

## **TENDER DOCUMENT**

For

"Centralized Printing of Policy Bonds & Dispatch for LIC of India"

Ref: LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER/CPPB/2025-26/01

**Through Online Mode Only** 

Life Insurance Corporation of India
New Business & Reinsurance Department,
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	ACTIVITY SCHEDULE		
S.N.	Name of Project/Tender	"Centralized Printing of Policy Bonds & Dispatch for LIC of India"	
1	Tender/Bid Invitation date	07.08.2025, Thursday	
2	Tender /Bid type	Open Market	
	Tender Reference Number	Ref:	
		LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER/CPPB/2025- 26/01	
3	Raising of queries before	Email id : co nbpost@licindia.com	
	Pre-Bid Meeting by email	(co_nbpost) by 12.08.2025 5.30 pm,	
	only	Tuesday	
4	<b>Process</b> of Online	Online mode only:	
	Tender/Bid	1. Technical Bid	
		2. Commercial (Financial) Bid	
5	Pre-Bid Meeting	18.08.2025 / 11.30am, Monday	
		LIC of India,	
		New Business & Reinsurance	
		Department,	
		Central Office, 5 <sup>th</sup> floor, East wing	
		YOGAKSHEMA,	
6	Circulation of minutes of	MUMBAI - 400021	
O	pre bid meeting	19.08.25 , Tuesday by 4.30 pm	
7	EMD by online transfer 01.09.2025, Monday 5.30 pm. 1		
<b>'</b>	methods like NEFT, Net	bank details, refer to Clause 4.3	
	banking etc. Closing Date &	Exemption will be given to Micro and	
	Time	Small Enterprises(MSEs) as defined	
		in MSE Procurement Policy issued by	
		Department of Micro, Small and	
		Medium Enterprises (MSME)	
8	Last date & time of	02.09.2025, Tuesday	
	Submission of Bid online	5.30pm	
	by the Bidders		
9	Online Technical Bid	03.09.2025, Wednesday 03.30pm	
	Opening	LIC of India,	
	Date, Time & Venue	New Business & Reinsurance	
	(By Tender Opening	Department,	
	Committee)	Central Office, 5 <sup>th</sup> floor, East Wing	
		YOGAKSHEMA,	

		MUMBAI - 400021
10	Site Visit	Dates will be informed later
11	PPT (Presentation)Evaluation by LICI Internal Committee	As per Date & Venue to be informed later
12	Online Opening of Commercial (Financial) Bid of Technically qualified bidders only	Dates will be informed later
13	Name & Address for Communication	Executive Director (NB&R/HI) LIC of India, NB & R Dept Central Office, 5 <sup>th</sup> floor, East Wing YOGAKSHEMA, MUMBAI – 400021
14	Bid Related queries	Deputy Secretary(NB & R) Central Office, Mumbai Email: co_nbpost@licindia.com Contact Number- 022 66598869

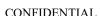
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Bidders are therefore requested to regularly visit above websites to keep themselves updated. Detailed tender notice and Bid documents for downloading are also available in this website.

- The Tender document can be downloaded from website <a href="http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC">http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC</a> and <a href="www.licindia.in">www.licindia.in</a> Corrigendum(s)/ Amendment(s), if any, would appear only on the website and will not be published in any other media. Bids must be uploaded on the tenderwizard Portal only,
- The Bids received after the last date and time as mentioned above shall be rejected.
- LIC of India reserves the right to call for missing/additional requirements or otherwise from the applicant at the time of analysis of the tenders received in response to this notice.
- LIC of India reserves the right to relax / amend the Terms & conditions, eligibility conditions or any other clause mentioned in this Tender document, at its sole discretion, which will be binding

on all the bidders.

- LIC of India does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any Bid and reserves the right to reject all or any bid or cancel the tender without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- Bids must be submitted in soft copy electronically in PDF format only.
   The Bids completed in all respect must be uploaded on the Online portal before date and time indicated in the Activity Schedule of this Tender document as above.
- LIC of India will not be responsible for any technical fault/ problem occurring in website/portal and leading to non-submission of bids, hence bid should be submitted timely to avoid last minute submission.
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# **Definitions & Abbreviations**

Authorized Signatory	The person authorized by the company's Board/ Managing Director/Director for signing the bid documents on behalf of the company.	
Acceptance of Tender	Means the letter/e-mail or any memorandum communicating to the bidder about the acceptance of this tender.	
Bid	The Bidder's Online submissions in response to the Tender signed by his Authorized signatory.	
Bidder	An eligible firm i.e. firm fulfilling eligibility criteria and submitting a proposal in response to this Tender	
Clarifications	Means Addenda, corrigenda and clarifications to the Tender	
Corporation	LIC of India	
Day	Calendar Day	
Default Notice	Shall mean the written notice of Default of the Agreement issued by one Party to the other in terms hereof.	
Eligibility Bid	This tender process is based on Two bid procedure (Technical & Financial). Eligibility conditions are used in this tender for selection process. Where the words "eligibility bid" appears the same should be read and understood as "response to eligibility conditions criteria."	
Law	Shall mean any Act, notification, byelaw, rules and regulations, directive, ordinance, order or instruction having the force of law, enacted or issued by the Central Government and/ or the Government of any state or any other Government or Regulatory Authority.	
"Party" and "Parties"	Each of the parties i.e., LIC of India and Selected bidder are collectively referred to as the 'Parties' and individually as a 'Party'.	

Service Level	The contract signed between the LICL CO/NDOD		
Agreement	The contract signed between the LICI, CO/NB&R		
Agreement	department and the Selected bidder and all the attached documents. The "Agreement" includes the		
	schedules, this Tender, all addenda/corrigenda		
	issued by LICI, communications with selected		
	vendor, minutes of pre bid meeting, subsequent		
	modifications to the Tender, response of the selected		
	bidder to the Tender and the contract document		
	itself.		
Successful	The Bidder/s to whom LIC of India notifies the award		
Bidder	of contract		
Specifications	Means all the functional, operational, technical		
	performance or other characteristics required of		
	Service found in this Tender or any of the annexure		
	or addendum to the Tender.		
Timelines	Wherever Timelines have been defined as days,		
	weeks, months, they will mean calendar days,		
	calendar weeks and calendar months.		
Tender	This Tender Ref:		
	LICI/CO/NBR/Tender/CPPB/2025-26/01		
	inclusive of any clarifications/corrigenda that may		
	be issued by LIC of India.		
Vendor	Means the successful Bidder/s with whom LIC of		
	India signs the contract for rendering of services		
	required in the Tender.		
Working Day	Shall be construed as a day excluding Saturdays,		
	Sundays and public holidays declared under the		
	Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 by concerned.		
	Local Bodies or State Governments or Central		
	Government of India as applicable to the concerned LICI office.		
"Must", "shall"	"Must", "shall" "mandatory" or "required" means an		
"mandatory" or	absolute minimum function or capacity, which, if not		
"required" satisfied in the proposal, will re			
	satisfied in the proposal, will result in disqualification in the final evaluation;		
"Should", "may"	"Should", "may" or "is desirable" means desirable but		
or "is not mandatory functions or capacities. Bidders v			
desirable"	are able to provide these functions or capacities may		
	be evaluated as per the Tender provisions. However		
	the final decision shall rest with LICI.		

**Acronyms Used** 

AMC	Annual Maintenance Contract
API	Application Programming Interface
B&W	Black and White
ВСР	Business Continuity Plan
CIS	Customer Information Sheet
CISO	Chief Information Security Officer
СО	Central Office, LIC of India
CSV	Comma Separated Values
CVC	Central Vigilance Commission
DOP	Department of Post
DPDP	Digital Personal Data Protection
DRC	Disaster Recovery Centre
EMD	Earnest Money Deposit
FATCA	Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act
GST	Goods and Services Tax
IEM	Independent External Monitor
IP	Integrity Pact
IRDAI	Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
IT	Information Technology
KYC	Know Your Customer
LICI/LIC	Life Insurance Corporation of India
LOA	Letter of Acceptance
LOI	Letter of Intent
MFTP	Managed File Transfer Protocol
MIS	Management Information System
NB&R	New Business & Reinsurance
NDA	Non-Disclosure Agreement
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
PAT	Profitability after Tax
PBG	Performance Bank Guarantee
PDF	Portable Document Format
PII	Personally Identifiable Information
	Professional Indemnity Insurance
POC	Proof of Concept
PSU	Public Sector Undertaking
SLA	Service Level Agreement
SPOC	Single Point of Contact
TAT	Turn Around Time
T&Cs	Terms & Conditions
TDS	Tax Deducted at Source
TIFF	Tag Image File Format
TOR	Terms of Reference
TQB	Technically Qualified Bidder
TQD	reclinically Qualified bluder

## 1. Introduction and Background

#### 1.1. Introduction

LIC of India came into existence on 1<sup>st</sup> September 1956. LICI is the largest life Insurance Company in India having strong presence in both urban and rural markets of India, and its products are accessible to a wide range of customers. Listed on the stock exchanges since 17.05.2022, LICI continues to prioritize customer-centric services. Policy bond is an important legal document and forms the basis of the Contract. It is the first hand information to the policyholder regarding terms and conditions and benefits of the policy.

## 1.2 Objective

This Tender is an invitation to the open market players in India only, having experience and expertise in providing services / activities as detailed in the scope of this Tender.

LICI invites proposals from experienced single service providers for:

- i. End-to-end printing of policy bonds
- ii. Dispatch via India Post (Speed Post)
- iii. Dashboard-based MIS reporting on Real Time basis
- iv. Secure data handling and reverse CSV uploads
- **v.** Adherence to various TATs & Security Protocols along with Regulations

## 1.3 Relationship between Parties:

- 1. The parties to the Tender are the selected bidder/s and LICI, as stated in the Tender.
- 2. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing a relationship in the nature of master and servant or principal and agent between LICI and the selected bidder/s. The Bidder, subject to this Tender, is legally the main principal/master of the Experts, for performing the Services and shall be fully responsible for the Services performed by them or on their behalf hereunder.
- 3. **Authorized Representative:** Any action required or permitted to be taken and any document required or permitted to be executed under

this Tender by LICI or the Selected Bidder may be taken or executed by the officials specified in the Tender.

4. **Good Faith:** The Parties shall act in good faith concerning each other's rights under this Tender and adopt all reasonable measures to ensure the realization of the objectives of this Tender. The Selected Bidder shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Tender or the Services, as a faithful adviser to LICI and shall at all times support and safeguard LICI's legitimate interests in any dealings with the third parties.

#### 1.4 Addresses:

For all purposes of the contract including arbitration there under, the address of the Bidder mentioned in the Tender shall be final unless the Bidder notifies a change of address. The Bidder shall be solely responsible for the consequences of any omission or error to notify change of address in the aforesaid manner.

## 1.5 Questions & Clarifications

The Bidder will not disclose or discuss the contents of the Tender document with any officer, employee, consultant, director, Agent, or any other person associated or affiliated in any way with LIC of India or any of its customers, suppliers, or Agents without the prior written consent of LIC of India, except to the extent provided herein below in this Tender document.

Bidders are required to direct all communications related to Tender, including notification of late Response submission to the Nominated Point of Contact which is - **Deputy Secretary (NB & R)** 

Central Office, 5th floor, East Wing YOGAKSHEMA,

**MUMBAI - 400021** 

Email: co nbpost@licindia.com Contact Number- 022 66598869

## Non Disclosure Agreement (NDA) & Integrity Pact (IP):-

## 1. Non Disclosure Agreement (NDA)

The selected (successful) Bidders have to execute Non-Disclosure Agreement on a Non-judicial stamp paper of Rs 500/- or an amount as prescribed by the respective State Govt./authority as per Annexure - III. The undertaking should be notarized and stamped.

## 2. Pre Contract Integrity Pact (IP)

This Tender is issued on the condition that only those bidders who submit a signed Pre-Contract Integrity Pact to LICI on a stamp paper of requisite value would be eligible to participate in the bidding. The "Pre-Contract Integrity Pact" as per Annexure-IV is to be submitted.

As indicated, in the Tender document, all Bidders shall have to sign the Pre-Contract Integrity Pact with LIC as per 'Format: Integrity Pact'.

As per CVC Circular No 04/06/23 having Reference No 015/VGL/091 dated 14/06/2023 of Revised Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) under clause No 2.2. "Any violation of Integrity Pact would entail disqualification of the bidders and exclusion from future business dealings, as per the existing provisions of GFR, 2017, PC Act, 1988 and other Financial rules/Guidelines etc. as may be applicable to the organization concerned."

In such cases, Bids without a signed Integrity Pact shall be rejected.

As per CVC Circular No 04/06/23 having Reference No 015/VGL/091 dated 14.06.2023 of Revised Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Adoption of Integrity Pact under clause No 2.02/2.04 provides "Integrity pact, in respect of a particular contract, shall be operative from the date of IP is signed by both the parties till the completion of contract. After award of work, the IEM shall look into any issue relating to execution of contract, if specifically raised before them."

## Bidders may refer:

https://dtf.in/wp-content/files/CVC Circular dated 14.06.2023 - Adoption and implementation of Integrity Pact - revision of eligibility criteria and process of nomination of Independent External Monitors.pdf

# Bidders should meet all the Eligibility Criteria and also submit the EMD & Pre-Contract Integrity Pact for this Tender.

The bidders are required to execute and upload a scan of the "Integrity Pact" on requisite non judicial stamp paper, at the time of e-submission of the bid and submit the original to Executive Director (NB&R and HI) within prescribed timelines.



## 2. Tender - Scope of Work

## 2.1 Invitation to Bid - Open Market:

The Life Insurance Corporation of India (hereinafter referred to as "LICI") a statutory Corporation established under section 3 of Life Insurance Corporation Act 1956 (Act 31 of 1956) and having its Central Office at "Yogakshema", Jeevan Bima Marg, Mumbai – 400021 hereby invites e-bids through website <a href="http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC">http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC</a> and www.licindia.in as a two bid system, to this **Open market** e-Tender from eligible and experienced service providers for the centralized printing of Policy Bonds and dispatch for LICI. Bids must be uploaded on the tenderwizard Portal only. The selected vendor must deliver a comprehensive, end-to-end service that includes printing, packaging, dispatch, MIS reporting, information via reverse csv files and data security compliance, as outlined below.

The Bidders are invited to submit an ONLINE Technical bid together with an ONLINE Commercial (Financial) bid. The Bids will be the basis for eligibility criteria evaluation, technical & commercial (financial) evaluation & consideration and ultimately for a signed Contract (SLA) with the selected Bidder. The Tender/Bid shall be submitted **ONLINE** in two parts i.e.

Part - I Technical Bid - Annexure I andPart - II Commercial (Financial) Bid - Annexure II.

The selection process will be for Pan India servicing. Technical Bids will be opened and evaluated. Those Technical bids which are found to be in order i.e. qualifying all the stipulated conditions shall be short-listed and Commercial (Financial) Bids of only such short-listed technically qualified bidders will be opened.

## **Technical Bid Proposal:**

- a) The Technical bid shall not include any financial information. A Technical bid containing financial information shall be declared non responsive / invalid.
- **b)** The Technical bid may be declared nonresponsive / invalid, if the bid is not accompanied by the requisite documents & EMD, as stipulated in the Tender document.

- c) Commercial (Financial) Bid Proposal:
- a) The Commercial (Financial) bid shall not include any technical condition / information.
- b) Commercial (Financial) bid shall be submitted in INR only, excluding GST and/or any other Tax/Duty.

## 2.2 Broad scope of Work:

- 2.2.1 End to end printing of Policy bonds.
- 2.2.2 Dispatch of policy bonds mentioned above through Speed Post Services of India Post.
- 2.2.3 Digital Communications (Creation of Policy Bond word files/pdfs, images, communication through e-mails, MIS Reporting etc.).
- 2.2.4 Creation of pdf to doc files of policy bond templates.
- 2.2.5 Insertion of Placeholders fields in the doc files for LICI IT purposes.
- 2.2.6 Real Time Dash Board and MIS Reporting & Reconciliation of Policy bonds and other such communications to LIC of India.
- 2.2.7 Online data collection from LIC of India in the server to be established by successful bidder (Through MFTP) or any other method of transmission as prescribed and approved by the CISO, LIC of India.
- 2.2.8 De-duplication checks and reporting of corrupt files.
- 2.2.9 Carrying out all pre-mailing activities (such as folding, pinning, gumming, insertion, sealing, sorting, etc.) and handing over policy bonds in desired condition to Department of Posts at prespecified locations.
- 2.2.10 Data Security clause needs to be adhered to, as mentioned by LIC of India.
- 2.2.11 Reverse csv files to LICI, with details regarding Printing details, India Post Bar code & delivery.

## 2.3 Technical requirements:

- 2.3.1 It is to be ensured by Bidder to meet all the technical requirements mentioned herein:
  - Duplex printing on A3 Size paper in a single pass for all the pages of the Policy Booklet.
  - Simplex printing multi color (4 color) Offset printing for the Folder / Cover

- Variable data printing
- · Printing in single copy only
- Printing in Bi-lingual (English and Hindi) from pdf

## 2.3.2 Other printing features:

- a. Printing facility to be established by the Bidder in its own premises. No space will be provided by LIC of India for the job/s awarded under the contract/SLA.
- b. All the necessary printing and pre mailing activity machinery to be provided by the vendor.
- c. Sufficient quantity of the stationery and consumables to be procured by the vendor.
- d. Design of folder may be changed periodically.
- e. Paper quality for printing of policy bond and associated stationery + supporting documents + Riders required are as follows:

Cl. No. Storm Deguirement / Cresification			
Sl. No.	Item	Requirement/Specification	
i	Printing	Multicolor digital printing.	
ii Policy Folder A3 size 120 GSM glossy A-		A3 size 120 GSM glossy A- Grade Art paper,	
	(Cover)	multi color (4 color) Offset printing on single	
		side with two windows	
iii	Envelope	120 GSM - A Grade Maplitho paper, 2 windows,	
		multicolor (4 color) Offset printing.	
iv	Policy Bond +	A3 Size with 100 GSM - A Grade Maplitho	
	copy of	paper, Duplex printing (Front & Back) in 4	
	proposal form	color digital inkjet printing, multilingual	
	+ CIS + Riders	(approx 30% of the policy bond pages )	
v			
copy of paper, 1 Proposal form & Whit		paper, Duplex printing (Front & Back) in Black	
		& White digital inkjet printing, multilingual	
	+ CIS + Riders	(approx 70% of the policy bond pages ).	
vi	India Post Bar	To be printed on the Welcome Page of the	
	code	Policy Document.	
vii	Printing	Owned, installed, operated and maintained by	
	machinery	Bidder at its own premises.	
viii	Page Count	The machinery shall have an automated pages	
		counter. The meter noting shall be made by	
		end of every day and noted on a Register, to be	
		checked, reviewed & countersigned by LICI	
		Official periodically.	
ix	Changes in	Designs can be changed periodically. One (01)	
	design	week notice will be given to the vendor.	

## 2.3.3 Post-printing activities (Pre Mailing activities):

- (a) Forced printing
- (b) Collating
- (c) Tearing
- (d) Stapling
- (e) Check list
- (f) Insertion
- (g) Pasting

## 2.3.4 **Dispatch**

Hand over the printed Policy bonds duly inserted in Envelopes, to The Department of Posts at each of the locations within mentioned timelines (TATs). Mumbai/ Navi Mumbai / Thane is mandatory. Other 03 locations should cover East, North and South of India as mentioned below in Clause 2.4 (f).

## 2.4 General Scope:

LICI expects the Bidder(s) to provide end-to-end solution for the activities covered in the scope section. The solution proposed should conform to the best industry standards and practices.

The scope & requirements described in this Tender document are broad and indicative in nature. LICI reserves its right to change the scope of work considering the size and variety of the requirements and the changing business conditions.

- a. The bidder shall represent and acknowledge to LICI that it possesses necessary experience, expertise and ability to undertake and fulfill its obligations, involved in the performance of the provisions of this Tender Document. The bidder represents that the proposal to be submitted in response to this Tender Document shall meet the proposed Tender Document requirement.
- b. If any services, functions or responsibilities not specifically described in this Tender Document are an inherent, necessary or customary part of the deliverables or services and are required for proper performance or provision of the deliverables or services in accordance with this Tender Document, 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 Tender Document and shall be provided by the bidder at no additional cost to LIC.

- c. Considering the scale of the assignment, any service which forms a part of the Scope of work that is not explicitly mentioned in scope of work as excluded would form part of this Tender Document, and the Bidder is expected to provide the same at no additional cost to LIC.
- d. The Bidder needs to consider and envisage all services that would be required in the Scope and ensure the same is delivered to the LICI. The LICI 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 Tender Document.
- e. The bidder also acknowledges that the LICI 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 Tender Document, LICI expects the bidder to fulfill all the terms and conditions of this Tender Document.
- f. The proposed activity shall be carried out offsite, at the Bidder's own premises. The Bidder must have operational facilities at a total of four (4) locations across India, with adequate capacity to handle the scope of work for Life Insurance Corporation of India (LICI). The Bidder must ensure that these facilities are ready and fully equipped to undertake the required activities. The proposed locations are as specified below;
  - Mandatory Location: One location must be at Mumbai/Navi Mumbai/Thane
  - **Additional Locations**: The remaining three (3) locations must be strategically distributed across the following regions:
  - **North India**: Situated in either of the states of Delhi, NCR, Haryana, and Uttar Pradesh.
  - **South India**: Situated in either of the states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana.
  - **East India**: Situated in either of the states of West Bengal, Odisha, and Chhattisgarh.
- g. Bidders have to adhere to the LICI Policy on Information Security

Requirements for Third Party.

- h. LICI would, as a part of the regular reviews/site audits carry out assessment of effectiveness of controls including surprise visits.
- i. Vendor will have to adhere to the process and service quality parameters laid down by LICI.
- j. There should be a facility for providing real-time Dashboard, which should be exposed to LICI CO & ZO with secured login credentials and multiple status reports should be available for download for reporting.
- k. Vendor should adhere to IRDAI regulations and guidelines (issued from time to time) along with outsourcing policy of LICI.
- Stationery required for the printing of policy bonds including plain white paper, policy cover and window envelopes will be procured by the bidder as per the requirement, design and specifications of LICI from time to time.
- m. Vendor will maintain sufficient stationery (White Paper, Policy Cover and window envelope etc.) to cater to the volume requirements and avoid stock outs and to inform LICI on monthly basis.
- n. Vendor should have the internal capability of managing digital communication and will be fully accountable for this activity.
- o. It will be an SLA driven activity with clearly defined TAT (Turn around Time) and expectation parameters.

#### 2.5 Service Solution

LICI is looking at a service solution that encompasses following activities / functionalities as mentioned below, in the Scope of work.

## 2.5.1 End to end printing of Policy Bonds:

- Policy bond will be prepared in the form of a booklet. It will combine printing of data and PDF/image files. In each policy booklet data will be printed in variable as well as in static forms. Variable part will consist of customer specific data and static part will have policy conditions pertaining to that particular policy & opted Riders. Sample of the policy bond booklet is attached as pdf with this Tender document as Annexure-O.
- PDF/Image files in the booklet shall consist of Welcome letter, Preamble, schedule, copy of Proposal Form, CIS, Riders and other documents such as policy specific terms & conditions (T&Cs), as defined by LICI (which will vary from product to product). All policies will have specifically designed cover page and envelopes. All the content will be in bilingual as well, as per the requirement of

LICI.

 Design or any subsequent modification in design of Policy Bond Booklet, Cover page, other pages or Envelope have to be specifically approved/provided by LICI. Version control protocol will take care of all such modifications.

# 2.5.2 Designing of Policy bond, Policy folder and Envelope & Printing

Standard templates for printing may be designed by the vendor as per the specification given by LICI. Vendor will create the printable files out of them. Vendor should design product/version wise templates as per the specifications given by LICI and approved by LICI.

One product can have multiple templates. Hence it is required to print policy bond all pages fully digitally both in colour and/or black on the fly.

- Printing matter for each Policy bond will be different.
- Printing matter for different plans, Customer information sheet (CIS) and Riders will be different.
- Each policy bond will have distinctive page no. starting from 1 in respect of each plan.

The vendor will be required to get the template artwork approved by LICI within 05 working days, as and when required.

#### 2.5.3 Activities to undertake

- 2.5.3.1 The vendor will have to undertake the following activities whenever new/modified plans are introduced:
- a. Conversion of policy schedule to bilingual word (docs) file for all modified/newly introduced plans.
- b. De-coloring, re-pagination and margin setting of T&Cs and clauses to ensure they are not in color.
- c. Final check of printability of a combined file done on all samples for a specific plan and submit copies of the same for sample sign off.
- 2.5.3.2 The template designed by the vendor will be exclusively for LICI. LICI will have the copy right on all the templates designed in this process.
- 2.5.3.3 All templates have to be specifically approved by LICI.

- Modifications in the templates by the vendor cannot be done without specific authorization from LICI.
- 2.5.3.4 Design or any subsequent modification in design of booklet, cover page, other pages or envelope have to be specifically approved by LICI. Version control protocol will take care of all such modifications.
- 2.5.3.5 Data for printing will be transferred by LICI in XML/CSV or any other format and also in PDF/ TIFF or any other file format through secured MFTP. Data will be in encrypted form only.
- 2.5.3.6 For encryption, a licensed Digital Rights Management solution may be installed at vendor's site. All the data movement shall be made through Digital Rights Management application only.
- 2.5.3.7 Vendor will download the images, data and other relevant files from secured MFTP or any other transmission method approved by CISO, LIC of India.
- 2.5.3.8 File containing data will be used for printing by the vendor. This file will be used for spool based printing.
- 2.5.3.9 Document Images will be provided in PDF/TIFF format and will have to be aligned with policy printing processes.
- 2.5.3.10 Policy booklet will be developed into printable Postscript (PS)/PDF documents after the process of data and other related activities for data accuracy is completed.
- 2.5.3.11 Every policy PDF will be digitally signed by LICI.
- 2.5.3.12 The Policy Bond printing should also take place in variable digital color format with everything printed on-the fly to ensure no manual work is done to put the full booklet together as per specific requirement of LICI.
- 2.5.3.13 LICI Policy bonds are of different products and all products have different Products Names & Headers. All to be printed in digital color/B&W through variable data printing on high capacity digital printing machines.
- 2.5.3.14 Printed policy pages will be specifically designed into an attractive and colored booklet. Booklet making will involve folding & binding (center pinning) of physical document as prescribed by LICI. Sample Cover page is enclosed as **Annexure A.**
- 2.5.3.15 Envelope for policy will be designed in attractive **color** on the basis of specifications provided by LICI. Sample envelope is

enclosed as Annexure B.

- 2.5.3.16 It may have insertion of any standard literature/template information. Such insertion will be provided separately by LICI for incorporation into policy envelope/booklet. Insertion document may also be printed by the vendor as per the requirement of LICI.
- 2.5.3.17 India Post Bar code will be printed on policy documents which will be dispatched through Speed Post. India Post Barcode Printing will include:
  - a) Printing the EMS bar code on the Policy Cover letter.
  - b) Reading the Bar code through Scanner & Updating the Express Mail Service (EMS) Number against the Policy Number in the database.
  - c) Managing the EMS Series and replenishing the new series in case the stock level goes down.
- 2.5.3.18 Vendor should be able to demonstrate end to end process which should be based on a robust automated software system with sound validations, logic, customizations, ability to scale etc as per requirements of LICI.
- 2.5.3.19 The process at vendor's end should conform to the best industry standards and practices. Strength of such customization will be important criteria to determine relative robustness of the bidder.
- 2.5.3.20 Vendor should have a robust system of reporting of process status and other Real Time MIS on daily/periodic basis as per requirements of LICI. Online and real-time dissemination of MIS will be required.

## 2.6 Required Technical capabilities of the Vendor

**2.6.1 CSV file:** will be sent with each batch and the reverse csv file is required to be sent by the vendor.

Vendor will share their part of the MIS, once a day, in the reverse CSV folder for all policy bonds printed upto 16:00 hours on that day by 18:00 hrs. This will be built upon the csv file as received from LICI with added columns for

- File receipt status whether printable or corrupt
- Date of receipt
- Date of printing
- Bar code number allotted

- Date of hand over to Post for dispatch
- Number of pages in color
- Number of pages in black
- Speed Post/EMS Number
- Policy Bond delivery receipt details
- **2.6.2 Corrupt files**: The Vendor will flag the folder, if there are any corrupt files in the folder in a reverse csv file (though the chances of such occurrence is remote) and the entire folder will be rejected. The entire batch would be resent again after necessary corrections. To make the work more superfluous and without many restrictions, Vendor would flag the corrupt files in the MIS at the end of the day and continue with other printable files.
- **2.6.3 Auto erasing/Purging:** facility of the print files should be available at the Vendors end after the reverse csv file is sent, ideally after 48 hrs. As the printed files are handed over to DoP, the files should be automatically purged at Vendor's end. **A Certificate of purging the data to be submitted on Monthly basis along with Invoice at LICI, Central Office.**
- **2.6.4 Duplicate files**: There will be necessary control at the vendor's end to identify the duplicate policy file received if any. The forced re-printing wherever required will happen only if it is flagged in the csv file sent by LICI. Vendor will do a duplication check before printing from starting of the services to current days printing for lifetime of the contract.
- **2.6.5 India Post Bar Codes**: The vendor will generate the Bar Code nos and the Bar Codes. Bar codes, CODE 128 font should be used as it has improved readability and better printing efficiency. Vendor would be inserting the Bar Codes into the Welcome letters at their end. Bar codes to be taken from India Post. The vendor would divide the Bar Codes into 04 (Four) Centre and then insert them into the Welcome letters. Necessary bar code reconciliations shall be shared by the vendor with both DoP and LICI.
- 2.7 Dispatch of printed policy bonds mentioned above through India Post
  - 2.7.1 Vendor will manage end to end process, which will include printing, stuffing of the printed document(s) including additional inserts /pamphlets etc. (if any) into window envelope

- as per the requirement, pasting of envelope, postal franking and handover to India Post.
- 2.7.2 Vendor will be handling end-to-end dispatch related activities to ensure policy bonds and Speed Post related lists are handed over to Post in the required format of India Post in soft/hard copy as per the requirements of LICI.
- 2.7.3 Vendor should have their independent postal dispatch arrangements through India Post and will be fully accountable for the services related to end to end dispatch of documents to the Customers.(A copy of such agreement to be submitted at the time of submission of Bid with a validity period of one (01) year or more)
- 2.7.4 Vendor to share the acknowledgement receipt for the policies handed over to postal department on monthly basis along with Invoices, for each location.
- 2.7.5 Vendor will have to adhere to all the formalities/ processes required by postal department for handing over consignments to them.
- 2.7.6 Vendor will be coordinating with respective India Post offices (in all the respective regions where the policy bonds are getting printed) for the day to day activities and ensuring that dispatches are done within TATs agreed with LICI.
- 2.7.7 Postal Charges will be actual as per India Post Invoice/Agreement with vendor, after bulk rebate/discount. SLA with India Post a copy of license & SLA for Speed Post services along with details of charges and rebates to be submitted to LICI.
- 2.7.8 Vendor will manage logistics of movement of printed material from printing facility to India Post & LICI Offices (if required). This is required wherever printed documents to be sent to LICI Branch Offices.

