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Replies of the queries received from vendors against Tender No. R16DC24005 for Hiring of services of Brand new 372 Nos. of Light Vehicles (Taxi) for Assam Asset for a period of 04 years on lottery basis.

A. Imitiyaz Uddin Ahmed:

Sl. No.	Queries of M/s Imitiyaz Uddin Ahmed	ONGC Reply
1	<p>"I want to know about the taxi tender, what's the meaning of duty hours. Should we purchase a car or should we pay for it, and how could we profitable from this tender of 4 years. will you please help me . It will be greatful for me."</p> <p>1: I want to know about the taxi tender, what's the meaning of duty hours :</p>	<p>Duty Hours means the duration against which vehicles are required to be deployed for duty in ONGC operations. For 10 hours duty vehicles, over time shall be payable if the service is required in excess of 10 hours. However, if the vehicle is notified for 24 hours (Round the clock duty) the overtime shall not be payable but 24 hours standing charges only shall be payable. The refueling on round the clock duty shall be arranged by the contractor without disruption to the duty. The contractor shall provide 2 drivers for all 24 hrs. vehicles.</p> <p>It is further clarified that in case an applicant (who is willing to self-drive) becomes successful in the process of draw of lots for a 24 Hrs. duty vehicle then Contractor (successful applicant) can himself drive the vehicle but has to hire an additional driver, in order to meet labour law & safety requirement.</p> <p>2: Should we purchase a car or should we pay for it : The offered light vehicle (taxi) should be brand new vehicles with BS-VI emission norms (or latest norms in case notified subsequent to nit and before purchase of vehicle) , with all standard fittings and accessories as per the manufacturers latest leaflet and meeting the latest government regulations & tender specifications, purchased & registered after the date of issue of NOA (or as per the date mentioned in the NOA) for commercial use for activities of oil and natural gas corporation (ONGC) for a period of 04(four) years. It is further clarified that the ownership of offered light vehicle shall be in the name of Contractor legally established by documents such as Registration Book and connected sale letters and sale deed etc. as deemed necessary.</p>

B. Self Motor Driver Union, ONGC Assam Asset, Nazira, Sivasagar:

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1	That Sir, first of all we failed to understand as to on what basis a total of 500 applicants will be selected by Draw-of-lots since it is neither 1:1 or 1:2 or 1:3 like that.	The no. of 500 applicants (372-Successfull + 128-Waitlisted) has been kept considering internal assessment & experience. In case waiting list also falls short, Draw of lots shall be repeated amongst balance applicants (apart from 500 selected applicants).																																
2	That Sir, it is further found that as per Para 3.0 (e) the application submitted by the applicant will only be eligible for those categories of vehicles selected by the applicant while submitting their application. The Contracts will be awarded to the applicants selected through "Draw-of- lots", subject to availability of those category (ies) of vehicles selected by the applicant while submitting their application and also subject to fulfilling all conditions as stated in paras 3.0 and 4.0 of this tender document ("successful applicants"). In case the vehicle categories selected by the applicants during submission of their application are exhausted and are not available at the time of Draw of Lots, the applicant selected through "Draw of lots" will not be considered for award of contract for any of the categories under this tender. Since the selection procedure is through Draw-of-lots and the same is a game of luck which defies any experience, viability, skills, qualification etc. etc. and there is every possibility that applicants giving priority of same category might be the winner in the Draw-of-lots. And nowhere in the NIT deals with such circumstances in any manner therefore clarifications to that effect from your part is highly solicited. Likewise, from Draw-of-lots how sequence of the selected applicants will be decided which were also not cleared from plain reading of the NIT.	<p>There are Six (06) category of vehicles:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="869 533 1508 869"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category of vehicle</th> <th>Number of vehicles available for allotment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Category-1</td> <td>278</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-2</td> <td>28</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-3</td> <td>45</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-4</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-5</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-6</td> <td>17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>372</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The process shall be as under: During lottery, suppose first application number gets selected. Then the priority of the applicant shall be checked. Say the priority is set as: Category-2, Category-1, Category-6, Category-4, Category-5 & Category-3. Then applicant shall be allotted Category-2 vehicle. Now the available vehicles shall be as under:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="869 1169 1508 1482"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category of vehicle</th> <th>Number of vehicles available for allotment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Category-1</td> <td>278</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-2</td> <td>27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-3</td> <td>45</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-4</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-5</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Category-6</td> <td>17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>371</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The process shall go on like this till all the vehicles are allotted. In case applicant's first priority of vehicle is finished, then applicant shall be allotted next priority of vehicles & so on.</p>	Category of vehicle	Number of vehicles available for allotment	Category-1	278	Category-2	28	Category-3	45	Category-4	1	Category-5	3	Category-6	17	Total	372	Category of vehicle	Number of vehicles available for allotment	Category-1	278	Category-2	27	Category-3	45	Category-4	1	Category-5	3	Category-6	17	Total	371
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3	That, it is in the NIT that a total of 500 applicants will be selected through Draw-of-lots and from the serial no. 1 to 372 contracts will be awarded and the applicants from serial nos. 373 to 500 will be placed in the waiting list and the said waiting list will be valid for a period of one (1) year. If that is so how the Second Draw-of Lots can be done in terms of sub-para (g) of Para 3.0 of NIT.	In case second draw of lots is required, then it shall also be done in similar way & number of applicants to be selected in second draw of lots shall be declared by ONGC whenever such situation arises.																																
4	That Sir, it is totally unheard of that in hiring a vehicle the overage of an applicant is mandatory. Your establishments have never put any bar	This is in line with ONGC's requirement & has been adopted by OIL India Limited, Tender for similar type of hiring.																																

