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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

EMPANELMENT OF SUPPLIERS THROUGH NeML e-REVERSE

AUCTION PLATFORM FOR SUPPLY OF 700 MTs OF

FORTIFIED RICE KERNEL (FRKS) WITH THREE (3) MICRO

NUTRIENTS IN 25 KG BAGS TO APSCSCL FOR A PERIOD OF

SIX MONTHS FROM March 2020 ONWARDS

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EMPANELMENT OF SUPPLIERS THROUGH NeML e-REVERSE AUCTION PLATFORM FOR SUPPLY OF 700 MTs of Fortified Rice Kernel (FRKs) with Three (3) Micro Nutrients in 25 Kg Bags to APSCSCL for a period of Six Months from March 2020 onwards.

Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) can be fortified with several micronutrients, such as iron, folic acid and other B-complex vitamins, vitamin A and zinc. The APSCSCL has invited applications from the Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) Manufacturers from all over India for enrolment of suppliers to supply Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) as per FSSAI Standards through participation in the e-reverse auction conducted by NeML on behalf of APSCSCL Ltd. The procedure for enrolment, registration and terms and conditions of supply under the e-procurement mode for supply of Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) is detailed below:-

APSCSCL shall follow e-procurement mode for conducting electronic auction system for procurement of Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) in 25 Kg Bag form from registered suppliers.

1. SCOPE OF WORK:-

The APSCSCL Ltd being the appointed agency for procurement of 700 MTs of Three (3) Micro Nutrients Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) in 25 Kg Bag for Six (6) Months Requirement by Government of Andhra Pradesh. The Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) Manufacturers from all over India are eligible to participate in the reverse e-auction to be conducted by APSCSCL Ltd.

The requirement of **700** MTs of Three (3) Micro Nutrients Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) in 25 Kg Bag for Six (6) Months which has to be supplied to the specified Rice mills/Buffer Godowns of the corporation in specified Districts in the AP State. The approximate quantity of the Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) for Six (6) months may be seen in Annexure-III. **The quantities indicated in respect of each district may vary depending upon the requirement and demand as indented by the department from time to time.**

1.2. In order to facilitate tenderer from duly procuring Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) in 25 Kg Bags from all over India are eligible to participate in the reverse e-auction to be conducted by APSCSCL Ltd are eligible to participate in e-procurement process, registration with mandatory. The procedure for registration is detailed in www.neml.in

1.3. The inspection and evaluation of samples will be carried out in accordance with specified quality parameters as per the procedure stipulated in sections 6.2 to 7.

2. ELIGIBILITY / PREQUALIFICATION CONDITIONS.

2.1. The tenderer should have own manufacturing unit for Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) are eligible to apply for registration. fulfilling certain criteria specified below.

2.2. The Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) Manufacturing Unit should be owned.

2.3. The FRK Manufacturer should have to submit sales Invoice's / PO copies / Work Order supplied to reputed buyer.

2.4 The Manufacturer should have valid FSSAI licenses.

2.5. The Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) Manufacturing Units should have proper valid license by the concerned authority for manufacturing and storing of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK).

2.6. They should possess valid GST registration issued by concerned authorities.

2.7. The firm/applicant should not have been Blacklisted / convicted for any offences or violation of any State or Central act such as essential commodities act etc or any criminal offence under IPC.

3. DOCUMENTS TO BE FURNISHED ALONG WITH APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION.

3.1 The Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) processing Units should have proper valid license by the concerned authority for processing and storing of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) Copy of which will have to be furnished

3.2 Attested copy of audited balance Sheet and profit / loss account for past three years duly certified by Chartered Accountant shall be submitted.

3.3 Applicants shall submit attested copy of the Income Tax returns of last three years or from the establishment of the plant duly certified with a copy of a PAN card attested by authorized signatory.

3.4 Attested copy of Certificate of registration under GST Act as applicable shall be submitted. The suppliers have to produce the valid license from FSSAI.