# 2.7.9 Turn Around Time (TAT)

# Turn Around Time (TAT) details are outlined in the table below:

Sr. No.	Job details /Scheduled tasks.	Time lines (TAT)
1	Printing of Policy Documents across all locations on receipt of files from LICI.	Within 48 hours (02 days).
2	Dispatch of printed Policy documents across all locations –	Within <b>24hrs (01 Day)</b> from printing (same day)
3	Reverse csv files with printing details.	For all policy bonds printed upto 16:00 hours, reverse csv to be provided on the same day by 18:00 hrs
4	Reverse csv files with India Post delivery details.	03 days (72 hours) from the date of delivery.
5	De-duplication checks of csv files	Before printing – from start of services till current date.
6	Reporting of Corrupt print files /folder.	Same day flagging and informing to LICI
7	Purging of data transferred to the vendor for printing.	Within 02 days (48 hours).
8	Submission of monthly Purging Certificate	By 5 <sup>th</sup> of the following month.
9	Submission of monthly invoices	By 10 <sup>th</sup> of the following month
10.	MIS data for enquiry and other administrative purposes.	Real time basis.
11.	Breakdown of any services related to the contract-Beyond 24 hours (01 day).	Immediate information to LICI alongwith it's resolution details.
12.	Any data breach.	Immediate information to LICI along with steps taken.
13	Notification of conflict of interest (COI)	Within 07 days
14.	Submission of PBG (by successful vendor)	Within 30 days from the award of contract and LOI.

15.	Signing of SLA	Within 30 days from the
		award of contract and LOI.
16.	Policy bond template art work.	Within 05 working days.
17.	Performance review of Selected	Quarterly or earlier.
	Vendor by LICI	
18.	Conversion of policy bond template	Within 02 working days.
	pdf to doc.file	
19.	Activisation /Start of printing and	30 days from the effective
	dispatch services.	date of SLA.
20.	Printing page count Meter reading	End of every day.

Various TATs may change as per Regulatory or other requirements which will be informed to the Vendor, as and when required. Adherence to the revised TATs are also mandatory to the Vendor. Apart from the above mentioned TATs, new TATs will also need to be adhered, during the currency of the contract period.

## 2.8 Management Information System (MIS)

- a) A daily MIS of files received and Policy Booklets printed shall be given to LICI.
- b) Transfer of print file is through MFTP (Managed File Transfer Protocol) and
- c) Bidders are required to set up a dedicated server for this purpose.
- d) Dash Board for MIS on real time basis.
- e) SPEED POST handover details & delivery receipt through reverse CSV files in the prescribed format of LICI.

## 2.9 Data security from Cyber Security perspective & backup:

- a) Data would be transferred through MFTP (Managed File Transfer Protocol).
- b) Data would be transferred only in encrypted format by LICI to the vendor.
- c) Zipped folder containing files would be escalated to Vendor with a dynamic password. The password logic will be shared with the Vendor.
- d) Technology should be able to limit the decryption only once. The

moment data is uploaded onto the printing machine that data again becomes encrypted.

- e) The authorised LICI personnel/s may visit the printing location/s for inspection purposes.
- f) The printing unit shall not be connected to any kind of data transfer channel. The Vendor should provide RMS (Rights Management Solution) for printing.
- g) If for any reason the machine stops and the data is to be reuploaded only a fresh decryption key can make it possible to decrypt and upload.
- h) The decryption key should be dynamic and changing to a new one every time it is used.
- i) Backup of 02 (two) days of encrypted file data will be kept by the Vendor unless desired for a longer time in writing by LICI. The data file shall be deleted after 02 (two) working days.
- j) Ensuring that the dynamic passwords used to protect the zipped folders are securely shared with Vendor. Consider using secure password sharing mechanisms, such as password management tools or encrypted messaging platforms, to mitigate the risk of password interception.
- k) In the event of data breach, the Vendor should report it to LICI, immediately along with the details.
- l) If Vendor retains backups for a longer duration as requested by LICI, ensure that the backup storage is appropriately secured. Implement encryption, access controls, and regular monitoring to protect the backup data from unauthorized access or leakage.
- m) Employ robust access controls to restrict unauthorized access to the data. Use role-based access controls (RBAC) and ensure that only authorized individuals or systems have permission to access and modify the data.

- n) Use data masking techniques/encryption to obfuscate sensitive data, replacing it with fictional or altered values while preserving the data's format and structure. This can be useful for testing or development environments.
- o) Encryption algorithms Strong encryption algorithms should be used.
- p) LICI has the right to revise the provision pertaining to data security process and notify the same under a minimum notice period of 15 days which would be communicated to the Vendor.

## 2.10 Pre-printing Quality check of Policy files:

- i. Pre-printing Data quality check will involve checking accuracy of details to be printed on policy document.
- ii. On receipt of data and image files, Vendors will carry out Data Quality check before sending them for printing.
- iii. Vendors must have its own IT system, manpower and infrastructure to carry out this activity, in its own premise.
- iv. Number of fields/pages to be checked will be specified by LICI and may vary from plan to plan.
- v. Vendors will identify errors and inform LICI.
- vi. MIS of both types of activities will have to be shared with LICI.
- vii. Vendors should have robust systems in place to carry out exchange of data with LICI where reconciliation and removal of duplicates can be done without exception.

## 3. <u>Minimum Eligibility Criteria:</u>

Kindly note that individually all Minimum Eligibility Criteria are to be reckoned/met/fulfilled as on the date of issuance of this Tender Document(i.e.07.08.2025), except wherein specifically mentioned as Financial Year /time period.

Sr. No.	Minimum Eligibility Criteria	Documents Required
1	The Bidders must have been established/	Certificate of
	registered under the Companies Act,	
	1956/Companies Act, 2013 amended from	Company (Details to be
	time to time and have a legal entity in India	provided as per
	with <b>minimum 10 years of existence</b> on	Annexure- K)
	the day of submission of bid.	
2	The Bidder must have an average annual	Audited Financials for
	turnover of INR 133 crores (INR One	the last 03 Financial
	Hundred and Thirty Three crores)	Years (2021-22, 2022-
	within India business only during the last	23, 2023-24) (Details to
	03 Financial Years (2021-22, 2022-23,	be provided as per
	2023-24)	Annexure- C)
3	Profitability after Tax (PAT)	Last three financial years
	Average Annual Profit during the last 03	(2021-22, 2022-23,
	Financial Years within India business only	2023-24)
	(2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24): Minimum 5	Profit details – duly
	Crores	certified by Chartered
		Accountant
4	The Bidder must have a net worth of at	Certificate from the
	least INR 27 crores within India business	statutory Auditor for the
	only as per the audited financials of	net worth for Financial
	Financial Year 2023-24.	Year 2023-24. The
	m	Format of Net Worth
	The net worth giving UDIN (Unique	Certificate is as given in
	Document Identification Number ) of the	Annexure G.
	bidder must not have eroded in the last	
5	three financial years ending on 31.03.2024.	Name la ora
3	Number of Public sector/Private sector Life Insurance companies serviced by the	<b>Number:</b> Minimum 3 Life
	1	
	bidder every year for the last 3 financial years within India business only. (2021-22,	Insurance companies
	2022-23, and 2023-24)	Enclose Certifications +
	(Attach the list with service specification)	Details
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	Latest Performance certificate from the Insurance client to be attached	
6	The Bidder must have successfully executed/completed similar services with atleast 03 (Three) Life Insurers over the last Three (03) years (2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24) & fulfilling either of the conditions:  Either: The value of atleast One (01) completed Contract for the Life Insurance Policy printing Project must be minimum INR 22 crores in any one of the last 03 financial years;  OR: The value of atleast Two (02) completed Contracts for Life Insurance Policy printing Projects, each having a value in excess of INR 14 crores in any one of the last 03 financial years;  OR: The value of atleast Three (03) completed	fulfilling any <b>One</b> (01) of the mentioned Three <b>(03)</b> criterias.  Copy of work orders/agreements from the customers indicating the nature of work,
	Contracts for Life Insurance Policy printing Projects, each having a value in excess of <b>INR 11 crores</b> in any one of the last 03 financial years;	
7	The bidder must have its <b>own</b> infrastructure - premises, printing machines, manpower etc. in ready state at <b>04</b> locations across India for fulfilling the scope of work required under this Tender. Mumbai/ Navi Mumbai / Thane is mandatory. Other 03 locations should cover East, North and South of India as mentioned in Clause 2.4 (f) All such premises should be leased/owned & in the name of the Bidder.	in Bidder's name and Property and Assets owned to be certified by Statutory auditor.

8	The Service Provider should have minimum experience of <b>03 Years</b> as on date of submission of bid with Life Insurance Companies in designing and template making of documents from raw data (xml, text, images, etc.)	Certificate confirmation from life insurance companies to be submitted
9	The bidder must have dedicated IT infrastructure viz. isolated network, servers and other IT hardware for managing the scope of work under this Tender.	Self declaration of the bidder along with information/list of the dedicated IT infrastructure.
10	The Bidder must have <b>in-house</b> logistics arrangements with India Post for pickup of bulk articles on a daily basis from all the proposed printing locations.	Certified Copy of Postal arrangements tie up documents to be provided (Valid National Account letter) in the name of the Bidder, issued by India Post to be submitted.
11	The bidder must have the Policy bond printing machines (owned by the bidder) i.e. High speed Web/Reel-fed front and back printing in single pass (Duplex printing) color variable data printing done on inkjet machines installed and operational at all 04 locations, supported by the OEM/Distributor partner and the OEM/Distributor must undertake to support the bidder for the entire duration of the contract period mentioned in this Tender, at each location.	Undertaking Letter from OEM/Distributor for supporting the bidder for the entire contract duration of this Tender.
12	The bidder must own & submit the list of machines at each location for scope of work under this Tender which is duly certified by a Chartered Engineer.	Machinery list duly certified by a Chartered Engineer. (Details to be provided as per Annexure - E)
13	Printing capacity to print at least 3 million A3 Duplex variable color impressions per day across all four locations.	Copy of work orders /agreements / satisfactory performance certificate from the customers indicating the nature of work & tenure.

		Bidder to provide machine make, model number and specifications sheet demonstrating compliance to requisite capacity requirement as per <b>Annexure E</b> .
14	The bidder must be <b>ISO 9001:2015 or 27001:2022</b> certified.	ISO certificates for each location
15	The Bidder must have Disaster Recovery Centre (DRC) & Business Continuity Plan (BCP) in place in case of any disruption.  For DRC: One Extra machine setup with same capacity, at any one of the proposed 04 locations	Details of Disaster Recovery Centre (DRC) with Machine capacity details, etc. Certificate by Chartered Engineer & certified copy of BCP to be submitted by the Bidder.
16	Bidder should have Internet leased lines at all the 4 locations with a speed of atleast 50 Mbps and backup line available at same location of a different Internet Service Provider (ISP)	Invoice copies/agreements with ISP for primary line and backup line.
17	The bidder having the history of Blacklisting/De-empanelment/ Debarring/Removal from Empanelment due to serious violation of terms and conditions of tender/Pending litigation due to serious violation of terms and conditions of tender by any Bank, Government/Central/ State/ Semi Government/Public Sector Unit/autonomous bodies under State/ Central Government of India/any other foreign Government during the last five (05) financial years in India or abroad, will not be eligible to participate in this tender.  A similar ban subsequent to the submission of the Bid, but before the award of the contract shall also be disclosed.	Self declaration should be submitted with the bid in this regard, along with details of history of Blacklisting / De- empanelment/ Debarring/Removal, if any. (Details to be provided as per Annexure- H)

18	The Bidder should be able to provide real	Self declaration should
	time dashboard and the required MIS for	be submitted with the
	the proposed Printing & Dispatch activity.	bid in this regard with
		proposed IT readiness
		and MIS details.
19	Bidder should comply with all applicable	Self declaration should
	Union, State and local laws, ordinance,	be submitted with the
	regulations in performing its obligations	bid in this regard.
	including the procurement of licenses,	bia iii tiiis regara.
	permissions, certificates, etc. payment of	
	taxes, if required. Bidder has to submit self-	
	certification in this regard, on its	
	letterhead.	
20	Installed ready to go Printing & Dispatch	A Certificate for ready to
	capacity is a pre-requisite for this Tender	go Capacity is to be
		provided on Company
		Letter head, duly signed
		by Authorized
		signatories. +
		Chartered Engineer's
		Certificate
21	The Bidder should have full-fledged	Municipal/Govt.
	Administrative Office set up preferably in	Authority issued License,
	Mumbai/Navi Mumbai and should be	Permissions, Utility Bills,
	leased/owned in the name of the Bidder.	Tax paid receipts etc. to
	reased, owned in the name of the Braden	be attached, duly
		certified by Authorized
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22	Dhygigal Cognitive for each Drinting site	signatories. Self declaration with
	Physical Security for each Printing site:	
	a) Site should be manned by Security	sufficient evidences
	personnel - 24x7 for 365 days.	should be submitted
	b) Site should be under CCTV surveillance	with the bid in this
	and monitoring - 24x7 for 365 days and	regard.
	recording should be available for 90	
	days.	
	c) Site should have Access control	
	mechanism for the designated sections	
	of the activity.	
23	Logical / IT Security:	Self declaration with
	a) Segregated network as per the scope of	
	work in this Tender.	should be submitted
	b) Necessary firewalls are in place.	with the bid in this
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	c) Email restrictions.	regard.
	d) Adherence to all the LICI IT protocols	1 0801 01
	and Guidelines, Rules & Regulations.	
	e) User Role Based Access (RBAC) to	
	Authorized Individuals	
24	Power backup:	Self Declaration of
	Stable 24x7 power supply should be	Generators installed of
	available in the form of Generator supply	requisite capacity for all
	and UPS supply at all 4 locations in case of	the 4 locations.
	breakdown of the main power supply line.	
25	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Each bid must be
	Bank details :	accompanied with an
	IFSC CODE: UBIN0996335 Bank	Earnest Money Deposit
	Account Number (VAN):	(EMD) of the value of
	LIC9NB00	INR 16 Crores(Rupees
	Exemption will be given for Micro and	Sixteen Crores Only)
	Small Enterprises	to be paid online by
26		NEFT / Net Banking etc.
26	Commercials:	Bidder to demonstrate
	a) Paper to be procured for all the items	current supply chain
	should be from <b>A grade</b> paper Mills.	arrangements in place
	b) Paper samples to be attached for each of	with suppliers providing
	the item which would be used in the job.	A grade paper for the
		past 3 financial years.
		Self Declaration required from Bidder undertaking
		compliance to this
		requirement.
		Paper samples to be
		submitted with the
		Tender.
27	Independent Postal Dispatch arrangements	A copy of such
	& tie up with India Post (for SPEED POST)	arrangement/tie up with
	services	India Post with a validity
		period of 01 year or
		more is to be submitted.
		Preferable experience of
		02 (two) years or more
		for such arrangement/tie
		up.

Scanned copies of relevant documents/certificates duly attested/certified as per requirements, should be uploaded as proof in support of the claims made. LICI reserves the right to verify/evaluate the claims made by the Bidder independently. Any decision of LICI in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding upon the Bidder. Self declaration should be submitted with the bid in this regard. Each document/page to be numbered, signed and sealed with date by the Bidder (Authorized official only).

## **Eligibility to Participate**

The Bidder must meet the eligibility criteria prescribed in the Tender document.

- a)Including restrictions on Bidders from specified countries as of the date of this Bid submission and should continue to meet these till the award of the contract and during the period of the Contract, including any extensions therof.
- b)Bidders shall be required to declare continued fulfillment of Eligibility Criteria in Format.
- c)Bidders must provide evidence of their continued eligibility to LICI if requested.
- d)Furthermore, it is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that its Experts, service providers, suppliers and/or their employees similarly continue to meet such eligibility criteria.
- 3.1 Bids should be submitted by one single entity/organization. The interested bidders will not be permitted to submit the bid in a consortium with another service provider/Bidder. Additionally, the bidder cannot sub-contract the work (as defined in scope of work of this Tender) either, except the SPEED POST Dispatch with India Post.

## • Consortiums or sub-contractor

- No consortium bidding is allowed
- ➤ LICI will not consider joint or collaborative proposals that require a contract with more than one prime Vendor
- 3.2 Bidders should not be a group entity or related party of any Insurer, Corporate Agent or Broker, Individual Agent, Bank etc.
- 3.3 One Company/firm can submit only ONE BID. Submission of multiple Bids by a Company/firm will lead to disqualification, without consideration of even single bid.

- 3.4 Bidder must be an Indian Company, registered under the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, **2013**. The Bidders must have been established/ registered under the Companies Act, 1956/Companies Act, 2013 amended from time to time or Partnership Act etc or any other Act and have a legal entity in India with minimum **10 (Ten) years** of existence on the day of submission of bid. Certificate of incorporation or registration duly certified by a Notary Public to be provided as supporting document.
- 3.5 Attested copy to be provided
- a) Certificate of Incorporation/Registration in the **name of Bidder** to be provided.
- b) Details of Board of Director/Trustee/MD/CEO/Partners.
- c) Pan card of the Company registered in India.
- d) Valid GST Registration Certificate of the Company & for each proposed printing location.
- e) Industrial Operation License / Permission (valid) for each proposed printing location.
- f) Board Resolution & affidavit of the authorized person to sign all bid documents.
- g) Board Resolution & affidavit of the authorized person to execute the contract on behalf of the Company.
- h) Power of Attorney (PoA).
- 3.6 Even if the Bidder meets the Minimum Eligibility Criteria, it shall be subject to disqualification if the Bidder or anyone of the constituent partner is found to have:
- a) Made misleading or false representations in the forms, statements, affidavits and attachments submitted in proof of the qualification requirements and / or
- b) Records of poor performance during the last five years, as on the date of Tender/Bid, such as abandoning the work, rescission of the contract for reasons which are attributable to non-performance of the Bidder, inordinate delays in completion, consistent history of litigation resulting in awards against the Bidder or any of the constituents, or financial failure due to bankruptcy and so on.
- c) Failed to provide clarifications related thereto, when sought;
- d) Been declared ineligible by the Government of India/State/UT

- Government/ PSUs for corrupt and fraudulent practices or blacklisted.
- e) Submitted a Proposal with price adjustment/variation provision. Made any form of canvassing/lobbying/ influence/query regarding short listing, status etc
- f) On account of currency of debarment by any Government Agency or Private Institution/firm
- 3.7 Apart from the above mentioned printing capacity the Bidder's printing facility should also have all the prerequisites like the following (which must be supported by a self-certification letter):
  - Centre Stitching Machines/Booklet Maker/Stapler
  - Envelope insertion, etc
  - Data Composition Software
  - Paper cutting machine,
  - Valid National Account letter in the name of the Bidder, issued by India Post, etc.
  - Should have in house software development capabilities.

## 3.8 Policies of the Government

# **Relaxation in Prior Turnover and Experience**

Relaxation in prior turnover and experience will be provided to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSE) units.

Central Government policies restrict the participation of entities from:

- 1. Certain countries sharing land borders with India and
- 2. Countries that restrict the participation of Bidders from India.

(Declaration to be provided as per **Annexure-Q**)

- 3.9 **PII- Professional Indemnity Insurance –** A certificate of Professional Indemnity Insurance is to be provided by the successful Bidder.
- 3.10 **Restrictive Clause** Restrictive clause for appointment/ engagement of sub bidder Bidder **will not** sublet any job/s entrusted by LICI with regards to printing of LICI policy bonds to any other third party bidder/sub bidder. **If found violating this clause, contract will be terminated and penalty will also be**

**imposed.** The selected Bidder will undertake to provide the services required in this Tender to LICI and will not outsource or subcontract any or all of the services being offered to LICI to any company or to another company fully / partly owned by the Bidder.

- 3.11 **SPOC** The Bidder will provide to LIC of India the list of its nominated Officials along with escalation Matrix, office telephone numbers and mobile numbers, Email Ids, each location wise, who can be contacted in case of any grievance/information requirement.
- 3.12 **Certificates:** Bidder's offer is liable to be rejected if they don't upload any of the certificates / documents sought in the Bid/Tender document and Corrigendum, if any.
- 3.13 All the bidders should ensure that they are GST Compliant and their quoted tax structure/ rates are as per GST Act/ Rules. Bidders should be registered under GST and furnish a GSTIN number and GST Registration Certificate in their offer unless they are specifically exempted from registration under a specific notification /circular / section /rule issued by statutory authorities.
  - **GST Registration Number (15-digit GSTIN).** If the Bidder has multiple business verticals in a state and has separate registration for each vertical, the GSTIN of each vertical concerned with the service delivery shall be quoted. If the services provided are from multiple states, the Bidder should mention GST registration numbers for each state separately.
- 3.14 Notwithstanding anything stated above, LICI reserves the right to assess the capabilities and capacity of the Bidder to fulfill the contract in the overall interest of LIC of India.

## 3.15 Net worth Certificate:

The Bidder must have a net worth of at least INR 27 crores as per the audited financials of Financial Year 2023-24. Certificate from the statutory Auditor for the net worth for Financial Year 2023-24 is to be submitted. The Format of Net Worth Certificate is as given in **Annexure G**.

**3.**16 Any statutory or regulatory approvals and compliances there of shall be the sole responsibility of the bidders. LICI shall not be a party to any violation of any Laws / Regulations / Statutes / Intellectual Property Rights of whatsoever nature by the bidders

# 3.17 Signing of Bid:

Individual signing the Bid or other documents connected with contract must specify whether he/she signs as:

- a) A representative of the company, in which case he must have authority to execute contracts on behalf of the company and to refer to arbitration disputes concerning the business of the company either by virtue of the agreement or by a power of attorney.
- b) Director or a Principal Officer duly authorized by the Board of Directors of the Company, if it is a company.
- c) In case of partnership firms, a copy of the partnership agreement or general power of attorney duly attested by a Notary Public, should be furnished on stamped paper duly sworn or affirmed by all the partners admitting execution of the partnership agreement or the general power of attorney. The attested copy of the certificate of registration of firm should also be enclosed along with the tender.
- d)In case of partnership firms, where no authority to refer disputes concerning the business of partnership firm has been conferred on any partner, the bid and all other related documents must be signed by all partners of the firm
- e) A person signing the bid format or any documents forming part of the tender on behalf of another person should have an authority to bind such other person and if, on enquiry it appears that the persons so signing had no authority to do so, the Competent Authority may, without prejudice, cancel the contract and hold the signatory liable for all costs, consequences and damages under the civil and criminal remedies available.
- f) The bidder should sign and affix the stamp of the firm at each page of the Bid and all its Annexures as the acceptance of the offer made by the bidder.
- g) NO PAGE SHOULD BE REMOVED/ DETACHED FROM THIS TENDER NOTICE INVITING BID.

## 3.18 Submission of Original Documents & Verification

All participating Bidders need to submit the Original Documents as mentioned in this Tender document, as part of various Annexures etc. Also Bidders should submit the attested, signed & sealed copies of all other documents, along with Originals for verification at LICI on the day of Technical Bid Evaluation, as per Activity Schedule. If the Bidder/s remains unable to submit the required documents in Original, bid shall be treated as unresponsive and liable to be rejected along with disqualification from the Tender Process. No further representation will be entertained in this regard.

## 3.19 Review

The following decisions of LICI shall not be subject to review:

- i. Determination of the need for procurement.
- ii. Complaints against Terms of Reference except under the premise that they are either vague or too specific
- iii. Selection of the mode of procurement or bidding system;
- iv. Choice of the selection procedure.
- v. Provisions limiting the participation of Bidders in the Procurement Process, in terms of policies of the Government
- vi. Provisions regarding Service preferences to specific categories of Bidders in terms of policies of the Central Government
- vii.Cancellation of the Procurement Process except where it is intended to subsequently re-tender the same Services.

## 4. Bid Terms and Conditions:

The Bid Terms and Conditions are as follows:

It is the objective of LIC of India to obtain the best services possible by giving fair and impartial consideration to all Bidders invited to accept Tender for submitting Response to Tender. Every potential Bidder will be considered on fair and equal basis.

# **Acceptance of Terms**

A Bidder will, by submitting the Bid/Proposal in response to this Tender document shall be deemed to have accepted all the terms and conditions of this document, as mentioned therein. No legal actions, litigations, complaints etc, are allowed in any case of disqualification, non responsiveness of the bid, non selection as successful bidder etc,

**Participation in only one Bid:** The shortlisted Bidder shall not participate in more than one Bid in this Tender Process. Participation in any capacity by a Bidder in more than one Bid shall result in the disqualification of all Bids in which Bidder/firm is a party.

# 4.1 Cost of Bidding:

- The bidder shall bear all the costs incurred in connection with participation
- in the Tender process, preparation and submission of its bid, including, but not limited to, costs incurred in conduct of informative and other diligence activities, participation in meetings/discussions/ presentations, preparation of proposal, in providing any additional information required by LIC of India to facilitate the evaluation process. LIC of India will in no case be responsible or liable for any costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

# 4.2 Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) and Contracting

- 4.2.1 Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG): The successful bidder will have to furnish a Performance Bank Guarantee amount equivalent to INR. 40,00,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Crores only) for proper fulfillment of the contract in the form of a unconditional and irrevocable Performance Bank Guarantee for an initial period of 3 year and 6 months (Total 42 months) from the date of the agreement obtained from a nationalized / scheduled Bank. The agreement along with the Bank guarantee as per enclosed proforma (Annexure VIII) should be submitted within 30 days from the date of letter of Intent /acceptance.
- 4.2.2 Failure to Submit Performance Bank Guarantee: If the bidder fails to submit the PBG within **30 (Thirty) business days** from the date of issue of letter of Intent (LoI), LICI shall have the right to terminate the tender award /contract and seek damages from the bidder. The bidder shall be liable for any and all costs, expenses, losses, or damages incurred by LIC of India as a result of such failure to submit the PBG. This shall be without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to LICI under this Tender or at law.
- 4.2.3 Validity of Performance Bank Guarantee: The PBG shall be valid for the duration of the agreement/contract, any further annual extension and for any additional period of days as decided by LIC of India from the date of completion of the obligations specified in this Tender. The PBG shall not be cancelled or withdrawn by the issuing Bank during the validity period without the prior written consent of LIC of India.
- 4.2.4 The bidder shall be responsible for renewing the PBG if necessary, in accordance with the terms of this Tender. If the PBG is not renewed or if the PBG expires before the completion of the obligations specified in this Tender, LIC of India shall have the right to call upon the PBG for the full amount. This shall be without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to LIC of India under this Tender or at law.
- 4.2.5 LICI will not be responsible for payment of any interest on PBG.

The PBG may be invoked for entire amount if the Bidder backs-out of his obligations as per this Tender or if the fresh PBG is not received by LICI, **01 (ONE) month** prior to the expiry of the earlier

PBG; apart from other actions that may be decided by LICI.

- 4.2.6 The PBG will be invoked in full or part (to be decided by LICI) in any of following eventualities during the period of contract:
  - a) The bidder fails to honor expected deliverables or part as per this Tender after issuance /signing of SLA.
  - b) Any legal action is taken against the bidder restricting its operations.
  - c) Any action taken by statutory, legal or regulatory authorities for any breach or lapses which are directly attributable to the bidder.
  - d) LICI incurs any loss due to Bidder's negligence in carrying out the Contract implementation as per the agreed terms and conditions.
  - e) Penalty imposed by LICI.
  - f) In case the Bidder is found to be indulging in Fraudulent & Corrupt practices.
  - g) Blacklisted/de empanelled/ Debarred by any Govt Authority / Pvt Agency/PSU/Any other firm (within India or abroad) , indulged in fraudulent & corrupt practices.
  - h) In the event of any contract amendment, the Vendor shall, within seven days of agreeing to such amendment, furnish the amended performance guarantee, valid for the duration of the Contract as amended, including warranty obligations
  - 4.2.7 PBG should be payable at Mumbai, India. The PBG may be required to be submitted in multiple numbers, if required by LICI

# 4.3 Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) / Bid Security

To safeguard against a bidder's withdrawing or altering its bid during the bid validity period, Bid Security (also known as Earnest Money) would be obtained from the bidders except Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) as defined in MSE Procurement Policy issued by Department of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) . Details of MSME Certificate to be submitted in Annexure-L (If applicable).

The Bidder shall submit Earnest Money Deposit of **INR 16 Crores** (Rupees Sixteen Crores Only) to be paid online by NEFT / Net Banking etc. to LIC of India.

The bank details for remittance is as below.

IFSC CODE	Bank Account Number (VAN)
UBIN0996335	LIC9NB00

EMD EXEMPTION: The bidder seeking EMD exemption, must submit the valid supporting document for the relevant category. Under MSME category, only manufacturers for goods and Service Providers for Services are eligible for exemption from EMD. Traders are excluded from the purview of this Policy.

- The Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) are exempted from payment of Earnest Money, subject to furnishing of relevant valid certificate and proofs for claiming the exemption.
- No interest shall be payable by the LICI on the sum deposited as EMD/ Bid Security.
- EMD should be submitted for the specified amount (as above) in one go. EMD submitted in parts/tranches will be liable to be rejected, without any further processing and the bid will be disqualified.
- Any bid not accompanied with the requisite EMD, or EMD not submitted conforming to above criteria, shall be treated as nonresponsive and is liable to be rejected.
- EMD should be valid for Six (06) months (180 days) from the date of Tender.

## 4.4 Return of EMD

Bidders will submit the EMD of INR 16 Crores(Rupees Sixteen Crores Only) to be paid online by NEFT / Net Banking etc. The Bank details are mentioned in Clause 4.3.

The EMD of successful Bidder shall be returned / refunded after furnishing Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) as required in this Tender.

Bid securities (EMD) of unsuccessful bidders during 1<sup>st</sup> stage and 2<sup>nd</sup> stage i.e Technical evaluation and Commercial (Financial) evaluation, will be returned within 60 (Sixty) days of result of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> stage

respectively in the same Bank Account, through NEFT/Net Banking, from which the money is received, unless not forfeited for any violations/contradictions of the rules of this Tender Document / Process. Deviation will not be entertained in any case.

Kindly note that under any circumstances EMD will not fetch any interest.

