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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

for engagement of a Third-Party Agency to conduct a Study on Issuance of Obsolescence Certificates for Textile Plant and Machinery under the Textile Research, Application and Management Support (Tex-RAMPS) Scheme

TENDER NO.: 40(22)/2026/TDS/TeX-RAMPS

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(Selection through Quality and Cost Based Selection – QCBS)

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NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER
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1. NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Supports in the form of Capital Investment Subsidy and Interest Reimbursement for technology upgradation of the textile industry have been provided by the Ministry of Textiles since 1999 under the successive versions of the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme. Nevertheless, a section of textile units, particularly in the MSME segment, continues to operate with outdated and inefficient plant and machinery. At present there is no uniform, formal mechanism to determine and certify obsolescence of textile machinery.

The Office of the Textile Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, proposes to engage a competent and reputed Third-Party Agency with relevant technical expertise and experience to conduct a **Study on Issuance of Obsolescence Certificates for Textile Plant and Machinery** under the **Textile Research, Application and Management Support (Tex-RAMPS) Scheme**, for development of a standardized framework for identification and certification of obsolete textile machinery.

The Office of the Textile Commissioner therefore invites online proposals under the two-bid system (Technical Bid and Financial Bid) from eligible agencies in accordance with this RFP document. Selection shall be made through the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method.

The tender document can be downloaded from the official website of the Office of the Textile Commissioner, www.txcindia.gov.in, and the Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP), https://eprocure.gov.in, as per the schedule given in the Critical Date Sheet. Interested applicants are requested to submit their proposals online through the CPPP on or before the due date and time mentioned in the Critical Date Sheet. No other mode of submission will be accepted.

The Applicant shall submit its proposal online containing details of EMD / Bid Security, Pre-Qualification documents, Technical Bid and Financial Bid only at https://eprocure.gov.in.

Key Information

Particulars	Details
Name of Assignment	Study on Issuance of Obsolescence Certificates for Textile Plant and Machinery through a Third-Party Agency under Tex-RAMPS Scheme
Tender No.	40(22)/2026/TDS/TeX-RAMPS
Scheme / Funding	Tex-RAMPS Scheme, Ministry of Textiles
Duration of Assignment	Four (4) months (16 weeks) from the date of acceptance of Letter of Award (LoA) / signing of Agreement
Method of Selection	Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS), Technical : Financial = 70 : 30
EMD / Bid Security	₹5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only), as per Clause 22(e)
Bid Validity	90 days from the Bid Submission End Date
Consortium / Joint Venture	Not allowed

Critical Date Sheet

Sl. No.	Information	Details (Date and Time)
1	Date of publishing of RFP document	26.11.2026 11:00 Hrs
2	Bid document download and bid submission start date	26.11.2026 11:00 Hrs
3	Clarification start date	26.11.2026 11:00 Hrs
4	Clarification end date	18.12.2026 18:00 Hrs
5	Pre-bid meeting date and place	08.12.2026 12:00 Hrs (Online / Offline) Conference Hall, 1st Floor, Nishtha Bhavan, New CGO Building, 48, New Marine Lines, Mumbai – 400020
6	Bid submission end date	25.12.2026 17:00 Hrs
7	Last date for physical submission of EMD (if applicable)	29.12.2026 18:00 Hrs
8	Technical bid opening date	04.01.2026 11:00 Hrs
9	Technical presentation by eligible bidders	To be intimated
10	Financial bid opening date	To be intimated to technically qualified bidders

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2. DISCLAIMER

1) This RFP document is neither an agreement nor an offer by the Office of the Textile Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India (hereinafter "the Client" or "the Authority") to the prospective Applicants or any other person. The purpose of this RFP is to provide information to interested parties that may be useful to them in formulating their proposals.
2) The Client will not be responsible for any delay in receiving the proposals. Issue of this RFP does not imply that the Client is bound to select an Applicant or to appoint the Selected Applicant. The Client reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals at any stage without assigning any reason, and to withhold or withdraw the process at any stage with intimation to all Applicants.
3) The Client reserves the right to change, modify or amend any or all provisions of this RFP. Such revisions / corrigenda will be made available on www.txcindia.gov.in and https://eprocure.gov.in.
4) The Client makes no representation or warranty as to the accuracy, reliability or completeness of the information in this RFP. Each prospective Applicant should conduct its own investigations and analysis, check the accuracy, reliability and completeness of the information, and obtain independent advice from appropriate sources.
5) The Client shall have no liability to any prospective Applicant or any other person under any law, including the law of contract and tort, the principles of equity, restitution or unjust enrichment or otherwise, for any loss, expense or damage which may arise from or be incurred in connection with anything contained in this RFP, the award of the Assignment, or otherwise arising from the selection process.

3. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

1) The Client will select an agency in accordance with the method of selection specified in this RFP. Applicants shall be deemed to have understood and agreed that no explanation or justification for any aspect of the Selection Process will be given and that the Client's decisions are final.
2) Applicants are invited to submit a Technical Proposal and a Financial Proposal (collectively "the Proposal") for the services required for the Assignment. The Proposal will form the basis for the grant of the work order / Agreement to the Selected Agency.
3) The Proposal shall remain valid for a minimum period of 90 days from the Bid Submission End Date.
4) Termination of Assignment: The Client shall have the right to terminate the assignment by giving 30 (thirty) days' written notice.
5) Number of Proposals: No Applicant shall submit more than one bid. Consortium, joint venture and sub-contracting of core technical work are not permitted. Hiring of field investigators, enumerators and logistics support by the Selected Agency is permitted, but responsibility for the entire assignment shall rest solely with the Selected Agency.
6) The Applicant shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Proposal, including presentations. The Client will not be liable for such costs regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Selection Process.
7) The Applicant shall hold the Client's interests paramount, avoid conflicts with other assignments or its own interests, and act without any consideration for future work. The specific conflict-of-interest provisions at Clause 22(a) shall apply.
8) The Client requires Applicants to observe the highest standard of ethics during the Selection Process and execution of the assignment. The Client will reject a Proposal if the Applicant is found to have engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, undesirable or restrictive practices, and may declare such Applicant ineligible, indefinitely or for a stated period, for any contract or work order.

9) The Client will be entitled to forfeit the EMD (or invoke the Bid Security Declaration) if: (a) the Applicant withdraws or modifies its Proposal during the validity period; (b) the Applicant commits any breach of the terms of this RFP or makes a false representation; (c) the Applicant engages in any corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, undesirable or restrictive practice; or (d) the Selected Applicant fails to accept the LoA, sign the Agreement or furnish the Performance Security within the stipulated time.

10) Any entity which has been debarred / blacklisted by the Central Government, any State Government, a statutory authority or a public sector undertaking, and where the bar subsists as on the Proposal Due Date, shall not be eligible to submit a Proposal.

11) An Applicant should have, during the last 3 (three) years, neither failed to perform on any agreement, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitration award, nor been expelled from any project or agreement, nor had any agreement terminated for breach.

12) Restrictions under Rule 144(xi) of the General Financial Rules, 2017: Any bidder from a country sharing a land border with India shall be eligible to bid only if the bidder is registered with the Competent Authority as specified in the Department of Expenditure Order No. F.No.6/18/2019-PPD dated 23.07.2020, as amended. A certificate in this regard shall be submitted as part of Annexure-E.

13) Applicable procurement policies of the Government of India, including the Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017 and the Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) Order, 2012, as amended from time to time, shall apply to the extent applicable.