	regarding maximum age of an applicant in taking part in a tender process for hiring vehicles but while issuing instant tender a bar on the maximum age being 55 years has been put which is apparently not based on any convincing and acceptable ground. The applicants Union failed to understand the reason behind it.	
5	That Sir, since the tender is issued in continuance of subsisting tender of hiring vehicles and most of the members of the applicant are in continuation of Award of contract till December, 2024 therefore, the instant tender process ought to have a Clause giving preference to the tenderers whose Award of contract are/were continuing for a longer period of time. Since most of the members of the applicants Union belonging to License category and the vehicles that were taken hire by your good office are the only source of income therefore such preference might have advanced the cause for solving unemployment problem in terms of the Tripartite talked dated 24-06-2024.	No preferential criteria has been kept in the subject tender. It is government's policy to award the works through Open tender in order to be transparent & same has been adopted in the case.

C. Query raised by various vendors:

Vendor Name	Query raised by Vendors	ONGC Response
1. Md. Mahmud Hussain 2. Babul Phukan 3. Utpal Khongia 4. Sanjay Borah 5. Nitul Dutta 6. Tajuddin Ahmed 7. Sumitra Lahon 8. Somser Alam Hussain 9. Ghana Gogoi 10. Mira Gogoi 11. Prahlad Boruah 12. Mina Mahanta 13. Md. Abidur Rohman 14. Tahiruddin Ahmed 15. Pranab Dutta 16. Anupam Barooah 17. Rajib Borthakur 18. M/s. Defodil Das 19. Pankaj Bora 20. Jahid Hussain 21. Ranjan Kr. Bharali 22. Promud Nath 23. Sujya Brot Borah 24. Marun Kakoty 25. Manoj Das 26. Babul Dutta 27. Bidyut Bikash Gogoi 28. P. B. Enterprise	<p>I am a registered and experienced light vehicle contractor in ONGC since 17/6/6/14/36/20/19/20/28/04/21/28/25/20/25/24/19/24/25/16/24/21/20/24/27/19/8/20 years and I want to avail the upcoming LV tender. But your organization decides to settle the tender through lottery process. But as an experienced vendor, I request your honour kindly to allot at least one vehicle to each of experienced vendors. Besides I request you to cancel age limit of Fifty Five(55) years.</p>	<p>The requirement of maximum age of the applicant has been kept in line with ONGC's requirement & has been adopted by OIL India Limited Tender for similar type of hiring. No preferential criteria have been kept in the subject tender. It is government's policy to award the works through Open tender in order to be transparent & same has been adopted in the case.</p>

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. M/s Galib Md. Samsuz Zaman 2. Debojyoti Mahanta 3. Rangpur Steel Udyog 4. M/s. R. L. Agarwalla & Co. 5. Deepak Das 6. Ghanashyam Gogoi 	<p>I am a registered and experienced light vehicle contractor in ONGC since 20/25/16/18/24/24 years and I want to avail the upcoming LV tender. But your organization decides to settle the tender through lottery process. But as an experienced vendor, I request your honour kindly to allot at least one vehicle to each of experienced vendors.</p>	<p>No preferential criteria have been kept in the subject tender. It is government's policy to award the works through Open tender in order to be transparent & same has been adopted in the case.</p>
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Note:

The above said document shall form part & parcel of tender document. In case of any contradiction between replies to queries & original tender conditions, the former shall prevail.