

**Minutes of Pre-bid meeting for Procurement of HBV(RAPID) & HCV(RAPID) Test Kits against: IFB No. RITES/MSM/NACP/03/2015 held on 21/08/2015 at 14:00 hr at RITES office.**

1. The following were present:-

I) From RITES

S/Shri

R K Sharma, JGM/MSM – In Chair

Manoj Kumar Das, Manger/MSM

II) Firms which attended the pre bid conference are as follows:

| S. No. | Name of representative S/Shri | Name of Firm                              |
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| 1      | J. K. Malhotra                | M/s Transasia Biomedicals Ltd., New Delhi |
| 2      | Aldo M. P.                    |   |
| 3      | Chander Prakash Kundra        | M/s Alere Medical Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon      |
| 4      | Rajnish Roy                   | M/s Meril Diagnostics Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai   |
| 5      | Subhash Kanti                 |   |

2. Initiating the discussion, chairperson welcomed the participants. It was explained that purpose of Pre-bid meet is to educate the bidders regarding various important provisions of the bidding documents and also to clarify any queries that the bidders may have in the subject bidding documents.

3. The issues raised during the pre bid meeting and clarifications are as under-

| S. No. | Query Raised   | Clarification                            |
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|        | <b>Section IV. Technical Specifications</b>  |  |
| 1.     | <b>As Per Sr. No 2 (ii) of Technical Specification “The cumulative time temperature indicator technology used should be prequalified by WHO”.</b><br><br><u>Query:</u> The Cold Chain being used by our company fulfills your Quality requirement i.e. “the maintenance of cold chain during storage & transport the kits at 28 degree Celsius”. But the condition that time temperature indicator technology used should be prequalified by WHO has created a monopolistic situation and can restrict its usage. This results in increased prices and thereby having unfair competition. Hence, we would like to request you to kindly remove the condition of “prequalified by WHO” and to make this IFB more competitive. | There will be no change in this criteria |
|        | <b>HBV (Rapid) Test Kits</b>   |  |
| 2.     | <b>As per Sl. 11. of Technical Specification “The assay should have analytical sensitivity of detecting <math>\leq 0.5</math> ng/ml.”</b><br><u>Query:</u> This condition restricts many companies from participating in tender. Also, difference of just 0.5 ng/ml does not make any significant improvement in the specifications & performance of the test but still it bars  | There will be no change in this criteria |

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|           | <p>many companies offering high quality products to become a part of the tender process. Even WHO &amp; the Premier Govt. Institutes like NIB, Noida (Ministry Health&amp; Family Welfare) Govt. of India considers only sensitivity &amp; specificity to be the crucial parameters for quality control evaluation of the kits. Therefore we request you to either increase the analytical sensitivity to 1 ng/ml or put this condition in a range i.e. 0.5 ng/ml to 1.0 ng/ml so that this bid can become more competitive and provide you with a wide scope of choice.</p> |               |

**Meeting concluded with thanks to the participants for their active participation.**