3.5 An affidavit on Rs 100 Non-Judicial stamp paper and attested by the Notary.

3.5.1. Not having been prosecuted for violation rules / law under Essential Commodities Act or any such others law or orders there under in any court of law.

3.5.2. Not having been black listed by any organization or Government for non-performance of contractual obligation.

3.5.3. FRK supplier should submit the below documents before dispatching the consignment:

- Certificate of Analysis (COA) from an external NABL accredited laboratory, for each consignment
- COA of the premix used for manufacturing FRK, for each consignment
- Details of the quantity of FRK being supplied along with COA
- Valid FSSAI licence to be submitted annually.

3.6 In case of partnership firm or Co-operative or Corporate, the Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) Processing Units, Trading firms and processing units should furnish a copy of the partnership deed or byelaw or memorandum as the case may be. In case of partnership firms the share holding pattern should be duly certified by the Chartered Accountant along with details of name, age, education and experience of the partners. In case of Co operative / corporate body copy of letter of authorization to the Chief Executive or the authorized person to register and participate in the e-procurement/tender process should be furnished.

3.7. The FRK Manufacturer should have to submit sales Invoice's / PO copies / Work Order supplied to reputed buyer.

3.8 The Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) Manufacturing Units should furnish letter of authority or power of attorney for having authorized the person to sign the documents on behalf of firm or society or corporate body. Attestation of signature of such authorized signatory from the bank where the firm is having its account is essential.

3.9 The address proof of the authorized signatory viz Telephone bill/copy of pass port / electricity bill/ voter ID proof should be submitted along with the application. The address proof in respect of the firm shall be either certificate of registration or certificate of incorporation issued by the concerned authority.

3.10 Bank account details of firm along with IFSC code, Branch details, address shall be furnished in the letterhead of the firm.

3.11 The applicants have to deposit the registration fee of **Rs 5900** (Rs 5000+ 18% GST) along with the documents. The registration fee can be directly transferred to the Exchange bank account given below. The existing members (TCM, CP) of NeML who have renewed the membership for the year 2019-20 need

not pay registration fee to NeML. However they have to submit the relevant documents again.

NeML Bank Account Details			
Bank Name	Account No.	IFSC Code	Branch
HDFC Bank Ltd	00990690013043	HDFC0000060	Fort,Mumbai
Indusind Bank	0033-569227-066	INDB0000033	Fort,Mumbai
Axis Bank Ltd	4010202176811	UTIB0000004	Fort,Mumbai
Bank of India	008620110000781	BKID0000086	Fort,Mumbai
State Bank of India	30760960198	SBIN0011777	Fort,Mumbai

3.12 The interested applicants may also visit website www.neml.in and www.apscsc.gov.in and for any relevant information regarding enrolment as participant on NeML. Interested participants can also contact the Customer Service Group on below phone numbers **(022) 66473153/54** or Email: askus@neml.in

4. EVALUATION OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION.

4.1. The completed applications along with relevant documents and fee / registration charges shall be submitted on or before 25.02.2020 at the following addresses,

To

**The Membership Department
NCDEX e Markets Ltd.,
101 & 101 T, First Floor, Ackruti Corporate Park,
LBS Marg, Kanjurmarg (West),
Mumbai- 400079
Phone:022-66473154/53**

4.2 In order to facilitate empanelment of suppliers and to encourage their participation, the applications received after above date i.e. 25.02.2020 will also be accepted for empanelment. However the registration for empanelment for the year 2019-20 shall be kept open throughout the year till further notice or till stocks last. The applications received after the due date will also be scrutinized on periodic basis and the eligible Participants will be allowed to participate in subsequent e-auctions conducted, if any. APSCSCL has the right to extend the date of submission of applications subject to uploading circular on such extensions on the website www.neml.in.