## 4.5 Forfeiture of EMD

The EMD made by the Bidder will be forfeited if:

- a) The Bidder withdraws his bid before opening of the bid.
- b) The Bidder withdraws his bid after opening of the bid but before Notification of selection of Bidder.
- c) The selected Bidder withdraws his bid before furnishing Performance Guarantee (PBG).
- d) If a Bidder makes any statement or encloses any form which turns out to be false, Incorrect and/or misleading or information submitted by the Bidder turns out to be incorrect and/or conceals or suppresses material information.
- e) In case the Bidder is found to be indulging in Fraudulent & Corrupt practices as defined in this Tender or
- f) Bidder does not respond to requests for clarification of its Bid, after opening of Technical Bid, to be responded by the Bidder within the mentioned timelines, therein or
- g) Bidder fails to provide required information during the evaluation process or is found to be non-responsive or
- h) The Bidder makes any written statement or encloses any form which turns out to be False/ incorrect at any time prior to signing of Contract or
- i) In the case of a successful Bidder being identified, the successful Bidder withdraws its offer or if the bidder fails to sign the Contract within the stipulated time, or fails to furnish Bank Guarantee towards

the Performance Guarantee as mentioned in this Tender or

- j) If any unilateral revision in the offer is made by the Bidder during the validity of the Bid/Tender or
- k) Upon non acceptance of LOI/LOA, when placed by LIC of India.
- l) In the case of a successful Bidder, the bidder qualifies and the Bidder fails to furnish Non-Disclosure Agreement(NDA) as per LIC's format

# 4.6 Relationship between LICI and the bidders

It is clarified that no binding relationship exists between any of the bidders and LIC of India till the execution of a contractual agreement.

# **4.7 Pre-Bid Queries/Clarifications**:

Queries/Clarifications if any, regarding the terms & conditions of this Tender, any error, omission or discrepancy found in this Tender document have to be obtained by the bidder through the pre-bid queries only. Thereafter, no representations/queries will be entertained in this regard. Later on, if any issue(s) arise, LIC of India will consider the matter on merits and decide the same.

The queries for pre-bid meeting should necessarily be **submitted 05** (Five) days prior to pre-bid meeting i.e. latest by 12.08.2025, 05.30 pm, Tuesday in the following format to the email (co\_nbpost@licindia.com) and the file size per email should not exceed 1MB. No other form of communication shall be entertained.

Ref: LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER/CPPB/2025-26/01							
S No	Tender	Tender	Clause (in brief)	Brief details/ Query			
	Document	Document	of Tender	in reference to the			
	Reference	Reference	requiring	clause			
	(s) Page	(s) Section	clarification(s)				
	Number						
1.							
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LIC of India shall not be responsible for ensuring that the bidders' queries have been received. Any requests for clarifications received after the indicated date and time may not be entertained by LIC of India.

No consideration will be given to communications from bidders seeking clarifications for Pre-bid queries received after the date and time stipulated by LIC of India and no extension of time will be permitted for the same. However, LIC of India reserves the right to extend the last date and time for the same at its own sole discretion.

At any time prior to the last date for receipt of bids, LIC of India may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to clarifications requested by prospective bidders, can modify the Tender Document. At any time prior to the last date for receipt of bids, LICI may, for any reason, modify the Tender Document by issuing corrigendum. Any such corrigendum shall be deemed to be incorporated into this Tender.

Clarifications/ Corrigendum (if any) issued by LIC of India at any time before the due date of submission of the bid will become a part of the Tender document and would- be notified on the official webpage of LICI <a href="http://www.licindia.in">http://www.licindia.in</a>; <a href="http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC">http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC</a></a>
In order to provide prospective bidders a reasonable time, taking the modifications into account, LICI may at its discretion extend the date for the submission of Bids, any time prior to the date of Bid submission.

Requests for clarification on telephone/mail/messages will not be entertained; queries will be addressed only during Pre-bid meeting as per schedule.

LICI will reply only to those queries which are essentially required for submission of bids/Tender. LICI will not reply to the queries which are not considered fit like replies of which can be implied /found in the Tender/Bid Document, or which are not relevant or in contravention to Tender/Bid Documents, extension of time for opening of Technical Bids & Commercial (Financial) Bids, etc.

# 4.8 Pre-bid Meeting:

- A Pre-bid Meeting will be held with all the interested bidders as per the details given in the Activity schedule, to
- a) Address the concerns and queries of all the interested bidders. Interested bidders may send their queries in advance to Email Id: <a href="mailto:co">co</a> nbpost@licindia.com
- b) Subsequently, the summary of deliberations held during the pre-bid

- meeting will be sent to all bidders and will form the part of Tender process.
- c) Any deviation/requirements other than what is stated in the Tender shall be discussed in the pre-bid meeting and if necessary appropriate addendum/amendment/corrigendum to the Tender shall be put in place by the LICI, as deemed fit. Any deviation/requirement or pre-condition other than allowed by the LICI and stated in the Tender including addendum / amendment, to that extent be invalid. The successful bidder cannot define and limit the Scope of Work mentioned in the Tender including addendum/amendment/corrigendum. If it is necessary to sign the Scope of Work document with successful bidder such scope of work document shall be an exact replica of the Scope of Work stated in the Tender including addendum / amendment/corrigendum. If any deviation is noticed thereafter then the Tender Scope of Work mentioned in the Tender including addendum / amendment / corrigendum will be final.

## 4.9 Duration of Contract:

• The Contract shall be valid and enforceable for an initial period of 03 (Three) years from the date of the Contract execution, which may be renewed/ extended on the same terms and conditions, for One (01) more year or part thereof at a time, on satisfactory performance at the sole discretion of LIC of India, subject to maximum of 05 (Five) years, inclusive of initial 03 (three) years and 02 (two annual) one year extensions thereof.

## **Termination of Contract**

- The LICI reserves the right to terminate the Contract with a notice of 03 months, prior to the end of the term of the Contract, at its sole discretion. If Bidder terminates the contract on its own discretion, then Bidder has to adhere to the Business Continuity Clause for another 06 months and/or any part thereof, till LICI has alternative arrangements i.e. total of **03 + 06 = 09 Months** from the date of termination notice.
- During the pendency of the above Five-year contract, LICI reserves the right to terminate the contractual relationship at any point in time without assigning any reason, by giving a notice of 3 months. Further, the contractual relationship may deem to have terminated in

occasions where the Bidder's act violates any of the existing or future guidelines and policies of LIC, IRDAI and other regulatory bodies or results in gross dissatisfaction among the customers of the LICI or results in grossly damaging LICI's image in the marketplace.

# **4.10 Business Continuity Clause:**

- In case of any unforeseen event, Bidder shall ensure that it has adequate backup for the purpose of business continuity requirement.
- At the end of the Contract period, Bidder shall support & provide continuous services to LICI for another period of **06 (Six) months**, from the end of the Contract period for the takeover or transfer of services by LICI or to a new Bidder selected by LICI for business continuity, at no extra cost to LIC of India.

# 4.11 Change in Structure or Associations

 Changes in Structure: Any change in the structure, formation, eligibility, or a qualifications of a Bidder after being selected shall be subject to the written approval of LICI.

Any such changes shall be submitted for approval to LICI no later than 14 days after publishing the Tender document. Such approval shall be denied if

- I. A Bidder proposes to associate with an ineligible Bidder or, in case of an ineligible joint venture, any of its members
- II. Because of the change, the Bidder no longer substantially meets the eligibility criteria outlined in Tender Document, or
- III. In the opinion of LICI, a substantial reduction in competition may result.

## 5. Instructions for Bid Submission

Life Insurance Corporation of India, Mumbai (hereinafter referred to as "Corporation") having its head office at Yogakshema, Nariman Point, Mumbai- 400021 invites E –Bids/Proposals for selection of Bidder.

- 1. The Tender document can be downloaded from website <a href="http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC">http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC</a> and <a href="www.licindia.in">www.licindia.in</a> Corrigendum(s)/ Amendment(s), if any, would appear only on the website and will not be published in any other media. Bids must be uploaded on the tenderwizard Portal only, mentioned in the Tender document until the deadline for the Bid submission as notified therein. If the office happens to be closed on the deadline to submit the Bid, this deadline shall not be extended. No manual Bids shall be made available or accepted for submission. Bids submitted through modalities other than those stipulated in Tender document shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive.
- 2. In the case of downloaded documents, the Bidder must not make any changes to the contents of the documents while uploading, except for filling in the required information—otherwise, the Bid shall be rejected as nonresponsive. Uploaded Pdf documents should not be password protected. Bidders should ensure the clarity/legibility of the scanned documents uploaded by them.
- 3. The date and time of the Tenderwizard server clock (also displayed on the dashboard of the bidders) shall be the reference time for deciding the closing time of the Bid submission. Bidders are advised to ensure they submit their Bid within the deadline of submission, taking the server clock as a reference, failing which the portal shall not accept the Bid. No request on the account that the server clock was not showing the correct time and that a particular bidder could not submit their Bid because of this shall be entertained.
- 4. Failure or defects on the internet or heavy traffic at the server shall not be accepted as a reason for a complaint. LIC shall not be responsible for any failure, malfunction or breakdown of the electronic system used during the e-Tender process.

- 5. Only one copy of the Bid can be uploaded. Multiple / Duplicate Bids will not be entertained, if any found and noticed all such Bids are liable to be rejected. The Bidder shall sign all statements, documents, and certificates uploaded by him, owning sole and complete responsibility for their correctness/authenticity as per the IT Act 2000 as amended from time to time.
- 6. Unless otherwise instructed in the Tender Document, the bidder must declare in his Bid Form that they have read, understood, complied with, and stand bound by all requirements of the Tender document.
- 7. Originals of the following documents shall be submitted to LIC and acknowledgement be obtained at the venue mentioned in Tender Document.
  - a. Pre-Contract Integrity Pact
  - b. All Annexures and documents as required and mentioned in this Tender document
  - c. EMD
- 8. Failure to do so is likely to result in the bid being rejected. If the office is closed on the deadline for such physical submission, the physical submission deadline shall stand extended to the next working day at the same time and venue.
- 9. LICI reserves its right to call for verification, at any stage of evaluation, especially from the successful Bidder(s) before the issue of a Letter of Award (LoA), originals of uploaded scanned copies of documents uploaded in the Tender process stage. If a bidder fails at that stage to provide such originals or, in case of substantive discrepancies in such documents, it shall be construed as a breach of the Code of Integrity. Such tender Bids shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive and other punitive actions for such a breach.
- 10. All Bids uploaded by the Bidder to the portal shall get automatically encrypted. The encrypted Bid can only be decrypted/opened by the LICI authorized Officials as per the Activity schedule. The Bidder should ensure the correctness of the Bid before uploading and take a printout of the system-generated submission summary to confirm the successful Bid upload.

The Bid shall be submitted ONLINE in two parts (stages) i.e.

- 1. Part I Technical Bid
- 2. Part II Commercial (Financial) Bid

The mode of submission of tender will be **Online only** on the <a href="http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC">http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC</a> website. No other document and condition shall be uploaded along with documents of Commercial (Financial) Bid.

LIC of India will not be responsible for any technical fault/ problem occurring in the Website/portal and leading to non-submission of bids. Hence bidders are requested to upload their bids well in advance to avoid last minute issues.

For submission of bids a two-bid system will be followed.

**5.1 Online Submission :** Bidder has to submit the Tender/Bid Online as under:

## 5.1.1 Technical Bid with other documents:

The Bidder shall fill and sign Technical Bid as per Annexure-1. Bidder shall upload all required documents along with scanned copy of the details of the EMD on the above said website.

**EMD submission: EMD** is to be paid online by NEFT / Net Banking etc., as per LICI Bank Details provided in Clause 4.3 of this Tender document.

If the Bidder fails to submit EMD on or before the specified date and time, the Bid Document will be declared non–Bonafide.

All Pages from Terms, Conditions and instructions for Bidders Corrigendum/ Amendments (if any) duly signed by the authorized Signatory of the Bidder should be submitted.

# 5.1.2 Commercial (Financial) Bid: Annexure II

The figures shall be quoted in the Commercial (Financial) Bid Template in INR, excluding GST and/or any other Tax/duty. No other document, conditions shall be uploaded along with Commercial (Financial) Bid. The bid should be strictly in the format as given in

#### Annexure II.

Commercial (Financial) Bid shall be filled online only and should not be uploaded along with Technical Bid documents.

# **5.1.3 Registration on website:**

Those intending tenderer/Bidder not registered on the website i.e. <a href="http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC">http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC</a> mentioned above with M/s Antares Systems Limited are required to get registered. If needed they can be imparted training on online tendering process as per details available on the website ie, <a href="http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC">http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC</a> The intending tenderer/Bidder must have class-III Digital signature to submit the tender/bid.

Possession of Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) and registration of the Bidder on the portal i.e. <a href="http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC">http://www.tenderwizard.com/LIC</a> is a prerequisite for E-Tendering.

For Registration and for further details on E-tendering, please visit above mentioned portal (website) or below mentioned Helpdesk details.

## Office Address:

Antares Systems Limited "Honganasu", #137/3,
Bangalore Mysore Road,
Opp. KMS Coach Builders,
Kengeri, Bangalore – 560 060

# Help Desk Contact Details:

Name	e-mail address	Landline Phone No.	Mobile No
Help Desk No.		080-45811365 080-40482100	
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Kagnuprasnantn	raghuprashanth@antaressystems.c om	9686115323
Mr. Rudresh K S (For DSC Queries)	rudresh.ks@etenderwizard.com	9969395522

## Relationship between Bidder and Tender wizard Portal

LICI is neither a party nor a principal in the relationship between the Bidder and the organization hosting the Tender wizard (hereinafter called the Portal). Bidders must comply with the rules, regulations, procedures, and implied conditions/agreements of the Tender wizard, including registration, compatible Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) etc. Bidders shall settle clarifications and disputes, if any, regarding the Portal directly with them. In case of conflict between provisions of the Portal with the Tender Document, provisions of the Portal shall prevail. Bidders may study the resources provided by the Portal for Bidders.

# 5.1.4 Last Date for submission & Opening of Bid:

Bids must be uploaded by the submission deadline/s mentioned in the Tender Document. If the office happens to be closed on that date, this deadline shall not be extended. Bids received shall be opened online on or after the specified date and time in the Tender document. If the office is closed on the specified date of opening of the Bids, the opening shall be done on the next working day at the same time.

The last date and time of online submission of e-tender is 02.09.2025 up to 17.30 hrs. (5.30pm). The tender **(Technical Bid)** will be opened on 03.09.2025, 15.30hrs (03.30pm) onwards.

LICI reserves the right to not open Commercial (Financial) Bid of any / all the Bidders at its sole discretion without assigning any reason whatsoever.

The venue of opening of Technical Bids will be as given below (which may be changed).

LIC of India Yogakshema, Central Office NB&R Dept, East Wing, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Jeevan Bima Marg, Nariman Point, Mumbai- 400021.

The Tender documents received **after 17.30 hrs (5.30pm) on 02.09.2025** will not be entertained and shall be rejected forthwith. Decision of the LICI Competent Authority in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding on the bidders and the Corporation takes no responsibility for any delay whatsoever for submission of tender on or after due date and time given here above.

Those Technical bids which are found to be in order i.e. qualifying all the stipulated conditions shall be short-listed and Commercial (Financial) Bids of only such short-listed bidders will be opened by Tender opening Committee.

# **5.1.5 Bid Validity Period**

- 1. The bid shall be for the period of **six (06) months** from the date of publishing of this Tender. A declaration to this effect is to be provided by the Bidder. Bids shall remain valid for a period not less than 180days from the deadline for the Bid submission stipulated in Tender Activity Schedule. A Bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected as nonresponsive. Responses to this Tender shall remain valid and open for evaluation according to their terms for a period of at least six (6) months
- 2. In case the day up to which the Bids are to remain valid falls on/subsequently declared a holiday or closed day for LICI, the Bid validity shall automatically be deemed to be extended upto the next working day.
- 3. In exceptional circumstances, before the expiry of the original time limit, LICI may request the Bidders to extend the validity period for a specified additional period. The request and the Bidders' responses shall be made in writing or electronically. The Bidder has the right to refuse to extend the validity of its Bid, in which case such Bid shall no longer be valid.

# 5.1.6 Language of the Proposals/Bids

All bids and supporting documentation shall be submitted in English. The bid prepared by the Bidder, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the bid exchanged by the Bidder and LICI shall

be in English language. As far as numbers are concerned the same should be in English Numerals.

## 5.1.7 Bid Currencies

Prices for all the components shall be quoted in Indian Rupee (INR). The Bids in currencies other than INR will be rejected. Tenders, where prices are quoted in any other way, shall be rejected as nonresponsive.

## 5.1.8 Arithmetical errors

The Arithmetical errors will be rectified on the following basis. If there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected. If there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail. If the bidder does not accept the correction of errors, its bid will be rejected and its EMD shall be forfeited.

**5.1.9 Association among Bidders** No consortium/association bidding is allowed. LICI will not consider joint or collaborative bids that require a contract with more than one prime Bidder. Bidders need to fulfill all the eligibility criteria and technical evaluation criteria in its **individual capacity** unless mentioned otherwise

## **5.2 Notes:**

- 5.2.1 Submission of Bid in response to the Tender Document is deemed to be acceptance of the procedures and conditions of e-Procurement and the Tender Document. Unconditional letter of acceptance of Tender /Bid conditions duly signed on letter head (Annexure N) and Notarized Affidavit (Annexure M) for correctness of document/information are mandatory documents and are required to be checked carefully for its correctness (strictly as per prescribed format) before submission of bid. The bid shall be rejected out rightly in case of its non-submission without seeking any further clarification. No claim of the Bidder whatsoever shall be entertained by LICI on this account.
- 5.2.2 The Bidders are advised to submit complete details with their bids. The Technical Bid Evaluation will be done on the basis of documents uploaded on e-tendering web site by the Bidder with the bids, and site visit & verification by the LICI Internal Evaluation

Committee. Please note no fresh document other than in the form of clarification/revision in respect of an existing document shall be accepted after the last date of submission of bids, unless called by LICI for the purpose.

- 5.2.3. The information should be submitted in the prescribed format. Bids with Incomplete/Ambiguous information are liable to be rejected.
- 5.2.4 Conditional Bids shall not be accepted. Incomplete Bids or Bids submitted with insufficient, ambiguous, or misleading information shall be rejected without any further reference or clarification. The Corporation reserves the right to accept/ reject any or all tenders in part or in whole without assigning any reason thereof. The decision of the Corporation in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding on the bidders. No bidder shall have any cause of action against the LICI for rejection/disqualification of his Bid.
- 5.2.5 Set of Bid Documents: All the documents of Bid submission will constitute set of Bid documents:
- 1. Online technical bid documents submitted by intending Bidder shall be opened only of those Bidder, who have deposited requisite EMD.
- 2. Online Commercial (Financial) bid documents submitted by the intending Bidders
- 3. Unconditional letter of acceptance of tender/ bid conditions and affidavit for correctness of documents/ information are to be submitted along with the bid.
- 4. Any corrigendum published by LICI after the publishing of the Tender.
- 5. Minutes of the Meeting/s with Bidder/s.
- 6. Any further information/document called for by LICI in writing
- 7. All supporting documents, declarations, certifications etc as mentioned in this Tender document
- **5.3** The bid submitted shall become invalid, if:
- 5.3.1 The Bid/Tender document is found ineligible
- 5.3.2 The Bidder does not upload all the documents as stipulated in the Bid
- 5.3.3Bids in which any of the prescribed conditions are not fulfilled or found incomplete in any respect are liable to be rejected
- 5.3.4 Non submission of valid EMD as mentioned in this Tender Document

- 5.3.5 Submission of any fraudulent document/s etc
- **5.4** In case any Bidder withdraws his bid before the said period or issue a letter of non-acceptance or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid which are not acceptable to LICI, then LICI shall, without prejudice to any other right or remedy, be at liberty to forfeit the EMD as aforesaid. Further the Bidder shall not be allowed to participate in the re-bidding process of work.
- **5.5** The acceptance of any or all Bid(s) will rest with LICI and reserves to itself the right to reject any or all of the bids received without assigning any reason thereof.
- 5.6 The award of Services/work, execution and completion of work shall be governed by Bid & SLA documents consisting of (but not limited to) SLA, General Conditions of Contract, Special Conditions of Contract, Technical Evaluation, Commercial (Financial) Price bid, selection process, satisfactory performance, adherence to LICI specified quality standards, IT Security and protocols etc, subject to periodic review.
- **5.7** The Bidder shall be deemed to have gone through the various conditions while making /preparing their technical & financial proposals/Bids & submitting the Bid(s) including proposed printing site conditions, locations and accessibility etc. or any other condition which in the opinion of Bidder will affect his price/rates before quoting their rates.

# 5. 8 Submission, Receipt and Opening of bids:

- 5.8.1 Letter for acceptance of Tender /BID conditions should be submitted in the prescribed format of **Annexure-N**.
- 5.8.2 An authorized representative of the Bidder shall sign the Technical & Commercial (Financial) bids.
- 5.8.3 The authorization shall be in the form of a legally enforceable written Power of Attorney (PoA) executed on non-judicial stamp paper of appropriate value duly notarized and shall be submitted along with the bid/proposal.
- 5.8.4 LICI shall open the technical bid after the deadline for the submission of e-bid/ Tender, as per Tender document timelines.
- 5.8.5 The Commercial (Financial) bid shall remain securely stored.

## 6. Technical Evaluation Criteria

The basis of evaluation will be on Technical and Commercial(Financial) criteria. The Bidders will be evaluated exclusively for capability and meeting the scope. The Bidders should satisfy the Minimum Eligibility criteria as mentioned above. Should have dedicated printing machinery & manpower for LICI exclusively. A declaration to such effect with Machine & Manpower details to be provided.

Based on the bid submitted, technical evaluation would be done to shortlist eligible bidders. Only those bidders, who qualify in the technical evaluation, will be considered for Commercial(Financial) evaluation. The decision of LICI in this regard shall be final and binding.

#### **6.1 Evaluation Process**

# **Technical and Commercial(Financial) Bid:**

There shall be a two-stage bidding process - Technical Bid and Commercial (Financial) Bid.

## 6.1.2 Modification and Withdrawal of the Bids:

- 1. No bid can be modified or withdrawn by a bidder, after the submission of the bid. The bid and all the supporting documents submitted by the bidders shall be the property of LIC of India.
  - 2. The Bidder may withdraw his Bid before the Bid submission deadline, and it shall be marked as withdrawn and shall not get opened during the Bid opening.
  - 3. No Bid should be withdrawn after the Bid submission deadline and before the Bid validity period expires. If a Bidder withdraws the Bid during this period, LICI shall be within its right to forfeit the Bid Security/EMD (or enforce the Bid Securing Declaration, if it was allowed in lieu of Bid Security/EMD ), in addition to other punitive actions provided in the Tender Document for such misdemeanor.

4. Any bidder shortlisted and invited to participate in the Tender but is not in a position to provide services due to major modifications in the scope or terms and conditions, is allowed to withdraw from the bidding proceedings before submission of Tender bid without forfeiting his Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), by declaring his intention to withdraw from procurement proceedings with adequate justification. The decision of the LICI in the matter shall be final.

# 6.1.3 Compliant Bids / Completeness of Response

The responses to this Tender must be complete and comprehensive with explicit documentary evidence in support. Information should be submitted in the same format as per the Annexure(s) attached. Any unilateral change in format/s by the Bidder, shall be liable to be rejected and disqualified from the Tender process.

Bidders are advised to study all instructions, clarifications, terms, requirements, Appendices/ Annexures and other information in this Tender document carefully. Submission of the bid / proposal shall be deemed to have been done after careful study and examination of the Tender document with full understanding of its implications. At his own cost, responsibility, and risk, the Bidder is encouraged to visit, examine, and familiarize himself with the local conditions and factors. The Bidder acknowledges that before the submission of the Bid, he has, after a complete and careful examination, made an independent evaluation of the local conditions. infrastructure, logistics, communications, environmental, and any other conditions or factors which would have any effect on the performance of the contract. Bidders shall be responsible for compliance with Rules, Regulations, Laws and Acts in force from time to time at relevant places. On such matters, LIC shall have no responsibility and not entertain any request from the Bidders

Failure to comply with the requirements as set out within the Tender and failure to submit the bid as detailed in the Tender may render the bid non-compliant and the bid will be rejected.

LIC of India reserves the right to verify the validity of bid information and to reject any bid where the same appears to be incorrect, inaccurate or inappropriate in LIC of India's estimation.

Bids not conforming to the requirements of the terms and conditions will not be considered by LIC of India.

If a bid is not responsive and not fulfilling all the conditions of the Tender, it will be rejected by the Corporation and may not be allowed subsequently to be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the non-conformity.

# 6.1.4 Competitive and Independent Prices

The prices should be arrived at independently, without restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other Bidder or competitor relating to:

- a)those prices; or
- b) the intention to submit an offer; or
- c)the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.

The prices should not be knowingly disclosed by the Bidder, directly or indirectly, to any other Bidder or competitor before the Financial Bid opening unless otherwise required by law.

# **Price Components**

Bidder shall indicate in the Commercial (Financial) Price Format - prices/rates against all the specified jobs/services.

## **Price Schedule**

Bidders are to upload only the downloaded excel format after entering the relevant fields without any alteration/deletion/modification of other portions of the excel sheet. All the columns in the Commercial (Financial) Price Format should be filled up as required. If any column does not apply to a Bidder, he should clarify the same.

Bidders shall fill in rates other than zero value in the specified cells without leaving them blank.

The quoted price/rate card shall be considered to include all relevant financial implications, including inter-alia the scope of the Services to be delivered and the incidental goods/works to be supplied, location of the Bidder, site(s) of the delivery of Services, terms of delivery, extant rules and regulations relating to taxes, duties, customs, transportation, environment, labour, Mining & Forest in India.

- **6.1.5** Deviations/Reservations/Omissions Substantive or Minor
  - 1. During the evaluation of Bids, the following definitions apply:
    - a) "Deviation" is a departure from the requirements specified in the Tender Document.
    - b) "Reservation" is the setting of limiting conditions or withholding from complete acceptance of the requirements specified in the Tender Document; and
    - c) "Omission" is failing to submit part, or all of the information or documentation required in the Tender Document.
  - 2. A deviation/reservation/omission from the requirements of the tender Document shall be considered a substantive deviation as per the following norm, and the rest shall be considered a Minor deviation:
    - a) which affects in any substantive way the scope, quality, or performance standards of the Services;
    - b) which limits in any substantive way, inconsistent with the Tender Document, LICI's rights, or the Bidder's obligations under the contract; or
    - c) Whose rectification would unfairly affect the competitive position of other Bidders presenting substantively responsive Bids.
  - 3. The decision of LICI shall be final in this regard. Bids with substantive deviations shall be rejected as nonresponsive.
  - 4. Variations, deviations, and other offered benefits (Technical & Commercial or Financial) above the scope/quantum of Services stipulated in the Tender Document shall not influence evaluation Bids. If the Bid is otherwise successful, such benefits shall be availed by LICI, which would become part of the contract, without any extra cost.
  - 5. LICI reserves the right to accept or reject Bids with minor deviations. Wherever necessary, LICI shall convey its observation on such 'minor' issues to the Bidder by registered/speed post/electronically etc., asking Bidder to respond by a specified date. If the Bidder does not reply by the specified date or gives an evasive reply without clarifying the point at issue in clear terms, that Bid shall be liable to be rejected as nonresponsive.

# 6.1.6 Preliminary Examination of Bids - Determining Responsiveness

A substantively responsive Bid is complete and conforms to the Tender Document's essential terms, conditions, and requirements without substantive deviation, reservation, or omission. Bids with substantive techno-commercial deviations or other essential aspects of the Tender shall be rejected as nonresponsive. Only substantively responsive Bids shall be considered for further evaluation. Following are some of the crucial aspects for which a Bid shall be rejected as nonresponsive:

- 1. The Bid is not in the prescribed format or is not submitted as per the stipulations in the Tender Document.
- 2. Failure to provide and/or comply with the required information, instructions etc., incorporated in the Tender Document or evasive information/reply against any such stipulations.
- 3. Required Bid Security (EMD) has not been provided/deposited before the closing date/time of bid- submission.
- 4. Bidder no longer complies with the eligibility criteria.
- 5. The Services offered are not eligible as per the provision of this tender.
- 6. The Bid validity is shorter than the required period.
- 7. The Bid departs from the essential requirements stipulated in the bidding document.
- 8. Non-submission or submission of illegible scanned copies of stipulated documents/declarations
- 9. Furnishing wrong and/or misguiding data, statement(s) etc. In such a situation, besides rejecting the Bid as nonresponsive, it is liable to attract other punitive actions under relevant provisions of the Tender Document for violating the Code of Integrity.(Declaration as per Annexure IX to be submitted)

## 6.2 Late Bids

• The Bids received beyond date and time mentioned in Activity schedule will be termed as "Late" and will be rejected/returned back to the bidder unopened.

- The Bid where EMD received beyond date and time mentioned in the Activity Schedule will be termed as "Invalid and late" and shall be rejected/returned to the Bidder unopened.
- LIC of India will not be responsible for non-receipt of bids/quotations within the specified date and time due to any reason.
- LIC of India may, at its sole discretion change the date/time of submission of bids and LIC of India's decision in this matter will be final

# 6.3 Procedure for opening of the Bids:

The bidder may either himself or authorizes not more than two (02) representative to be present at the time and date of the opening of the tender/bid at the venue specified by the LICI. The representative attending the opening of the bid on behalf of the Bidder should bring with him a letter of authority from the bidder and proof of identification on the date and time indicated in the "Activity Schedule", only Technical bids will be opened and read out in the presence of Bidder's representatives. Further:

- Bids received within the specified closing date and time in the Activity Schedule will be opened by the Internal Bid Opening Committee of LICI.
- The Date and Venue of the opening of the Bids shall be as per the Activity Schedule. The Representatives of the bidders should carry the identity card and a letter of authority from the bidder to identify their bonafides for attending the opening of the Bids.
- The Online technical bids shall be opened in the presence of the bidders who choose to attend the meeting. In case, no Bidder choose to attend the meeting/remains absent, LICI shall go ahead with the process as per the Activity Schedule.

## **6.4 Bid Evaluation:**

LIC of India will evaluate the Bids submitted in response to the Tender and all supporting documents / documentary evidences as per the requirements stated in the Tender documents and its subsequent modifications (if any).

LIC of India may seek clarifications from the Bidders on their bids, after opening of Technical Bid , to be responded by the Bidder within the mentioned timelines, therein.

Each Bidder acknowledges and accepts that LIC of India may at its absolute discretion apply whatever criteria it deems appropriate in the selection of Bidder to submit a response including, but not limited to, those selection criteria set out in this Tender document. LIC has no obligation to make public the detailed results of the Tender evaluations, the reasons for selection of Bidder, reasons why a specified Bidder was not selected, or the name of the final Bidder.

Evaluation of the responses to the bids and subsequent selection of the successful bidder(s) will be entirely at the discretion of LIC of India and will be binding on the bidders. Decision of LIC of India in all matters with regard to this tender will be final and binding on all Bidders participating in this Bid and no correspondence seeking clarifications about the decision shall be entertained.