14) The Client may, on its own initiative or in response to a clarification sought by prospective Applicants, modify the conditions of this RFP by way of a corrigendum / addendum published on the CPPP. The Client may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for submission of proposals or cancel the requirement in part or in whole.

15) Pre-Bid Meeting: The date of the Pre-Bid Meeting is given in the Critical Date Sheet. Applicants wishing to attend shall inform the Client in writing / e-mail, by the Clarification End Date, the names and designations of not more than two representatives, who shall carry an authority letter signed by the authorized signatory.

16) Prospective bidders may make suggestions for modification of eligibility or evaluation parameters / methodology for making the competition fairer and qualitatively better. Such suggestions should be sent by e-mail by the Clarification End Date. The Client reserves the right to accept or reject any or all suggestions.

4. QUALITY ASSURANCE OF DELIVERABLES

All reports and deliverables submitted by the Selected Agency must comply with the quality standards of the Ministry of Textiles in order to be accepted. In case of any compromise in the quality of the deliverables, a suitable penalty shall be imposed as per the provisions of this RFP. The indicative quality standards are as follows; the Selected Agency may adopt additional standards to further enhance quality.

(a) **Executive Summary:** Shall be clear, concise and not exceed five pages, presenting the key findings, the recommended certification framework and prioritized recommendations, with page references to the main report.

(b) **Technical Rigour:** Obsolescence criteria, thresholds and weightages shall be evidence-based, derived from field data, manufacturer data, published benchmarks and international practice, with the basis for every threshold clearly documented. Criteria must be measurable and verifiable by an inspector during a physical inspection.

(c) **Professional Language and Referencing:** Reports shall be free from grammatical errors, plagiarism and spelling mistakes. Reports with plagiarism content of more than 20 percent will not be accepted. All data, diagrams, tables and graphs shall be appropriately labelled and referenced.

(d) **Objective Findings and Recommendations:** Recommendations shall flow logically from the findings, be practical and implementable, and be prioritized by importance and impact. Recommendations that increase the financial burden on the Government shall be avoided unless supported by sound evidence.

(e) **Ethical Considerations and Data Protection:** Confidentiality of unit-level commercial and technical data, informed consent of respondents, and data quality shall be upheld throughout the assignment.

5. BACKGROUND NOTE

a) The Indian textile industry is one of the largest contributors to employment and exports and is presently at a critical juncture where technological upgradation has become essential for maintaining global competitiveness.

b) Support for technology upgradation, in the form of Capital Investment Subsidy and Interest Reimbursement, has been provided since 1999 under TUFS and its successive versions (MTUFS, RTUFS, RRTUFS and ATUFS). However, a number of textile units, particularly in the MSME segment, still continue to operate with outdated and inefficient plant and machinery. This has led to suboptimal productivity, inconsistent product quality, higher energy consumption, and challenges in meeting environmental and international compliance standards.

c) At present, there are no uniform guidelines or institutional mechanisms for determination and certification of obsolescence of textile machinery across segments of the industry. This leads to:

- Lack of clarity in identification of obsolete machinery;
- Constraints in effective targeting of technology upgradation initiatives;
- Difficulties faced by financial institutions in appraisal of modernization proposals;
- Continued use of inefficient and non-compliant machinery; and
- Absence of an objective basis for policy decisions, such as replacement of power looms with modern shuttleless looms.

d) In view of the above, the Ministry of Textiles has decided to undertake a comprehensive study under the Textile Research, Application and Management Support (Tex-RAMPS) Scheme to develop a robust, sector-specific framework for issuance of Obsolescence Certificates for textile plant and machinery, benchmarked with international standards, which can be institutionalized for wider adoption and linked to technology upgradation, financial incentive and sustainability initiatives.

e) Upon completion of the study, it is envisaged that: (i) the Office of the Textile Commissioner shall act as the nodal authority for implementation; (ii) accredited technical agencies may be empanelled for inspection and certification; (iii) a digital platform may be developed for application processing and issuance of certificates; and (iv) criteria shall be periodically revised to align with technological advancements. The study shall provide the design basis for each of these elements.

6. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

The primary objective of the study is to develop a standardized methodology and operational framework for certification of obsolete textile machinery, which can subsequently be linked to technology upgradation initiatives, financial incentive schemes and sustainability measures. The study will also assess the impact of outdated machinery on productivity, quality and environmental performance, and provide policy recommendations to facilitate modernization of the textile sector.

The key objectives are:

i. To establish a uniform definition and criteria for obsolescence of textile machinery;

ii. To develop a transparent and objective certification mechanism;

iii. To facilitate effective implementation of technology upgradation initiatives;

iv. To support policy formulation and financial decision-making, including appraisal of modernization proposals by financial institutions; and

v. To promote adoption of energy-efficient and sustainable technologies.

7. TERMS OF REFERENCE AND SCOPE OF WORK

7.1 Coverage

Segments: Ginning, Spinning, Weaving Preparatory, Weaving, Knitting, Processing (including dyeing, printing and finishing), Garmenting and Embroidery (8 segments). Technical Textiles is not covered as a separate segment.

Technical Textile Machinery: In addition, the study shall cover the following machinery used for manufacture of technical textiles. Items c-6 to e-9 shall be covered under the segment shown in the Sub-section column; the non-woven production lines at item g-1 shall be covered as listed.

Item	Sub-section	Name of the machine with specifications
c-6	Weaving	High Speed Needle looms for narrow woven fabrics
c-8	Weaving	Narrow width shuttle loom with positive let off and take up motions with electronic jacquard / dobby and with micro processor controls for producing tubular fabric meant for filters, medical textiles and other technical textiles.
d-1	Knitting	PLC based Weft Inserted Warp Knitting machine (WIWK).
d-2	Knitting	PLC based Knitting machine for spacer fabrics
d-4	Knitting	PLC based Tricot machinery for the manufacture of technical textiles (Eligible for units having in house capacities for converting grey fabrics into technical textiles)
d-5	Knitting	PLC based Rachel double needle bar Machine
d-6	Knitting	PLC based Rachel machine for netting
e-9	Processing	PLC based Coagulated PU or PVC dip coating machine / PU or PVC coating line or coating dipping / knife machine with infrared dryer
g-1	Non-woven textile manufacturing machines	Complete production lines or the component / parts forming the production line for the manufacture of following non-wovens upto rolled goods preparation and packing, viz., i. Chemically bonded non-woven ii. Stitch bonded non-woven iii. Spun bonded non-woven iv. Melt blown non-woven v. Spun bond melt blown non-woven (SMS non-wovens) vi. Needle punch non-woven vii. Thermal bond non-woven viii. Spun lace non-woven ix. 3-D Nonwoven Machines x. Electrospun Nonwoven Machines

Geography: Comprehensive assessment of existing textile plant and machinery across the major textile clusters of the country, through extensive field studies including site visits, stakeholder consultations and data collection from textile units, industry associations and equipment manufacturers.

Minimum Field Coverage: The Selected Agency shall undertake a minimum of 18 (eighteen) cluster visits, i.e. at least 2 (two) cluster visits for each of the 8 (eight) segments listed above (Ginning, Spinning, Weaving Preparatory, Weaving, Knitting, Processing, Garmenting and Embroidery) and at least 2 (two) cluster visits to units using the technical textile machinery listed above, covering site visits, technical inspection of machinery and data collection from textile units in each cluster.

