

Treatment of cases regarding conflict of interest:

The bidder notes that a conflict of interest would said to have occurred in the tender process and execution of the resultant contract, in case of any of the following situations:

i) If its personnel have a close personal, financial, or business relationship with any personnel of BHEL who are directly or indirectly related to the procurement or execution process of the contract, which can affect the decision of BHEL directly or indirectly.

ii) The bidder (or his allied firm) provided services for the need assessment/ procurement planning of the Tender process in which it is participating;

iii) Procurement of goods directly from the manufacturers/ suppliers shall be preferred. However, if the OEM/ Principal insists on engaging the services of an agent, such agent shall not be allowed to represent more than one manufacturer/ supplier in the same tender. Moreover, either the agent could bid on behalf of the manufacturer/ supplier or the manufacturer/ supplier could bid directly but not both. In case bids are received from both the manufacturer/ supplier and the agent, bid received from the agent shall be ignored. However, this shall not debar more than one Authorised distributor (with/ or without the OEM) from quoting equipment manufactured by an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) in procurements under a Proprietary Article Certificate.

v) A bidder participates in more than one bid in this tender process. Participation in any capacity by a Bidder (including the participation of a Bidder as a partner/ JV member or sub-contractor in another bid or vice-versa) in more than one bid shall result in the disqualification of all bids in which he is a party. However, this does not limit the participation of an entity as a sub-contractor in more than one bid if he is not bidding independently in his own name or as a member of a JV.

The Bidder declares that they have read and understood the above aspects, and the bidder confirms that such conflict of interest does not exist and undertakes that they will not enter into any illegal or undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal with other Bidder{s), in this regard. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, Subsidiary contracts, submission or non-submission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelization in the bidding process. **In case, the Bidder is found having indulged in above activities, the same will be considered as a violation of the tender conditions, and suitable action shall be taken by BHEL as per extant policies/ guidelines.**