# 6.5 Rejection of non-compliant Bid:

LIC of India reserves the right to reject any or all bids on the basis of any deviation(s).

Bids found with suppression of details, subjective, conditional offers, partial offers will be rejected. The decision of LIC of India in the evaluation of bids shall be final.

# 6.6 Technical Bid Evaluation process:

The technical bids will be evaluated to assess the bidders who fulfill the Minimum eligibility criteria.

#### 6.7 Evaluation of Bids:

The evaluation of the Bids will be done in parts:

1. **Preliminary Scrutiny:** Each proposal will be scrutinized by an **Internal Screening Committee of LICI** to determine whether the documents have been properly signed, all relevant papers submitted and the proposal is in order. Bids/Proposals not conforming to such requirements will be prima facie rejected.

2. **Minimum Eligibility Criteria**: The minimum qualifying criteria as mentioned in eligibility criteria under Clause 3 of this Tender document, will need to be met, to be considered for technical evaluation.

## **6.7.1 Technical Evaluation:**

- **a.** The bid will be evaluated based on the weightings and parameters detailed in Technical Evaluation Table. Based on the "Evaluation Parameters", points shall be awarded and Total Technical Score (TS) will be computed.
- b. Minimum eligibility criteria is to be fulfilled / met as per Clause 3 of this Tender document, for further consideration and processing of the bid , failing which it will lead to disqualification/rejection of the bid.



## c. Technical Evaluation Table:

Note: In order to qualify as 'Technically Qualified Bidder' (TQB), the bidders should qualify and score at least minimum marks individually in each of the below conditions. Failure to meet the minimum marks will result in zero marks for that item and disqualification from further evaluation. Marks shall be allotted strictly as per Evaluation Criteria and their weightage under the said tender.

S.	Criteria	Marks allotment criteria	Minimum	Maximum
<b>NO.</b> 1	The Bidders must have been	Certificate of Incorporation of the	4	7
	established/ registered under the Companies Act, 1956/Companies	Company to be submitted 1. 10 years existence=4 marks		
	entity in India with	existence=5 marks 3. 16 and more years		
	minimum 10 years of existence on the day of submission of bid.			
2	Financial Performance Average Annual Turnover >= INR 133 cr for the last 03 financial years	Average Annual Turnover within India business only, during the previous three financial years (2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24)  (i) >=Rs 133 Cr < Rs	6	10
		140 Cr (6 Marks)  (ii) >=Rs 140 Cr<150 Cr (8 Marks)  (iii) =Rs 150 Cr or more (10 Marks)		

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3	_	Average Annual Profit	3	5
	Tax (PAT)	of last 03 years within		
	Average Annual			
	Profit: Minimum 5	(2021-22, 2022-23,		
	Crores	and 2023-24);		
		i)=5 Crs to 7 Crs = 3		
		Marks		
		ii) >7 Crs upto 12 Crs =		
		4 Marks		
		iii) >12Crs = 5 Marks		
4		>=27 Crs to 35 Crs =	3	5
	within India	03 Marks		
	business only	>35 Crs - 45 Crs = 04		
	Minimum 27 Crores	marks		
	during last FY	>45 Crs = 05 Marks		
	(2023-24)			
5	Number of Public	Number:	1	3
	sector/Private	Minimum 3 Life		
	sector Life Insurance	Insurance companies =		
	companies serviced	1 mark		
	by the bidder every	>3 to 5 = 2 Marks		
	year for the last 3	>5 = 3 marks		
	financial years			
	within India			
	business only.			
	(2021-22, 2022-23,			
	and 2023-24)	· ·		
	(Attach the list with			
	service			
	specification) Latest			
	Performance			
	certificate from the			
	Insurance client to			
	be attached			
6	The Bidder must	Minimum Marks = 6	6	10
	have successfully	For any addition in		
	executed/completed	number of contracts in		
	similar services	any of these three		
	within India	categories additional		
	business only with	marks allotted = 4.		
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atleast **03 (Three) Life Insurers** over the last **Three (03) years** (2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24) & fulfilling either of the conditions:

## **Either:**

The value of atleast **One** (01) of the Contract for the Life Insurance Policy printing Project must be minimum **INR 22 crores** in any one of the above mentioned last 03 financial years;

## OR:

The value of atleast **Two** (02) Contracts for Life Insurance Policy printing Projects, each having a value in excess of **INR 14 crores** in any one of above mentioned the last 03 financial years;

## OR:

The value of atleast **Three** (03) Contracts for Life Insurance Policy printing Projects, each having a value in excess of **INR 11** 

Therefore Maximum marks = 10 marks

Copy of work orders/agreements from the customers indicating the nature of work, tenure & value.

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(Annexure-D)

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	<b>crores</b> in any one of the above			
	mentioned last 03			
7	financial years;	Dandar state at	4	5
/	The bidder must	Ready state at	4	3
	have its <b>own</b>	minimum 04 locations		
	infrastructure -	: marks = 4		
	building, printing	If ready state in more		
	machines,	than 4 locations= 01		
	manpower etc. in	additional mark.		
	ready state at <b>04</b>	Therefore ( Maximum		
	locations across	05 marks)		
	India for fulfilling	Details of Factory		
	the scope of work	License of each		
	required under this	location in Bidder's		
	Tender. Mumbai/	name and Property		
	Navi Mumbai/	and Assets owned to		
	Thane is	be certified by		
	mandatory. Other 03	Statutory auditor.		
	locations may be as			
	specified in clause			
	2.4 (f)(General			
	Scope)			
	All such locations			
	should be			
	leased/owned & in			
	the name of the			
	Bidder.			
8	Printing capacity to	If capacity of machines	4	10
	print atleast 3	for printing	_	
	million A3 Duplex	a) >= 3.0 million upto		
	variable color	3.5  million = 4		
	impressions per day	marks		
	across all 04	b) >3.5 million upto 4		
	locations. The	million = 7 marks		
	bidder must have			
		c) > 4 million = 10 marks		
	the Policy bond			
	printing machines	Copy of work orders		
	(owned by the	/agreements /		
	bidder) i.e. High	satisfactory		
	speed Web/Reel-fed	performance		

	front and back	certificate from the		
	printing in single	customers indicating		
	pass (Duplex	the nature of work &		
	printing) color	tenure. Bidder to		
	variable data	provide machine		
	printing done on	make, model number		
	inkjet machines	and specifications		
	installed and	sheet demonstrating		
	operational at all 04	compliance to		
	locations, supported	requisite capacity		
	by the	requirement as per		
	OEM/Distributor	Annexure E.		
	partner and the			
	OEM/Distributor			
	must undertake to			
	support the bidder			
	for the entire			
	duration of the			
	contract period			
	mentioned in this			
	Tender, at each			
	location.			
9	Experience with in	i) Experience With	3	5
	designing and	One life insurer = 3		
	template making of	marks		
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	documents to be			
		ii)Two life insurers= 4		
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	printed. Past experience of minimum three	marks		
	printed. Past experience of minimum three years as on date of	marks iii)Three life insurers		
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printing locations.			
Conv. of Postal			
Copy of Postal arrangements tie up			
documents to be			
provided (Valid			
National Account			
letter) in the name			
of the Bidder, issued			
by India Post to be			
submitted.			
11 1) The bidder must	1)Self declaration of	2	2
have dedicated IT	the bidder along with		
infrastructure viz.	information/list of the		
isolated network,	dedicated IT		
servers and other IT	infrastructure		
hardware for	Marks for item 11(1) =		
managing the scope	2 marks		
of work under this			
Tender.			
2) Data security	2)Undertaking to		
measures – 1) IT / IS	abide by all the IS	3	3
policies /Audit	policies and DPDP Act		
/DPDP Act /Cyber			
security -Adherence	Marks for item 11(2) =		
to all ISMS policies	3 marks		
mandated by LICI to			
ensure strict			
security and			
confidentiality in			
terms of data and			
information by all its			
offices.	2) Two marks for as al-	10	40
3) Physical and	3) Two marks for each of the listed 5 items	10	10
Logical Security and Capacity at all 4	under Item 11 (3)		
locations	unuci item 11 (3)		
locations	Non Adherence to any		
i. Provision for	of these conditions		
Round the	will lead to		
Round the	disqualification as it is		

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	clock security	mandatory.		
	24x7.			
ii.	CCTV			
	surveillance			
	cameras at all			
	strategic			
	locations (both			
	inside and			
	outside the			
	premise) with			
	90 days			
	recording and			
	storage			
	facilities.			
iii.	Site should			
	have Access			
	control			
	mechanism for	Self Declaration of		
	the designated	Generators installed of		
	sections of the	requisite capacity for all the 4 locations		
	activity (	all the Tiocations		
	biometric /			
	card punching			
	system).			
iv	Internet			
iv.	Leased lines			
	at all 4			
	locations with			
	a speed of			
	atleast 50			
	Mbps with			
	backup line of			
	different			
	Service.			
V.	Stable 24x7			

	power supply should be available in the form of Generator supply and UPS supply at all 4 locations in case of breakdown of the main power supply line.			
12	Web based platform for reporting, integration with any life insurer for tracking status, various MIS for analytics – Real time Dashboard	<ul> <li>i) In ready state = 4 marks</li> <li>ii) Development within one (1) month from finalization = 3 marks (Undertaking to be submitted).</li> </ul>	3	4
13	Business Continuity Plan (BCP), Risk mitigation and DRC. Details of Disaster Recovery Centre (DRC) with Machine capacity details, etc. Certificate by Chartered Engineer & BCP to be submitted by the Bidder.	Business plan which works in situations like pandemic, natural calamities and any other type of disruptions & Disaster recovery Centre (DRC) / fallback mechanism.	5	5
14	ISO Certification 9001 : 2015 ISO Certification 27001 : 2022	Quality certification is must for each location if any 01 ISO certification = 2marks,	2	5

	Details of Industry awards, recognitions, affiliations and any other certifications	<pre>if both ISO Certifications = 4 marks, if any addl certifications/ Industry Awards =1 mark (maximum)</pre>		
15	The bidder during last 5 years, should not have been blacklisted/debarre d by State/ Central Govt undertakings /PSU / Statutory or Regulatory Authority/Any other organization within India & abroad. Undertaking in this regard to be attached.	If no such instance = 3 marks	3	3
		Total	65	95
16	Presentation (along with PPT & Videos) of Project Implementation methodology, capability and solution for implementing the Policy printing activity to the LICI Committee.	Max Time allowed for presentation = 30 Minutes	5	10
17	Site Inspection by	Minimum Marks = 20	20	45
	LIC of India Officials.  Grand	Maximum Marks = 45 l Total -	90	150

All bidders who meet the Minimum Eligibility Criteria and obtain minimum 65 marks as per the above table from Point 1 to 15 as part of the Technical Evaluation must submit and present a presentation (PPT) covering all aspects as per above Technical evaluation table. The presentation must contain a video of the actual printing facilities available (as per the requirement of this RFP) at the proposed site/s. Date, time & venue will be informed separately for PPT presentation to these Bidder/s who will obtain minimum 65 marks, as above. (PPT presentation will be evaluated by the LICI Internal Evaluation Committee as per the details in the Annexure P).

- a. In order to qualify as 'Technically Qualified Bidder' (TQB), the bidders should qualify and score at least minimum marks in each of the above conditions. Only TQBs with minimum of total 90 (Ninety) marks or above will be considered for Commercial (Financial) Bid Evaluation.
- b. LICI Officials will visit the site/facility (one or more sites) of those bidder/s (who fulfil/meet the Minimum Eligibility Criteria) for evaluation of Technical details. Misrepresentation/falsification of details submitted shall render the bidder disqualified. Bidder will facilitate and coordinate for such visit to the site/s. (Refer **Annexure VII** for Site Visit Evaluation).

Note: Failure to achieve the required marks in items marked as Mandatory (mentioned in the Site Visit Evaluation Proforma ) will lead to zero marks for that item and result in disqualification from further evaluation.

# 6.7.2 Index to the Documents to be Submitted

Documents to be submitted are as follows:

Sl. No.	Eligibility Conditions	Fulfilled (Yes/ No/NA)	Details of Supporting Document (Duly certified)	Pag e No. Fro m	Pa ge No.
1.	CA certified Copies of Annual				
	Reports of the last 03 financial				
	years viz., 2021-22 & 2022-23,				
	2023-24 + Networth Certificate				
2.	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)				
3.	Last three financial years Profit details – duly certified by				
	Chartered Accountant alongwith				
	Audited P&L A/C & Balance				
	Sheets				
4.	a. Information regarding Bidder				
	website, toll free no., call centre				
	no., etc.				
	b. Escalation Matrix – Name,				
	designation, contact number,				
	Email Id etc.				
5.	List of the Life Insurers with whom Bidder has SLA				
6.	GST registration certificates for				
0.	each location must be attached.				
7.	PAN details & copy				
8.	Copy of the ISO Certification				
	9001:2015 & 27001:2022 & any				
	other industry				
	certification/award				
9.	IT infrastructure details – Real				
	time Dash Board (Sample MIS to				
10	be attached)				
10.	Details of Board of Directors				
11	/Trustee /MD/CEO/Partners				
11.	Board Resolution of the				
	Authorized person to sign all bid documents.				
	uocuments.				

12. Ownership (specify): -	
Indian Holding	
Global tie up	
Total Capital infused	
(in INR)	
Company registration Number	
and its Validity period	
13. 1) Details of Network and	
System Capabilities installed	
at operative locations (along	
with address),	
2) Details of internal work flow	
for Distribution of work, Real-	
time MIS & Reporting	
Capability.	
3) Details explaining lead time	
required to set up activities	
14. Details of fines/ penalties /	
litigation filed by/against the	
Company or any of the offices	
within India & abroad during last	
5 years, if yes provide the details.	
15. Annexure – 1	
Technical Proposal/Bid Format	
Cover Page	
16. Annexure – II	
Commercial (Financial)	
Bid/Quote Format	
17. Annexure – III	
Confidentiality cum Non- Disclosure Agreement (NDA) –	
duly Notarized <b>(by selected</b>	
Bidders only)	
18. Annexure – IV	
Pre- Contract Integrity Pact (IP) –	
duly Notarized	
19. Annexure – V	
Offer Letter and Compliance	
Certificate for Tender conditions	
and Bid validity duly Notarized	
20. Annexure – VI	

	Mandatory 'Information Security		
	Requirements' Criteria		
21.	Annexure- IX		
	Bid Covering letter		
22.	Annexure – C		
22.	ITR and Turnover for last three		
	years – duly certified by		
	Chartered Accountant		
23.	Annexure – D		
	Proof of experience for working		
	with the Central/ State		
	Government Department/		
	Ministry/ PSU /Other Life		
	Insurer/s		
24.	Annexure – E		
	Details of Manpower and		
	Machinery		
25.	Annexure – F		
	Certificate of location/s of		
	printing establishment		
26.	Annexure – G		
27	Format for Net Worth Certificate		
27.	Annexure – H –		
	Declaration Regarding		
	Blacklisting/Debarring from		
	taking part in Tender /Bid and Criminal activities.		
28.	Annexure – I		
20.	Undertaking for Genuineness of		
	the Document(s)/ Certificate(s)		
29.	Annexure – J		
	Format of bid security		
	declaration from Bidders.		
30.	Annexure – K		
50.	Company Incorporation		
	Certificate from Registrar of		
	Companies		
31.	Annexure – L		
	MSME Certificate issued by		
	competent authority		
32.	Annexure-M		

	Affidavit		
33.	Annexure – N		
	Acceptance of Tender / Bid		
	Conditions.		
34.	Annexure-Q		
	Land Border Declaration		
35.	Annexure-R		
	Authorization to attend Pre-Bid		
	& Other Meeting/s		
36.	Should have effective Business	_	
	Continuity Plan (BCP) - A		
	certified copy to be submitted.		
37.	Declaration regarding Bid		
	validity Period for 06 (Six)		
	months - On Company Letter		
	Head duly signed with seal		
38.	Details of installed capacity		
	requested will require the		
	following documentary evidence		
	for evaluation:		
	a. OEM (original equipment		
	manufacturer)		
	certificate/brochure stating		
	variable data digital colour		
	printing speed (mentioned in		
	A3 impressions/pages per		
	minute) and capacity to match		
	the proposed sites capacity		
	from the said machines.		
	b. Invoice of the proposed digital		
	printing machines (for all 4		
	proposed sites) along with		
	installation reports		
	c. Proof of Regular AMC of		
	machines must be submitted.		
39.	Declaration regarding (on		
	Company letter Head)		
	a. Their group entity and related parties do not have any		
	Insurance intermediary		
<u>L</u>	insurance interineulary		

	license and that none of their Directors have any Insurance (Life or General) agency. This is an essential prerequisite for considering the proposal of the bidders.  b. Further, the selected Bidder or entity or related party or any of their Directors should not obtain any Insurance	
	(Life/General) license either as a Broker or an Agent [Individual or Corporate Agency] during the term of the agreement with LICI	
40.	Index of all documents submitted	

<sup>\*</sup> Use separate page/s if required.

\*\*\*\* Any other document/declaration/certification not mentioned in the above list but mentioned otherwise in this Tender Document and required by LICI also need to be submitted along with above list of documents.

# 6.8 Criteria for evaluation of Bids at Technical Bid Stage

To be considered as qualified under Technical Bid Evaluation: The bidder should obtain minimum of "90 (Ninety) Marks" and submit all documents in support of the above mentioned criteria. Marks shall not be awarded if any criteria are not supported with relevant documents.

# 6.9 Opening of Technical Bids

The technical Bids submitted shall be opened by LICI for evaluation as per Activity schedule. Representatives of the Bidders, may at their convenience, witness the Bid opening process. Technical Bids will be opened in presence of bidders. In case no bidder choose to attend the

<sup>\*\*</sup> All the pages submitted should be clearly marked with page numbers and Serialized.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> All pages should be signed by the Authorized Representative of the Bidder and the seal of the Company/Firm to be affixed, along with date & place.

meeting/ remains absent, LICI shall go ahead with the process as per the Activity Schedule.

Technical & Commercial (Financial) Bids will be opened on the scheduled dates. Requests for extension of opening of Technical & Commercial (Financial) Bids will not be entertained.

# 6.10 Evaluation approach & PPT

Bids will be evaluated exclusively for the scope. Based on the proposals submitted and initial evaluation of the technical proposals, Bidders will be required to present to the LICI Committee officials, the proposed solution, discuss related implementation approach & methodologies, and introduce a project team and governance structure in the form of a presentation (PPT & Videos). Only those Bidders who qualify the Minimum Eligibility Criteria and Technical Evaluation having scored minimum of 65 marks as per Technnical Criteria Table in Section 6.7.1(c) will present the PPT and videos. Maximum time allowed for presentation (PPT &Videos) is 30 minutes. PPT Presentation consists of maximum 10 marks.

These presentations should cover details of the proposal described in this Tender document and its annexure as well as enclosures. The presentations will also give LICI an opportunity to clarify issues arising out of the Bidders' response to this Tender. This technical presentation schedule for PPT will be communicated separately.

PPT presentation will be evaluated by the LICI Internal Evaluation Committee as per the details in the **Annexure P.** 

LICI reserves the right to visit the operational facilities of all or some Bidders during the course of technical and commercial (financial) evaluation. The schedule for site visit, if required, will be intimated separately.

# 6.11 Opening of the Commercial (Financial) Bids:

Bidders need to provide their Commercial (Financial bid) as per the format provided in the Tender document. Only those bidders who fulfill eligibility criteria and qualify in technical evaluation will qualify for Commercial (Financial) evaluation. And their Commercial (Financial) Bid will be opened by the Tender Opening Committee in presence of their authorized signatories/representatives. These representatives

will be required to sign in a register / document evidencing their presence. The schedule for opening of Commercial (Financial) Bid will be intimated separately to the technically qualified Bidders. In case no bidder choose to attend the opening of the Commercial (Financial) bid/remains absent, LICI shall go ahead with the process as per the Activity Schedule.

# (i) Evaluation criteria

Bidders should satisfy the minimum eligibility criteria as mentioned in each of the respective section. Based on the bid submitted, technical evaluation would be done first to short list technically qualified bidders.

# (ii) Selection of Vendor

- 1. The Commercial (Financial) Bids of only the Technically Qualified Bidders shall be opened.
- 2. The Eligible Rate (L1) will be determined based on the lowest total cost quoted for Policy Bond Printing as per the Commercial(Financial) Proposal Format provided in the RFP.
- 3. Bidders must submit their Commercial (Financial) Bids strictly in the prescribed format. Evaluation will be based on the final rates quoted in the specified format.
- 4. The bidder quoting the lowest total cost (L1) shall be treated as L1 Bidder with the Eligible Rate.
- 5. Based on the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) declared by the Bidders during the Commercial Bid, the Bidders will be categorized as L1,L2,L3 etc (in the ascending order i.e. L1 being the Bidder with the lowest TCO, followed by L2 with the next lowest score and so on.
- 6. **Award of Work to Multiple Bidders**: Based on the size and criticality of the contract and past experience, LIC of India proposes to engage two (02) vendors under an L1–L2 model. Accordingly, the contract shall be awarded to:
  - L1 bidder: 70% of the total contract volume.
  - L2 bidder: 30% of the total contract volume, **subject to L2** agreeing to match the L1 rate.
  - Once the L1 bidder is identified, the bidder at L2 will be given

- first rights to match the L1 rate in order to receive an order for carrying out the services.
- In case, L2 is unable to match the rate quoted by L1, the option shall be passed to L3, this process will be repeated moving from L3 to L4 and so on, till Two (02) most successful bidders emerge, each offering the service at the Eligible rate.
- If no other bidder agrees to match the L1 rate, then the entire contract shall be awarded to the L1 bidder, who will execute 100% of the contract volume at the Eligible Rate.
- The work will be split between 2 Vendors L1, and L2, in a ratio, of 70:30.
- In no case it will be binding on LICI to select 02(two) vendors.
- If only 01 (one) Bidder found technically qualified, that Bidder will be declared as L-1 and entire volume of contract (100%) will be awarded.

This dual-vendor strategy ensures risk mitigation, operational efficiency and price competitiveness.

# (iii) In case of a tie in Commercial (Financial) score as per above, for arriving at final selection:

- a) In case of a tie between 2 bidders, Bidder with Higher Technical Score will be treated as L1 and other as L2. Remaining qualifying bidders will be treated as L3 and so forth.
- b) In case of a tie among 3 or more bidders, Bidder with highest technical score will be considered as L1 and next to highest Technical Scorer will be considered as L2. Rest will be treated as L3 and so forth.
- **(iv)** In case, if there is a tie among the technical qualified bidders even in Technical score i.e. 02 or more bidders having the same Technical Score, preference will be given to the bidder in the following order:
  - (i) Highest average annual turnover in last three years
  - (ii) Highest Profitability after Tax (PAT)
  - (iii) Highest Networth (in INR) during last F.Y. 2023-24
  - (iv) Highest Life Insurance Policy Printing work orders executed in last three years

- (v) In case only one bidder qualifies after the technical evaluation, LICI shall have the right to select the single qualified bidder or cancel the Tender. In case LICI decides to continue with Single qualified bidder, the entire work will be allocated to the single qualified bidder for the contract period.
- **(vi)** The LICI reserves the right to call for a re-tender in case LICI decides to cancel the bid without giving any reasons.
- **(vii)** In case if only one/single bid is received/eligible for Technical Evaluation, after fulfilling all minimum eligibility criteria/parameters/conditions, LICI shall have the right to process the bid and to continue the selection process, as mentioned in this Tender document.

### 7.0 Terms & Conditions

# 7.1 Commercial (Financial) Proposal/Bid

- a. The Commercial (Financial) Bid should only contain the charges / Cost for the proposed outsourced activity in INR only. The Commercial (Financial) Bid must contain charges/Costs, in the prescribed format only. The Commercial (Financial) Bid format is provided in the **Annexure II** to this Tender. Any deviation, modification or conditional or multiple submissions may result in disqualification of the Bidders. Final decision in this regard will rest with LICI.
- b. The cost/charges should be quoted in Indian Rupees only and should be exclusive of applicable Goods and Services taxes (GST). GST shall be paid by LICI as per Government Guidelines.
- c. Tax Deduction at Source (TDS) in India, as applicable, will be deducted by LICI.

#### 7.2 Other Conditions

- a. There will not be any minimum volume of work commitment by LICI.
- b. The charges/rates proposed by the Bidder and agreed to by LICI for the activities covered under scope of Tender shall remain frozen during the term of contract which is 03 (Three) years from the term date mentioned in Letter of Intent (LoI). If LICI at its sole discretion decides for extension of contract for 01 (One) year or a part thereof after initial 03 years, subject to maximum of 02 Annual Extensions & total term of contract 05 (five) years, the charges/rates shall remain fixed , as per original Terms & Conditions of the SLA/Contract. No variation on Price quoted shall be allowed under this Tender including any extensions.
- c. LICI reserves the rights to amend, modify, add or delete either in part or in full any conditions or specifications without assigning any reason during the entire process.
- d. The documents submitted in response to the Tender shall remain with LICI and shall not be returned to the Bidders. It will be the property of the LICI.

# e. Proof of Concept (POC):

Specimen copy of the printed Policy bond booklet, Envelope etc. should be submitted as **Proof of concept (POC) by the successful bidder.** 

### 7.3 Clarifications

LICI will conduct scope-discussion session, "Pre-Bid Meeting" and demonstration on existing processes.

Queries, if any, may be communicated through an email to co\_nbpost@licindia.com

The subject of the mail should be "Queries on Tender – "Centralized Printing & Dispatch of Policy Bonds for LIC of India". No other form of communication will be entertained. All queries must be sent to the email ID specified above. Queries received post cut off time may not be considered.

LICI shall provide the clarifications to the queries raised by Bidders in the pre-bid meeting. The pre-bid meeting will be held at below address (may change):

Life Insurance Corporation of India New Business and Reinsurance (NB&R) Dept, Yogakshema, East Wing, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, Jeevan Bima Marg, Nariman Point, Mumbai - 400021

It is necessary to inform us well in advance, the name(s) of the representative(s) of Bidders, who will be attending the session as scheduled above, along with an authorization letter signed by the Board of the Company/any person Authorised by the Board. (Details to be provided as per **Annexure- R**) This can be communicated through an email on co\_nbpost@licindia.com.

Participation in the Pre-Bid meeting is non-mandatory. However, it is advisable that bidders attend this meeting which would be beneficial to the prospective Bidder.

In addition, to assist in examination, evaluation and comparison of Bids, LICI may, at its discretion, seek clarifications from Bidders. The response/clarifications shall be in writing and no change in the prices or substance of the Bids shall be sought, offered or permitted.

During evaluation of bids, LICI may, at its discretion, ask the Bidder for clarifications on its bid. The request for clarification and the response shall be through the designated mail. LICI may decide to accept any deviation at its discretion. However this will be done before opening of commercial bids.

If any compliance or clarification sought by LICI is not submitted within stipulated period, the bids are liable to be rejected.

The above matter is entirely at LICI's discretion and decision of LICI in this matter will be final.

- 7.4 No bidder shall have any cause of action/any legal proceedings/complaint against the LICI due to the rejection of their Tender bid or non selection as a successful vendor or non award of the contract. Annexure N to be submitted in this regard.
- 7.5 A Bidder will, by submitting the Bid/Proposal in response to this Tender document shall be deemed to have accepted all the terms and conditions of this document.

#### 7.6 Survival

The following clauses survive the termination and expiry of the contract:

- a) Intellectual Property Rights;
- b) Indemnity;
- c) Insurance Coverage;
- d) Confidentiality and privacy;
- e) Protection of personal information;
- f) Security;
- g) Audit
- h) Knowledge transfer
- i) Warranty

## 8) Other Information:

# 8.1 Contacting the Corporation:

No Bidder shall contact LIC of India or its employees through any means of communications on any matter relating to its bid, from the time of the bid opening to the time the Contract is awarded. If the bidder wishes to bring additional information to the notice of the Corporation, it should do so through designated email-id as given in the Activity Schedule. Any effort by a Bidder to influence LIC of India in its decisions on bid evaluation, bid comparison or contract award shall result in rejection of the Bidder's bid and Blacklisting.

The Vendor, will, in the performance of the Services:

Fully co-operate with LICI's Personnel and any other entity interacting with LICI; and use its best efforts to coordinate its activities so as to support and facilitate, in LICI's best interests, the timely and efficient completion of all work and other activities to be performed for LICI by any person.

# 8.2 Right to Accept Any Bid and to Reject Any or All Bid(s):

LIC of India reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid or all Bids, and to annul the tendering process and reject all bids at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders or any obligation to inform the affected bidder orbidders of the grounds for the Corporation's action.

LICI reserves its right to accept or reject any or all Bids, abandon/cancel, modify the Tender Process, and issue another Tender for the same or similar Services before the award of the contract. It would have no liability to the affected Bidder(s) or any obligation to inform them of the grounds for such action(s).

LICI reserves the rights to select one or multiple bidders for the Scope of deliverables. Bids may be accepted or rejected in total or in any part or items thereof. Any Bid not containing sufficient information, in view of LICI, to permit a thorough analysis may be rejected. LICI reserves the right to accept a combination of parts of more than one bid and to negotiate with any or all Bidders and to engage multiple bidders for the desired Scope of Work.

LICI reserves the right during technical and commercial (financial)

evaluation or at the time of award of contract and during the term of the contract to vary the quantity of services and goods specified in the Tender without any change in unit prices or other terms and conditions. LICI, at all times, reserve the right to modify, include or exclude procurement of products under consideration, or source the systems from multiple service providers if it is to LICI's advantage to do so.

### 8.3 Notification of selection:

LIC of India will notify the successful Bidder in writing, that its bid has been accepted. The selected Bidder shall enter into an agreement with the LIC of India. In case the tendering process is not likely to be completed within the stipulated period, LIC of India may solicit the bidder's consent to extend the validity period of the bid.