The Applicant shall propose in its Technical Proposal the clusters, States, and number of textile units to be covered, segment-wise, meeting the minimum field coverage of 18 cluster visits stated above and ensuring adequate representation of all the segments listed above and of the MSME segment. The adequacy of the proposed coverage shall be assessed under the technical evaluation criteria (Clause 19). The final coverage shall be approved by the Client in the Inception Report.

7.2 Detailed Scope of Work

Without limiting the generality of the objectives, the Selected Agency shall carry out the following tasks:

Task A – Status Assessment of Textile Machinery

- Collection and analysis of primary and secondary data on the installed base, age profile, technology vintage and utilization of machinery across segments and clusters.
- Assessment of the impact of outdated machinery on productivity, quality, energy and water consumption and environmental compliance.
- Identification of technological gaps in each segment against current state-of-the-art / best available technology (BAT).

Task B – International Benchmarking

- Study of global best practices and frameworks related to obsolescence, end-of-life, replacement or scrappage of industrial / textile machinery, especially in European countries, China, Japan and other relevant textile-producing countries (e.g., Bangladesh, Vietnam, Turkey, Pakistan).
- Comparative analysis of criteria adopted by various countries and identification of internationally accepted criteria and standards (including relevant ISO / IEC, EU and energy-efficiency norms).
- Review of analogous frameworks in other sectors in India, where relevant, for lessons on certification and institutional design.

Task C – Segment-wise Obsolescence Criteria and Scoring System

- Development of clear, measurable, sector-specific criteria for obsolescence, taking into account age and lifecycle of machinery, technology type, level of automation, energy efficiency, productivity benchmarks, quality / defect rates, availability of spares and OEM support, and compliance with environmental, safety and quality standards.
- Determination of thresholds for each parameter, with documented basis, and assignment of weightages for a composite obsolescence score and grading / classification system (e.g., Obsolete / Near-obsolete / Serviceable). The Illustrative Criteria Matrix at Annexure-D shall be the starting point and shall be refined, extended to all segments listed in Clause 7.1, and validated.
- Validation of the draft criteria and scoring system through field testing on a sample of machines (as proposed by the Applicant) and stakeholder consultations, and calibration of thresholds based on the results.

Task D – Certification Methodology, SOPs and Toolkit

- Design of a standardized certification methodology including application process, eligibility, inspection protocols, measurement / testing methods, evidence and documentation requirements, and timelines.
- Drafting of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for inspection and certification, segment-wise inspection checklists, evaluation forms and a scoring tool (in spreadsheet form, with worked examples).
- Draft format for issuance of the Obsolescence Certificate, including unique identification of the machine, validity, and safeguards against misuse (e.g., re-sale / re-installation of certified obsolete machinery).
- Grievance redressal, appeal and audit / random re-inspection mechanism.

Task E – Digitalization Framework

- Framework for a digital platform for end-to-end processing of applications, inspection scheduling, geo-tagged photographic evidence, scoring, issuance and verification of certificates, and an MIS dashboard, ensuring transparency, traceability and ease of implementation.
- Functional requirements specification at a level sufficient for subsequent development / procurement, and options for integration with existing portals of the Office of the Textile Commissioner.

Task F – Policy Recommendations

- Recommendations for integrating obsolescence certification with existing and future schemes related to technology upgradation, financial incentives, credit appraisal and sustainability initiatives, including specific policy decisions such as replacement of power looms with modern shuttleless looms.
- Recommendations for periodic revision of criteria in line with technological advancements.
- Assessment of likely implications (number of units / machines likely to be covered, segment-wise) to inform policy design.

Task G – Stakeholder Consultation and Validation

- Consultations with textile units, industry associations, Textile Research Associations, textile machinery manufacturers and their associations, financial institutions, Regional Offices of the Textile Commissioner and domain experts throughout the study.
- Organization of not less than 2 (two) regional consultations, in Surat and Coimbatore each with a minimum of 50 (fifty) participants covering participation from all 8 (eight) segments listed in Clause 7.1 and from users of the technical textile machinery listed therein, and 1 (one) national level consultation in Delhi on the Draft Final Report, with a minimum of 100 (one hundred) participants covering participation from all 8 (eight) segments and from users of the technical textile machinery, and incorporation of the outcome in the Final Report.

8. APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY

The study shall adopt a mixed-method approach combining quantitative and qualitative techniques, technical measurement and stakeholder consultation. The indicative methodology is as follows; Applicants are expected to propose a detailed methodology best suited to meet the objectives:

i. Review of existing literature, policies, standards, technical specifications of machinery, previous scheme documents and evaluation reports, and global practices.

ii. Design and pilot-testing of structured survey instruments and technical inspection formats.

iii. Field-level data collection and cluster-based assessments using Computer-Assisted Personal Interviews (CAPI) on hand-held devices with geo-tagged photographs, including on-site technical observation / measurement of machine parameters (e.g., speed, efficiency, energy consumption) where feasible.

iv. Stakeholder consultations, Key Informant Interviews (KIIs), Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) and expert discussions.

v. Analytical assessment and benchmarking against best available technology and international standards.

vi. Preparation of the draft framework and its validation through field testing and stakeholder consultations.

vii. Submission of the Final Report along with recommendations and all deliverables.

8.1 Sampling

The Applicant shall propose the sampling design (segment-wise and cluster-wise sample size, sampling technique, representation of MSME and large units, and of old and new installations) in its Technical Proposal, in line with the coverage stated in Clause 7.1. The sampling design shall be finalized in the Inception Report with the approval of the Client.

8.2 Data Quality Assurance

- Field engineers / investigators shall have a textile technology or engineering background and at least 3 years of relevant field experience, and shall undergo classroom and on-field training with a screening test before deployment.
- 100% of collected data shall be validated using a validation checklist; missing data shall be re-collected.
- A dedicated team shall monitor incoming data on a near real-time basis through a dashboard, with back-checks / spot-checks on not less than 10% of units, and submit a weekly data quality report to the Client.

8.3 Data to be provided by the Client

The Office of the Textile Commissioner will, to the extent available, provide relevant data and documents, including scheme guidelines, benchmarked machinery lists, available data on units and machinery under TUFS / ATUFS, and facilitation letters for field visits. Non-availability of any data shall not relieve the Selected Agency of its obligation to collect the required primary data.

9. DELIVERABLES, TIMELINES AND PAYMENT TERMS

The total duration of the assignment is **four (4) months (16 weeks)** from the date of acceptance of the LoA / signing of the Agreement ("T0"). Deliverables and timelines are as follows:

S. No.	Deliverable	Description / Contents	Timeline
1	Inception Report and presentation	Understanding of scope; detailed approach and methodology; literature review and gap analysis; initial findings on international practices; sampling strategy with final list of clusters; stakeholder mapping; draft survey instruments, inspection formats and CAPI design; pilot plan; field movement plan; team deployment and training plan; data quality plan; analysis plan; risks and mitigation; detailed report structure.	T0 + 3 weeks
2	Fortnightly progress reports	Progress against work plan, issues and mitigation; weekly data quality reports during fieldwork.	Every 15 days
3	Mid-Term Report and presentation	Findings of field visits, cluster assessments and technical evaluation; status of machinery obsolescence by segment and	T0 + 12 weeks

S. No.	Deliverable	Description / Contents	Timeline
		cluster; results of the pilot and changes in tools; comparative international criteria; preliminary segment-wise criteria and thresholds; report on data quality process.	
4	Draft Final Report and presentation	Complete draft framework: segment-wise criteria matrix with weightages and scoring; results of field validation; SOPs; inspection and evaluation toolkit; draft certificate format; institutional mechanism for empanelment; digitalization framework; policy recommendations. To be used for the national validation workshop.	T0 + 14 weeks
5	Final Report, all deliverables and presentation	Final Report incorporating comments of the Client and stakeholders, with all deliverables listed below, executive summary (separately) and summary report (not exceeding 15 pages). Raw and cleaned data, KII / FGD transcripts and scoring tool in editable soft copy.	T0 + 16 weeks

9.1 Components of the Final Deliverable

- Comprehensive report on the status of textile machinery obsolescence;
- Comparative criteria adopted by various countries and internationally accepted criteria;
- Segment-wise criteria for identification of obsolete machinery, with thresholds, weightages and composite scoring / grading system;
- Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for inspection and certification;
- Inspection and evaluation toolkit (checklists, forms, scoring tool with worked examples);
- Draft format for issuance of the Obsolescence Certificate;
- Institutional mechanism for empanelment and regulation of certifying bodies;
- Framework and functional requirements for the digital certification platform;
- Policy recommendations for integration with existing and future schemes; and
- Raw and cleaned survey data (in .xlsx / .csv and statistical software formats), tabulations and transcripts.