4.3. Those who have already registered as Commodity Participants/Members/ on NCDEX E Markets Ltd and who have renewed their membership for the current financial year need not separately register with NCDEX E Markets limited for this RFP. However they shall submit duly signed RFP document for having accepted

the terms and conditions of the RFP & Documents as per RFP to participate in the proposed e-auction.

5. SCHEDULING OF e-AUCTIONS.

5.1 Based on the requirements, APSCSCL through their Head Office will notify NeML to schedule auctions on periodic basis. Further such details will be posted on the web site of APSCSCL www.apscsc.gov.in /www.neml.in. Neither the APSCSCL nor NeML will individually intimate to the registered suppliers regarding the e-auction schedule.

5.2. All registered tenderer duly procuring Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) from all over India are eligible to participate in the reverse e-auction to be conducted by on behalf of APSCSC Ltd in e-auctions subject to terms and conditions detailed in this document.

6. QUALITY PARAMETERS.

6.1 The quality parameters for Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) as per the FSSAI standards are detailed below for the reference of all eligible suppliers. APSCSCL has the right to alter the parameters at its own discretion before notifying the e-auction schedule.

6.1.1 Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) comprises of:

- Around 85 % of Rice Flour
- Around 4-6% of Premix (Vitamins and Minerals)
- Around 10 % moisture and emulsifiers.

Raw Material Selection:

The first decisive step in making good fortified rice is the selection of appropriate raw material. The challenge in selecting a compatible specification of ingredients is very critical, as the rice produced should be strong enough to sustain the shelf life and meet the cooking quality of regular rice grains. Receiving, storage and handling of raw material needs to be conducted as per the process.

Major ingredients include:

- Rice Flour
- Food Grade Vitamin and Mineral Premix per FSSAI guidelines

- FSSAI approved Acid regulators and emulsifiers (Pentasodium Triphosphate – INS 451 (i), Citric Acid INS 330 etc.)
- Potable Water (IS 10500 : 2012)

Rice Flour:

Clean Broken Rice at an initial moisture content of 11-12% is ground to flour using 30-60 mesh sieve. Rice flour is very hygroscopic in nature; hence, the raw material and final produce need to be handled as per Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP).

Vitamin and Mineral Premix:

Composition of vitamin premix has to meet the recommended specifications as per Food Safety Standards (Fortification of Food) Regulations, 2016. It can be of mandatory vitamins and minerals, namely, Iron, Folic Acid, and Vitamin B12, or the optional ones which comprise Zinc Oxide, Vitamin A, Thiamine, Riboflavin, Niacin - Nicotinamide, and Vitamin B6. The level of premix is determined in order to fulfil more than 30-50% of Recommended Dietary Allowance (RDA) or as **recommended** by FSSAI.

Emulsifier/ Acid regulator/ Antioxidants:

FSSAI approved emulsifiers! acid regulators! antioxidants (Pentasodium triphosphate IS 451 (i) ! Citric Acid IS 330 etc.) shall be used as per the allowances prescribed in Food Safety Standards (Fortification of Food) Regulations, 2016.

Water:

Water is used in manufacturing of Fortified rice as a solute which penetrates the starch structure of the flour and helps in gelatinization of starch. Potable water (complying Indian standards for Potable water standards IS 10500 : 2012 amended on 1st June, 2015) shall be used for mixing of ingredients.

6.1.2. Criteria for procurement of premix for FRK production:

The manufacturer should submit Certificate of Analysis (COA) for FRK and the pre-mix used for production of the FRK before the dispatch of the consignment to the mill for fortification and before production of FRK respectively, to the State officials for clearance. The report should mention the levels of all micronutrients, along with salt names, which were added for FRK production. The chemical salt of the Vitamin and Minerals, used for FRK production, should be in line with the ones mentioned in FSSAI guidelines. Test parameters should be performed by NABL accredited laboratory external to both

the FRK manufacturer as well as the pre-mix producer. FRK should resemble the regular rice in its colour, sheen, consistency and texture.

