## RECORD NOTE OF THE PRE-BID MEETING HELD ON 07.02.2024 AT EXCISE AND TAXATION TRAINING INSTITUTE, NAGROTA TO FAMILARISE/FACILITATE THE PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE E.AUCTION OF 305 JKEL-2 VENDS IN THE UT OF J&K.

For the convenience of the prospective bidders, a Pre-Bid meeting was held today on 07.02.2024 at Excise and Taxation training Institite, Nagrota. Individual/Prospective bidders were pre-intimated about this meeting through a Pre-Bid Notice issued by the Excise Department on 06.02.2024 which was widely circulated in print/ electronic, social media, and also uploaded on departmental website on 06.02.2024. For wider participation online link was created and shared for attending the meeting being held for facilitation of the prospective bidders.

Meeting was successfully conducted at Excise & Taxation Training Institute, Nagrota from 4:00-6:00 PM and was attended by 117 participants (75 offline and 42 online). The participants were from Jammu as well as from Kashmir Division. At the outset, Shri Pankaj Kumar Sharma, Excise Commissioner welcomed the participants and gave detailed presentation. He briefed all 25 bid paras of the Bid Document and sensitized the prospective bidders regarding the entire bidding procedure, eligibility conditions, mode of allotment, requisite documents, participation/EMD and Minimum Reserve Bid Price etc, and replied questions/queries raised by the participants.

Shri Atul Sethi, Chief Manager, J&K Bank who is the Nodal Officer for the e-auction along with his Team gave complete presentation about the procedure to be adopted on the eauctiontiger Portal viz. Procedure for Registration, Uploading of Documents at the time of e-bid, Deposition of EMD, Minimum Reserve Bid Price and other allied provisions. The bidders were also sensitized about the provision related to bid in increments of Rs. 50000/- (Max 10 lacs) beyond the Minimum Reserve Bid Price. Individuals were also sensitized about the feature in the bidding procedure that in case, Highest H1 bid is received within 5 minutes before the scheduled closing time of bidding, the time for e-auction shall be automatically extended by another 5 minutes beyond the scheduled closing of the particular bid wherein the bidder can bid a maximum of five such extensions, during which the bid increment shall be Rs.1,00,000/- (Max Rs.20 lacs).

The Bidders were given a detailed presentation about the entire bidding process and all doubts/queries/ambiguities related to the bidding procedure were cleared by the Team of the J&K Bank on the spot. Further, Payment Options available with the prospective bidders were also disclosed by the Team of the J&K Bank.

Team of the J&K bank also showed live procedure/process (on the online portal) of ebidding by creating two dummy accounts and how the rank of bidders changes on quoting higher bid. Session remained quite interactive and discussion lasted for two hours. Few important questions raised by the prospective bidders to the Excise Department and J&K bank were:

- Affidavit to be uploaded during registration of a bidder?
- Action against H1 bidder if fails to deposit the bid amount?
- Arrangement of premises by H1 bidder, what if he fails to get one.
- Deemed feature of Immovable Property return.
- Criteria for shifting of vend to a new location in case of a public protest?
- Discrepancy in name on PAN and Aadhar of same person?
- In what increments can a bidder bid?
- What are the reasons for failure of payment from ICICI bank?
- Can a bidder register after a bid for vend has gone live?
- Do we have to upload fresh documents during registration?
- Query regarding enhancing e-banking limits.

Additionally, the prospective bidders were again informed that a departmental helpline number has also been set up (0191-4064440) to resolve their doubts regarding the eauction procedure and Bank as well as Excise Department shall continue to remain available during the entire bidding process which starts from 09.02.2024 at 9:00 AM onwards. Towards the end, the prospective bidders/individuals expressed their satisfaction.

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