The Final Report, Executive Summary, summary report and final presentation shall be submitted in bilingual form (English and Hindi). All reports shall be submitted in hard copy (Final Report: 10 copies; other reports: in triplicate) and soft copy (editable and PDF), together with relevant intermediate work products such as spreadsheets, data sets and scoring tools.

9.2 Payment Terms

Consultancy fees shall be paid in the following manner, after deduction of taxes at source as applicable:

Phase	Period	Milestone for payment	Payment (% of contract value)
Phase-I	Week 1 – 3	Inception, literature review, survey design and initial stakeholder consultations: on submission and acceptance of the Inception Report by the Client	20%
Phase-II	Week 4 – 12	Field visits, data collection, cluster assessment and technical evaluation: on submission and acceptance of the Mid-Term Report by the Client	40%

Phase	Period	Milestone for payment	Payment (% of contract value)
Phase-III	Week 13 – 16	Data analysis, benchmarking, draft framework and SOPs, validation: on submission and acceptance of the Final Report and all deliverables by the Client	40%

No advance payment shall be made. Comments of the Client on any report shall be incorporated and the revised report resubmitted within one week of communication.

10. INDICATIVE REPORT STRUCTURE

The Final Report should be crisp and should cover the following aspects:

1) Executive Summary
2) Introduction and Background
3) Study Objectives, Approach and Methodology (details in appendix)
4) Status of Textile Machinery and Technology Gaps – Segment-wise and Cluster-wise
5) Impact of Obsolete Machinery on Productivity, Quality, Energy and Environment
6) International Practices and Benchmarking
7) Segment-wise Obsolescence Criteria, Thresholds and Scoring System
8) Certification Methodology, SOPs and Toolkit
9) Institutional Mechanism and Digitalization Framework
10) Policy Recommendations and Way Forward
11) References and Appendices (including draft certificate format)

The Selected Agency shall submit a detailed report structure in the Inception Report for approval of the Client.

11. STAKEHOLDERS TO BE CONSULTED

A detailed list of stakeholders shall be formulated by the Selected Agency in consultation with the Client. Stakeholders shall include, but not be limited to:

- Textile units (MSME and large) across the segments listed in Clause 7.1;
- Office of the Textile Commissioner and its Regional Offices, and other offices of the Ministry of Textiles;
- Textile Research Associations (e.g., ATIRA, BTRA, SITRA, NITRA, MANTRA, SASMIRA and others);
- Textile industry associations, federations and Export Promotion Councils;
- Textile machinery manufacturers, their authorized agents and associations (e.g., TMMA);
- Banks and financial institutions, including SIDBI;
- Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Bureau of Indian Standards, pollution control authorities and accreditation bodies, as relevant; and
- Academic and technical experts.

12. KEY PERSONNEL AND TEAM REQUIREMENT

The Applicant shall propose a multidisciplinary team. The following Key Experts are the minimum requirement; CVs of all Key Experts shall be submitted in Form TECH-5. Key Experts shall be on the rolls of / exclusively engaged by the Applicant for the assignment and shall not be replaced without prior written

approval of the Client, which shall be granted only for reasons beyond the Applicant's control and against a replacement of equal or better qualification.

No.	Position	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Relevant Experience	Number
1	Team Leader	B.Tech / B.E. in Textile Technology / Textile Engineering (Post-graduate qualification preferred)	15 years in textile industry / technical consultancy, including leading technical assessment studies	1
2	Spinning and Ginning Expert	B.Tech / B.E. in Textile Technology / Engineering	10 years	1
3	Weaving, Weaving Preparatory and Knitting Expert	B.Tech / B.E. in Textile Technology / Engineering	10 years	1
4	Wet Processing Expert (including environmental compliance)	B.Tech / B.E. in Textile Chemistry / Textile Technology / Chemical Engineering	10 years	1
5	Garmenting, Embroidery and Technical Textiles Expert	B.Tech / B.E. in Textile / Apparel Technology, or equivalent from NIFT	10 years	1
6	Energy Efficiency Expert	Graduate Engineer; BEE-certified Energy Auditor / Energy Manager	8 years, including energy audits in textile units	1
7	Standards, Certification and Conformity Assessment Expert	Graduate Engineer; familiarity with ISO/IEC 17020 / 17065, BIS and accreditation processes	8 years	1
8	Policy / Economics Expert	Post-graduate in Economics / Public Policy / Management	10 years, including Government policy / scheme studies	1
9	Data Analyst / Statistician	Post-graduate in Statistics / Economics / Data Science	5 years in survey design and analysis	1
10	Digital Systems / IT Expert	B.E. / B.Tech / MCA	5 years in design of e-governance / workflow systems	1
–	Field Engineers / Investigators (Non-Key)	Degree / Diploma in Textile Technology / Engineering	3 years field experience	As required

13. MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Only those Applicants who meet all the following criteria shall be eligible. Supporting documents must be submitted for each criterion; bids without supporting documents shall be rejected.

S. No.	Criterion	Documents to be submitted
1	The Applicant shall be a legal entity registered in India under the Companies Act, the Societies Registration Act, the LLP Act, or a Government / autonomous institution / Textile Research Association, with minimum 5 years of existence as on the Bid Submission End Date.	Certificate of Incorporation / Registration

S. No.	Criterion	Documents to be submitted
2	Average annual turnover of not less than ₹3.00 crore from consultancy / technical services during any three financial years out of the last five financial years (2020-21 to 2024-25). Exemption: Textile Research Associations (TRAs) and Central / State Government organisations (including Government institutes, PSUs and autonomous bodies) are exempted from this turnover criterion.	Audited balance sheets and CA certificate in Annexure-A (TRAs / Government organisations: proof of status)
3	Experience of successfully completing, during the last five years, at least 3 assignments involving technical / engineering assessment of industrial plant and machinery, technology benchmarking, energy audits, or development of standards / certification / inspection frameworks, of which at least 1 shall be in the textile sector and at least 2 for Government / PSU / autonomous bodies.	Work orders and completion certificates in Annexure-B
4	The Applicant shall not be blacklisted / debarred by any Central / State Government Ministry / Department / PSU / autonomous body as on the Bid Submission End Date.	Self-declaration in Annexure-E
5	The Applicant shall not be a manufacturer, importer, dealer or authorized agent of textile machinery, nor an associate / affiliate of such an entity.	Self-declaration in Annexure-E
6	The Applicant shall have valid PAN and GST registration.	Copies of PAN and GST certificate
7	The Applicant shall have the Key Experts listed in Clause 12 available for the assignment.	CVs in Form TECH-5 with consent

Consortium, joint venture and tie-ups are not allowed. Relaxation, if any, in prior turnover and prior experience for Start-ups and MSEs shall be as per extant Government of India instructions.

14. PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL

a) Applicants shall submit their proposals in the formats provided in this RFP. Only proposals received in the specified forms and complete in all respects will be evaluated.

b) The Technical Proposal shall contain the documents prescribed in this RFP. No information relating to the Financial Proposal shall be included in the Technical Proposal; doing so shall lead to rejection.

c) The Proposal shall be digitally signed by the Authorized Representative: (i) by the proprietor in case of a proprietary firm; (ii) by a partner in case of a partnership firm / LLP; or (iii) by a duly authorized person in case of a company, society or other institution.

d) Evaluation shall be carried out only on the basis of documents received by the Proposal Due Date. The Client reserves the right to seek clarifications, but no new material documents shall be accepted after the Proposal Due Date.

15. TECHNICAL PROPOSAL – STANDARD FORMS

The Technical Proposal shall be uploaded in scanned form as per the following checklist:

Form	Description	Submitted (Yes / No), page no. of proposal, remarks
TECH-1	Technical Proposal Submission Form	
TECH-2	Applicant's Organization and Experience	

Form	**Description**	**Submitted (Yes / No), page no. of proposal, remarks**
TECH-3	Description of Approach, Methodology and Work Plan	
TECH-4	Team Composition and Manpower Deployment	
TECH-5	Curriculum Vitae of Key Experts	
Annexure-A	Financial Information (CA certified)	
Annexure-B	Details of Relevant Assignments	
Annexure-C	Power of Attorney for Authorized Representative	
Annexure-E	Declarations (non-blacklisting, conflict of interest, Rule 144(xi) GFR)	

FORM TECH-1

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

To

_____ (Designation)

O/o the Textile Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India

Nishtha Bhavan, New CGO Building, 48, New Marine Lines, Mumbai – 400020

Sub: Study on Issuance of Obsolescence Certificates for Textile Plant and Machinery under Tex-RAMPS Scheme – Tender No. _____ dated __.__.____

Sir / Madam,

With reference to your RFP document dated __.__.____, we, having examined all relevant documents and understood their contents, hereby submit our Technical Proposal for the above assignment. The Proposal is unconditional and unqualified. We are submitting our Proposal as [name of the Applicant]. If negotiations are held during the period of validity of the Proposal, we undertake to negotiate in accordance with the RFP. Our Proposal is binding upon us, subject only to modifications resulting from such negotiations. We understand you are not bound to accept any Proposal you receive. Further:

1. We acknowledge that the Client will rely on the information provided in the Proposal and accompanying documents, and certify that all information provided is true and correct, nothing has been omitted which renders such information misleading, and all accompanying documents are true copies of their respective originals.
2. We shall make available to the Client any additional information it may deem necessary for supplementing or authenticating the Proposal.
3. We acknowledge the right of the Client to reject our Proposal without assigning any reason and waive our right to challenge the same on any account whatsoever.
4. We certify that in the last 3 (three) years we have neither failed to perform on any assignment or contract, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitration award, nor been expelled from any project, assignment or contract by any public authority, nor had any assignment or contract terminated by any public authority for breach on our part.
5. We declare that: (a) we have examined and have no reservations to the RFP, including any addendum issued; (b) we do not have any conflict of interest in accordance with the terms of the RFP; (c) we have not directly or indirectly engaged in any corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, undesirable or restrictive practice in respect of any tender issued by or agreement entered into with the Client or any other public authority; and (d) we have taken steps to ensure that no person acting for us or on our behalf will engage in any such practice.
6. We certify that we or any of our affiliates have not been convicted by a court of law or indicted, or had adverse orders passed by a regulatory authority, which would cast doubt on our ability to undertake the assignment; that we have not been charge-sheeted or convicted for any offence relating to the security and integrity of the country; and that we are not barred by any Central / State Government, statutory body or public sector undertaking from participating in any project or bid.
7. We understand that the Client may cancel the selection process at any time without incurring any liability to the Applicants, and we irrevocably waive any right to challenge any decision taken by the Client in connection with the selection process.
8. The Financial Proposal is being submitted separately. This Technical Proposal read with the Financial Proposal shall be binding on us. We agree to abide by all the terms and conditions of the RFP.

Yours sincerely,
Authorized Signature [in full and initials]:
Name and Title of Signatory:
Name of Applicant:
Address:
Telephone / E-mail:
(Seal of the Applicant)

FORM TECH-2
APPLICANT'S ORGANIZATION AND EXPERIENCE

A. Applicant's Organization

1. Brief description of the background and organization of the Applicant, including its technical capabilities in textile technology / engineering, testing, energy audit and certification.
2. Organizational chart, list of Board of Directors / Governing Body, and beneficial ownership.
3. Details of offices / operational presence in States (with proof).

B. Applicant's Experience

1. List only similar assignments successfully completed in the last five years, with supporting documents (work order and completion certificate), in the format at Annexure-B.
2. List only assignments for which the Applicant was legally contracted by the client. Assignments completed by individual experts working privately or through other firms cannot be claimed as the Applicant's experience, but may be claimed by the experts in their CVs.
3. For each assignment, indicate the client, scope, segment(s) of textile industry covered (if applicable), duration, contract value, and the Key Experts who participated.

Signature of Authorized Signatory with Seal
Name:
Designation:

FORM TECH-3
DESCRIPTION OF APPROACH, METHODOLOGY AND WORK PLAN

The Applicant shall explain (in not more than 30 pages), without repeating the Terms of Reference:

a) Understanding of the objectives and scope of the assignment;

b) Technical approach and methodology for each Task (A to H), including the proposed approach to deriving thresholds and weightages, and to field validation of the scoring system;

c) Sampling design – clusters, segments, number of units and machines, and sampling technique;

d) Approach to international benchmarking – countries, sources and standards proposed;

e) Survey instruments, technical inspection / measurement approach, CAPI and dashboard;

f) Data quality assurance plan;

g) Work plan with week-wise activity chart (Gantt chart) aligned to the 16-week timeline; and

h) Risks and mitigation measures.

Signature of Authorized Signatory with Seal
Name:
Designation:

FORM TECH-4
TEAM COMPOSITION AND MANPOWER DEPLOYMENT

S. No.	Name of Expert	Position assigned	Qualification	Years of relevant experience	Person-months input
1		Team Leader			
2					
3					
…					

S. No.	Particulars	Number
1	Total number of persons to be deployed for the assignment	
2	Number of field teams (cluster-wise)	
3	Number of members in each field team	
4	Number of Key Experts	
5	Number of field engineers / investigators	

Signature of Authorized Signatory with Seal
Name:
Designation:

FORM TECH-5
CURRICULUM VITAE OF KEY EXPERTS

Item	Details
Proposed position	
Name of Expert	
Date of birth / Nationality	
Educational qualifications (degree, institution, year)	
Professional certifications (e.g., BEE Certified Energy Auditor)	
Employment record (employer, position, period)	
Years with the Applicant	
Relevant assignments (name, client, year, role, segment of textile industry)	
Languages	

Certification: I, the undersigned, certify that this CV correctly describes my qualifications and experience, and I consent to be deployed for this assignment for its full duration if the Applicant is selected.