#### **8.4 Conflict of Interest:**

The Bidder must provide professional, objective, and impartial advice, always holding the Corporation's interest's paramount, and shall not try to get benefits beyond the legitimate payments and credentials in the contract. He should strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments or their corporate interests. Bidder should not have any litigation which may jeopardize or materially impact the bidders' ability to perform its obligations under the proposed assignment. Failure to disclose such situations shall be treated as a violation of the Code of Integrity and shall attract penalties mentioned therein. Bids found to have a conflict of interest shall be rejected as nonresponsive. Without limitation on the generality of the preceding, a Bidder in this Tender Process shall be considered to have a conflict of interest if the Bidder:

# 1. Conflicting Associations:

- a. directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with another Bidder; or
- receives or has received any direct or indirect subsidy/financial stake from another Bidder; or
- c. has the same correspondence address or same legal representative/agent as another Bidder for purposes of this Bid; or
- d. has a relationship with another Bidder, directly or through common third parties, that puts it in a position to have access to information

about or influence the Bid of another Bidder or influence the decisions of LICI regarding this Tender Process; or

- 2. **Unfair Competetive Advantage and Conflicting Activities**: had (or any of its Affiliates) been engaged by LIC to provide goods, works, or services for a project shall be disqualified from providing required scope of services resulting from or directly related to those goods, works, or services. Conversely, a firm (or any of its Affiliates) hired to provide required scope of services for the preparation or implementation of a project shall be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or works or services resulting from or directly related to the required scope of services for such preparation or implementation
- **3. Conflicting Assignments:** would (including its Experts or any of its Affiliates) be or are providing required scope of services in another assignment with another Procuring Entity that, by its nature, may conflict with this assignment.
- **4. Commissions and Gratuities**: The Bidder shall disclose any commissions or fees that may have been paid or are to be paid to agents, representatives, or commission agents concerning the selection process or execution and performance of the resulting Contract. The information disclosed must include the name and address of the agent, representative or commission agent, the amount and currency, and the purpose of the commission or fee
- **5. Conflicting Relationships:** has close business/family relationship with a staff of the Corporation who are/would be directly/indirectly involved in any of the following activities:
  - i. preparation of the Tender document or TOR of the Procurement Process
  - ii. evaluation of Bids or award of Contract, or
  - iii. implementation/supervision of the resulting Contract

# 8.5 Warranty that there is no conflict of interest:

The Bidder will warrant that, to the best of its knowledge after making diligent inquiry, at the date of signing the contract no conflict of interest exists or is likely to arise in the performance of its obligations under the contract.

A bidder must not have any conflict of interest that could impact the

services. If a conflict of interest is found, the bidder will be disqualified. In such cases, the EMD (if submitted) will be forfeited by LICI, or action will be taken as per the Bid Security Declaration/form. (Refer **Annexure – J** for Format of Bid security Declaration) This will be treated as a genuine pre-estimate of the loss suffered by LICI for the time, cost, and effort spent in evaluating the bidder's proposal. This is in addition to any other rights or remedies available to LICI.

#### 8.6 Notification of a conflict of interest:

The Bidder shall make a disclosure to LIC of India as soon as any potential conflict comes to its notice but in no case later than **07 (Seven)** days and any breach of this obligation of disclosure shall be construed as Conflict of Interest. LIC of India shall, upon being notified by the Bidder under this Clause, decide whether it wishes to terminate its Bid or otherwise, and convey its decision to the Bidder.

# 8.7 Confidentiality:

The contents of this Tender and the supporting documentation are confidential to LIC of India and are provided solely for the purpose of response to the Tender. The Bidder shall not, without the written permission of LIC of India make any public statements in relation to the details of contract or the awarding of any subsequent order or subcontract to the Bidder.

# Period of confidentiality:

The obligations continue, notwithstanding the expiry or termination of the contract:

- a) Any item of information, for the contract period and three year thereafter; and
- b) In relation to any information which the parties agree in writing after the date of the contract is to constitute Confidential Information for the purposes of the contract, for the period agreed by the parties in writing in respect of that information

# 8.8 Fraud and Corrupt Practices:

The Bidder, their employees and representatives shall observe the highest standard of ethics at all times (pre and post the Tender process). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Tender, LIC of India shall reject a Bid or terminate the contract without being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Bidder, if it determines that the Bidder has, directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged

in corrupt / fraudulent / coercive / undesirable / restrictive practice (collectively the "Prohibited Practices") at any time.

In such an event, LICI shall, without prejudice to its any other rights or remedies, forfeit in part or full the PBG, as the case may be for, inter alia, time, cost and effort of LICI, with regard to the Tender, including consideration and evaluation of such Bids and such bidder shall be ineligible to participate in any tender issued by LIC of India during a period of **03** (**Three**) **years** from the date, such Bidder, as the case may be, is found by LIC of India to have directly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice, as the case may be. For the purposes of this Section, the following terms shall have the meaning herein-after respectively assigned to them:

# "Corrupt practice" means -

(i) The offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of any person connected with the Selection Process (for avoidance of doubt, offering of employment to or employing or engaging in any manner whatsoever, directly or indirectly, any official of LIC of India who is or has been associated in any manner, directly or indirectly with the Selection Process or the Letter of Intent (LoI) or has dealt with matters concerning the Agreement or arising there from, before or after the execution thereof, at any time prior to the expiry of one year from the date such official resigns or retires from or otherwise ceases to be in the service of the Corporation, shall be deemed to constitute influencing the actions of a person connected with the Selection Process);

"Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation or omission of facts or disclosure of incomplete facts, suppression of facts in order to influence the Selection Process or violation of statutory requirements/regulations etc.

"Coercive practice" means impairing or harming or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any persons or property to influence any person's participation or action in the Selection Process;

"Undesirable practice" means -

1. Establishing contact with any person connected with or employed

or engaged by LIC of India with the objective of canvassing, lobbying or in any manner influencing or attempting to influence the Selection Process; or

2. Having a conflict of Interest;

"Restrictive practice" means forming a cartel or arriving at any understanding or arrangement among Bidders with the objective of restricting or manipulating a full and fair competition in the Selection Process.

#### 8.9 Penalties

Any fraudulent activity effecting awarded LICI services and or any violating any Provisions/Clauses of the Contract with LICI by the Bidder shall be liable for imposition of penalty by invoking and forfeiting the PBG in full. Penalty will also be imposed for violation of data breach, PII leakage, security breach, Mandatory Regulation breach & Brand & Reputation loss if any to LIC of India due to the activities by Bidder & its employees.

Delivery of services and performance of the services shall be made by the Vendor in accordance with the time schedule specified by LICI from time to time. It also covers Saturday/ Sunday and other holidays where LICI may require services. In case the service is not completed in the stipulated delivery period, as indicated in the Contract, LICI reserves the right either to short close /cancel this Contract and/or recover liquidated damage charges. The cancellation/short closing of the contract shall be at the risk and responsibility of the Vendor and LICI reserves the right to get the work done at the risk and cost of the defaulting Vendor.

Vendor shall not compromise on quality of the process and shall ensure that it meets or exceeds the evaluation criteria.

In case the quality of the work is not up to the mark of LICI and the work is not completed in the stipulated time specified as per the TATs mentioned in the clause 2.7.9, Corporation reserves the rights to either wholly cancel the contract or impose upto 10% (Ten%) penalty of

specific work value/cost as decided by the LICI at that time. The penalty structure is outlined in the table below.

# **Chart of penalties:**

Sr. N o	Details of Activity /Jobs	TAT (Target )	Delays (Beyond Prescribed TAT)	Penalty to be imposed % of the total value
				of the batch/es
			Delay up to 2 days	3%
		Within	Delay of 3 to 4	5%
	Printing of Policy	48	days	
1	Documents	hours (2	Delay of 5 to 6	7%
	Documents	days)	days	
		daysj	Delay of more	10%
			than 7days	
			Delay up to 2days	3%
		Within	Delay of 3 to 4	5%
	Dispatch after	24	days	
2	Printing	hours	Delay of 5 to 6	7%
	Timing	(01 day)	days	
		(or day)	Delay of more	10%
			than 7days	
		For all	Delay up to 1 day	3%
	,	Policy	Delay of 2 to 3	5%
		bonds	days	
	D A CCV CI	printed	Delay of 4 to 5	7%
2	Reverse CSV file	upto	days	400/
3	with Printing	16:00		10%
	Details	hours	Dalam of mone	
		on that day by		
		18:00	than 6 days	
		hrs.		
		111 3.	Delay up to 1 day	3%
			Delay of 2 to 3	5%
	Reverse CSV file	Within	days	370
4	with India Post	72	Delay of 4 to 5	7%
1	delivery details	hours of	days	7 70
	actively actuals	delivery	Delay of more	10%
			than 6 days	2070
		Within	<del></del>	5% of the value of
5	Data Purging	48	Delay up to 1 day	Data /File/Batch not
		hours		Purged

6	Monthly Purging Certificate	By 5th of followin g month	Delay up to 3 days	5% of the Monthly invoice
7	Deviation in Paper quality for printing of policy bond and associated stationery	As specifie d under clause 2.3.2 (e) of the tender Docume nt	Any Non – Conformity	PBG Forfeiture
8	Breakdown of Service	Service restorati on within 24hours	More than 48 hours upto 72 hours  More than 72 hours	5% of the value of the affected work 7% of the value of the affected work 10% of the value of the affected work
9	Any Fraudulent Activity or violations of any Provisions / clauses of the contract by the Bidder		During the period of the contract	PBG Forfeiture.
10	Notice of any conflict of interest (COI)	Within 07 days	Beyond 07 days	PBG forfeiture & termination notice
11	Services to commence within 30 days (Thirty) days calculated from the effective date of the SLA	Within 30 days (Thirty) days	Beyond 30 days	A penalty of ₹ 5,00,000/- (Rs Five lakh) per day until compliance
12	Sublet of any printing job(except dispatch with India Post)	After Award of Tender- During the	Immediate	PBG forfeiture and Termination Notice along with Legal Action as deemed fit by LICI

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		period of		
		contract		
	PBG not renewed	(SLA) 01		PBG forfeiture and
			Beyond 01 day	
	before the	Month		Termination Notice
13	completion of	before		
	obligations	the		
	specified in	expiry		
	Tender/SLA	date		
	Agreement with	Before		PBG forfeiture and
	India Post and / or	the		Termination Notice
14	any other	expiry of	Beyond 01 day	
	operational	01	beyond of day	
	licences/	month		
	permission	month		
		After		PBG forfeiture and
	Unable to provide	Award	During the period of Contract	Termination Notice
15	Unable to provide services as per SLA	of		& other legal action
				as deemed fit by
		Tender		LICI
	Policy Bond Template Artwork	05	05	INR 5,00,000/-per
16		working Beyond 01 o	Beyond 01 day	day until
		days		compliance
	Conversion of	02		INR 5,00,000/-per
17	Policy Template	working	Beyond 01 day	day until
	pdf to doc file	days		compliance
				During Tender
	Violation of NDA & IP			<b>Process</b> -Forfeiture
				of EMD+
		During		disqualification+
		the		any legal action as
		Tender		deemed fit by
		process		LICI+Blacklisting
18		and	Immediate	<b>During the</b>
18		later	immediate	contract period
		after		and any extensions
		Award		thereof-Forfeiture
		of		of PBG
		Contract		
				+Termination+ Any
				legal action as
				deemed fit by

				LICI+Blacklisting
19	Any event of insolvency/liquida tion/blacklisting/p enalty imposition	During the period of Contract	Immediate	Forfeiture of PBG +Termination notice + Any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+Blacklisting
20	Not providing MIS & Live Portal Services	Daily live basis	Beyond 01 day	INR 5,00,000/-(Rs Five Lakh) per day until compliance
21	Unsatisfactory Qly Review of the quality and performance (As detailed in Section 8.23 (c) and 8.24 (2))	Every 03 months / Each quarter	Beyond next 01 quarter / no change noticed	Termination of the contract + Forfeiture of PBG +Legal action as deemed fit by LICI
22	Right to Audit- Compliance Score	Less than 90%	Within 08 days- Beyond 01 day	INR 5,00,000/-(Rs Five Lakh) per day + Forfeiture of PBG +Legal action as deemed fit by LICI
23	IT Risk Mitigation -Audit	Within 15 day	Beyond 01 day	INR 5,00,000/-(Rs Five Lakh) per day + Forfeiture of PBG +Legal action as deemed fit by LICI
24	Violation of data breach, PII leakage, Security breach, mandatory Regulation breach and Brand reputation laws	During the contract period (any one or more of the mention ed items)	Immediate	INR 2.0 cr (Rupees Two Crores) penalty per day+ Forfeiture of PBG +Legal action as deemed fit by LICI
25	Violation of IT & IS Policies of LICI(any of the above or	During the contract	Immediate	INR 2.0 cr (Rupees Two Crores) penalty per day+ Forfeiture

	both) as amended from time to time	period		of PBG +Legal action as deemed fit by LICI
26	Breach of Professional Confidentiality of any LICI Data / Information	During the tender process and contract period	Immediate	During Tender Process-Forfeiture of EMD+ disqualification+ any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+ Blacklisting During the contract period and any extensions thereof-Forfeiture of PBG +Termination+ Any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+ Blacklisting
27	External use of any USB or any connectivity device by the Vendor and/or it's any employees and service providers and disclosure of any LICI information	During the tender process and contract period	Immediate	Process-Forfeiture of EMD+ disqualification+ any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+ Blacklisting During the contract period and any extensions thereof-Forfeiture of PBG +Termination+ Any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+ Blacklisting
28	Violation of any clause/s of Tender document and SLA Contract (later)	During the tender process and contract period	Immediate	During Tender Process-Forfeiture of EMD+ disqualification+ any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+ Blacklisting

				During the contract period and any extensions thereof-Forfeiture of PBG +Termination+ Any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+ Blacklisting
29	IT Security and Data Security –Non compliance	During the tender process and contract period	Immediate	During Tender Process-Forfeiture of EMD+ disqualification+ any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+ Blacklisting During the contract period and any extensions thereof-Forfeiture of PBG +Termination+ Any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+ Blacklisting
30	Non Acceptance of LOI/LOA	On successf ul Award of contract	Within mentioned period	Forfeiture of EMD+ Blacklisting
31	Non submission of NDA by selected Vendor	Within 30 days from receipt of LOI	More than 30 days	Forfeiture of EMD+ Any legal action as deemed fit by LICI+disqualificatio n

Note: There may be inclusion of some other penalties apart from the above mentioned chart, in the SLA to be signed after award of Contract. The vendor has to strictly adhere the quality as per mentioned specifications. In case of any variation in GSM beyond the prescribed range as well as printing quality, the rejection of service/proportionate recovery will be at the sole discretion of LICI.

Delay by the vendor in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the LICI to stop payment for any or all of the following sanctions, imposition of liquidated damages, partial or full forfeiture of the Performance bank Guarantee, and/or termination of the contract for default.

If at any time during the performance of the contract, the vendor should encounter condition impending timely delivery of the performance of the service, the vendor shall promptly notify to LICI in writing the fact of the delay, its likely duration, and its cause (s) immediately. As soon as practicable after receipt of the vendor's notice, LICI shall evaluate the situation and may at its discretion take necessary action.

Services to commence within 30 days (Thirty) days calculated from the date of receipt of the award of contract. The Vendor shall commence services within 30 days from the date of receipt of the award of contract. Any delay shall attract a penalty of Rs 5,00,000/- (INR Five lacs only) per day until compliance.

# 8.10 Ambiguities within the Document:

All bids and supporting documentation shall be submitted in English.

In case of ambiguities or discrepancies within this Tender, the following principles shall apply:

As between two Clauses of this Tender, the provisions of a specific Clause relevant to the issue under consideration shall prevail over those in a general Clause;

As between the provisions of this Tender and its Annexure, the Tender shall prevail, save and except as expressly provided otherwise in the Tender or the Annexure; and

As between any value written in numerals and that in words, the value in words shall prevail.

Apart from the Clauses where specifically mentioned all other terms and conditions of the Tender are applicable

Amendment/corrigendum to this Tender will be in writing only.

**Errors and Omissions**: Each Bidder should notify LIC of India of any error, omission, or discrepancy found in this Tender document, not later to the date of closing for submission of Tender response.

# 8.11 Governing Law and Jurisdiction:

This Tender shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of India, without giving effect to conflict of law rules. Each party irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts and hence, any legal dispute will come under the jurisdiction of Courts situated at Mumbai.

# 8.12 Severability:

The unenforceability or invalidity of any clause in this Agreement shall not have an impact on the Enforceability or validity of any other clause. Any unenforceable or invalid clause shall be regarded as removed from this Agreement to the extent of its unenforceability and invalidity. Therefore, this Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced as if it did not contain the said clause to the extent of its Unenforceability and invalidity.

#### 8.13 Terms and Conditions:

The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, statements, forms, terms, conditions and specifications in the bid document. Failure to furnish all information required by the bid document or submission of a bid not responsive to the bidding document in every respect will be at the Bidder's risk and may result in rejection of his bid. While LIC of India has made considerable effort to ensure that accurate information is contained in this Tender, the information contained in this Tender is supplied solely as a guideline for bidders.

Any notice by one party to the other pursuant to the Contract shall be sent by email/letter and confirmed in writing to the address specified for that purpose in the Contract. All communications shall be sent to the below mentioned address and on email-id: **co\_nbpost@licindia.com** 

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR(NB&R/HI)
New Business & Reinsurance Department,
Central Office, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, East Wing,
Yogakshema Bldg., J B Marg,
Mumbai - 400021

LIC of India may waive off any minor non-conformity or irregularity in a bid, which does not constitute a material deviation, provided such a waiving does not prejudice or affect the relative ranking of any Bidder. Bid with insufficient information, after thorough analysis, may be rejected.

LIC of India reserves the right to verify the validity of bid information, and to reject any bid where the same appears to be incorrect, inaccurate or inappropriate in the Corporation's estimation.

It will be the responsibility of the Bidder to take care of all the formalities (wherever and whatever applicable) as per rules / tax laws / regulations / orders of any Government/non- government/ regulatory authority in force etc.

LICI may at its sole discretion enter into contracts with one or more successful Bidder or with Other Providers as and when deemed fit. LICI reserves the right for the selection of additional Service Providers/Bidder from time to time.

- **8.14** No minimum volume commitment should be inferred from this process or from any of the documentation provided.
- **8.15 DPDP Act**: The successful Bidder shall adhere to, Information Technology Act 2000, Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act 2023, its amendments and rules published by Government of India and applicable sections of IRDAI Guidelines on Information Security for Insurers. The successful bidders shall ensure that they have Information Security organization in place to implement the provisions of LICI's information security requirements and protection of intellectual property.

The successful Bidder shall have documented policies and procedures to discharge the security requirements detailed within the Tender.

Information security requirements such as controls for maintaining confidentiality, integrity and availability of the LICI's data shall be considered at all stages throughout third party/bidders having access/handling the organizational system/data.

Confidentiality, integrity and availability, non-repudiation, authenticity, privacy of data/information must be ensured.

The successful bidder shall not share any data/ information with any third party excluding address of the Customer where Policy documents have to be dispatched. The successful bidder shall ensure full compliance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act (DPDPA), 2023, and any breach of confidentiality shall result in strict penal action, including but not limited to, termination of the contract, forfeiture of security deposit, and legal action as per applicable laws.

# 8.16 Dispute:

In the event of any dispute or disagreement over the interpretation of any of the terms in this bid document or claim of liability, the same shall be referred in writing/ via mail to LICI CO, NB&R department at the address / mail ID as mentioned in the Activity schedule.

# 8.17 Assignment:

The successful bidder (hereinafter mentioned as vendor / successful bidder) shall not assign in whole or in part, the obligations to perform under the contract except with Corporation's prior express consent.

# 8.18 Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA-Annexure-III) & Integrity Pact (IP- Annexure-IV):

**Annexure – III by selected Bidders only & Annexure IV** should be submitted by all Bidders along with Technical Bid

During the contract period, the Personnel of Bidder may have access to confidential information of the Corporation. The Bidder or its Personnel shall not disclose at any point of time to any other person/third party the information so received and use the same degree of care to maintain the Confidentiality of the information as if the information is their own.

Also the Bidder may use the information only for serving the

Corporation's interest and restrict disclosure of information solely to those employees of Bidder having a need to know such information in order to accomplish the purpose stated above, advise each such employee, before he or she receives access to information, of the obligation of Bidder under this agreement and require such employees to maintain these obligations.

The **selected bidder** shall submit, a duly notarized Non-Disclosure agreement & Integrity Pact (IP) by all Bidders separately on a stamp paper of INR 500/- (Rupees five hundred only) or as per stamp duty payable in the respective State/jurisdiction. As per Annexure –III & IV. **Violation of Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) & Integrity Pact (IP) will lead to legal action and blacklisting.** 

# 8.19 Consequences of Termination of the Selected Bidder:

In the event of termination of the selected Bidder due to any cause whatsoever [whether consequent to the stipulated terms of the Tender or otherwise], LIC of India shall be entitled to impose any such obligations and conditions and issue any clarifications as may be necessary to ensure an efficient transition and effective business continuity of the Service(s) which the terminated Bidder shall be obliged to comply with and take all available steps to minimize loss resulting from that termination/breach, and further allow the next successor Bidder to take over the obligations of the terminated Bidder in relation to the execution/continued execution of the scope of the work defined in Tender. This period of transition shall not exceed **Six (06) months** from the effective date of termination.

Nothing herein shall restrict the right of LIC of India to invoke the Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) and take other actions as defined in this Tender and pursue such other rights and/or remedies that may be available under law or otherwise.

The termination hereof shall not affect any accrued right or liability of either Party nor affect the operation of the provisions of the Tender that are expressly or by implication intended to come into or continue in force on or after such termination.

# 8.20 Signing of contract - SLA:

- 1. The selected vendor has to sign a contract with LIC of India as per the terms and conditions of the Tender on non-judicial stamppaper (as applicable in the area of jurisdiction). This initial contract will be called as the **Service Level Agreement (SLA)** which will act as the comprehensive contract document between LIC of India and vendor for all purpose/conditions related to the Tender.
- 2. LICI shall share a copy of the Contract Agreement to a successful Bidder for review. The Bidder may point out to LICI, in writing/electronically, any anomalies noticed in the contract within seven(07) days of receipt. The Contract Agreement shall be executed within thirty (30) days after the date of issue of the Letter of Acceptance (LoA) and after submission and verification of the Performance Bank Guarantee.
- 3. The successful Bidder shall return the original copy of the contract, duly signed, and dated, within seven (07) days from the date of receipt of the contract, to LICI by registered/speed post and/or by a suitable digital means.
- 4. The SLA will be the permanent reference & the contract document (with subsequent modifications, if any). The modifications to the SLA will be mutually agreed and will be accommodated in the form of addendum/schedules to the SLA since procedural aspects, services etc. will be continuously evolving. On behalf of the Corporation, **SLA** will be signed by the Executive Director (NB&R /HI) of the LICI Central Office, Mumbai and the Director (as authorized by its Board) of the selected Bidder.
- 5. The selected Bidder shall be required to enter into a contract with LICI, within **thirty** (30) days of the award of the tender (i.e. issuance of a Letter of Intent (LoI) by LICI) or within such extended period, as may be specified by LICI. The services to be provided by the selected bidders shall be governed by a detailed SLA, which will be finalized at the time of execution of the contract. LICI reserves the right to stipulate, at the time of finalization, any other document(s) to be enclosed as part of the final contract/SLA.
- 6. Should the Bidder be an Award winner/ successful Bidder, the contents of its Response to Tender, including any material

submitted in the Response to Tender, may by mutual consent be incorporated by reference or integrated as obligations in the formal Service Contract and / or Service Level Agreement (SLA), to be drafted by LIC of India.

# 8.21 Terms of Payment:

- **8.21.1.** Payment towards service charges will be paid on monthly basis within a fortnight of the following month as per the rates mentioned in the SLA to the vendor.
- **8.21.2.** The monthly Bills/Invoices submitted by the vendor should be accompanied with **invoices** from the India Post through whom the policy Bonds dispatch was conducted for the month.
- **8.21.3.** The Monthly Bills/Invoices have to be submitted in hard copy by the vendor or any other method as intimated from time to time by the Corporation, duly signed by the Authorized Representative/s by 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month.
- **8.21.4.** Purging Certificate for all 04 locations must be submitted on monthly basis, duly signed by the Authorized representative to LICI, by 05<sup>th</sup> of the following month.
- **8.21.5.** No payment shall be made in advance nor shall any loan from any bank or financial institution be recommended on the basis of the order of award of contract.
- **8.21.6**. Billing cycle will be monthly and printing/pre mailing charges will be apportioned on monthly basis as per timelines mutually decided between LICI and Bidder.
- **8.21.7.** Payments (inclusive of all taxes) as finalized by LICI will be paid in Indian rupees only on submission of bills subject to satisfactory completion of jobs assigned.
- **8.21.8.** All payments shall be made by NEFT only to the Company Bank Account within India. Before releasing payments, TDS and other taxes as admissible from time to time shall be deducted from each bill.
- **8.21.9.** The LICI shall be at liberty to withhold any of the payments in full or in part subject to recovery of penalties mentioned.

# 8.22 Indemnity:

Selected Vendor hereby indemnifies LICI from and against all and any costs, damages or losses (whether consequential, business or otherwise) arising out of the breach of any representation, warranty and/or covenant made by it in the Service Level Agreement (SLA), or any breach of the SLA generally, or for non-fulfillment of its obligation under law or to any third party/parties.

Selected Vendor agrees to be solely liable for, and will indemnify, defend and hold harmless, LICI, its Officers, Director, Employees, Consultants and Agents from and against any and all claims, liability, damages and/ or costs including but not limited to legal fees arising from, out of or in connection with:

- The breach of any warranty, representation, covenant or term of this Agreement;
- The non-fulfillment of its obligations under law or to any third party/ parties;
- The gross negligence and/or willful misconduct by it and/ or its Officers, Director, Employees, Agents, or affiliates;
- The infringement or violation of any third party's copyright, patent, trade secret, trademark, intellectual property, intellectual property right in relation to the services.
- Any reasonable fees incurred for defending any legal proceedings in furtherance thereof, if the legal proceedings are due to deficiency of service on the part of Bidder.

The selected Vendor shall indemnify LICI and keep indemnified against any loss or damage that LICI may sustain on account of any violation(s)/ breach/ infringement of intellectual property, confidentiality, privacy, patents, trademarks, statutory / regulatory guidelines /instructions etc., by the Bidder.

If a Party makes a claim under the indemnity set out under above clause in respect of any particular Loss or Losses, then that Party shall not be entitled to make any further claim in respect of that Loss/Losses (including any claim for damages).

Bidders must explicitly outline the safeguards, steps, and measures to be undertaken in case of any Income Tax-related queries, notices, or liabilities arising from the execution of this contract. The Bidder shall be solely responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable tax laws and shall indemnify LICI against any liability, penalty, or demand raised by the Income Tax authorities.

**8.22.1 Liability-**Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct and in the case of infringement of patent, IPR, trademark, copyright or industrial design rights arising from use of the solution or any part thereof in any of the services supplied by the Vendor and used/consumed by LICI, the supplier/Vendor shall not be liable to LICI, whether in contract tort or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier/ Vendor to pay liquidated damages to LICI and the aggregate liability of the supplier/Vendor to LICI, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

# 8.23 Service Level Agreement (SLA) periodic Review:

- a. Selected Vendor shall enter into a Service Level Agreement (SLA) subject to the Laws in force. All costs related to execution including Stamp Duty, Execution Cost, etc. shall be borne by the Vendor entering into Service Level Agreement with the Corporation. LICI shall not be liable for any costs associated with contract execution.
- b. The Service Level Agreement (SLA) shall take effect on the date of signature hereof by both Parties, and shall remain in force for a period of three (03) years which may be renewed/ extended on the same terms and conditions for one more year or part thereof, at a time, on satisfactory performance at the sole discretion of the Corporation. Maximum 02 (Two) extensions of 01 (One) year each maybe considered, subject to total of 05 (Five) years including initial 03 (Three) years plus 02 (Two) years annual extensions.
- c. The performance is subject to quarterly review at the discretion of the Corporation. LIC of India also reserves the right to terminate the

Agreement at any time, after review of the performance of the Bidder on a quarterly basis. LIC of India will review the vendor based on the factors including, but not limited to:

- The quality of service provided,
- The customer satisfaction as can be perceived from the Customer Response Sheets received and
- Such other factors as LIC of India deems fit and specifies.
- Adherence to various TATs
- Adherence to IT Security & Protocols
- Adherence to the SLA-Terms & Conditions (T&Cs)
- Adherence to the chart of penalties and other regulations

### 8.24 Termination of Contract:

**8.24.1.** The SLA may be terminated by Life Insurance Corporation of India, at its sole discretion, any time within/ before the end of the initial 03 Years Contract period with a **Notice period of 03 (Months)**; or

By LIC of India in the event of a breach by the vendor of the SLA; or Its representations and warranties in the SLA; or Its covenants, agreements or obligations contained herein; or After a period of three months in pursuance of clause above or

By LIC of India in the event of Non-activisation of printing and dispatch services within 30 days from the effective date of SLA or

The SLA may be terminated by LICI, if the selected Vendor is prevented from performing any of its obligations hereunder due to a Force Majeure Event and such Force Majeure Event continues for a period of 4 weeks without interruption or

On termination of the SLA for any reason whatsoever, LIC of India shall be liable to the vendor for all costs and fees for Services performed in accordance with the terms of the SLA until the date of termination.

The vendor shall continue to be liable to provide the Services until the date of termination and/or till the Business Continuity clause is effective, through itself.

All the existing contracts will end as and when the new Service Level agreement (SLA) is signed.

- **8.24.2** The contract is also liable to be terminated immediately by the Corporation if
  - a) The Vendor abandons the work or fails to perform its obligations; or
  - b) The Vendor assigns, delegates or sublets the work in whole or in part thereof; or
  - c) The Vendor fails to proceed with execution of contract diligently and continues such failure despite receiving a written notice from LICI; or
  - d) The Vendor becomes bankrupt, the termination will be without compensation to the Vendor, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to LICI or insolvent or goes into liquidation or is ordered to wind up or has a receiver appointed on its assets; or
  - e) The Vendor persistently disregards the instructions issued by the Corporation; or
  - f) The Vendor fails to adhere to the agreed schedule of the work; or
  - g) The information submitted by the Vendor in the Tender is found to be incorrect, false or misleading; or
  - h) The Vendor fails to perform its obligations as per terms and conditions of the contract; or
  - i) In case any Trade license / Authorisation Certificate of the Vendor is revoked / suspended / not renewed; or
  - j) Any regulatory, non-compliance or violation of laws is identified, including but not limited to tax evasion, fraud, data breach, or money laundering violations.
  - k) Any imposition of Penalty /Blacklisting by any other Entity in India
  - 1) In the event of any insolvency/liquidation of the Vendor firm

# **8.24.3.** On termination of the contract, the Vendor must:

- a. Stop work on the Services
- b. Deal with LICI material as directed by LICI
- c. Return all LICI's confidential information to LICI
- d. To take all available steps to minimize loss resulting from

- termination and to protect LICI material and contract material; and continue work on any part of the Services not affected by the notice
- e. The vendor shall handover all the documents, files, records etc., belonging to LIC of India in whatever form they are held, to LIC of India forth with on termination and shall not retain any data with them. The data security and data confidentiality of LIC of India shall operate throughout.

# **8.25. Force Majeure Condition:**

8.25.1. Neither party shall, in breach of any of its obligations under this Agreement to the extent that its performance is prevented, physically be hindered or delayed by an act, event or circumstances (whether of the kind described herein or otherwise), which is not reasonably within the control of such party ("Force Majeure Event") other than lack of funds for any reason or any strike, lockout and Labour disputes in respect of the vendor only.