6.2 Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) :

The quality parameters for Three (3) Micro nutrients of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) at the beneficiary level are detailed below:

As per recommendations of FSSAI standards, the Level of 3 Micro nutrients is mentioned in the table below.		
S.N	Nutrient	Level of Fortification per Kg
1	Iron - (a) Ferric pyrophosphate (or)	28 mg - 42.5 mg *
	(b) Sodium Iron (III) Ethylene diamine tetra Acetate Trihydrate (Sodium ferredetate - Na Fe EDTA) ;	14 mg - 21.25 mg
2	Folic acid - Folic acid ;	75 µ g - 125 µ g
3	Vitamin B 12 - Cyanocobalamine or Hydroxycobalamine ;	0.75 µ g - 1.25 µ g
Note: * added at a higher level to account for less bioavailability.		

*10 gm fortified rice kernels for blending with 1 kg regular rice to form fortified rice.

** To ascertain above levels of micronutrients as prescribed by the FSSAI, the manufacturer should produce the Fortified Rice Kernels as per the specification mentioned below.

Finished Product specifications

Ingredient	Parameter	Specification	Reference	Frequency
Fortified Rice Kernels (Minimum Levels of micronutrients /10g of FRK which is required for blending with 1kg regular rice to produce Fortified Rice)	Shape	Manufactured grain should resemble the normal milled rice as closely as possible	Milled rice from the rice mill at state/UT	Each consignment
	Average Grain Length	To match with milled rice produced at the Rice Mill. Average Length to be around 5 mm.	Milled rice from the rice mill at state/UT.	Each consignment
	Average Grain Breadth	To match with milled rice produced at the Rice Mill. Average Breadth to be around 2.2 mm.	Milled rice from the rice mill at state/UT.	Each consignment
	Moisture	12% w/w (Max) at the time of receipt.	ISO 712-2009	Each consignment
	Extraneous Matter	Free from organic and inorganic extraneous matter	Visual Observation	Each consignment

Kernel Count per gm	50 - 75	Weighing	Each Consignment
Color	White to Off-white	Visual Observation	Each consignment
Iron	47.22 mg	AOAC 944.02 or AACC 40-70.01 (total iron present in ferric form) using Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry or AOAC 984.27 using ICP Emission.	Each consignment
Folic Acid	250 mic g	AOAC 992.05 or EN 14131 using microbiological extraction	Each consignment
Vitamin B12	2.5 mic g	AOAC 2011.10, 960.46 or AACC 86-40.01 using HPLC at 550 nm Wavelength	Each consignment
Mesophillic aerobic bacteria	10,000 cfu per gram (Max)	ICC no. 125, AACC 42- 11	Each consignment
Yeasts and Moulds	100 cfu per gram (Max)	ICC no. 146, AACC 42- 50	Each consignment
Cooking test	FRK to retain physical properties and micronutrient levels after being subject to washing and cooking. Cooking characteristics to be similar to FCI rice.	Cooking characteristics of FCI rice.	Each consignment

Vitamins and Minerals	Chemical Form	Minimum Levels of micronutrients /Kg of Fortified rice at beneficiary level	Minimum Levels of micronutrients / 10 gm fortified rice kernels* (Ex-factory)
Iron	Ferric pyrophosphate (Micronized) Particle size < 3 microns	42.5 mg	47.22 mg
Folic acid	Folic acid	125 ug	250 ug
Vitamin B12	Cyanocobalamine	1.25 ug	2.5 ug

6.3 At the time of delivery of stocks by the suppliers, the stocks will be subjected to quality verification by the quality control staff of the APSCSCL at the unloading godowns. Samples will be drawn as per the usual procedure of the APSCSCL. In the event of supply of stocks not conforming to specifications as indicated, such stocks are liable for rejection and get back the stocks with the risk of suppliers only. And it will be viewed seriously besides imposing of **Rs 5.00 lakhs** Penalty for each truck. The supplier is also informed that any deviation in quality specifications of terms and conditions if noticed the said supplier will be blacklisted from participating in further tenders of the corporation besides recovery of any loss /damage sustained by the corporation in this account.

