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Abstract

Procurement of 200 MW Solar Power from ISTS Grid connected Solar Photo Voltaic Projects through NHPC Limited (Intermediary procurer) under Tariff based competitive bidding - Ratified orders issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE (Planning)

B.O. (FTD) No. 579 /2020 (CE (C&P)/Solar-NHPC/2020-21) dated Tvpm, 15.09.2020

- Read: 1. Note No. CE(C&P)/Solar-NHPC/2020-21/449 dated 13.08.2020 of the Deputy Chief Engineer (C&P) with full powers of Chief Engineer submitted to the CMD, KSEBL.
 - Note No. CE (C&P)/ Solar-NHPC/2020-21/479 dated 25.08.2020 of the Deputy Chief Engineer (C&P) with full powers of Chief Engineer submitted to Full Time Directors. (Agenda No.63/8/20).

ORDER

The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) has published Guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process for Procurement of Power from Grid Connected Solar PV Power Projects on 03.08.2017 and subsequent amendments thereof. NHPC is a Government of India Enterprise (Mini Ratna category-I CPSU) under the Ministry of Power, Government of India and having standalone installed capacity of 5551 MW comprising Hydro, Solar & Wind Power Project.

NHPC as intermediary Procurer has invited bids as per the guidelines of MNRE for 2000 MW from Solar Power Developers (SPDs) through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding Process where L1 rate of Rs 2.55 kWh (excluding TM of 7.0 ps/kWh) upto 1680 MW and L2 of Rs 2.56 kWh (excluding TM of 7.0 ps/kWh) for 320 MW was discovered through e-reverse auction on 16.04.2020. The Scheduled Commissioning Date of the project is 18 months from the signing of Power Purchase Agreement with Solar Power Developers. NHPC has requested KSEBL to provide 'in principle' consent for procurement of Solar Power.

The offer of NHPC was discussed in the core-committee meeting held on 04.05.2020 and it was decided to intimate NHPC that decision for procurement of power will be intimated after discussion with SECI as the offer of SECI was received first. Accordingly SECI had been intimated to re-work their proposal and requested for price-matching with the offer of NHPC.

Meanwhile NHPC has intimated that only 300 MW is available with them and the rest has been tied up by beneficiaries. The matter was discussed in the core-committee meeting held on 12.08.2020. Considering the shortage of 600 MW solar power to meet RPO obligation of KSEBL for 2021-22 and since SECI had not confirmed any reduction in their offered price, it was decided in the meeting to intimate NHPC that KSEBL is interested in procuring 200 MW Solar Power from ISTS Grid Connected Solar Photo Voltaic Projects through NHPC as per their offer subject to regulatory approvals

The Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial and Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer as per the note read as 1st above had sought approval of the Chairman and Managing Director KSEBL, to intimate NHPC that KSEBL is interested in procuring 200 MW Solar Power from ISTS Grid Connected Solar Photo Voltaic Projects against their offer. The Chairman and Managing Director, KSEBL approved the same and directed to put up note to the Full Time Directors for ratification and also KSERC shall be given intimation. Accordingly the Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial and Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer has intimated M/s NHPC vide letter dated 13.08.2020, that KSEBL is interested in procuring 200 MW Solar Power from ISTS Grid Connected Solar Photo Voltaic Projects through NHPC Limited as per the offer of NHPC, subject to regulatory approvals. The ratification of his action was sought as per note read as 2nd above.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 26.08.2020, resolved to ratify the action of Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer in having intimated M/s NHPC that KSEBL is interested in procuring 200 MW Solar Power from ISTS Grid Connected Solar Photo Voltaic Projects against their offer dated 18.04.2020 subject to regulatory approvals.

Orders are issued accordingly

By Order of the Full Time Directors, Sd /-LEKHA.G Company Secretary in-charge

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The Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer. Copy to:

- 1. The Financial Advisor/Chief Internal Auditor/LA & DEO
- 2. TA to CMD/ Director (T& SO)/ (SCM &Gen-E)/ (D, IT& HRM)/ Gen (Civil) /(Plg&Safety)
- 3. PA to Director (Finance)
- 4. Senior CA to Secretary/Company Secretary i/c/The Fair Copy Superintendent
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