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 Passenger ropeway under Swiss Challenge Mode (self identified) in the State.

The Himachal Pradesh Government has mandated Ropeway and Ropeways & Rapid Transport System Development Corporation H.P Limited (RTDC) as a nodal agency for development of all Ropeways in the State. Therefore, Expression of Interest (EoI) from interested promoters are invited for submitting valid proposals/Representations for development of Ropeways under Swiss Challenge mode in the State. The promoters are free to identify the ropeway projects through our the State. however a tentative/indicative list of identified ropeway project is provided for reference as under:-

Sr. No	Name Of Work	Cost of the project
1.	Ropeway from Aadi Himani Chamunda to Himani	Rs. 508.8 Cr.
	Trekkers Nagrota Distt. Kangra (HP)	N3. 200.0 CT
2.	Ropeway from Khajjiar to Dalhousie Distt. Chamba	Rs. 772 Cr.
	(HP)	
3.	Ropeway from Barshaini to Kheer Ganga Distt. Kullu	Rs. 641.6 Cr.
	(HP)	
4.	Ropeway from Kanda to Bashal Dhar Rampur Distt.	Rs. 1036.8 Cr.
	Shimla (HP)	

Himachal Pradesh intends 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).

It is proposed to undertake ropeway projects through Public Private Partnership, on **Design**, **Build**, **Finance**, **Operate and Transfer** ("DBFOT") basis, and to invite Expression of interest (EoI) from Interested Developers for the purpose of assessing the interest among investors/parties across the globe.

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 Eol document and mode of submission: The Eol document shall be available on website https://rtdchp.org as per key dates schedule provided as under. The interested bidders may download the Eol document, Corrigendum's and other instructions from website https://rtdchp.org and submit their Eol 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	14.08.2023 upto 16:00 pm
2.	Downloading of EoI	14.08.2023 from 16:00 pm
3.	Pre-bid Meeting online mode	24.08.2023 at 11:00 am
4.	Last date of submission of EoI	12.09.2023 till 15:00 pm
5.	Due date of opening of EoI	12.09.2023 at 15:30 pm

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

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- 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

"Design, Build, Finance, Operation and Maintenance, Transfer on (DBFOT) - Public Private Partnership (PPP Mode) for the Development of Passenger ropeway under Swiss Challenge Mode (self identified) in the State".

BACKGROUND:

Ropeways and Rapid Transport System Development Corporation H.P. Limited (RTDC) intends to undertake implementation of Passenger ropeway under Swiss Challenge Mode (self identified) in the State of Himachal Pradesh, on Design, Build, Finance, Operation and Maintenance, Transfer (DBFOT)- Public Private Partnership (PPP Mode).

PROJECT:

- a) It is proposed to undertake the projects through Public Private Partnership (PPP), on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer ("DBFOT") basis, and 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 Passenger ropeway under Swiss Challenge Mode (self identified) in the State of Himachal Pradesh, on Design, Build, Finance, Operation and Maintenance, Transfer (DBFOT)- Public Private Partnership (PPP Mode) 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.

Alaboration

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 31.03.2023 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 14-08-2023 at 16:00 pm to 12-09-2023 till 15:00 pm & the applicant shall enclose a EoI processing fee of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) + GST in the form of Demand Draft, in favour of Deputy

viii.General Manager, Ropeways and Rapid Transport System Development Corporation HP Ltd, payable at Shimla drawn on any Nationalized/ Scheduled bank.

ix.EoI applications shall be opened on 12-09-2023 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.

x. This Eol 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:

- The selection of the Developers shall be done by the Evaluation Committee on the basis of а. 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.
- Request for Proposals (RFP) document shall be given to the shortlisted parties by RTDC on b. the basis of the outcome of the evaluation process.
- Selection of Developer for implementation will be on the basis of bidding process (Technical c. and Financial) in response to Request for Proposals (RFP) to be invited by RTDC at later stage.
- RTDC reserves the right to reject any or all EoI's received without assigning any reasons. d.

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 Passenger ropeway from Aadi Himani Chamunda to Himani Trekkers Nagrota Distt. Kangra (HP), Ropeway from Khajjiar to Dalhousie Distt. Chamba (HP), RopewayfromBarshaini to Kheer Ganga Distt. Kullu (HP), Ropeway fromKanda to Bashal Dhar Rampur Distt. Shimla (HP) and delivered at the address below no later than 15.00 hours on 12-09-2023.

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