8.25.2 Force Majeure Event shall include but not be limited to the following:

Fire, Flood, Atmospheric disturbance, Pandemic, Lightning, Storm, Typhoon, Tornado, Earthquake, Washout or other Acts of God; War, Riot, Blockade, Insurrection, Acts of Public Enemies, Civil Disturbance, Terrorism and Sabotage and threats of such actions; Strikes, lockouts or other Industrial Disturbances or Labour disputes; outside that party's organization, Change of any applicable rule, regulation or law. The affected Party will give notice of those circumstances to the other Party as soon as possible but within 7 days.

8.25.3. In the event that any Force Majeure Event continues for a period of 4 (four) weeks without interruption, the party affected by such Force Majeure Event shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement by giving notice of atleast 03 months to the other party, pursuant to, and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

8.25.4. Unless otherwise directed by LIC of India in writing, the Bidder shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as it is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable means for performance not prevented by the Force Majeure event.

8.25.5 **Consequences of termination**: If the contract is terminated, each party will bear it's own cost and neither party will incur further liability to the other.

### 8.26. Taxes and duties:

Any payments to be made in pursuance of this Agreement shall be subject to all Indirect Taxes including but not limited to GST, TDS etc., if applicable or becomes applicable in the future. Such indirect taxes as may be applicable will be charged separately. Bidders must explicitly outline the safeguards, steps, and measures to be undertaken in case of any Income Tax-related queries, notices, or liabilities arising from the execution of this contract. The Bidder shall be solely responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable tax laws and shall indemnify LICI against any liability, penalty, or demand raised by the Income Tax authorities. The Bidder is responsible for meeting all tax liabilities arising from the Contract.

All payments made in pursuance of this agreement will be subjected to tax deduction at Source, if any, as per tax laws currently applicable or as may become applicable in future.

Any changes in law, taxes and policies shall be governed through the provision of the Agreement. TDS and other tax deductions, if any will be as per rules.

Bidders must explicitly outline the safeguards, steps, and measures to be undertaken in case of any Income Tax-related queries, notices, or liabilities arising from the execution of this contract. The Bidder shall be solely responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable tax laws and shall indemnify LICI against any liability, penalty, or demand raised by the Income Tax authorities.

# 8.27. Service Provider/Bidder Selection and Exit

i. LICI reserves its right to select one or more than one Bidder for the scope of activity/activities proposed. Deployment of services in terms of quantum, location and scope will be the sole prerogative of LICI.

- ii. Upon selection, selected bidder shall be required to enter into Service Level Agreement (SLA). Such Service Level Agreement shall be initially for a period of **three (03) years** and may be extended thereafter. Such decision shall be at the sole discretion of LICI. The service level agreement shall be on Principal to Principal basis.
- iii. Service charges/rates approved by LICI through this Tender for the activities covered under scope shall remain frozen during the term of contract and it's any annual/part extension/s thereof.
- iv. Selected Bidder shall be required to put in place necessary security and all possible safeguards to maintain necessary confidentiality of data and/or information received in any form from LICI. The Selected Bidder shall be required to submit the details of all safeguards in place at its facility before commencement of the proposed activity.
- v. The Selected Bidder shall have to abide by LICI Information Security Policy for the activities that shall be carried out for LICI. This policy & procedures is almost aligned to requirements of ISO:27001 standards (ISMS).
- vi. The SLA between LICI & Selected Bidder will have these security controls & liabilities of the Selected Bidder for violation of LICI IT & IS policy, standards & procedures. Bidders should adhere to Information Technology & Information Security guidelines as described in **Annexure VI** and should sign on all pages of this Annexure.
- vii. The detailed terms and conditions governing the contract/SLA shall be included in the service level agreement and shall undergo changes as per the Outsourcing Guidelines issued by IRDAI.
- viii. There shall be penalty on non-adherence to service deliverables such as manpower less than the required number, turn around time (TAT), non-availability of services in absence of manpower or breakdown/non-availability of systems etc.
- ix. The performance of Selected Bidder shall be reviewed periodically, at least once in each quarter or more (or as per the frequency required by LICI ) for continuation of contract. Any decision in this regard by LICI shall be final and binding on the Selected Bidder .

- x. There shall be a provision for making amendments in the Contract/agreement in writing by both parties to the agreement, due to changes in work environment procedure changes, rules of performance, etc. to the contract which may affect the existing work flow. However, the original Terms & Conditions of the scope of work and payment terms will remain unchanged, during the currency of the SLA and its extensions thereof.
- xi. This Tender and annexure to this document represent the entire scope with respect to its subject matter, and there are no other representations, understandings or documents between the Parties relative to such subject matter.
- xii. Except as otherwise specified in this document all notices, requests, consents, approvals, agreements, authorizations, acknowledgements waivers and other communications required or permitted under this Tender shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when sent by e-mail-id specified or delivered by hand to the address as mentioned in the Tender document.
  - a) All communications under the contract shall be served by the parties to each other in writing, in the contract's language, and served in a manner customary and acceptable in business and commercial transactions.
  - b) The effective date of such communications shall be either the date when delivered to the recipient or the effective date mentioned explicitly in the communication, whichever is later.
  - c)No communication shall amount to an amendment of the terms and conditions of the contract, except a formal letter of amendment of the Contract expressly so designated.
  - d) Such communications would be an instruction, a notification, an acceptance, a certificate from LICI, or a submission or a notification from the Bidder. A notification or certificate required under the contract must be communicated separately from other communications.
- xiii.If any provision of this Tender document or part, thereof is rendered void, illegal or unenforceable in any respect under any law, the same shall be replaced by, and any omission shall be remedied, by

way of a corresponding provision which comes as close as legally and commercially possible to the express or implied intention of the Parties, and the validity, legality and enforceability of remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

xiv.Each Party shall co-operate with each other and execute and deliver to other such instruments and documents and take such other actions as may be reasonably requested by the other Party from time to time in order to carry out, give effect to or confirm its rights, and for the intended purpose of this Tender document.

# 8.28. Right of Verification & Inspection/Audit

LICI reserves the right to verify any or all statements made by the Bidders in the Bid documents and to inspect its facility, if necessary, to establish about the Bidders capabilities to undertake the required tasks.

LICI reserves the right to inspect/audit any of the bidders offices, locations, software, hardware etc. through its Officials or nominated agencies. The Bidders would have to co-operate and provide access to these units, systems, software, etc.

The Bidders will need to furnish the contact details of their existing locations/Offices.

LICI reserves the right to conduct an audit / ongoing audit by internal/external Auditors appointed by LICI / IRDAI or any regulatory authority of the services provided by successful bidder.

Successful Bidder should allow LICI Security Team to conduct System audit initially before implementation of the Services and also as required, from time to time in future. Only on getting the approval by the LICI Security Team, Services will continue.

Successful Bidder should allow IRDAI, or persons authorized by it to access LICI documents, records or transaction or any other information given to, stored or processed by successful Bidder within a reasonable time failing which successful Bidder will be liable to pay any charges/penalty levied by IRDAI.

Successful Bidder should allow IRDAI to conduct audits or inspection of its Books and account with regard to LICI's documents by one or more

IRDAI officials or employees or other persons duly authorized by IRDAI

# 8.29 Disputes Resolution

Any dispute or differences whatsoever arising between the parties out of or in relation to the construction, meaning, interpretation and operation or effect of these Bid Documents or breach thereof shall be decided by LICI. Such decision by LICI shall be final and binding on the Bidders. Refer Clause 9.11 for further details.

#### 8.30 Amendments to this Tender

Amendments to the Tender may be issued by LICI during the Tender process as required. Amendments to Tender so made shall be deemed to form an integral part of the Tender.

# 8.31 Insolvency and Liquidation:

**Insolvency-** In the event of the Bidder firm being adjudged insolvent or having a receiver appointed for it by a court or any other order under the Insolvency Act made against them or in the case of a company the passing any resolution or making of any order for winding up, whether voluntary or otherwise, or in the event of the firm failing to comply with any of the conditions herein specified, the LIC of India shall have the power to terminate the contract without previous notice.

**Liquidation-** If the Bidder is a company being wound up voluntarily, or by order of a Court or a Receiver, Liquidator or Manager on behalf of the Debenture-holders is appointed, or circumstances shall have arisen which entitle the Court or Debenture-holders to appoint a Receiver, Liquidator or Manager.

# 8.32 Permits, Approvals and Licenses

Whenever the Services and incidental Goods/Works delivery requires the Bidder to obtain permits, approvals, and licenses from local public authorities or any third party, it shall be the Bidder's sole responsibility to obtain these and keep them current and valid. Such requirements may include but not be restricted to licenses or environmental clearance if required. If requested by the Bidder, LICI shall make its best effort to assist the Bidder in complying with such requirements in a timely and expeditious manner without diluting the Bidder's responsibility in this regard.

### 8.33 Warranties

The Vendor will have to represent and warrant that:

- a) It has the right to enter into the Contract resulting from this Tender.
- b) It has all rights, title, licenses, interests and property necessary to lawfully perform the Services.
- c) Its Personnel, including its Specified Personnel, have the necessary experience, skill, knowledge and competence to perform the Services.
- d) The Services will be complete, accurate and free from material faults.
- e) It will not, nor will it suffer or permit any third party under its direction or control to negligently introduce into LICI's systems or any Deliverables any Harmful Code

## 9. Miscellaneous Information:

# 9.1 Format and Signing the Bid Proposals Submitted

The original and all copies of bid proposal submitted by the Bidders shall be typed or printed in a clear type face. All pages in the bid should be authenticated by a duly authorized signatory of the Bidder under seal.

#### 9.2 Bidder indication of Authorization to Bid:

Responses submitted by Bidder to this **Tender** document represent a firm offer to contract on the terms and conditions described in Bidder response. The Bid proposal must be signed by an official authorized to commit the bidders to the terms and conditions of the Bid proposal. The signatory should have the authority (PoA) to sign the documents.

# 9.3 Language of the Proposal/Bid

All proposal/bid and supporting documentation shall be submitted in English.

# 9.4 Completeness of the Proposal/Bid

The Bidder proposal/Bid is subject to an evaluation process. Therefore, it is important that the bidder carefully prepare the bid proposal and answers questionnaire completely. The quality of the bidder bid proposal will be viewed as an indicator of the bidders capability to provide the solution and bidders interest in the project. The bidders are required to respond to the Tender only in the prescribed format. Under no circumstances, should the format be changed, altered and modified. All pages including all supporting documents in the bid should be authenticated by a duly authorized signatory of the Bidder under seal.

# 9.5 Acceptance or Rejection of the Proposals

LICI reserves the right not to accept any bid, or to accept or reject a particular bid at its sole discretion without assigning any reason whatsoever and the decision of LICI will be treated as final. The Tender responses/bids/proposals not submitted in the prescribed format or incomplete in any sense are likely to be rejected.

## 9.6 Tender Ownership

The Tender and all supporting documentation / templates / Annexures / any Corrigendum/ any Meeting Minutes and details/ selection proceedings etc are the sole property of LICI and violation of this will be a breach of trust and LICI would be free to initiate any action deemed appropriate.

# 9.7 Cost of the Proposal

All costs relating to preparation, submission of its proposal, attending the clarification sessions and bid opening as well as arranging for the Technical Presentation to LICI will be borne by the Bidder and LICI will not be responsible or liable, in anyway, for any such costs, regardless of the outcome of the process.

# 9.8 Confidentiality

This document contains information confidential and proprietary to LICI. No news release, public announcement, social media circulation or any other reference to this Tender shall be made without written consent from LICI. Reproduction of this Tender, without prior written consent of LICI, by photographic, electronic, social media or any other means is strictly prohibited.

The Tender document is confidential and is not to be reproduced, transmitted, or made available by any means / media by the Bidder to any other party. The Tender document is provided to the Bidder on the basis of the undertaking of confidentiality given by the Bidder to LIC of India. LIC of India reserves the right to update or revise the Tender document or any part of it prior to opening of responses by the Bidders.

The Bidder should have proper mechanism for maintaining professional confidentiality of the LICI data. In case of any breach in maintaining the confidentiality of the data/information, LIC of India will be within its right to reject the bid and also take suitable further lawful action. The Bidder shall not act or do anything which shall prejudice the interests of the LICI or do anything that can create a conflict of interest.

# 9.9 Intellectual Property Rights

- 1. LICI will own all intellectual property rights to all design, software and/or systems created specifically for implementation at LICI under this contract. The Bidder shall fully protect and indemnify LICI from all legal actions, claims, or damages from third parties arising out of use of software, designs or processes supplied The Tender bv the Bidder. Document and associated correspondence are subject to copyright laws and shall always remain the property of LICI and must not be shared with third parties or reproduced, whether in whole or part, without LICI's prior written consent.
- 2. All Intellectual Property Rights in the Contract Material shall vest in LICI; to the extent that LICI needs to use any of the Auxiliary Material provided by the Vendor to receive the full benefit of the Services (including the Contract Material), the Vendor grants to, or must obtain for, a world-wide, royalty free, perpetual, non-exclusive license to use, reproduce, adapt, modify and communicate that Auxiliary Material.

However, Bidders may share these to prepare and submit their Bids with their employees or holding Company after obtaining an undertaking of confidentiality like that imposed on the Bidder. This condition shall also apply to Bidders who do not submit a Bid after downloading it or are not awarded a contract.

# 3. Third Party Material

The Vendor must have ownership or obtain all necessary copyright and other Intellectual Property Right permissions before making any Third-Party Material available as Auxiliary Material for the purpose of performance of services under this Tender and resulting contract.

# 4. Responsibility of the successful Bidder

It would be the responsibility of the successful Bidder to ensure that it has legal valid and current rights to provide all the deliverables as sought under this Tender document. LICI acknowledges that, save as expressly provided else where in this Tender document, all Intellectual Property Rights in relation to the software, it's documentation, development, coding and any adaptations, translations and derivative work, whether a copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret design or otherwise, provided to LICI by the bidder during, in connection with or in relation to fulfilling it's

obligations under this Tender document will belong to and shall remain a property of the Bidder or it's licensor, except under the condition when LICI has taken position of the software through its rights bestowed upon by the Escrow arrangement.

# 5. Liability of the successful Bidder

The successful BIDDER shall be responsible for all due permissions, authorizations and consents from any third party licensors of software provided by the Bidder for this project. The liability of the bidder, regardless of the nature of the action giving rise to such liability and in case of claims against LICI arising out of misconduct or gross negligence of the bidder, it's employees and sub contractors or through infringement of rights ,patents ,trademarks, copyrights, Intellectual Property Rights or breach of confidentiality obligations shall be unlimited.

# 6. IPR Warranty

Bidder will warrant that:

- a. The Warranted Materials and LICI's use of those Warranted Materials, will not infringe the Intellectual Property Rights of any person and
- b. It has the necessary rights to vest the Intellectual Property Rights and grant the licenses as provided in this clause

# 7. Remedy for Breach of Warranty

If someone claims, or LICI reasonably believes that someone is likely to claim, that all or part of the Warranted Materials infringe their Intellectual Property Rights, the successful Bidder will, in addition to the indemnity and to any other rights that LICI may have against it, promptly, at the successful bidders expense:

- a) Use its best efforts to secure the rights for LICI to continue to use the affected Warranted Materials free of any claim or liability for infringement or
- b) Replace or modify the affected Warranted Materials so that the Warranted Materials or the use of them does not infringe the Intellectual Property Rights of any other person without any degradation of the performance or quality of the affected Warranted Materials
- c) Successful Bidder will indemnify LICI against all third party claims of infringement of patent, Intellectual Property Rights, trademark, copyright or industrial design rights arising from the use of the Bidders Solution or any part there of throughout the offices of LICI,

including but not limited to the legal actions by any third party against LICI.

## 9.10 Jurisdiction

All disputes or differences whatsoever arising between the parties out of or in relation to the construction, meaning and operation or effect of these Proposal Documents or breach thereof shall be settled amicably.

If, however, the parties are not able to resolve them amicably, the same shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the applicable Indian Laws, and the award made in pursuance thereof shall be binding on the parties. Any appeal will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of High Court at Mumbai, India.

### 9.11 Arbitration

The vendor and LICI shall endeavour their best to amicably settle all disputes arising out of or in connection with this Tender in the following manner:

If a dispute arises in relation to the conduct of the Contract (Dispute), a party must comply with this clause before starting arbitration or court proceedings (except proceedings for urgent interlocutory relief). After a party has sought or obtained any urgent interlocutory relief that party must follow this clause.

A party claiming a dispute has arisen, must give the other parties to the dispute notice setting out details of the dispute. If the parties cannot resolve the dispute within 30 days after the notice is given then, the parties agree that any dispute or differences under or in connection with agreement or any breach thereof which cannot be settled by mutual negotiation between the parties shall be finally settled by Arbitration conducted in accordance with Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 or any modification, Rules or enactments thereof.

a) In the event of any dispute or disagreement over the interpretation of any of the terms herein above contained or claim of liability the same will be referred in writing to an arbitrator appointed mutually, whose decision shall be final and binding upon both the parties. Such reference shall be deemed to be a submission to arbitration under the Arbitrations and Conciliations

Act 1996. The venue of arbitration shall be Mumbai. Subject here to the High Court in Mumbai shall have exclusive jurisdiction to the exclusion of all other courts.

- b) Each Party shall bear the cost of preparing and presenting its case, and the cost of arbitration, including fees and expenses of the arbitrators, shall be shared equally by the Parties unless the award otherwise provides
- c) The vendor shall not be entitled to suspend the Service(s) or the completion of the job, pending resolution of any dispute between the Parties and shall continue to render the Service(s) in accordance with the provisions of the Tender notwithstanding the existence of any dispute between the Parties or the subsistence of any arbitration or other proceedings.
- d) No interest will accrue on any amount during the Arbitration proceedings.

# 9.12 Quality control: -

The Bidder should maintain and continue to have adequate internal / in-house checks and control for safeguarding the quality of the Printing & stationery. There should be adequate monitoring for addressing poor quality Printing.

LIC of India will be within its rights to terminate the contract, in case the quality of the Printed Policy Bonds is not found to the satisfaction of LIC of India or in case there is any contravention of any terms and conditions of this agreement and also take suitable further action.

It must be clearly understood that any errors / omissions / commissions can result in substantial financial losses to the Corporation. In case of any breach on this count LIC of India shall be within its rights to terminate the agreement and take further suitable action for the financial loss incurred due to such errors / omissions/ commissions. Any negligence on this part will attract termination of contract or any action as decided by the Corporation.

Bidder must maintain comprehensive documentation and records of all quality control reports, AMCs and associated activities. This includes records of quality control checks, corrective actions taken, and outcomes of internal audits.

Bidder shall get itself audited annually covering all the risk parameters (including IT hardware/software) and services etc. and submit certification by the Auditors to LIC of India.

# 9.13 Condition of Acceptance

The selected bidders and LICI will specify during contracting, the criterion for acceptance and milestones (both technical and functional). Failure, to meet the acceptance criterion may result in termination of the arrangement and/or contract. No payments will be made and LICI may claim damages from the bidders. In such an eventuality, LICI will be free to engage any other Bidder

# 9.14 Right to call upon information regarding status of work:

The LIC of India will have the right to call upon information regarding status of work at any point of time.

# **Notices and other communications**

Any notice given by one party to the other pursuant to the contract shall be sent to other party in writing or by email.

## **Service of notices**

- **A.** Notice must be:
- a. In writing, in English and signed by a duly authorized person of either party;
- b. Hand delivered or sent by prepaid post or by e-mail to the recipient's address mentioned in Tender Document for Notices, as varied by any Notice given by the recipient to the sender.

The successful bidder shall provide the contact details of their officials for similar communication from LICI.

# Effective on receipt

- A. Notice given in accordance with the contract takes effect when it is acknowledged to be received at the respective addresses. The notice will be taken to be received:
  - a. If hand delivered, on delivery, if by registered e-mail then on delivery
  - b. If sent by prepaid post, on the second Business Day after the date of posting.

# Annexure - I Technical Proposal/Bid Format Cover Page

# Information required on cover page:

Tender reference number:

Ref: LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER/CPPB/2025-26/01

Name of Bidder:

Type of document: Technical Proposal Scope applied for:

# TECHNICAL PROPOSAL/BID SUBMISSION FORMAT

	Item	REQUIREMENTS		
1.	Executive Summary  Suitability Analysis – To explain the ability to handle the requirements of LIC of India in terms of Volumes (both in pdf and in digital format through Web service integration / API), data security, data retrieval, online MIS and reporting etc.	highlighting the fitment of proposed		
2.	Company Overview  Registered Office: Address: Telephone No: E-Mail: Toll free customer care number: GSTIN: Date of Incorporation: Experience (in yrs):	Duly Attested copies to be provided of  a) Certificate of Incorporation/R egistration in the name of Bidder to be provided within India only b) Details of Board of Director/Truste e/MD/CEO/Part		

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		c) Pan card of the Company registered in India
		d) GST Registration Certificate of the Company
		e) Board Resolution & placed on affidavit, the authorized
		person to sign all bid documents.
		f) Board Resolution & placed on
		affidavit, the authorized
		person to execute the
		execute the contract on
		behalf of the Company.
		g) Power of Attorney (PoA)
3.	Name of the contact person, telephone no. and email ID	Details to be provided
4.	Ownership (specify): -  • Indian Holding  • Total Capital infused (in INR)	Enclose Certifications + Details
	<ul> <li>Company registration Number and Validity period</li> </ul>	
5.	Details of the Administrative Office and Print Locations:	List of Offices /Print
	Details of the Bidders printing locations PAN	Locations with addresses to be

	cations and Administrativ	e office	attached/Utility Bills
preferably in			etc.
Mumbai/ Na	vi Mumbai / Thane		Enclose Certifications + Details
6. Process, Exp	erience and Client Testimo	onials	1. Overall solution in the context of LICI and describe how it would address the key requirements  2. List of existing Clientele with information with overview of support provided on projects undertaken for them of similar nature  3. Details for period of experience in similar activities with scaling capacity, core competency with other Life Insurance Companies, Geographical Locations of Operations.  4. Information on the Industry exposure, projects executed. (This should include experience of working with Life Insurance Companies including LICI or experience in similar works with

		LICI Group to be
		provided.)
		Enclose Certifications
7.	Financial Dayfayyanaa Ayayaa Ayayaal	+ Details
/.	Financial Performance- Average Annual Turnover >= INR 133 crores for the last 03	1. Certified copies of Audited financial
	years	statements & annual
	years	report for the 03
		(three) financial years
		(2021-22, 2022-2023
		& 2023-24), duly
		certified by
		Chartered Accountant.
8.	Profitability after Tax-Average Annual Profit:	Certified copies of the
	Minimum 5 Crores	ITRs filed by the entity
		for the preceding 3
		(three) financial years
		(2021-22, 2022-2023
		& 2023-24), duly
		certified by Chartered Accountant.
9.	Net worth (in INR)	Evidenced by the
	Minimum 27 Crores during last FY (2023-	audited accounts of
	24)	the company by
		Chartered Accountant.
		Refer Annexure G for
		format
10.	Number of Public sector/Private sector Life	
	Insurance companies serviced by the bidder	Insurance companies
	every year for the last 3 financial years. (2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24)	Satisfactory Work
	(Attach the list with service specification)	Completion
	Latest Performance certificate from the	Certificate(s) with
	Insurance client to be attached	date, from the client/
		CA /CS pertaining to
		the value of work
		done as on
		31.03.2024.
		Also provide client
		reference(s) detailing

		Name, Designation,
		Phone and Email Ids.
11.	The Bidder must have successfully executed / completed similar services with atleast <b>03</b> (Three) Life Insurers over the last Three (03) years (2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24) & fulfilling either of the conditions:	Copy of work orders/agreements from the customers indicating the nature of work, tenure & value.
	Either:	+
	The value of atleast <b>One</b> (01) of the Contract for the Life Insurance Policy printing Project must be minimum <b>INR 22 crores</b> in any one of the last 03 financial years <b>OR:</b>	
	The value of atleast <b>Two</b> (02) Contracts for Life Insurance Policy printing Projects, each having a value in excess of <b>INR 14 crores</b> in	enclosed. (Annexure-D)
	any one of the last 03 financial years  OR:	Enclose Certifications + Details
	The value of atleast <b>Three</b> (03) Contracts for Life Insurance Policy printing Projects, each having a value in excess of <b>INR 11 crores</b> in any one of the last 03 financial years.	
12.	The bidder must have its <b>own</b> infrastructure -building, printing machines, manpower etc. in ready state at <b>04</b> locations across India for fulfilling the scope of work required under this Tender. Mumbai/ Navi Mumbai / Thane is mandatory. Other 03 locations should cover East, North and South of India as mentioned in Clause 2.4 (f).  All such locations should be leased/owned & in the name of the Bidder.	License of each location in Bidder's name and Property and Assets owned to
		LICI shall verify the same during site visits to all the locations of the shortlisted bidder.

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13.	Printing capacity to print atleast 3 million A3	a) Copy of work
	Duplex variable color impressions per day across all 04 locations. The bidder must have	orders /agreements / satisfactory
	the Policy bond printing machines (owned by	performance
	the bidder) i.e. High speed Web/Reel-fed	certificate from the
	front and back printing in single pass (Duplex	customers indicating
	printing) color variable data printing done on	the nature of work &
	inkjet machines installed and operational at	tenure. Bidder to
	all 04 locations, supported by the	provide machine
	OEM/Distributor partner and the	•
	OEM/Distributor must undertake to support	and specifications
	the bidder for the entire duration of the	sheet demonstrating
	contract period mentioned in this Tender, at	
	each location.	requisite capacity
		requirement as per
		<b>Annexure E.</b> Proof of
		Regular AMC to be
		submitted.
		b)Undertaking letter
		from OEM/Distributor
		for supporting the
		Bidder for the entire
		contract duration of
		this Tender
14.	Experience in designing and template making	
	of documents to be printed. Past experience	Certificate from life
	of minimum three years as on the date of	insurers required.
	submission of bid in Policy document file	
	generation from Raw data (xml, text, images,	Enclose Certifications
4 =	etc.)	+ Details.
15.	The Bidder must have in-house	O
	arrangements with India Post for pickup of	India Post
	bulk articles on a daily basis from all the	C
	proposed printing locations.	Copy of license & SLA
		- Proof to be
		submitted.
		Copy of Postal
		arrangements tie up documents to be
		documents to be provided (Valid
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		National Account letter) in the name of

- the Bidder, issued by India Post to be submitted.
- 16. 1) The bidder must have dedicated IT infrastructure viz. isolated network, servers and other IT hardware for managing the scope of work under this Tender.
  - 2)Data security measures -
  - 1) IT / IS policies/Audit/DPDP Act/Cyber security Adherence to all ISMS policies mandated by LICI to ensure strict security and confidentiality in terms of data and information by all its offices.
  - 3) Physical and Logical Security and Capacity at all 4 locations
    - i. Provision for Round the clock security 24x7.
  - ii. CCTV surveillance cameras at all strategic locations (both inside and outside the premise) with 90 days recording and storage facilities.
  - iii. Site should have Access control mechanism for the designated sections of the activity ( biometric / card punching system).
  - iv. Internet Leased lines at all 4 locations with a speed of atleast 50 Mbps with backup line of different Service.
  - v. Stable 24x7 power supply should be available in the form of Generator supply and UPS supply at all 4 locations in case of breakdown of the main power supply line.

- 1. Data security measures protect interest of the LICI to be provided. Information with respect to External devices being used. over all infrastructures. to protect misuse of data to be provided.
- 2. Details for Purging Policy Mechanism
- 3. Complete IT& IS
  Policy Framework
  of the Bidder
  including
  Information
  Security measures,
- 4. Network Security systems and controls, Physical security systems and controls etc. to be provided
- 5. Undertaking to abide by all the IS policies and DPDP Act
- 6. Self Declaration of Generators installed of requisite capacity for all the 4 locations
- 7. Self declaration of the bidder along with

		information /list of the
		information/list of the dedicated IT
17.	Mah hagad platform for reporting	infrastructure.
17.	Web based platform for reporting,	Undertaking to be
	integration with LICI for tracking status,	submitted
	various MIS for analytics – Real time Dashboard	
18.		Come of DCD 0 DDC
10.	Business Continuity Plan (BCP), Risk	Copy of BCP & DRC
	mitigation, DRC and Data security.Business	details to be
	plan which works in situations like pandemic,	
	natural calamities and any other type of	_
	disruptions & Disaster Recovery Centre (DRC)	Chartered Engineer
	/ fallback mechanism	& BCP to be submitted
		by the Bidder.
10	Certifications: Quality certification is must for	Enclose Certifications
19	each location	+ Details
	ISO Certification 9001:2015	
	ISO Certification 27001 : 2022	
	Details of Industry awards, recognitions,	
	affiliations and any other certifications.	
20	Details of litigation filed by/ against the	Details to be provided,
	bidder or any of its offices during last 5 years,	along with such
	if yes provide the Information with regard to	letters
	performance or blacklisted by State/ Central	issued/received (if
	Govt undertakings /PSU / Statutory or	applicable)
	Regulatory Authority/Any other organization	,
	within India & abroad or whose contracts	
	have been terminated because of this reason.	
	Undertaking in this regard to be attached.	
21	Letter from Competent Authority	Letter from Board of
		the Company of the
		Bidder providing
		name, designation
		address and contact
		details of the
		authorized person for
		communication and to
		sign the documents
22	Pre-Integrity Pact	As per Annexure IV
		attached
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23	Quality control methods - Periodic audits of all modes and training to maintain service quality.	Last 08 Qtrs/04 semi annual Quality Control Certificates & AMC Certificates to be attached.		
	Other relevant information and supporting	a) Bidder may include		
24	documents	any other		
		information		
		deemed necessary		
		to LICI regarding		
		any other aspect of		
		the proposed		
		solution(s) and/or		
		the project		
		b) Any other		
		documents found		
		necessary may be		
		attached		

Enclosures duly attested have to be attached wherever required.

All documents must be signed by the Company Secretary/authorized representative of the Bidder(s). Relevant portions, in the documents submitted in pursuance of Minimum Eligibility Criteria, should be highlighted

The above information furnished by the Bidder is accurate and is verified and authenticated by the Board of the Directors of Company of the Bidder.