6.4 **PACKING:**

Packing instructions: FRK to be delivered in appropriately labeled 25 Kg woven HDPE bags with an inner LDPE lining. The packaging material to comply with the specifications given below:

Outer Packaging Material: Woven HPDE

Outer bag: 80gms

Inner Liner Packaging Material: LDPE

Liner Thickness: 250 gauge

Packaging Size: 25 kg.

Marking instructions: The markings on the bag should mention the below. The draft label shall be shared with State Food Department well in advance for approval.

- Name of the Product
- Intended Consumption
- Ingredients
- Vegetarian logo
- Net weight
- Detailed address of Manufacturer
- Instructions for Use
- Storage Conditions
- Batch Number/ Lot Number/ Date & Time of Manufacturing/ Shelf Life

Quality assurance and control: A Certificate of Analysis (CoA) for the produced FRK covering the micronutrient levels and microbiological parameters from an external NABL accredited laboratory should be shared with State Food Department at least 1 week in advance of the date of dispatch of the FRK to ensure a detailed review and feedback to the CoA. The supplier is also expected to share with State Food Department a 500g sample of the FRK from the consignment under production before its dispatch. The CoA for the premix

should also be shared with State Food Department in advance of the production of the FRK.

Shelf life: The FRK produced should have a shelf life of minimum 12 months when the consignment is received at the delivery location.

The Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) stocks should be delivered duly packed in in a special two-layer bag with inner poly lining (25kg). Without the above details the stocks dispatched by the suppliers will not be accepted at the specified Rice mill/Buffer Godown/MLS points of APSCSCL

6.4.2 All stocks should be supplied within a period of 10 days of packing with shelf life of at least **Twelve months**. Commodities supplied after 15 days of packing will not be accepted.

6.4.3 If the stocks are brought to the specified Rice mill/Buffer Godown/MLS points without fulfilling the quality, quantity and above conditions the Supplier has to take back the stocks at their risk and cost and Corporation is not responsible for any loss in such cases.

6.4.4 **The shelf-life of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) Bag should be 12 months from the date of dispatch.**

6.4.5 The suppliers should have valid license from FSSAI and should be printed on the pouch.

7. ASSAYING

7.1 The Supplier shall, on his own and at his cost, offer the stock of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) from the identified batch marked for delivery at the loading point for inspection and certification in accordance with quality parameters as specified in Clause 6.2 above, from any of the NABL (National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories) food testing laboratories as per the list notified by Food Safety and Standards Authority of India. The stocks which qualify the parameters as per Clause-6.2 above shall only be supplied. Each and every consignment shall accompany such Assaying Certificate issued by NABL/State Food Laboratory accredited food testing laboratory.

7.2 APSCSCL may randomly collect the samples at the depots and get the samples tested in any of the NABL accredited laboratories independently. The quality of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) in 25 Kgs will be evaluated based on specified quality parameters as detailed in section-6.2. The results of such testing will be final and binding on the suppliers. The stocks which fail the test have to be taken back and replaced with new stock with good quality by the Supplier at his own cost and risk within one week from the date of intimation by the respective District Manager of APSCSCL. Suppliers may note that the double cost

of assaying will be borne by them for the test and such costs will be deducted while making the payment for supplies made.

7.3 The supplier shall arrange to record tare weight and gross weight on electronic weighbridge before loading and after loading of the consignment. The copies of weigh bridge receipt along with copy of invoice / delivery challan and assaying report from the NABL accredited laboratories as per list detailed in Annexure shall be handed over to concerned officer of the APSCSCL at the time of giving delivery. Deliveries without valid documents will be rejected and will not be in awarded by the concerned officer.

