

**RESPONSE TO FURTHER QUERIES - DATED 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2025 - RFP FOR SUPPLY, IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EMAIL & WEB SECURITY DT 07-08-25**

#	RFP Section	Sub-Section	Pg No.	RFP Clause/Corrigendum-1	Bidder Query	LIC Response
1	Activity Schedule	10 Last date & time for submission of bids 11 Bid opening date & time (Eligibility & Technical)	11	15/09/2025, latest by 03.00 PM  15/09/2025, 03.30 PM	Request to extend bid submission date by one week / 10 days.	Please refer Corrigendum-2
2	Annexure C- Eligibility Criteria	6	14/89	The Bidder should have recorded a Profit Before Tax in any 02 (two) of the last 03 (three) financial years preceding the date of this RFP.	Request you to consider Profit Before Tax / NETWORTH Positive in last three financial years preceding date of this RFP.	Please adhere to Corrigendum-1
3	Annexure F : Technical & Functional Requirements	--	94/ 100/ 104	--	Whether LIC will provide sufficient Rack space to install the devices for the project? Bidders need not consider any racks. Kindly confirm.	Racks have to be provided by vendor. LIC will provide space and power for the racks.
4	RACI Matrix- Build Foundation - Responsibility Matrix	Point 9	59	Data centre readiness by client (Space, Racks, Power) - SI (C,I) & LIC (R,A)		Please refer Corrigendum-2
5	Annexure F : Technical & Functional Requirements	--	94/ 100/ 104	--	The compute required for the project needs to be factored in by bidders. LIC will provide the network switch ports populated with trans-receivers (SFPs) on the switches to connect the proposed hardware. Kindly confirm.	CISCO leaf switch connecting to Network will be provided by LIC with 10 Gigabit Fibre Ports populated with SFP Trans-receivers. Server side connectivity to be provided by vendor.
6	Annexure F : Technical & Functional Requirements	New	94/ 100	--	Whether bidder can propose open source based Load Balancer or Bidder needs to consider dedicated Hardware based appliance. Kindly confirm.	Please refer Corrigendum-2
7	Sandboxing requirement of Email & Web Gateway Security	--	106	--	OS Image required for sandboxing will be provided by LIC and Bidder need not to consider any OS image.	Entire solution (Hardware & Software) including Sandboxing should be provided by vendor.
8	Annexure F : Technical & Functional Requirements	--	94	The solution should be software virtual appliance on bare metal hardware or as a virtual machine with Vmware ESX/ESXI and Microsoft HyperV	--	Please refer Corrigendum-2