Place:	Signature of the Authorized
	Signatory & Seal

Date:

# Annexure - II <u>Commercial (Financial) Bid/quote Format</u> (To be submitted in the Excel Sheet on the Commercial (Financial Bid) page only)

S.	Items with Specifications	Unit of	Unit Rate	Total
No	-	Measurement	(in INR	
			only)	Cost
1	Policy Bond + Copy of	Per A3 Sheet		
	Proposal Form + CIS +	(both sides)		
	Riders -			
	A3 Size with 100 GSM - A			
	Grade Maplitho paper,			
	Duplex printing (Front &			
	Back) in 4 color digital			
	inkjet printing, multilingual			
	(approx 30% of the policy			
	bond pages ) A3 sheets -			
	05)			
2	Policy Bond + Copy of			
	Proposal Form + CIS +	(both sides)		
	Riders -			
	A3 Size with 100 GSM - A			
	Grade Maplitho paper,			
	Duplex printing (Front &			
	Back) in Black & White			
	digital inkjet printing,			
	multilingual (approx 70%			
	of the policy bond pages ).			
	A3 sheets - 10)			
3	Policy Folder / Cover - A3	Per Folder		
	size 120 GSM glossy A-			
	Grade Art paper, multi			
	color (4 color) Offset			
	printing on single side with			
	two windows	D D 1		
4	Envelope - with 120 GSM -	Per Envelope		
	A Grade Maplitho paper, 2			
	windows, multicolor (4			
	color) Offset printing.			
5	Handling Charges	Per Policy		
	(Collating. Tearing,	Bond		

	Stapling, Insertion, pasting		
	etc.)		
6	Total Cost per Policy	Per Policy	
	Bond (Total of 1 to 5)	Bond	

# **Instructions:**

- 1. The cells, where the bidder has to input values, are highlighted in blue.
- 2. No changes should be made to the other cells.
- 3. Prices should be Exclusive of GST.
- 4. The Bidder has to compulsorily quote for all the items.
- 5. Speed Post Charges are not to be included in this Quote as it would be charged on actual basis after bulk discount.



#### **Notes to Annexure II**

- i. Charges should be quoted in Indian Rupees only and should be exclusive of applicable taxes i.e. GST and/or any other Tax/duty should not be mentioned.
- ii. LICI shall deduct the TDS as applicable.
- **iii.** There shall be no minimum volume guarantee for any activity.
- iv. Time to time number of fields/pages per policy bond may increase /decrease.
- v. The responsibility and cost of logistics for completing the above activities will be borne by the bidders. However, India Post dispatch related expenses shall be borne by LICI. (actual charged by India Post after bulk rebate/discount)
- **vi.** Commercial (Financial) quote/bid has to be given only in above format in manner specified in the document in terms of activities and rates. Any modification, deviation or conditional submission will result in rejection of quote.
- vii. For arriving at L1Bidder, Total Cost per Policy Bond (Total of 1 to 5) will be considered.

viii. For arriving Cost per Policy Bond – Calculation will be done as per below procedure:

S. No	Items with Specifications	<b>Unit Rate</b>	Total Cost
		(in INR only)	(in INR only)
1	Policy Bond + copy of Proposal	Per A3 Sheet	05 X Unit rate
	form + CIS + Riders - Color	(both sides)	
2	Policy Bond + Copy of Proposal	Per A3 Sheet	10 X Unit rate
	Form + CIS + Riders -Black &	(both sides)	
	White		
3	Policy Folder / Cover page	Per Folder	01 X Unit rate
4	Envelope	Per Envelope	01 X Unit rate
5	Handling Charge	Per Policy Bond	01 X Unit rate
6	Total Cost per Policy Bond	Per Policy Bond	
	(Total of 1 to 5)		

- ix. Average number of pages Per Policy Bond is taken as 15(Fifteen)A3 Sheets for the purpose of this Tender.
- **x.** Decision of the LICI will be final.

# <u>ANNEXURE - III</u> Confidentiality cum Non-Disclosure Agreement

(No deviations in wordings permitted)

(To be executed by the selected Bidders only on Rs.500/- Stamp / Franked paper & notarized) (as applicable in the area of jurisdiction)

Each page to be signed by Authorized Signatory

This Non-disclosure Agreement ("NDA") is made and entered into this
Day of in the year BY AND BETWEEN Life Insurance Corporation
of India, a statutory Corporation established under section 3 of Life
Insurance Corporation Act 1956 (31 of 1956) with registered office at
Central Office, 'Yogakshema', J B Marg, Mumbai 400 021, hereinafter
referred to as "LICI"

#### AND

a company incorporated under the laws of Indian Companies Act, 1956 and having its principal place of business at

Company Name> a company incorporated under the laws of Indian Companies Act, 1956 and having its principal place of business at

< Company Name & Address> shall be referred to herein as a "Respondent".

LICI and the Respondent shall individually be referred to as "Party" and collectively referred to as "Parties".

WHEREAS the Respondent is aware that while responding to LICI's Tender Centralised printing & Dispatch of Policy Bonds Ref: for LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER/CPPB/2025-26 Dated:  $07/08/2025_{-}$ Respondent may be gathering information on LICI's Business/ Operations, certain proprietary information such as Technically and commercially detailed information regarding the respective products & service offerings, Organization, decision processes, technical infrastructure, working processes and delegation of responsibilities, project management and planning methods, reports, plans and status including but not limited to technical manuals, specifications, product features, customer list, specializations. documents. financial statements business/development plans etc., ("Proprietary Information") indicated as confidential by LICI and made available to the Respondent while responding to the Tender Document, is privileged and strictly confidential to and / or proprietary of LICI.

WHEREAS Respondent agrees to receive the Proprietary Information or other information from LICI and treat all such information as confidential information and to safeguard LICI's confidential information, property, information systems, network, databases and other data.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the recitals set forth above and the covenants set forth herein, the Respondent agrees that:

Respondent agrees to hold all Confidential Information received from LICI in confidence. Respondent will use such Confidential Information only for the purpose of developing the Response to the said Tender Document; restrict disclosure of such Confidential Information to its employees and employees of its affiliated or partner companies with a need to know and inform such employees of the obligations assumed herein. Respondent will not disclose such Confidential Information to any third party without the prior written approval of LICI.

The Confidential Information means information which may be in any form including but not limited to oral, written or printed information or Information in electronic form, data, studies, consultants' reports, trade secrets, proformas and other financial and trade/commercial information, computer models and programs, contracts, plant designs configurations, plant performance data or other material of any kind or nature in whatever form. Wherever, information is given orally, within 48 hours, the receiving party should receive the information in writing along with the confidentiality statement from the other party. It may be noted that all the information shared as a part of said Tender Document in the form of project documents, discussions on system architecture, date shared for the sole purpose of evaluating and finalizing the system configuration onsite shall be the sole property of LICI and shall be treated with the same degree of confidentiality as that of the respondent. Respondent will ensure that no breach of confidentiality occurs at its own premises as well as during and after the onsite engagement as a part of this project engagement

Without the prior written consent of LICI or except as otherwise provided herein, the Respondent will not:

- Distribute or disclose to any other person any of the Confidential Information.
- Permit any other person to have access to the Confidential Information.

• Use the Confidential Information for any purpose other than the Permitted Use; or disclose to any other person

That discussions, investigations or negotiations are taking place concerning a possible transaction between the Parties, or the terms, conditions, status or other facts regarding a possible transaction between the Parties, or that Respondent has received Confidential Information from Notwithstanding the above, Respondent may disclose the Confidential Information, and portions thereof to its directors, officers, employees and representatives of its advisors (collectively, "Representatives") who need to know such Confidential Information for the purpose of evaluating a possible transaction between the Parties. It is understood that the Respondent will inform their respective Representatives of the confidential nature of the Confidential Information and will require its Representatives to be bound by this Agreement and not to disclose the Confidential Information to any other person.

Without the written consent of LICI the Respondent should not make public announcements/ comments on any website/ or issues any media statements about the LICI, Tender Document or Tender Document process

The Respondent agrees to be responsible for any breach of this Agreement by its Representatives.

Respondent agrees to protect the Confidential Information received from LICI with the same degree of care as it normally exercises to protect its own proprietary information of a similar nature. Respondent agrees to promptly inform LICI of any unauthorized disclosure of LICI's Confidential Information.

The Respondent shall ensure that in no case its employees or representative uses any USB or connectivity device in the hardware systems of LICI without the permission from LICI.

The Respondent shall ensure that their employees will not disclose any information of LICI even after they cease to be the employees of the Respondent. The Respondent shall ensure this by its own internal agreements.

Confidential Information does not include information that Respondent can reasonably prove, falls within any of the following:

- Information that either is legally in either party's possession or publicly available to either party prior to the disclosure of such information hereunder.
- Information that, subsequent to its disclosure hereunder, becomes publicly available to either party without any violation of this Agreement by either party.
- Information that becomes legally available to either party on a nonconfidential basis from any third party, the disclosure of which to either party does not, to either party's knowledge, violate any contractual or legal obligation such third party has to either party with respect to such information.
- Information that is independently acquired or developed by either party which can be evidenced by written records; or information that is explicitly approved for release by written authorization of LICI.

In the event that Respondent is required by law in any judicial or governmental proceeding to disclose any Confidential Information, the Respondent will give LICI prompt written notice of such request so that LICI may seek a protective order or appropriate remedy. If, in the absence of a protective order, Respondent determines, upon the advice of counsel, that it is required to disclose such Confidential Information, it may disclose such Confidential Information only to the extent compelled to do so; provided, however, that the Respondent gives LICI written notice of the portion of Confidential Information to be disclosed as far in advance of the disclosure as is practicable and uses its best efforts, at its own expense, to obtain assurances that confidential treatment will be accorded to such Confidential Information.

No license expressed or implied in the Confidential Information is granted to Respondent other than to use the information in the manner as is permitted in Tender Document or by LICI.

Respondent agrees that Confidential Information is and shall at all times remain the property of LICI. Respondent acknowledges that the Confidential Information is confidential and material to the interests, business and affairs of LICI and that the disclosure thereof (other than as permitted under this Agreement) would be detrimental to the interests, business and affairs of LICI. No use of such Confidential Information is permitted except as otherwise provided herein and no grant under any of the party's intellectual property rights is hereby given or intended, including any license (implied or otherwise). All information shall remain the property of LICI and shall be returned upon written request or upon the

Respondent's determination that it no longer has a need for such information. Use of such property or licenses without the permission of LICI is strictly prohibited and the respondent will ensure that any of its employees or representatives does not violate this condition, and even in the case when they cease to have any relationship with respondent.

No license to the Respondent, under any trade secret or any other intellectual property right, is either granted or implied by the disclosure of information to the Respondent. None of the information which may be disclosed or exchanged by LICI shall constitute any representation, warranty, assurance, guarantee, or inducement by Respondent to LICI of any kind, and in particular, with respect to the non-infringement of trademarks, patents, copyrights, mask work rights, or any other intellectual property rights, or other rights of third persons or of LICI.

There are no warranties expressed or implied by this Agreement. Without limiting the foregoing, neither LICI makes any representations nor extends any warranties, express or implied, as to the adequacy or accuracy of Confidential Proprietary Information or any other information or data related thereto, or with respect to the use thereof by Respondent.

Neither this NDA nor the disclosure or receipt of information from LICI to the Respondent, shall constitute or imply any promise or intention to pursue any business opportunity described in the Confidential Information or make any purchase of products or services by LICI or its affiliated companies or any commitment by LICI or its affiliated companies with respect to the present or future transaction between the parties.

Respondent shall not modify or erase the logos, trademarks etc., of LICI or any third-party present on the Confidential Information. The Respondent shall not use or display the logos, trademarks etc., of LICI in any advertisement, press etc., without the prior written consent of LICI.

Upon the request of LICI, the Respondent, will within 7 days of receipt of such request, return or destroy all Confidential Information and any notes, correspondence, analyses, documents or other records containing Confidential Information, including all copies thereof, then in the possession of Respondent or its Representatives and shall certify the fact of having destroyed the Confidential Information in writing to LICI. Such return, however, does not abrogate the continuing obligations of Respondent under this Agreement.

Respondent agrees and acknowledges that monetary damages would not be a sufficient remedy for a breach of this Agreement and that LICI shall be entitled to specific performance or any other injunctive relief as a remedy in equity for any such breach of this Agreement. Any remedy shall not be deemed to be exclusive or all-inclusive and shall be in addition to any and all other remedies which may be available to LICI in law or equity.

Confidential Information provided to the Respondent does not and is not intended to represent an inducement by LICI or a commitment by LICI to enter into any business relationship with the Respondent or with any other entity. If the parties desire to pursue business opportunities, the parties will execute a separate written agreement to govern such business relationship.

Respondent agrees that all of its obligations undertaken herein as the Respondent shall survive and continue for the period of the existence of this NDA and a period of three years thereafter regardless of any prior termination of this NDA.

This NDA constitutes the entire understanding between the Parties hereto as to the information and merges all prior discussions between them relating thereto.

No amendment or modification of this NDA shall be valid or binding on the Parties unless made in writing and signed on behalf of each of the Parties by their respective authorized officers or representatives.

The Respondent understands and agrees that no failure or delay by LICI in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise thereof preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder.

The Respondent herein agrees and undertakes to indemnify and hold LICI harmless from any loss, damage, claims, liabilities, charges, costs, or expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees), that may arise or be caused or result from or be paid/incurred/suffered or caused to be paid/incurred/suffered by reason of any breach, failure, delay, impropriety or irregularity on its part to honour, observe, adhere to, abide by or comply with any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the

laws of India. In the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be held by a court or other tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, the remaining portions hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

Respondent agrees not to assign this Agreement or any interest herein without express prior written consent of LICI.

Nothing in this agreement and no action taken by the Respondent pursuant to this agreement shall constitute, or be deemed to constitute, a partnership, association, joint venture or other co-operative entity or arrangement. This Agreement is entered into by the Parties on a Principal-to-Principal basis and no other meaning can be assigned in interpreting any of the terms contained herein.

Any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection herewith, or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the provisions of Procedure of the Indian Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996. The arbitration tribunal shall be composed of a sole arbitrator, and the Parties shall appoint such arbitrator with mutual consent. The place of arbitration shall be Mumbai, India and the arbitration proceedings shall take place in the English language. Cost of arbitration may be borne by the respective parties.

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For and on behalf of

Authorised Signatory Name: Designation: Office Seal: Date: Place:

# Annexure- IV PRE-CONTRACT INTEGRITY PACT

(No deviations in wordings permitted)

(To be submitted on Rs.500/- stamp paper of (as applicable in the area of jurisdiction) by the Bidder and each page to be signed by Authorized Signatory.

General: This pre-bid pre-contract Agreement (hereinafter called the Between. on one hand, the Life Insurance Corporation of India (hereinafter referred to as "LICI") a statutory Corporation established under section 3 of Life Insurance Corporation Act 1956 (31 of 1956) and having its Central office at "Yogakshema" Jeevan Bima Marg Mumbai 400021. (herein after called the "CORPORATION" which expression shall mean and include, unless the context otherwise requires, his successors in office assigns) of the First part. And M/s. represented by called Shri..... (Hereinafter the "BIDDER" which expression shall mean and include, unless the context otherwise requires, his successors and permitted assigns) of the Second part. WHEREAS

the CORPORATION proposes to procure Tender Document for "Centralized Printing of Policy Bonds & Dispatch for LICI Ref :LICI /CO/NBR / TENDER/CPPB/2025-26/01 and the BIDDER is willing to offer/has offered the services and WHEREAS

the BIDDER is a private company/public company/Government undertaking, constituted in accordance with the relevant law in the matter and the CORPORATION is performing its function under the LICI Act 1956.

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 CORPORATION to obtain the desired said stores/ equipment/

item/service at a competitive price inconformity with the defined specifications by avoiding the high cost and the distortionary impact of corruption on public procurement, and Enabling BIDDER 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 CORPORATION 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 CORPORATION

The CORPORATION undertakes that no official of the CORPORATION, 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 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 on implementation process related to the contract.

The CORPORATION will, during the pre-contract stage/evaluation 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.

All the officials of the CORPORATION will report to the "Chief Vigilance Officer" of the Corporation any attempted or completed breaches of the above commitments as well as any substantial suspicion of such a breach.

In case any such preceding misconduct on the part of such official(s) is reported by the BIDDER to the CORPORATION with full and verifiable facts and the same is prima facie found to be correct by the CORPORATION, necessary disciplinary proceedings, or any other action as deemed fit, including criminal proceedings may be initiated by the CORPORATION and such a person shall be debarred from further dealings related to the contract process. In such a case while an enquiry being conducted by the CORPORATION the proceedings under the contract would not be stalled.

#### **Commitments of the BIDDER**

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:-

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 CORPORATION, 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.

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 CORPORATION 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 of any other contract with the government for showing or forbearing to show favour or disfavour to any person in relation to the contract of any other contract with the Government.

Foreign BIDDERs shall disclose the name and address of their Indian agents and representatives in India, and Indian BIDDERs shall disclose their foreign BUYERs or associates.

BIDDERs shall disclose the payments to be made by them to their agents/brokers or any other intermediary, in connection with this bid/contract.

The BIDDER further confirms and declares to the CORPORATION that the BIDDER is the original manufacturer/integrator/authorized agent of the stores/equipment/items 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 CORPORATION 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.

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 agents, brokers or any other intermediaries, including officials of the CORPORATION or their family members, if any, in connection with the contract and the details of services agreed upon for such payments.

The Bidder will not enter with other Bidders into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. 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.

The BIDDER will not accept any advantage in exchange for any corrupt practice, unfair means and illegal activities.

The BIDDER/Contractor will not commit any offence under the relevant Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) /Prevention of corruption (PC) act. Further, the bidder will not use improperly, for purposes of competition or personal gain, pass on to others, any information provided by the CORPORATION 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.

The BIDDER commits to refrain from giving any complaint directly or through any other manner without supporting it with full and verifiable facts.

The BIDDER shall not instigate or cause to instigate any third person to commit any of theactions mentioned above.

If the Bidder or any of the key personnel of the bidder, actively involved in the project is a relative of any of the actively involved personnel of the Corporation, the same should be disclosed. The term "relative" for this purpose would be as defined in section 2(77) of the Companies Act, 2013.

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 or the CORPORATION.

The Bidder(s) /Contractor(s) who have signed the Integrity Pact shall not approach the Courts while representing the matter to IEMs and shall wait for their decision in the matter.

# **Previous Transgression**

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 thetender process.

The BIDDER agrees that if it makes an incorrect statement on this subject, or committed a transgression through a violation of any of the clauses of the commitments of bidder, BIDDER can be disqualified from the tender process or the contract, if already awarded, can be terminated for such reason.

#### **Sanctions for Violations:**

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 CORPORATION to take all or any one of the following actions, wherever required: -

- (i) 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.
- (ii) The Earnest Money Deposit (in pre-contract stage) and/or Performance Bank Guarantee (after the contract is signed) shall stand forfeited either fully or partially, as decided by the CORPORATION and the CORPORATION shall not be required to assign any reason therefore.
- (iii) To immediately cancel the contract, if already signed, without giving any compensation to the BIDDER.

- (iv) To encash the EMD and Performance Bank Guarantee if furnished by the BIDDER, in order to recover the payments, already made by the CORPORATION, along with interest
- (v)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 CORPORATION resulting from such cancellation/recessionand the CORPORATION shall be entitled to deduct the amount so payable from the money(s) due to the BIDDER.
- (vi) To debar the BIDDER from participating in the future bidding processes of LICI for a minimum period of five years which any be further extended at the discretion of the CORPORATION.
- (vii) 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.
- (viii) Forfeiture of Performance Bond in case of a decision by the CORPORATION to forfeit the same without assigning any reason for imposing sanction for violation of this pact

The CORPORATION will be entitled to take all or any of the actions mentioned above at items (i) to (viii) on 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 Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS),2023 or Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 or any other statute enacted for prevention of corruption.

The decision of the CORPORATION 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 this Pact.

# **Independent Monitors**

The CORPORATION has appointed (hereinafter referred to as Monitors) for this Pact in consultation with the Central Vigilance Commission.

Name, address, email of the Monitors

Shri Arun Chandra Verma, IPS (Retd.)
 C -1204, C Tower, Amrapali, Platinum Complex, Sector – 119,
 Noida, Uttar Pradesh

Email: <a href="mailto:acverma1@gmail.com">acverma1@gmail.com</a>
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 Shri Jose T Mathew, IFS (Retd), House Number 37/930, Ebrahim Pillai Lane, Via Kakkanad, Thrikkakara-6 Dist Ernakulam, Kerala-682021 Email: jtmat507@gmail.com

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.

The Monitors shall not be subject to instructions by the representatives of the parties and perform their functions neutrally and independently. It will be obligatory for him to treat the information & documents of the Bidder as confidential.

Both the parties accept that the Monitors have the right to access all the documents relating to the project/procurement, including minutes of meetings.

As soon as the Monitor notices, or has reason to believe, a violation of this pact, he will so inform the **Executive Director (NB&R/HI)**, **LICI** 

The BIDDER(s) accepts that the Monitor has the right to access without restriction to all Project documentation of the CORPORATION 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.

The Monitor has also signed declarations on Non-Disclosure of Confidential Information' and of Absence of Conflict of Interest'. In case of any conflict of interest arising at a later date, the IEM shall inform CEO, LICI and recues himself / herself from that case.

The CORPORATION 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.

The Monitor will submit a written report to the **CEO**, **LIC** of **India** within 8 to 10 weeks from the date of reference or intimation to him by the CORPORATION /BIDDER and, should the occasion arise, submit proposals for correcting problematic situations.

If the Monitor has reported to the CEO, LICI, a substantiated suspicion of an offence under relevant IPC/ PC Act, and the CEO LICI has not, within the reasonable time taken visible action to proceed against such offence or reported it to the Chief Vigilance Officer, the Monitor may also transmit this information directly to the Central Vigilance Commissioner.

**Facilitation of Investigation**: In case of any allegation of violation of any provisions of this pact or payment of commission, the CORPORATION or its agencies shall be entitled to examine all the documents including the Books of Accounts of the BIDDER. The BIDDER shall provide necessary information and documents in English and shall extend all possible help of the purpose of such examination/inspection.

**Law and Place of Jurisdiction**: This Pact is subject to Indian Law. The place of performance and jurisdiction is the seat of the CORPORATION.

**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 extent law in force relating to any civil or criminal proceedings. If the Contractor is a partnership or a consortium, this agreement must be signed by all partners or consortium members.

Changes and supplements as well as termination notices need to be made in writing.

**Validity:** The validity of this Integrity Pact shall be from date of its signing and extend up to 12 months after the last payment under the contract. 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

The parties hereby sign this Integrity Pact at	on
CORPORATION	BIDDER
Name of the Officer:	0:
Designation / Dept	
Witness	
1	
2	

Note: Bidder/Seller/Service Provider Stores/equipment/item/service Bidding process/ bid evaluation/process of availing services appropriate word may be used where ever applicable without altering the purpose /desired intention of the clause.

#### Annexure-V

# Offer Letter and Compliance Certificate for Tender conditions and Bid validity

(Affidavit on INR 500/- stamp paper duly notarized)

D of	Data
Ref:	Date:

To,

The Executive Director - New Business, and Reinsurance/HI
Life Insurance Corporation of India
Yogakshema, East Wing,
5th floor, Jeevan Bima Marg,
Nariman Point,
Mumbai - 400021

Dear Sir/Madam,

# Re: TENDER for "Centralized Printing & Dispatch of Policy Bonds for LIC of India"

- 1. Having read and examined the Tender documents including all annexure, the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we, the undersigned, offer to undertake the services inconformity with the said Tender documents in accordance with the Prices indicated in the Commercial Proposal and made part of this Tender Response.
- 2. If our offer is accepted, we, the undersigned offer to carry out the said activities mentioned above in conformity with the terms and conditions of the said Tender Documents.
- 3. I/ We confirm that this offer is valid for 180 days from the last date for submission of this Tender response to LICI.
- 4. Until a formal contract is prepared and executed, this offer, together with LICI's written acceptance thereof through LOI, shall constitute a binding contract between us.
- 5. 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".
- 6. We understand and agree that LICI has right to reject the offer in full or part without assigning any reasons, whatsoever.
- 7. We have never been debarred/black-listed by any regulatory /statutory authority/ Central Govt./State Govt./PSU or any other organization in India.
- 8. We or our group entity and related parties do not have any insurance intermediary license and that none of our Directors have any insurance agency. None of our directors will ever obtain any insurance license either as a broker or an agent [individual or Corporate Agency] during the term of the agreement with LICI and for a period as stipulated in the SLA, subsequent to the termination of the contract with LICI.
- 9. I/We unconditionally accept the Terms and Conditions mentioned in the Tender document and it's Annexures. I/We state that LICI may consider my/our bid on the basis of the statement made by me/us in this Affidavit.
- 10. I/We further state that the information sought by LICI in these documents are true and correct and any information if found to be incorrect at any stage during the Tender process or after Award of contract or during service period as per contract, shall make the bid / contract liable to be repudiated/terminated. Further, I/We accept that in such case Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) / Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) shall be forfeited.
- 11. I/We state that Non-compliance of any provisions, being a statutory requirement, any misstatement made, shall be sufficient reason for LICI, apart from as mentioned in the relevant sections & clauses of this Tender document/ contract, to terminate the Contract/disqualification from tender process and the EMD/PBG will be forfeited/invoked, besides taking recourse to other legal remedies available in the Tender Document /Contract.
- 12. I/We undertake, if our Bid / proposal is accepted, to commence services as per the Tender document, as accepted, within 30 days, calculated from the date of receipt of your notification of award.

13. I/We shall have no cause of action/any legal proceedings/complaint against the LICI due to the rejection of my/our tender Bid or Non selection as a successful Vendor or non award of the Contract or disqualification.

Yours faithfully,

# **Authorised Signatory**

**Company Stamp** 

Date:





#### Annexure - VI

Mandatory 'Information Security Requirements' Criteria (To be signed & submitted by the Bidder)

#### Overview:

The services, processes and solutions deployed for LICI shall follow a standard configuration/customization process and shall meet the functional, security, performance, legal, regulatory and statutory requirements of LICI. The bidders shall comply with "Guidelines on Information and Cyber Security for insurers", published by IRDAI on 7th April, 2017 and any subsequent changes in this document and DPDP Act 2023 and DPDP Act Rules .The bidders shall comply with the provisions of Information Technology Act, 2000 (amended 2008) other applicable legal requirements and standards to protect the customer's data,

The bidders shall also comply with LICI IT Policy, Information Security Policy and Procedures, LICI Policy on Information Security Requirements for Third Party in key concern areas as under:

- > Responsibilities for data and application privacy and confidentiality.
- > Responsibilities on system and software access control and administration.
- ➤ Custodial responsibilities for data, software, hardware and other assets of LICI being managed by or assigned to the Bidder.
- > Physical Security of the facilities.
- > Incident response and reporting procedures.
- Password Policy of LICI.
- > Data Encryption /Protection requirement of LICI.
- > Server hardening, security policies and Secure Configuration Documents.
- Sharing of Background Verification of its personnel, working on LICI Project.
- > Business Continuity Management and Disaster Recovery.

The bidder having access to IT infrastructure of LICI shall be managed as per Third Party Access Standard & Procedure of LICI. If required, LICI Policy on Information security requirement for third-party document will be shared with the successful bidder.

LICI shall reserve the right to carry out Security Assessment of the services, processes, applications and solutions and underlying infrastructure

components of the selected bidders through their empanelled information security service provider. In case of any observations or vulnerabilities reported during these testing, the successful bidder shall close the observation and mitigate the risk within one month without any additional commercial levied to LICI.

Failure to close the vulnerabilities within one month will attract penalty. The contracts relating to outsourced services with the selected bidders shall detail security requirements incompliance with LICI Security Policies and supporting Standards & Procedures and the selected bidders shall demonstrate compliance with such requirements.

# 1. Risk Management

LICI shall vet vendors/suppliers, and third-party service providers to ascertain their capabilities, trustworthiness, the adequacy of their internal security practices, the effectiveness of safeguards, their supply chain relationships, and any risks that may be associated with those relationships and dependencies. The requirements for and evaluation of products and discrete components shall extend beyond an assessment of whether functional and technical requirements are satisfied and shall also address the applicable cyber security risks.

Security risks in the supply chain may occur as systems, software, and hardware, are being developed, designed, assembled, stored, delivered, installed, operated, maintained, and decommissioned. Cyber supply chain risk management processes shall therefore identify and seek to mitigate the associated security risks at every stage, throughout the acquisition, and development life cycle.

The supply chain risk management activities shall include performing a risk assessment of services, suppliers, and products; identifying relevant risk management controls; conducting due diligence; and continuously monitoring vendors/suppliers, and service providers.

LICI shall schedule and conduct half-yearly risk assessments for contracted services, adapting security controls as needed to address evolving threats and vulnerabilities.

### 2. Right to Audit

- 1. IRDAI and other law enforcement agencies shall have right to audit to access Data and its log. The Vendor, shall provide the necessary cooperation to these authorities.
- 2. LICI reserves rights for auditing the Vendor as per the scope of agreement. The audit can be taken up by LICI Information Security Team, Internal Audit Team or by another independent audit or appointed by LICI as per such requirement, if any during the project period. If the compliance scores of suppliers in the audit are found less than 90%, then LICI may terminate this Agreement, if supplier fails to rectify or implement requisite compliance within fifteen days. The high-risk vulnerabilities shall be closed within one day without any additional commercial levied to LICI. Failure to close the vulnerabilities within the timeline shall attract penalty.
- 3. LICI reserves right to monitor activities of the Vendor in connection with this Agreement. The Vendor is required to furnish the relevant reports and logs to facilitate the monitoring and reporting of activities carried out.
- **4.** Vendor shall take all necessary measures to mitigate the risk(s) involved with non-compliance areas observed during such audits within 15 days from it is being reported to them.
- **5.** Vendor may be asked to submit documentation regarding the resolution of audit disclosed deficiencies and inspection of their processing facilities and operating practices.

# 3. Third party certifications

Based on the criticality of the contracted service and risk assessment of the service provider, LICI may also depend on globally recognised Third party certifications. The circumstances and procedures under which reliance on recognised third-party certifications shall be placed instead of conducting an internal/external audit as given below

- (i) Third-party certification should be issued by a credible, accredited body (such as ISO, SOC, or PCI DSS),
- (ii) scope of certification should match the LICI's compliance, security, or operational requirements, (iii) certification should be relevant to the third party's provided services,
- (iv) certification report should include detailed information about controls, testing procedures, and outcomes which provide transparency and assurance comparable to an audit (e.g. SOC 2 Type II certification),
- (v) where risk assessment indicates a low risk or a Non-critical Service,
- (vi)where the third party has consistently met compliance standards in

previous audits or assessments,

(vii) conducting audit on the third party is not feasible as the activity involved is highly technical for which the required expertise is not available with the LICI or its empanelled external auditors.

# 4. Monitoring of Service levels

LICI shall monitor service performance levels to check adherence to the agreements. Appropriate action shall be taken when deficiencies in the service delivery are observed.