Signature of Expert: _____ Date: __.__.____

Signature of Authorized Signatory of Applicant: _____

16. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL – STANDARD FORMS

While preparing the Financial Proposal, Applicants are expected to consider all requirements and conditions of this RFP. The Financial Proposal shall be a lump-sum proposal inclusive of all costs and taxes. The Applicant shall ensure that:

(i) All costs associated with the assignment are included, including remuneration of all personnel, travel, accommodation, field work in all clusters, measurement instruments, CAPI / dashboard, consultations and workshops, translation, printing, and primary and secondary data collection. The amount shall be without any condition or assumption; any conditional Financial Proposal shall be treated as non-responsive.

(ii) All taxes, duties, levies and insurance are included. All payments shall be subject to deduction of taxes at source as per applicable laws.

(iii) The price is expressed in Indian Rupees only, in the BoQ / form uploaded on the CPPP.

FORM FIN-1

FINANCIAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

Date: __.__.____
Place: _____

To
_____ (Designation)
O/o the Textile Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India
Nishtha Bhavan, New CGO Building, 48, New Marine Lines, Mumbai – 400020

Sub: Study on Issuance of Obsolescence Certificates for Textile Plant and Machinery under Tex-RAMPS Scheme – Tender No. _____

Sir / Madam,

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the services for the above assignment in accordance with your Request for Proposal dated __.__.____ and our Proposal. Our Financial Proposal is for the lump-sum amount of ₹ [amount in figures] (Rupees [amount in words] only), inclusive of GST and all other taxes.

Our Financial Proposal shall be binding upon us, subject to modifications resulting from arithmetic correction, if any, up to the expiration of the validity period of the Proposal, i.e. __.__.____.

We undertake that, in competing for (and, if the award is made to us, in executing) the above assignment, we will strictly observe the laws against fraud and corruption in force in India, namely the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. We understand you are not bound to accept any Proposal you receive.

Yours sincerely,
Authorized Signature [in full and initials]:
Name and Title of Signatory:
Name of Applicant:
Address:

17. PROPOSAL EVALUATION

i. The Pre-Qualification documents shall first be checked to determine whether the Applicant meets the Minimum Eligibility Criteria. Technical Proposals of Applicants meeting these criteria shall be checked for responsiveness, and responsive proposals shall be evaluated as per Clause 19 by the Evaluation Committee constituted by the Office of the Textile Commissioner.

ii. **Responsiveness:** Pre-Qualification – the Client will satisfy itself that the Applicant meets the minimum eligibility criteria with supporting documents. Technical Proposal – received in the specified forms by the Proposal Due Date, without any condition or qualification. Financial Proposal – received as specified by the Proposal Due Date, without any condition or qualification.

iii. **Right to Reject:** The Client reserves the right to reject any Proposal which is non-responsive, and no request for alteration, modification, substitution or withdrawal will be entertained in respect of such Proposals.

iv. **Final Selection:** Final selection shall be on the basis of Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS), with weightage of 70% for the Technical Score and 30% for the Financial Score, in accordance with the Manual for Procurement of Consultancy and Other Services.

18. NORMALIZATION PROCESS FOR FINANCIAL SCORES

The lowest Financial Proposal (Fm) among the technically qualified bids will be given a Financial Score (Sf) of 100 marks. The Financial Scores of other Financial Proposals will be determined using the formula:

$$Sf = 100 \times Fm / F$$

where Sf is the Financial Score, Fm is the lowest price, and F is the price quoted in the Financial Proposal under consideration (in INR, inclusive of taxes).

$$\text{Final Score} = (0.70 \times \text{Technical Score}) + (0.30 \times \text{Financial Score})$$

The Applicant scoring the highest Final Score shall be ranked H1 and invited for award of the work. In case of a tie in the Final Score, the Applicant with the higher Technical Score shall be ranked higher.

19. TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Technical bids of only those Applicants who meet the Minimum Eligibility Criteria will be evaluated.
- Technically eligible Applicants will be intimated in advance and required to make a presentation before the Evaluation Committee. Applicants not appearing for the presentation shall be summarily rejected.
- The Technical Score shall be evaluated on the following parameters:

S. No.	Evaluation Criteria	Marking	Max. Marks
1	Years of existence of the Applicant	5–10 years = 3 marks More than 10 years = 5 marks	5
2	Experience in similar assignments: technical / engineering assessment of industrial plant and machinery, technology benchmarking, energy audit, or development of standards / certification / inspection frameworks, for Government / PSU / multilateral bodies (last 5 years)	3–5 assignments = 10 marks 6–10 assignments = 15 marks More than 10 assignments = 20 marks	20
3	Textile sector-specific technical assignments (machinery assessment, technology	1–2 assignments = 5 marks 3–5 assignments = 8 marks	10

S. No.	Evaluation Criteria	Marking	Max. Marks
	upgradation, energy / environment studies in textile units) (last 5 years)	More than 5 assignments = 10 marks	
4	Financial strength: average annual turnover of any three years out of the last five years (consultancy / technical services). TRAs and Government organisations exempted under Clause 13 shall be awarded full marks (10) under this criterion.	₹3 crore to ₹10 crore = 6 marks Above ₹10 crore to ₹25 crore = 8 marks Above ₹25 crore = 10 marks	10
5	Presence in textile-intensive States through own offices / operations (proof to be attached)	3–5 States = 3 marks More than 5 States = 5 marks	5
6	Qualification and experience of Key Experts (as per Clause 12)	Team Leader = 6 Segment Experts (Sl. 2–5) = 8 Energy and Standards Experts = 3 Policy, Data and IT Experts = 3	20
7	Technical approach and methodology, including approach to criteria development, adequacy of proposed field coverage (clusters, States, units, segments), sampling, international benchmarking, validation, and presentation	Assessment by the Evaluation Committee based on the technical bid and presentation	20
8	Work plan and manpower deployment: adequacy and appropriateness with respect to the ToR and 16-week timeline; multidisciplinary field teams	Assessment by the Evaluation Committee	10
	Total		**100**

Financial bids of only those Applicants scoring 70 marks and above in the technical evaluation shall be opened. In case no Applicant scores the minimum qualifying marks, the Evaluation Committee may, at its discretion, reduce the minimum qualifying marks.

20. SUBMISSION, RECEIPT AND OPENING OF PROPOSALS

i. The Authorized Representative of the Applicant shall digitally sign the EMD details, Pre-Qualification, Technical and Financial Proposals. The authorization shall be confirmed by a Power of Attorney as per Annexure-C.

ii. The Applicant shall submit its proposal online containing details of EMD, Pre-Qualification, Technical Bid and Financial Bid.

iii. After the deadline for submission, the Pre-Qualification and Technical Proposals shall be opened by the Evaluation Committee. Financial Proposals shall remain sealed until completion of technical evaluation and shall be opened online only for technically qualified Applicants, with intimation to them.

iv. After submission of Proposals and until the award of work, any Applicant wishing to contact the Client on any matter related to its Proposal shall do so in writing. Any effort to influence the Client during evaluation or award may result in rejection of the Proposal.

21. REPORTING AND MONITORING

1) The Selected Agency will work closely with the Office of the Textile Commissioner, which will constitute a Monitoring / Evaluation Committee for the study. A designated officer will coordinate, facilitate access to data and stakeholders, and ensure timely responses.

2) The Selected Agency shall appoint a Team Leader as the single point of contact with the Client.

3) The Selected Agency shall make presentations on the Inception Report, Mid-Term Report, Draft Final Report and Final Report before the Committee, and submit fortnightly progress reports (and weekly data quality reports during fieldwork) describing progress, data obtained, preliminary conclusions, issues and questions.

