

**GLOBAL TENDER FOR EXPORT OF 195.438 MTS RED SANDERS  
TENDER NO.STC/MKTG/RS/2014-15/02 DT 04.02.2015  
CORRIGENDUM NO.2 DT 13.03.2015**

The pre bid conference was held on 11.3.2015 and attended by interested bidders, who sought clarifications on various tender clauses. The questions and the clarifications are being given for the benefit of all the potential bidders:

**Q.1 The bidders requested for extension in tender closing dates on account of non-clarity on:**

- i) Whether Butends/Sawdust/Chips will be allowed for export;
- ii) Issuance of Certificate of Origin is a time consuming process; and
- iii) The last date for export is 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 and it is not clear whether, it will be extended or not.

**Ans:** It was clarified that STC will take necessary approval using the good offices of DRI. However, looking at the paucity of time after pre bid conference, schedule has been revised as under :-

Purpose	Dates given in Corrigendum No.1	Revised dates
Submission of Technical and Price Bids	16.3.2015 at 1400 hrs	27.3.2015 at 1400 hrs
Opening of Technical Bids	16.3.2015 at 1600 hrs	27.3.2015 at 1500 hrs
Opening of Price Bids	18.3.2015 at 1200 noon	30.3.2015 at 1500 hrs

**Q.2 The bidders requested STC to pay interest/penalty to buyers in case STC delays in shipment due to regulatory/ logistical reasons as buyers are paying a huge amount as advance?**

**Ans.** STC will pay interest at the rate of SBI short term deposit rate only on advance amount received from Buyers as per Clause H of Tender for a period beyond the stipulated last date of shipment as given in the Letter of Award.

**Q.3 Can we quote for only few items in the lot?**

**Ans.** No, the price has to be quoted for the entire lot as per Tender terms.

**Q.4 Whether buyers will be responsible for obtaining DGFT License and Certificate of Origin?**

**Ans.** No, all documentations upto exports will be arranged by STC.

**Q.5 Whether STC will accept advance payment instead of payment through Letter of Credit/ BG?**

**Ans.** Yes, bidders/buyers can choose to make payment through Banking channel to STC in lieu of Bank Guarantee or Letter of Credit. Bank details as per Tender.

**Q.6 Whether price bids will be opened publically ?**

**Ans.** Yes, bidders or their Representatives may attend Price Bid opening.

**Q.7 Following clarifications were sought on the qualification criteria:**

- i) **In countries where there is no Tax Authority, what alternative documents can be submitted?**

**Ans.** The bidders can submit registration documents issued by any regulatory authority, if there is no tax authority.

ii) **Can valid Membership Certificate be submitted in lieu of Letter of Introduction from Chamber of Commerce.**

**Ans.** Yes.

iii) **Can the affidavit (Annex.III) certified/ attested by Indian Embassy be submitted, in lieu of existing provision.**

**Ans:** Yes. Notarised document or attested by Indian Embassy will be acceptable.

**Q. 8** **STC should provide L/C format.**

**Ans:** The format will be provided at the time of Letter of Award to successful Bidders.

**Q.9** **Claim period in the BG (Annex.IV) is too long.**

**Ans:** The claim period after 180 days will be 15 days.

**Q.10** **There are certain dues towards warehousing charges to be paid to the warehouses. Whether it will create any problem in release of cargo by warehouses?**

**Ans:** STC is exporter and STC will get the material released from warehouses.

**Q.11** **There is a totaling error in Annexure-I.**

**Ans:** The corrected quantity in Lot No. is as under:-

Sr. No.2, Grade B: Weight 1.652 MTs

Sr No. 3 Grade A: Weight 0.401 MTs

Sr No.7 Grade Sawdust: Weight 0.044 MTs

However, total Quantity remains same.

**NOTE:** The Bidders may please note that the response to the above queries may be treated as amendment to the tender document wherever applicable.