ROPEWAYS AND RAPID TRANSPORT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION H.P. LIMITED (RTDC)

INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

For

"Design, Build, Finance, Operation and Maintenance, Transfer on (DBFOT) - Public Private Partnership (PPP Mode) for the Development of composite (Passenger & Freight) ropeway from Shimla to Parwanoo on PPP mode."

Ropeways and Rapid Transport System Development Corporation H.P. Limited (RTDC) intends to undertake implementation of composite (Passenger & Freight) ropeways system from Shimla to Parwanoo in Himachal Pradesh to improve connectivity & tourism infrastructure and boost the tourism in the State of Himachal Pradesh, on Design, Build, Finance, Operation and Maintenance, Transfer (DBFOT)- Public Private Partnership (PPP Mode). (The "Project").

It is proposed to undertake the project through Public Private Partnership, on **Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer ("DBFOT")** basis, and has desired to invite Expression of interest (EoI) from Interested Developers for the purpose of assessing the interest among investors/parties across the globe. The tentative project cost is Rs. 6500 Cr.

The scope of work will include planning, designing, financing, development and subsequent operation and maintenance of the world class ropeways services and facilities for the Concession period on CEN Standards.

Availability of EoI document and mode of submission: The EoI document shall be available on website https://rtdchp.org as per key dates schedule provided as under. The interested bidders may download the EoI document, Corrigendum's and other instructions from website https://rtdchp.org and submit their EoI offline to the office of the undersigned.



RTDC reserves the right to accept or reject any applicant and to annul the selection process at any time, without incurring any liability and without assigning any reason thereof.

Amendments/addendum/Corrigendum, if any shall not be advertised in newspaper but shall be posted on the above website only.

Key Dates:-

1	Date of online Publication	12-12-2022	upto	16:00 pm
2	Downloading of EoI	12-12-2022	from	16:00 pm
3	Pre-bid Meeting online mode *	22-12-2022	at	11:00 am
4	Last Date of Submission of EoI	03-01-2023	till	15:00 pm
5	Date of Opening of EoI	03-01-2023	at	15:30 pm

^{*}Pre bid online meeting link will be shared on request to the undersigned.

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Copy forwarded to:

1. The Principal Secretary (Transport)-cum-Managing Director (RTDC), to the Govt, of Himachal Pradesh, for information please.

2. The Director (RTDC), for information please.

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Expression of Interest

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BACKGROUND:

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PROJECT:

- a) It is proposed to undertake the project through Public Private Partnership (PPP), on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer ("DBFOT") basis, and has desired to invite Expression of interest (EoI) from Interested Developers for the purpose of assessing the interest among investors/parties across the globe.
- b) The project is structured in such a way that private sector participation is anticipated for development of ropeways system at the given locations. The project will be developed and established under CEN standards which will be mentioned in the Bidding Documents, to be issued at a later stage.

SCOPE OF WORK:

a) The broad scope of work for the Private Sector Participant shall include development of composite (Passenger & Freight) ropeway system from Shimla to Parwanoo in Himachal Pradesh and to operate and maintain the facilities as per the agreed standards.



- b) The scope of work will include planning, designing, financing, development and subsequent operation and maintenance of the infrastructure services and facilities for the Concession period. The Selected Bidder after completion of the bidding process will have to fulfill the requirements of the Minimum Development Obligations (the "MDOs") detailed out in the subsequent bidding documents. The selected bidder shall adhere to the MDOs during design/construction of the Project.
- c) All the necessary statutory approvals needed for construction and operation shall be taken by the developer prior to the sanction of plan, during the construction period and operation of services, etc.
- d) The Construction Period is envisaged as 30 Months and Concession Period is 40 Years.

RESPONSIBILITY OF RTDC:

- a) To facilitate and assist the Applicant in procuring Applicable Permits required from any Government Instrumentality for implementation and operation of the project.
- b) To provide Govt. land for the development of stations and towers, however if any private land is required for this project it will be arranged by the promoters.
- c) To provide Right of Way for the proposed Ropeway Systems.
- d) To provide reasonable support and assistance in obtaining access to all necessary infrastructure facilities and utilities.
- e) To provide reasonable support and assistance in obtaining applicable visas and work permits for the purposes of discharge by the Applicant.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST:

a) At this stage RTDC is inviting only Expression of interest (EoI) from interested parties.



b) Joint Venture/Consortium is allowed to enhance their qualifications. Letter for Joint Venture to be submitted. In case of Consortium, Consortium agreement to be submitted with percentage share of each member, Lead member should have a minimum of 51% share in the Consortium. Consortium member should be jointly and severally responsible. However the lead bidder may add new consortium partners as required during the subsequent bidding stage.

c) The EoI Document shall include:

- i. Company /Organization profile giving details of current activities, background of promoters and management structure etc.
- ii. Details of similar & other projects of similar magnitude if implemented in the past ten years including period of implementation, cost and project features.
- iii. Audited annual accounts & annual reports for last 3 financial years ending on 31.03.2022 with auditor's certificate specifying net worth and net cash accrual to be submitted with the EoI document.
- iv. The Partner(s) should normally have been in operations for at least 5 years.
- v. Financial Capacity and Net worth certificate duly certified by the statutory auditor with name & membership no.
- vi. Applicant/consortium should have engaged in at least one large ropeway implementation project.
- vii. The EoI document can be downloaded from the Web site https://rtdchp.org on 12-12-2022 at 16:00 pm to 03-01-2023 till 15:00 pm & the applicant shall enclose a EoI processing fee of Rs.



- viii. EoI applications shall be opened on 03-01-2023 at 15:30 pm of Applicants or their authorized representatives (max. of 2 Persons) will be permitted to be present at the time of opening of EoI's.
 - ix. This EoI is not an agreement or an offer by the Authority to the Applicants or any other person. The purpose of this EoI is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in the formulation of their Proposals pursuant to a specific Request for Proposal (RFP) at later stage.

SELECTION OF DEVELOPER PROCESS:

- a. The selection of the Developers shall be done by the Evaluation Committee on the basis of assessment of the information submitted in the EoI, Company Profile and reputation in respective field. RTDC may request for Presentation from the applicants to evaluate the understanding of the project.
- b. Request for Proposals (RFP) document shall be given to the shortlisted parties by RTDC on the basis of the outcome of the evaluation process.
- Selection of Developer for implementation will be on the basis of bidding process (Technical and Financial) in response to Request for Proposals (RFP) to be invited by RTDC at later stage.
- d. RTDC reserves the right to reject any or all EoI's received without assigning any reasons.

Submission of EoI:



The EoI must be submitted in original in sealed envelope clearly marked "Expression of Interest (EoI) for Design, Finance, Implementation, Construction, Operation and Maintenance, Transfer on (DBFOT)- Public Private Partnership (PPP Mode) for the composite (Passenger & Freight) ropeway system from Shimla to Parwanoo in Himachal Pradesh."

and delivered at the address below no later than 15.00 hours on 03-01-2023.

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