.

Should one or several provisions of this Pact turn out to be invalid; the remainder of this Pact shall remain valid. In this case, the parties will strive to come to an agreement to their original intentions.

12. The parties hereby sign this Integrity Pact at	on
BUYER	BIDDER
Name of the Officer:	Chief Executive Officer
Designation:	Department:
Witness	Witness
1	1
2	2



Annexure 17 - Bill of Quantity and Make & Models

S No	HW Particulars	Qty	Location	Make & Models
1	Physical Tape Library	4	Mumbai- 2,Hyderabad -2	
2	Virtual Tape Library	2	Mumbai- 1, Hyderabad -1	

Please Note-

- a) For each of the above items provided the vendor is required to provide as per the specification mentioned in Annexure 10A & 10B.
- b) The vendor is required to provide the Make & Models for each of the above line items.