# 5. Incident Reporting

LICI mandates prompt security incident reporting by vendors, establishing clear protocols for incident notification, response, and recovery processes. Critical security incidents like compromise of critical system/information, unauthorized access to IT system/data, malicious code attacks such as spreading of viruses/worms/Trojan/botnets /spyware, attacks on servers such as database, mail, and DNS and network devices such as routers must be notified within six (6) hours of noticing or detecting the incident. Incident Reporting which includes the time for reporting, and types of

Incident Reporting which includes the time for reporting, and types of incidents (e.g., data breaches, denial of service, service unavailability, etc.) required to be reported to LICI by the vendor, including incidents reported by its suppliers/service providers,

### 6. Non Disclosure Agreement

The Non-Disclosure Agreement shall contain clauses related to: Use of Confidential Information

Remedies, if there is a breach of the confidentiality agreement.

Time frame for which sensitive information must be kept confidential.

Return of Information after the completion of business between the parties.

# 7. Business Continuity and DR plan

Service providers are required to develop and establish a robust framework for documenting, maintaining, and evaluating the Business Continuity Plan (BCP) and Disaster Recovery Plan (DRP) commensurate with the nature and scope of the outsourced activity. Risk management and disaster recovery plans which shall be established and communicated,

# 8. Backup and Recovery

Service Provider/vendor shall maintain a definitive media library (DML) containing all authorized versions of software assets required for system recovery and ensure that it is updated and regularly audited and provide

### 9. Exit/Terminations

Contract renewals/terminations shall be managed through a structured process encompassing access control adjustments, secure information transfer, handover plans, exit management execution, and comprehensive documentation.

LICI shall implement a clear procedure that includes notice periods, conditions for termination, and procedures for secure transitioning services.

Upon contract termination, Vendor shall ensure the secure return or certified destruction of all data initially provided or subsequently generated by the external supplier, ensuring the protection of information assets. Vendor shall ensure smooth transition to New Providers and coordinate the handover of services to new providers or internal teams. Update all relevant documentation and processes to reflect the changes

#### 10. Renewal of contract

LICI shall assess the necessity of contract renewal based on cybersecurity performance and decide upon renewal or termination ensuring compliance with end-of-contract data and resource handling requirements.

# 11.Termination/penal action on Security breach

LICI reserves the right to take appropriate penal actions including termination of the contract in the event of a security breach caused by the acts or omissions of the service provider or its Personnel, sub-contractors, or in the event of Intentional infringement, failure to take measures to mitigate the damage which occurred, failure to take remedial measures to prevent further breaches

or lack of collaboration with LICI or the regulatory/law enforcement authorities

In the event of a security/data breach caused by the acts or omissions of the service provider or its Personnel, or sub-contractors during the contract period, the contract of the service provider will not be renewed for a further period, without the specific approval of the CISO of LIC.

# 12. Monitoring

LICI shall monitor the defined Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to measure the effectiveness and efficiency of its Supply Chain Security Management processes

#### 13. Access Control mechanism

LICI shall implement secure remote access mechanisms where access is allowed remotely, for the purpose of development, maintenance, or the operation of ICT/OT systems. Remote access requirements, such as - access only to vetted personnel, using a secure VPN, employing multi-factor authentication, or limiting access to specified business hours or from specified geographic locations shall be implemented by LICI and service provider is required to comply to these controls

LICI shall implement access control mechanisms, granting the least privilege necessary to perform contracted services and applying stringent authentication methods. – Access to IT systems of the LICI granted to staff of third parties, service providers, vendor partners, etc. shall be timelimited, granted on a need-to-know basis, and monitored. Remote access wherever granted shall be tracked, logged, and managed

# 14. Network segregation/principle of least privilege

LICI shall implement necessary security mechanisms, including access control mechanisms that adhere to the principle of least privilege, network segregation to ensure vendor access is isolated from critical internal systems, robust endpoint security solutions, regular security assessments, and other applicable protective measures to maintain the organization's security integrity.

Service Provider/vendor shall employ robust access controls to restrict unauthorized access to the data. Use role-based access controls (RBAC) and ensure that only authorized individuals or systems have permission to access and modify the data

# 15. Software Bill of Material (SBOM)

LICI shall obtain from Vendor/Service Provider Software Bill of Material (SBOM) for any new software products/ Software as-a-Service applications (SaaS) before it is procured . SBOMs include all the open source and third party elements in a codebase, versions of the components utilized in the codebase, and current patch status and enable security teams to immediately detect any related security or license risks.

# 16. Comprehensive Control and Visibility

LICI shall maintain comprehensive control and visibility of all security aspects for sensitive or critical information or information systems accessed, processed, or managed by a third-party service provider.

LICI shall retain visibility into security activities such as change

management, identification of vulnerabilities, and information security incident reporting/ response through a clearly defined reporting process, format, and structure.

### 17. Secure Devices and Software

Service providers are mandated to use secured and approved devices and software, ensuring they comply with the LICI's information security policies and hardening controls to prevent the introduction of vulnerabilities.

#### 18. Secure data communication channels

Service providers and LIC to establish secure communication channels employing encryption and secure file transfer protocols to protect sensitive information exchanged during the contract period.

# 19. SLA Metrics Monitoring related to Cyber incidents

LIC shall establish ongoing monitoring of KPIs of service providers/vendors ,such as incident response times, system uptime in case of threats, and mean time to detect and respond to breaches .

Service Provider/Vendor shall Provide comprehensive security reports to stakeholders, maintain detailed records of security incidents, their resolutions, and conduct thorough reviews of security alerts and feedback to pinpoint patterns and enhance defensive measures.

# 20. Communication protocol

LICI and Vendor/Service provider shall devise a communication protocol within the SLA that mandates secure and timely reporting on service performance, security incidents, and resolution progress.

# 21. Dispute resolution mechanism

LICI shall formalize a dispute resolution mechanism in the SLA, including secure escalation which imposes financial penalties for security non-compliance, while also considering provisions for force majeure events and allowing time for corrective actions in cases of significant breaches.

# 22. Data Security Clauses

LIC shall enforce data protection agreements, and mandates that service providers/vendors handle, store, and process data in accordance with privacy laws and cyber security regulations including the IRDAI guidelines and provisions of the DPDP Act 2023 and its Rules and in accordance with Data Protection and Privacy Requirements for data encryption, handling, and retention, in compliance with applicable privacy regulations.

- a. All data shall be designated with ownership with assigned responsibilities defined, documented and communicated. Data, and objects containing data, shall be assigned a classification based on data type, jurisdiction of origin, jurisdiction domiciled, context, legal constraints, contractual constraints, value, sensitivity, criticality to the organization and third-party obligation for retention and prevention of unauthorized disclosure or misuse.
- b. Data servers and Data to be hosted in India only. Privacy By Design to be implemented & Data Protection Impact Assessments to be carried out periodically.
- c. Vendor shall establish policies & procedures, and implement mechanisms for encrypting sensitive data in storage (e.g. file servers, databases, and end-user work stations),data in transmission (e.g., system interfaces, over public networks ,and electronic messaging) and secure disposal & complete removal of data from all storage media, ensuring data is not recoverable by any computer forensic means.
- d. Vendor shall ensure that appropriate technology measures are in place to protect the storage and exchange of information. Supplier shall implement data privacy for all the business-critical data while at rest as well as during transit. Strong encryption algorithms shall be used and key exchange shall happen in a secure manner during data transmission.
- e. Vendor shall take adequate measures which will ensure the maintenance of the integrity and accuracy of data being processed.
- f. Security mechanisms shall be implemented to prevent data leakage. Data retention controls shall also ensure that the multiple copies of the data stored in different locations are also destroyed post the retention time frame. Vendor shall take adequate measures which will ensure the maintenance of the integrity and accuracy of data being processed.
- g. Risk assessments associated with data governance requirements shall be conducted at planned intervals considering the following:
  - Awareness of where sensitive data is stored and transmitted across applications, databases, servers and network infrastructure,
  - Compliance with defined retention periods and end-of-life disposal requirements,
  - Data classification and protection from unauthorized use, access, loss,

destruction, and falsification.

- h. If Vendor adopts multi-tenancy and data commingling architectures, Service Receiver/ LICI Mandates Supplier to isolate its data from other customers' data, at the least, through logical separation at schema level for Service Receiver/ LICI related information database.
- i. In case of data hosted on cloud, then the same shall be hosted on servers located only within India and ensure compliance with applicable Indian regulatory circulars, guidelines issued from IRDAI. Supplier shall ensure that the cloud Vendor shall not host any LICI data outside India under any circumstance.
- j. Operating systems, Web servers, Database etc. used for processing LICI information shall be hardened in line with CIS (Center for Internet Security) Benchmarks and configuration review of these systems shall be performed at least yearly.
- k. Vendor shall implement data backup and destruction procedures to protect critical information (as applicable) on a regular basis. Periodic checking shall be performed to give assurance on the reliability of media that holds the information.
- l. Controls to ensure protection of secret or confidential information stored in cloud shall be established as per applicable regulatory requirements. Also, the cloud servers where the application is hosted, and the data base shall be available only in India.
- m. Encryption algorithms Strong encryption algorithms should be used. Use data masking techniques/encryption to obfuscate sensitive data, replacing it with fictional or altered values while preserving the data's format and structure. This can be useful for testing or development environments.

#### 23. Documentation

Service Provider/vendor shall document technical service requirements and specifications and standard operating procedures to ensure a clear understanding of service expectations.

### 24. SLA Monitoring tools

LICI shall have access to a monitoring system that accurately tracks and reports service performance in compliance with SLA metrics.LICI shall

validate and calibrate monitoring and reporting tools before their use to ensure accuracy in SLA enforcement.

# 25. Change Management

Service Provider/Vendor shall establish a formal change management process with appropriate approvals from LICI to ensure that any modifications to the service environment are controlled and do not adversely affect SLA commitments.

# 26. Cloud Computing Services

With respect to the use of cloud computing services, integration of logs, and events from the Cloud Service Provider (CSP) into the SOC of the LICI/MSSP of LICI wherever applicable and/ or retention of relevant logs in the cloud for incident handling and reporting must be ensured

# Compliance Statement: DECLARATION BY THE Bidder

### **Terms & Conditions**

The cost of service, process, resources, training, documents, rate contract, tools etc finally arrived and accepted by LICI will be binding on us for period of the contract.

We accept that, we will not levy any other charges on LICI, in any form to meet the obligations as per scope of this Tender including all deliverable, requirements, terms & conditions etc.

We certify that the services offered by us in response to the bid conform to the security, technical and functional specifications stipulated in the Tender.

Signature & Designation Seal of the Company

**Place & Date** 

# Annexure VII Site Visit Evaluation Proforma for Bidders TENDER Ref: LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER/CPPB/2025-26/01

Purpose: To verify bidder readiness and compliance with TENDER requirements for the centralized printing and dispatch of policy bonds

Maximum Marks-45 (Forty Five) only Items marked with\* are mandatory(Total =20)

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Sr	Topic	Details	
No			
	A. General Information		
1	Name of Bidder		
2			
3	Owned/Leased Facility		
4	Size of Site (Sq. Ft.)		
	Contact Person (Name,		
5	Designation)		
6	Date of Visit		
	B. Infrastructure	<b>Details</b> Max	Marks
	Readiness	Marks	Obtained
	Availability of dedicated	2*	
1*	space for proposed LICI		
	printing work (Mandatory)		
	Availability of printing	2*	
	machines ie; High speed		
•	Web/Reel-fed front and		
	back printing in single pass		
2*	(Duplex printing) color		
	variable data printing done		
	on inkjet machines (Make,		
	Model, Speed, Capacity)		
	(Mandatory)		
	Availability of booklet	2	
3	folding and stapling		
	equipment		
	Power backup	2*	
4*	arrangements (UPS +		
4	Generator) 24*7		
	(Mandatory)		
5	Internet connectivity –	2	
3	Primary & Backup ISP		

	Danay stayage and handling	1*
C*	Paper storage and handling area with secure access	1.
6*		
	(Mandatory)	2
7	Separate workstation for	2
7	MIS/reporting (Real Time	
	Dashboard)	4
	Adequate employees	1
8	assigned to proposed LICI	
	project on Roll	
	C. Security Controls	
1	24x7 physical security	2
1	personnel at facility	
	CCTV Surveillance active for	1
2	all critical areas	
	Access control system in	2
3	sensitive zones	
	Segregated and isolated	2*
4*	network for proposed LICI	
	work (Mandatory)	
	Secure server and firewall	2*
5*	for data transfers	
	(Mandatory)	
	D. Print Process	
	Verification	
	Sample Policy Bond, Cover	4*
	page & Envelope print jobs	
1*	( with dummy data)	
	demonstrated during visit	
	(Mandatory)	
2	Variable data printing setup	2
2	operational	
	Bilingual printing	1
3	configuration (English &	
	Hindi)	
	India Post Barcode	2*
4*	generation and reading	
	tested (Mandatory)	
_	MIS dashboard or sample	1
5	reports shown	
	_	
	E. Dispatch Capabilities	

1	Tie-up with India Post verified (National Authority Letter copy)	2
2	Dispatch counter/area identified	2
3	Tracking MIS and Proof Of Delivery system demonstrated	2
4	Capability to manage bulk handover to India Post	2
	F. Additional Observations	·
1	Any deviation observed from Tender requirements	
2*	Overall readiness level (Mandatory)	3*
3	Disaster Recovery Centre Site Details and whether separate from existing proposed site for services (Mandatory)	
4	Available Machines-Make, Model, Speed, Capacity	
5	Readiness of the DRC Machines	1
6	Key concerns, if any	45
	Grand Total	45

# Note:

Failure to achieve the required marks in items marked as Mandatory will lead to zero marks for that item and result in disqualification from further evaluation.

# **Site Visit Conducted By (LICI Team)**

Name Designation Signature

1.

2.

3.

# Annexure - VIII (To be submitted by the selected bidder on banks Letter Head )

# Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG)

This Deed of Guarantee executed by the (Bank name)
(hereinafter referred to as "the Bank") in favor of Life Insurance
Corporation of India (hereinafter referred to as "LICI"), a statutory
corporation established under section 3 of Life Insurance Corporation
Act 1956 (31 of 1956) and having its Central Office at "Yogakshema",
Jeevan Bima Marg, Mumbai - 400021 for an amount not exceeding
Rs(Rupees only) at the request of
(Bidder's Name & Address)
(hereinafter referred to as the "Bidder"), who has been selected as
successful bidder in the Tender Reference <*> dated <*> and is required
to submit Performance bank guarantee in terms of the aforesaid Tender.
Therefore, we hereby affirm that we Guarantee and are responsible to you
on behalf of the Supplier, up to a total amount of Rs (In Words -
Rupees only)
and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand, without
cavil or argument, any sum or sums as specified by you within the limit of
Rs only).
Whereas incorporated under companies act having its
registered office at is participating in Tender ref for
is submitting this guarantee under the terms &
conditions of the said Tender.
LICI need not prove or show grounds or reasons for the demand of
any part or the full amount of guarantee.
This Bank Guarantee will be valid for a period up to (for a
period of <*> from the date of contract)
period of 1.7 If one date of contracty
The Bank hereby covenants and declares that the guarantee hereby given
is an unconditional, irrevocable one and shall not be revoked by a Notice
or otherwise. This Guarantee shall not be affected by any change in the
Constitution of the Bank or the Supplier.

We hereby confirm that we have the powers to issue this guarantee

in your favor under the Constitution and business procedure of the bank and the undersigned is/are the recipient of authority by express delegation of powers and has/have full powers to execute this Performance bank guarantee.

Dated at\_\_\_\_\_ this\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025



# Annexure- IX (Bid Covering letter)

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

To,
The Executive Director (NB&R)
Life Insurance Corporation of India
New Business & Reinsurance Department,
Central Office,
5<sup>th</sup> floor, East wing,
Yogakshema,
J B Marg,
Mumbai - 400021.

Dear Sir,

Having examined Tender Ref: LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER /CPPB /25-26 /01 dated 07.08.2025 Tender for "Centralized Printing of Policy Bonds & Dispatch for LIC of India" including all it's Annexures, we, the undersigned offer to design, size, procure, install and maintain all the items mentioned in the Tender and the other schedules /annexures of requirements and services for LIC in conformity with the said Tender documents in accordance with the schedule of Prices indicated in the Commercial Bid and made part of this Tender.

- 1. If our bid is accepted, we undertake to comply with the delivery schedule as mentioned in the Tender Documents.
- 2. If our bid is accepted we will obtain and submit to LICI the guarantee of a bank in the form prescribed by LICI for a sum equivalent to INR 40 Cr ( Forty Crores only ) for the due performance of the contract
- 3. We agree to abide by this tender offer from the date of Tender opening and our offer shall remain binding on us and maybe accepted by LIC at 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. 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".
- 6. We agree that LICI is not bound to accept the lowest or any bid that LICI may receive and LICI may reject any Bid or accept without assigning any reasons or giving any explanation whatsoever.
- 7. We certify that we have provided all the information requested by LICI in the format requested for. We also understand that LICI has the exclusive right to reject this offer in case LICI is of the opinion that the required information is not provided or is provided in a different format.

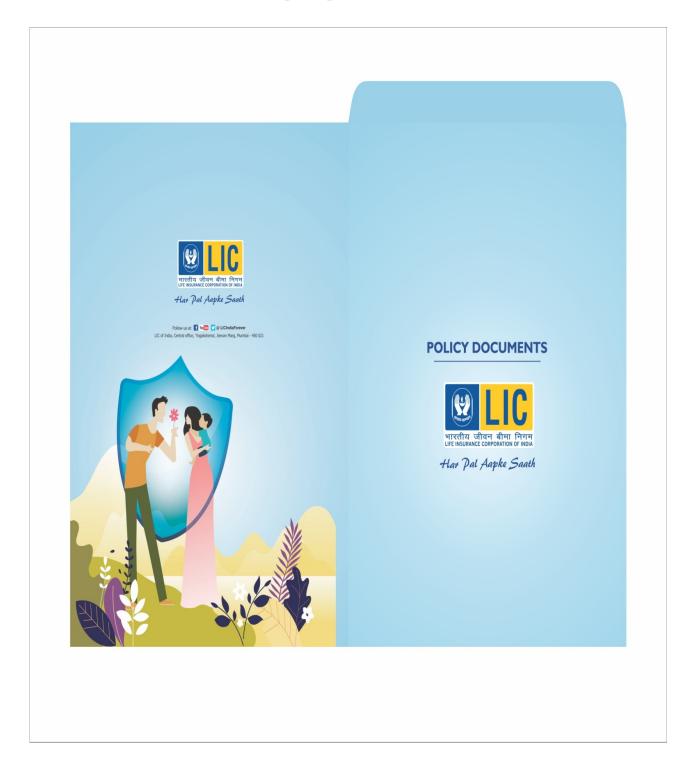
Dated at	thisday of _	2025
Authorised Signatory Name:		
Contact No.:		
Designation:		
Office Seal:		

# Annexure - A Cover Page - Specimen





# Annexure – B Envelope - Specimen



### Annexure - C

# ITR and Turnover for last three years duly certified by Chartered

# **Accountant**

(on CA Letter Head)

# Name of the Bidder Firm & Address:

S. No.	Financial Year	Annual Turnover (In Rs.)
1.	2021-22	
2.	2022-23	
3.	2023-24	

Attach copies of audited statement of Accounts (Balance Sheets, P&L Accounts etc.) and ITRs for last three years.

**Signature** Seal

Name

**Place & Date** 

### Annexure - D

Proof of experience for working with the Central/ State Government Department/ Ministry/ PSU /Other Life Insurer/s

Copy of empanelment and successful completion or a certificate from the concerned Ministry/ Department/ PSU/Other Life Insurer to be submitted.



### Annexure - E

# **Details of Manpower and Machinery**

# (Cover each location separately)

Use separate page if required for manpower and machinery.

(On Company Letter Head only)

# a. Machine Details

	Date of	Machine		Serial		OEM/ Distributor Service and spare support validity	Printing speed/minu te of Duplex colour	Printing capacity of A3 duplex colour impressions/d	Whether copy of Invoice is
Location	purchase	name	Model	no.	OEM	period	impressions	ay	submitted (Y/N)
				\					

# b. Manpower Details

Sr.	Location	No. of employees dedicated for
No.		printing & dispatch of policy bonds.

Signature	Seal
Name	

**Place & Date** 

#### Annexure - F

#### **Certificate of location/s of printing establishment**

#### (On company letter head)

M/s	through its authorized representative		
	hereby certify that it has a printing facility with all		
neces	ssary machinery as required in Tender for engagement of Print to Post		
Bidde	er by LIC of India, dated at following locations:		
0	West- Mumbai / Thane (Mandatory)		
0	North- Delhi/ NCR / Haryana /Uttar Pradesh		
0	o East- West Bengal / Odisha / Chattisgarh		
0	South- Andhra Pradesh / Tamil Nadu / Karnataka / Telangana		
(Plea	se tick whichever is applicable)		
Auth	orized Signatory		
(Sign	n and Stamp)		
Place	a & Date		

#### Annexure - G

## FORMAT FOR NET WORTH CERTIFICATE (To be given on the letter head of the Statutory Auditor)

#### To Whomsoever It May Concern

Name of the Firm / Company:
Address:
PAN No:
Entity Type ( Partnership / Private Limited / Others):
It is to certify that as per the audited Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account during the Financial Year, the Net Worth of M/s(Name & Registered Address of Individual / Firm / Company) as on 31st March(previous financial year from the year in which NIT is published Rs(Rupees. application invited for Empanelment is after considering all liabilities. It is certified that computation of Net Worth based on my / our scrutiny of the Books of Accounts, Records and Documents is true and correct to the best of my / our knowledge.
This certificate is issued at the request of [Name of the Individual / Entity] for the purpose of tender submission to LIC of India, as per Ref: LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER/CPPB/2025-26/01. It is based on the information and documents made available to us, and no independent valuation has been carried out.
Place: Date:
For [Name of CA Firm] (Chartered Accountants)
Signature & Seal Name of Chartered Accountant: Membership No.:

#### Annexure - H

#### Proforma / Undertaking

## DECLARATION REGARDING BLACKLISTING/DEBARRING FROM TAKING PART IN TENDER/BID & CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

(To be executed and attested by Public notary / Executive Magistrate on Rs. 500/- non judicial stamp paper by the Bidder)

I / We	(Bidder) hereby declare that	
the bidder namely M/s.	has not been	
blacklisted or debarred or engaged in	criminal activities in the past by	
Union / State Government or any O	rganization from taking part in	
Government/PSU tenders in India and	has no litigation in any of the	
Court(s)		
Or		
I / We		
bidder namely M/s.	was blacklisted or	
debarred or engaged in criminal		
Government/PSU or any Organization from	om taking part in Government/PSU	
tenders for a period of years w.	e.f to The period is	
over on and now the firm/company is entitled to take part in		
Government/PSU tenders.		
In case the above information found fa	lse I/We are fully aware that the	
tender/ contract will be rejected/cancelle	ed by the LIC of India.	
Date:-		
Place:-		
	Agency / Deponent Attested:	
	Name	
Public Notary / Executive Magistrate) Ad	dress	
Signature & Seal of Authorized Signatory	of the Agency	

#### Annexure - I

#### Undertaking for Genuineness of The Document(s)/Certificate(s)

I/We participating in the TENDER/BID
Ref. No and, I/We hereby declare that all our documents
/ certificate are genuine and give an undertaking stating that all the
document / certificate submitted for admission into the BID No
dated for the work/Services to be procured by LIC of India. We
hereby declare that all our certificates are genuine.
I/We am/are aware that if the submitted relevant certificate (s) is/are
found to be not genuine at a later date my/our participation is liable to be
cancelled and I/We am/are liable for criminal prosecution as may be
legally deemed fit further I/We agree that I/We abide by the Rules and
Regulations of the LIC of India.
Date:-
Place:-
(Signatory authority with seal)

Firm/Company Name & Address

#### Annexure - J

#### FORMAT OF BID SECURITY DECLARATION FROM BIDDERS

#### (On Bidders Letter head)

#### **Bid Security Declaration Form**

Date:	Tender Ref. No	
To,		
(Complete name &		
Address of the LIC of India)		

I/We, the undersigned, declare that: I/We understand that, according to your conditions, bids must be supported by a Bid Securing Declaration.

I/We accept that I/We may be disqualified from bidding for any contract with you for a period of one year from the date of notification if I am /We are in a breach of any obligation under the bid conditions, because I/We

- a) have withdrawn/modified/amended, impairs or derogates from the tender, my/our Bid during the period of bid validity specified in the form of Bid; or
- b) having been notified of the acceptance of our Bid by the LIC of India during the period of bid validity (i) fail or reuse to execute the contract, if required, or (ii) fail or refuse to furnish the Performance

Security, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

I/We understand this Bid Securing Declaration shall cease to be valid if I am/we are not the successful Bidder, upon the earlier of (i) the receipt of your notification of the name of the successful Bidder; or (ii) thirty days after the expiration of the validity of my/our Bid.

**Signed:** (insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown) in the capacity of (insert legal capacity of person signing the Bid Securing Declaration)

Name: (insert complete name of person signing he/she Bid Securing Declaration) Duly authorized to sign the bid for an on behalf of (insert complete name of Bidder) Dated on \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ (insert date of signing),

Place .....

Corporate Seal (where appropriate)

#### Annexure - K

# Company Incorporation Certificate from Registrar of Companies to be submitted by bidder



#### Annexure - L

# MSME Certificate issued by competent authority to be submitted by bidder as mentioned in Terms & Conditions.



#### **ANNEXURE - M**

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

(To be submitted by Bidder on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 500/-(Rupees Five Hundred only) duly attached by Notary Public)

Affidavit of Mr	S/o
R/o	
above named do hereby solemnly affirm an	nd declare as under: That I am
the Proprietor/Authorized	signatory of
M/sHaving	its Head Office/Regd. Office at
	·······
That the information/documents/Ex	
Guarantee(s) submitted by M/s	7
Bid/proposal for (Name of	
genuine and true and nothing has been cond	
in case LICI verifies those from issuing autho	ority (ies).
I shall also have no objection to provid	
document(s), in case LICI demand so for ver	
in case, any document, information & / c found to be incorrect / false / fabricate	
disqualify / reject / terminate the bid/cont	_
All dues as per LICI policy.	ract and also forfer the LMD /
I, the Proprietor	/ Authorized signatory of
M/s do hereby con	
above Affidavit are true to my knowledge, a	
there from and that i	_
	•
Verified atthisday of	
•	

**DEPONENT** 

ATTESTED BY (NOTARY PUBLIC)

#### ANNEXURE - N

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF TENDER/BID CONDITIONS**

(To be submitted in ORIGINAL on the letter head of the Company by the authorized Official having power of attorney/as per Board Resolution)

To, LIC of India CO NB&R Dept Yogakshema Central Office, Mumbai

Sub: Name of the work & TENDER No.:

Sir/Madam,

- 1. This is with reference to above referred Tender. I/We have read/viewed all the Tender terms & conditions and are pleased to submit our Bid/proposal for the above work and I/We hereby unconditionally accept the Bid/ Tender conditions and Tender documents in its entirety for the above work.
- 2. I/We are eligible to submit the bid for the subject Bid/ Tender and I/We are in possession of all the documents required.
- 3. The LICI reserves the right to seek clarification / additional documents from the Bidder if required. The LICI also reserves the right to accept/reject any or all Bids/Tender in part or in whole without assigning any reason thereof. The decision of the LICI in this regard shall be final, conclusive and binding on the Bidder.
- 4. I/We shall have any/no of action/any legal cause proceedings/complaint against the LICI due the to rejection/disqualification of our Tender Bid / non selection as a successful Vendor or non award of the Contract.

- 5. I/We unconditionally accept the Terms and Conditions mentioned in the Tender document.
- 6. All the information furnished by me/us hereunder is correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature of the Authorized Bidder)

With rubber stamp

Dated:....

Place:

#### **ANNEXURE-O**

#### Sample Policy Bond Booklet

(Attached as pdf with this Tender document)



#### Annexure - P Format of PPT Evaluation Scorecard

Date: **Minimum Qualifying Marks: 5 Evaluation** Sr. **Presentation Requirements** Marks Max Marks No. Parameter Awarded of 1 Understanding Demonstrates clear a understanding of the project Scope & Objectives requirements scope, objectives. Project 2 Implementation plan, process Implementation flow, and timelines Methodology for the proposed solution. Video of all locations with 2 3 Video of proposed specifications, printing sites technical capabilities & capacity Introduction of key personnel 4 Project Team Introduction & Role with roles and responsibilities specific to the work and details Clarity of SPOCs at each location. 5 Operational Details of Licenses/ 1 Governance permissions/proposed technologies, etc. Arrangements Quality Control Defined 1 6 QC protocols, monitoring mechanisms, and Methods Timelines measures to ensure committed Adherence timelines measures Quality of Presentation delivery, use of 1 Presentation visuals. effectiveness in communication. Total 10

Note: Presentations are	e time-bound to	30 minutes,	including Q&A
Total Marks Awarded (	(Out of 10):	_(	)

#### **Internal Evaluation Committee:**

S.No.	Name	Designation	Sign

#### Annexure - Q Land Border Declaration

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

Tender Document Ref. No.: Tender Title: Executive Director (NB&R/HI) Life Insurance Corporation of India Central Office Yogakshema Mumbai - 400021.

Dear Sir,

**Re:** Invitation For Tender For Centralized Printing of Policy Bonds & Dispatch for LIC of India at LIC Ref: LICI/CO/NBR/TENDER/CPPB/2025-26/01

I have read Office Memorandum F.No.6/18/2019-PPD dated 23.07.2020 issued by the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Public Procurement Division inserting Rule 144 (xi) in GFRs 2017 which defines clauses regarding restrictions for procurement from a bidder from a country which shares a land border with India.

**Authorised Signatory** 

(Name: Contact Person, Phone No., Fax, E-mail)

### Annexure – R Authorization to Attend Pre-Bid & Other Meeting/s

(on Company Official Letter Head)
Bidder's Name......
[Address and Contact Details]
Date......

To
Executive Director (NB&R/HI)
Life Insurance Corporation of India
Central Office,
Yogakshema
Mumbai - 400021.

Ref: Tender Document No.

Tender Title: Centralized Printing of Policy Bonds & Dispatch for LIC of India

### Subject: Authorization to attend Pre-Bid & Other Meeting/s on\_\_\_\_\_(date)

Following person/s is/are hereby authorized to attend the Pre-Bid & Other Meeting/s for the tender mentioned above on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_(Bidder) in the order of preference given below.

Sr.	Name	Government Photo ID Type/Number
I.		
II.		
Alternate Representative		

#### Note:

- 1. Maximum of two representatives (carrying valid Government photo IDs along/ a signed copy of it by it's Authorized Official )shall be permitted to attend the Pre-Bid & Other Meeting/s. An alternate representative shall be permitted when regular representatives cannot attend.
- 2. Permission to enter the hall/venue where the Pre-Bid & Other Meeting/s is/are conducted may be refused if authorization as prescribed above is not submitted.

Signatures of Bidder or The Officer Authorized to sign the Bid. Documents on behalf of the Bidder [name & address of Bidder and seal of the company/firm]