7.4 Consignment will be unloaded at the designated Rice mill/Buffer Godown/MLS points during working hours only i.e. between 10 AM and 5 PM. On arrival of the consignment the concerned officer of APSCSCL will verify the documents and the assaying report. On confirming the authenticity of the consignment and after being satisfied with the quality of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) in 25 Kg Bag based on the assaying report submitted by the Supplier, the concerned officer directs the representative of the supplier to arrange for recording the gross weight of the consignment on an electronic weighbridge before unloading.

7.5 In case if the concerned officer of APSCSCL is not satisfied with the quality of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) supplied then he would arrange to draw samples and forward the same for testing and certification as per Clause 7.2 above within 7 days of receipt of the goods.

7.5 After unloading, the tare weight of the truck is recorded on the same electronic weighbridge. The copies of the Weigh Bridge receipts at the unloading point along with other documents i.e. invoice / delivery challan, assaying report and weighbridge receipts at the loading point shall be handed over to the concerned officer/In charge of Rice mill/Buffer Godown/MLS Point of APSCSCL Ltd.

7.6 In case of non-availability of electronic weighbridge facility in the vicinity of the delivery location, then the concerned officer/In charge of Rice mill/Buffer Godown/MLS Point shall record the gross weight of the bags on weighing scale on a random basis. Based on the recorded weights he shall arrive at net weight of the consignment, and as per the acknowledgement of the in charge Rice mill/Buffer Godown/MLS point the net weight of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) value will be released to the supplier.

8. PROCESS OF ELECTRONIC AUCTION SYSTEM ON NeML PLATFORM.

8.1. The registered suppliers with NeML are eligible to participate in the electronic bid system i.e. e-auction with the issued USER ID and PASSWORD.

8.2. NeML in consultation with the APSCSCL will schedule the auctions and such details viz. e-auction calendar will be published on the website of APSCSCL Ltd.

8.3. The registered suppliers shall not be intimated individually regarding the e-auctions, however e-mails and SMS will be sent for all the registered and empanelled Bidders which are scheduled by the NeML. However the registered suppliers may also contact, APSCSCL office located at Vijayawada for obtaining details of schedule of e-auctions if required.

8.4. The registered suppliers need to deposit **EMD 2.295%** value of goods as (margin money) through online payment by NeML Provide Escrow account.

8.5 The bidders shall be allowed by NeML to bid only if the requisite 2 amount is available in the EMD Account of NeML. The amount deposited as E.M.D (Margin Money) would determine the bidding capacity of the bidder.

8.6 Only the EMD (Margin Money) of the lowest bidder would be blocked by NeML. The EMD (Margin Money) of the unsuccessful Bidder(s), including those whose bid(s) are not accepted due to non-fulfillment/not meeting the conditions attached to the bid(s), shall be returned by NeML to their registered Bank Account through electronic mode.

8.7 In case, if any bid is received 3 minutes prior to the scheduled auction closing time then the auction schedule shall be extended for 5 minutes over and above the schedule auction closing time. There shall be maximum 3 such extensions.

8.8 The bidders shall place their bids online on NeML Platform www.neml.in the online e-Auction system made available by NeML as per the terms and conditions of the E-Auction.

8.9 The price quoted shall be Rs/Quintal basis for offered quantity

8.10 Suppliers, quote the price will be

Tenderers price should be quoted With Transportation Charges, Inclusive of all incidental expenditure, transaction charges, applicable taxes/GST, if any, payable. Delivery at APSCSCL Desire godown i.e Rice mill/Buffer Godown of Corporation respect of the concerned district. Fortified Rice Kernel (FRK) in 25 Kg packing FOR Six (6) months with offer Quantity.

➤ All the details of bids received in the e auction on NeML platform for

packing materials of APSCSCL will be communicated to Authorized representative of APSCSCL.