4) The Selected Agency may prepare Issue Papers highlighting matters that could become critical for timely completion and require the Client's attention. Any anticipated delay shall be reported immediately with a mitigation plan. Work shall continue while reports are under consideration.

22. RFP TERMS AND CONDITIONS

a) **Conflict of Interest:** The Selected Agency shall not receive any remuneration in connection with the assignment except as provided in the Agreement. The Agency and its affiliates shall not engage in activities that conflict with the interest of the Client. In particular, the Agency and its affiliates shall not: (i) be a manufacturer, importer, dealer or agent of textile machinery; or (ii) accept any assignment from textile machinery manufacturers / suppliers relating to the subject matter of this study during the contract period.

b) **Intellectual Property Rights:** All IPR, including copyright in all reports, criteria, scoring tools, SOPs, formats, databases, software, source code and other work products, shall vest solely with the Office of the Textile Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles.

c) **Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure:** All data provided by the Client or collected from textile units shall be kept confidential and shall not be published, shared or sold. Unit-level data shall be used only for the purposes of this assignment. The Selected Agency shall ensure secure storage and shall hand over / destroy data on completion, as directed by the Client.

d) **Dispute Resolution and Arbitration:** Any dispute or difference arising out of or in connection with this RFP or the Agreement shall first be resolved amicably through good-faith negotiation. If not resolved within thirty (30) days, the dispute shall be referred to a sole arbitrator appointed by the Textile Commissioner, in accordance with the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, as amended. The seat of arbitration shall be Mumbai and the language shall be English.

e) **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) / Bid Security:** EMD of ₹5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) shall be submitted in the form of Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Bank Guarantee / online payment from a scheduled commercial bank, drawn in favour of "Regional Pay and Accounts Office (Textiles), Mumbai", payable at Mumbai. The physical instrument (if applicable) shall be submitted at the Client's address before the Bid Submission End Date and a scanned copy uploaded on the CPPP. EMD shall be valid for 135 days from the Bid Submission End Date. Applicants registered as MSEs / Start-ups (as recognized by DPIIT) shall be exempt from EMD on submission of valid proof, and shall submit a Bid Security Declaration instead. Bids without EMD / valid exemption shall be summarily rejected. No interest shall be payable on EMD. EMD of unsuccessful Applicants shall be returned within one month of award; EMD of the Selected Applicant shall be returned on receipt of the Performance Security.

f) **Performance Security:** The Selected Agency shall, within 14 days of issue of the LoA, submit a Performance Security by way of Bank Guarantee for 5% of the contract value for successful performance of the activities under the contract, and shall keep it active for the life of the project.

g) **Meetings:** Meetings and presentations shall be held at the Client's office or online. No TA / DA shall be payable by the Client.

h) **Evaluation and Approval of Reports:** The Committee constituted by the Client will review and approve the reports. The Selected Agency shall incorporate the comments / suggestions of the Committee. A report shall be treated as final only after acceptance by the Committee.

i) **Timeframe and Liquidated Damages:** The assignment shall be completed within four (4) months (16 weeks) from the date of acceptance of the LoA / signing of Agreement. For delay attributable to the Selected Agency, liquidated damages shall be imposed at 1% of the contract value for the first week and 2% per week thereafter. Delay may also lead to termination under Clause 22(l).

j) **Confidentiality of Evaluation:** Information relating to the evaluation of proposals and recommendations concerning award shall not be disclosed to Applicants or other persons not officially concerned with the process until the award is notified.

k) **Clarification and Amendment of RFP:** Applicants may seek clarification on this RFP through the CPPP. The Client will endeavour to respond prior to the Proposal Due Date. The Client may amend the RFP at any time before the Proposal Due Date; all amendments / corrigenda will be posted only on the CPPP and www.txcindia.gov.in, and the Client may extend the Proposal Due Date to allow reasonable time.

l) **Right to Terminate:** The Client reserves the right to terminate the Agreement, after giving 30 days' notice, if it is of the opinion that the performance of the Selected Agency is not satisfactory at any point during the contract period.

m) **Miscellaneous:**

1) The study outputs shall remain the property of the Client and shall not be used for any other purpose without its permission. The Consultancy shall stand completed on acceptance by the Client of all deliverables.

2) The Selection Process shall be governed by the laws of India, and the courts at Mumbai shall have exclusive jurisdiction.

3) The Client, in its sole discretion and without incurring any obligation or liability, reserves the right at any time to: suspend, cancel, amend or supplement the Selection Process or modify dates or other terms; consult any Applicant for clarification; retain any information submitted; and independently verify, disqualify, reject or accept any submission.

4) By submitting the Proposal, the Applicant releases the Client, its employees, agents and advisers irrevocably and unconditionally from all liability for claims, losses, damages, costs or expenses arising from the exercise of any rights under this RFP.

5) All documents submitted by an Applicant shall become the property of the Client and will not be returned.

6) The Client reserves the right to make enquiries with any of the clients listed by the Applicant in its experience record.

7) The Selected Agency shall sign an Agreement with the Office of the Textile Commissioner, which shall include provisions for performance security, liquidated damages and other terms as finalized by the Client.

23. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

a) There shall be no limitation of liability in case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct of the Selected Agency.

b) The liability of the Selected Agency to the Client shall in no case be less than the total payments expected to be made under the Agreement, or the proceeds of its insurance, whichever is higher.

c) Any such limitation shall deal only with the Agency's liability towards the Client and not with its liability towards third parties.

d) The Agency shall indemnify the Government and hold it harmless from any loss, claim or damage to persons or property, including legal fees, to the extent caused by the intentional acts of the Agency or its breach of any term of the Agreement.

e) In case the Selected Agency fails to execute the assignment as per the schedule, leading to termination, the Client reserves the right, after 30 days' written notice, to procure the services from the next eligible bidder or other sources at the risk and cost of the Agency.

f) In case of any major deviation in execution of the study from the defined terms, the Client reserves the right to deduct an amount proportionate to the deviation, as assessed by the Client, whose decision shall be final.

g) In case any discrepancy or fabrication is observed in the data collected and presented, the Client reserves the right to deduct an amount proportionate to the discrepancy from the payment due, as assessed by the Client, besides any other action under the Agreement.

24. INTERPRETATION AND SEVERABILITY

1) Each clause shall be interpreted so as to be effective and valid under applicable law; if any clause is prohibited or invalid, it shall be ineffective only to that extent without invalidating the remainder.

2) The terms herein shall prevail over any earlier order or correspondence and shall, together with the Agreement, constitute the entire agreement with the Agency.

3) Governing Law and Jurisdiction: The Agreement shall be governed by the laws of India, subject to the jurisdiction of courts at Mumbai.

4) Agreement Cancellation: In the event the Selected Agency wilfully does not commence work within 30 working days after the stipulated period, the Office of the Textile Commissioner may, at its sole discretion, cancel the Agreement in writing and forfeit the Performance Security.

5) In this RFP, the singular includes the plural and vice versa; a gender includes other genders; a reference to a clause or annexure is to a clause of or annexure to this RFP; and a reference to time is to Indian Standard Time.

25. SUBMISSION OF TENDER

The tender shall be submitted online only at https://eprocure.gov.in, covering EMD, Pre-Qualification, Technical Bid and Financial Bid. All pages of the bid shall be signed and sequentially numbered before uploading. No other mode of submission will be entertained.

