RESPONSE TO PRE-BID QUERIES HELD ON 25.10.2021 AT 15.00 HRS FOR THE PROJECT "DEVELOPMENT OF CAGE AQUACULTURE IN K R SAGARA AND ALAMATTI RESERVOIRS, KARNATAKA"

Department of Fisheries (DoF), Government of Karnataka (GoK) issued a notification for the project "Development of Cage Aquaculture in the Reservoirs of K R Sagara and Alamatti in Karnataka on Lease-Develop-Operate Basis" on 22.09.2021 through its website and newspapers such as Kannada Prabha and Deccan Herald. Further, the EoI was made available through its website link: https://fisheries.karnataka.gov.in/page/Tenders+and+Notifications/en from 27.09.2021. As per the EoI Document, the interested applicants were requested to submit their written queries to the office of Director, DoF. However, there were no queries received until 21.10.2021 as stated in the EoI Document. The pre-bid meeting for the Project was held on 25.10.2021 at 15.00 hrs through video-conference mode under the chairmanship of Director, DoF. The pre-bid meeting was attended by 15 Prospective Applicants.

The response to the queries/clarification raised by the interested applicants in the pre-bid is as given below:

Sl.no:	Query/Clarification from the Applicants	Response of Department of Fisheries
1.	Request to extend the last date of submission of Application from 30.10.2021 on or before 17.00 hrs by another 15 days	The last date for submission of the Eol application for the Project "Development of Cage Aquaculture in the Reservoirs of K R Sagara and Alamatti in Karnataka on Lease-Develop-Operate Basis" is extended from 30.10.2021 on or before 17.00 hrs to 16.11.2021 on or before 17.30 hrs.
2.	What will be the distance between one cage site to another	The minimum distance that could be considered between one cage site to another is 1 km (Drawn from the experience of Hirakud – a case of commercial cage culturing) however, the DoF through its officials will facilitate the process of site selection and minimum distance needed between one cage site to another on case-to-case basis before the installation of cages by the Successful Applicant.
		The Applicant also has to follow the "Guidelines for Cage Culture in Open Inland Water Bodies In India" issued by Gol. In the context of K R Sagara and Alamatti, any assistance needed from DoF shall be obtained by the Applicant for the preparation of Detailed Project Report at the time of submission of application.
3.	Facilitation for activities by Department of Fisheries for this project	The Department of Fisheries, Government of Karnataka shall facilitate: O Provide technical training to Successful Applicants on the Do's and Don't's as per the Guidelines for Cage Culture in Open Inland Water Bodies In India. O Technical assistance to the Successful

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4.	Payment of the Lease Amount for 1stYear, upfront during the submission of Application	 Payment of the Lease Amount for 1st year, shall be done by the Successful Applicant in the form of DD before signing of the Contract with the Department of Fisheries. However the Applicant has to pay the Eol Fee and the EMD at the time of submission of the application.

The remaining clauses will remain same as provided in the EoI document issued on 27.09.2021.

Director of Fisheries.