- The EMD of All the unsuccessful bidders can be withdrawn by putting withdrawal request in system <https://cst.neml.in>
- The EMD of L1 will be transferred to APSCSCL after deducting 0.25% Transaction charges plus applicable GST on the transaction charges by NeML.
- All the post auction process including terms of DELIVERY of material and payment will be communicated by APSCSCL to the L1 bidders after accepting the L1 prices

8.11 The Bids of all Bidders who have participated in the E-Auction must remain valid for a period of 60(Sixty) working days from the date of auction.

8.12 The reducing tick size/ decrement value shall be Rs. 1. (Rupees one only)

8.13 During an auction session, a bidder may modify his bid downwards to a reduced value less than the existing lowest bid and offered Quantity. No cancellation of Bids shall be allowed during an auction session. The lowest valid bid received on the platform will be communicated to the department by NeML. The Corporation after evaluation of bids will communicate regarding acceptance/rejection of the lowest bid (if found not competitive). The lowest valid bid once approved by the APSCSCL will be declared as successful L-1 bidder and the same will be communicated by e-mail to the successful bidder. However the APSCSCL reserves the right, without giving any reason, to accept or to reject all or any bid including lowest bid.

8.14 The final results of the e-auction as approved by APSCSCL are binding on all bidders. Any requests for cancellation of bids received either during the auction session or after the conclusion of an auction session shall not be accepted. Failure to accept award of supply contract by the successful supplier shall result in the forfeiture of the EMD (Margin money) and blacklisting from further participation in the e-auctions for a period of three years. The decision of the Vice-Chairman& Managing Director, APSCSCL in this regard will be final.

8.15 Any bid placed using the bidders username and the password shall be deemed to be an unconditional binding of the bidder to whom such username and the password has been allotted by NeML, inter-alia, for the purpose of the E-Auction and the bidder shall be solely and fully responsible for all the activities that occur under such username and password. The user is therefore advised to check the username and the password before the E-Auction and is advised not to reveal it to anyone else so as to prevent misuse of the same. It is further suggested that Suppliers are requested to change the password frequently to

protect from misuse.

8.16 APSCSCL & NeML shall not be responsible for any failure of power, Network, Server, Bandwidth problems, Hosting Server, Internet Connectivity, ISP or otherwise or the slowness to access NeML Platform/Exchange Platform **www.neml.in**. In case if e-Auctions cannot be held on scheduled date due to Server problems, the e-Auctions will be rescheduled and will be held on alternative day, the details of such date/s will be notified in the website of APSCSCL and NeML.

8.17 The Invitation of Bids, the terms and conditions of the e-auction, Bid of the Successful bidder, Letter /Email Confirmation/Acceptance issued by the Buyer (APSCSCL) to the successful bidder (here in after called the seller)along with any amendment issued prior to signing of contract shall constitute the Contract between the Seller and Buyer.

8.18. The successful bidder upon receipt of communication regarding acceptance of bid by NeML shall arrange EMD an amount equivalent to 5% (Five per cent) of the value of the order as security deposit within 2 (Two) working days by directly to AP CIVIL SUPPLIES CORPORATION Account.

Bank Name	Bank Account Name	Account Number	IFSC Code	Branch Name
SBI	VC & MD APSCSCL	00000037270582042	SBIN0016857	MG ROAD,VIJAYAWADA

9. ORDER FOR SUPPLIES

9.1. The short listed suppliers who qualify in e-auction for each destination will be issued with Supply orders / indents by Corporation. The Supply order to the supplier will be issued subject to payment of prescribed security deposit.

9.2. The Corporation does not guarantee the minimum quantity, which will be ordered. It reserves the right to order for only such quantity as may be necessary or required by the respective district and the qualified supplier is bound to supply the ordered quantity at the designated Rice mill/Buffer Godown spread across the concerned district.

9.3. Quantities supplied in excess of the quantity specified in the supply order will not be paid for. Supply of required quantity should be as indented by the Corporation. The Corporation at his sole discretion may place Supply