Cover	Documents to be uploaded
Fee / EMD	Scanned copy of EMD instrument or MSE / Start-up exemption proof with Bid Security Declaration
Pre-Qualification	Registration certificate; CA-certified turnover (Annexure-A); PAN and GST; experience with work orders and completion certificates (Annexure-B); declarations (Annexure-E)
Technical Bid	Power of Attorney (Annexure-C); Forms TECH-1 to TECH-5
Financial Bid	Form FIN-1 and BoQ uploaded on the CPPP

ANNEXURE-A
FINANCIAL INFORMATION

I. (Not mandatory for TRAs / Government organisations exempted under Clause 13; such Applicants shall be awarded full marks for financial strength under Clause 19.) Details duly supported by audited balance sheets / profit and loss accounts for the last five years, certified by a Chartered Accountant (copies to be attached):

Particulars	**2020-21**	**2021-22**	**2022-23**	**2023-24**	**2024-25**
Annual turnover from consultancy / technical services (₹ lakh)					
Profit / Loss (₹ lakh)					
Average annual turnover of best three years (₹ lakh)					

II. Certificates to be enclosed: (a) Income Tax Returns for the above years; (b) latest solvency certificate from the Applicant's bankers; (c) copy of PAN; (d) GST registration certificate.

Signature of Chartered Accountant with Seal
Name:
Membership No. / FRN:
UDIN:

Signature of Authorized Signatory with Seal
Name:
Designation:

ANNEXURE-B

DETAILS OF RELEVANT ASSIGNMENTS COMPLETED DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS ENDING 31.03.2025

Sl. No.	Name of assignment, location and brief scope	Client / sponsoring organization	Textile segment(s) covered (if any)	Contract value (₹)	Date of commence-ment	Date of completion	Name, address and phone of client reference officer
1							
2							
3							

Note: Work orders and completion certificates must be provided for each assignment listed.

Signature of Authorized Signatory with Seal
Name:
Designation:

ANNEXURE-C

FORMAT FOR POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

(On non-judicial stamp paper of appropriate value / Applicant's letterhead as applicable)

Know all men by these presents, we, [name of organization and address of registered office], do hereby constitute, nominate, appoint and authorize Mr. / Ms. [name], son / daughter / wife of [name], presently residing at [address], who is presently employed with / retained by us and holding the position of [designation], as our true and lawful attorney (the "Authorized Representative"), to do in our name and on our behalf all such acts, deeds and things as are necessary or required in connection with or incidental to submission of our Proposal for and selection as the Agency for the "Study on Issuance of Obsolescence Certificates for Textile Plant and Machinery under Tex-RAMPS Scheme" of the Office of the Textile Commissioner (the "Authority"), including but not limited to signing and submission of all applications, proposals and other documents, participating in pre-bid and other meetings, providing information and responses to the Authority, representing us in all matters before the Authority, and generally dealing with the Authority in all matters in connection with our Proposal until the award of work and signing of the Agreement.

AND we hereby agree to ratify and confirm all acts, deeds and things lawfully done by our said Authorized Representative pursuant to this Power of Attorney, and all such acts shall be deemed to have been done by us.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE, [name of organization], THE ABOVE NAMED PRINCIPAL, HAVE EXECUTED THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY ON THIS [date] DAY OF [month] [year].

For [name and registered address of organization]

[Signature] [Name] [Designation]

Witnesses: 1. [Signature, name and address] 2. [Signature, name and address]

Accepted: [Signature] [Name] [Designation] [Address]

Notes: (1) The mode of execution shall be in accordance with applicable law and the charter documents of the executant, and under seal where so required. (2) The Applicant shall submit the extract of charter documents / board resolution in favour of the person executing this Power of Attorney.

ANNEXURE-D

ILLUSTRATIVE CRITERIA MATRIX FOR IDENTIFICATION OF OBSOLETE TEXTILE MACHINERY

(For guidance of Applicants; to be refined, extended to all segments and validated through the study)

Machinery Segment	Parameter	Benchmark / Threshold for Obsolescence
Spinning	Age of machine	> 15–20 years
	Technology type	Conventional ring frame without automation
	Productivity	< 70% of current industry benchmark
	Energy consumption	> 20% higher than modern equivalent
	Automation level	No auto-doffing / manual operations
Weaving	Age of loom	> 15 years
	Technology type	Shuttle loom / outdated shuttleless
	Production efficiency	< 60–70% efficiency
	Fabric defect rate	High (> acceptable norms)
	Energy efficiency	Consumption more than 10% higher compared to best available technology
Knitting	Age	> 12–15 years
	Technology	Non-computerized machines
	Productivity	Below industry benchmark
Processing	Age	> 10–15 years
	Technology	Non-continuous / outdated batch systems
	Water / energy use	Consumption more than 10% higher compared to best available technology
	Compliance	Does not meet pollution norms
Garmenting	Age	> 10 years
	Technology	Manual / semi-automatic
	Productivity	Low output per operator
	Quality	Inconsistent quality output
Technical textile machinery (Clause 7.1 list)	Age	> 10 years
	Technology	Manual / semi-automatic
	Productivity	Low output per operator
	Quality	Inconsistent quality output
	Energy efficiency	Consumption more than 10% higher compared to best available technology

Note: Final thresholds shall be determined based on the detailed study and stakeholder consultation, and parameters may be assigned weightages for composite scoring. Criteria for Ginning, Weaving Preparatory and Embroidery segments shall be developed by the Selected Agency.

ANNEXURE-E

DECLARATIONS

(On the Applicant's letterhead)

We, [name of Applicant], hereby declare and undertake that:

1. We have not been blacklisted / debarred by any Central / State Government Ministry / Department / PSU / autonomous body in India or abroad, and no such bar subsists as on the Bid Submission End Date.
2. We, and our affiliates / associates, are not manufacturers, importers, dealers or authorized agents of textile machinery, and have no conflict of interest in undertaking this assignment as defined in Clause 22(a) of the RFP. We shall disclose immediately any conflict of interest arising during the assignment.
3. We have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India (Rule 144(xi) of GFR 2017). We certify that we are not from such a country, or, if from such a country, we are registered with the Competent Authority (evidence enclosed).
4. We have not been in default of any contract in the last three years, and no penalty has been imposed on us by an arbitral or judicial authority for non-performance.
5. All information furnished in our Proposal is true and correct. We understand that any false information shall render us liable for rejection / termination and forfeiture of EMD / Performance Security, besides any other action under law.

Signature of Authorized Signatory with Seal
Name:
Designation:
Date: __.__.____

ANNEXURE-F

FORMAT OF AGREEMENT

The format of Agreement to be executed between the Office of the Textile Commissioner and the Selected Agency, incorporating the scope, deliverables, payment terms, performance security, liquidated damages, confidentiality, IPR, termination and dispute resolution provisions of this RFP, is attached.

27. INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE BID SUBMISSION

Bidders are required to submit soft copies of their bids electronically on the CPP Portal (https://eprocure.gov.in) using valid Digital Signature Certificates (Class III). Bidders shall register on the CPP Portal, search for the tender, download the tender documents, prepare their bids in accordance with the requirements of this RFP, and upload the bid documents in the respective covers before the Bid Submission End Date. Bidders are advised to go through the "Instructions for Online Bid Submission", help manuals and FAQs available on the CPP Portal, and to contact the CPP Portal helpdesk for any technical difficulty. The Client shall not be responsible for any failure in uploading bids due to technical reasons at the bidder's end.

Digitally signed by SACHIN KUMAR
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