## MINUTES OF PRE-BID MEETING

## BIHAR HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Krishi Bhawan, Mithapur, Patna - 800001

Tender Title:	Short E-Tender Enquiry for Selection of Executing Agency for the establishment and operation of Tissue Culture Lab at Patna, and Lakhisarai, Bihar	
Date & Time of Pre-bid Meeting	& Time of 22.10.2025, 01:00 PM	
Mode	Hybrid	
Venue:	Directorate of Horticulture, Department of Agriculture, 2nd Floor, Krishi Bhawan, Mithapur, Patna - 800001	

A Pre-Bid meeting for the Empanelment of Executing Agency for the Selection of Executing Agency for the establishment and operation of Tissue Culture Lab at Patna, and Lakhisarai, Bihar was held on 22 October, 2025 at 01:00 PM, under the chairmanship of Mission Director, Bihar Horticulture Development Society, Patna. 0 agencies participated in Offline mode and 4 agencies participated in Online mode and the pre-bid meeting was held whose details are annexed below:

- i. Sheel Biotech
- ii. Sonam Agrotech

S.N.	Query/Request for clarification	Section/Part of RFP and page No. clause	Response/Modification
1	Applicant requested the laboratory will be equipped with all necessary equipment for production of maximum 25 lakh plants per annum.	As per page 7, Point No.V- Scope of work.  The laboratory will be equipped with all necessary equipment for production of 50 lakhs plants per annum i.e. banana, strawberry, pineapple and other Horticulture plantlets.  • GH-1 to be made with 2 tier benches  • Scale GH II to 10000 m2 with 2 tier benches	Agreed (25 lakh/year) (The bottleneck on production is based on prescription in the tender documents like the area of handling (GH-1 & GH-2, fewer number of LED racks & LAFs as required for 50 lakh/year production)
		• Increase LAF Benches to 18 Page No 7- Scope of Work, para technical/operational parameters  Technical Specification for Supply, Installation, Commissioning, and Operation of Tissue Culture Laboratory on Turnkey basis for the Directorate of Horticulture, Department of Agriculture, Govt. of Bihar, Patna	Disagree/Rejected (Turnkey model means OPEX is embedded)

		under PPP mode at Patna and Lakhisarai. Post Installation, the agency shall Manage, Run and Up-keep the Tissue Culture laboratory and attached infrastructure for a period of one years and supply the plantlets of different variety of plants. The MoU is extendable after one year for other terms of two years, if the performance of the agency is satisfactory and if each party agrees.	
3	Applicant requested to lower the EMD i.e. 5.00 lakh in place of 10.00 lakh	As per page 4,— General terms and conditions.  Bidder need to submit an EMD of Rs. 10,00,000.00/-through online mode (NEFT/RTGS) to be eligible to participate in this tender. Offers without tender document cost and EMD will not be considered.	Agreed.  (1) Tender document fee is not required.  (2) 5 Lakh of EMD may be allowed.
4	Applicant requested to lower the performance security money i.e. 5% in place of 25%	As per page 5,— General terms and conditions -:  The successful bidder should have to deposit an amount of 25% (incl. GST) of the quoted project cost as performance security money in the form of Bank Guarantee (Issued only) in favor of the Mission Director, Bihar Horticulture Development Society payable at Patna, Bihar.	(1) The performance security would be pegged at 5% of the quoted project cost (2) 25% upfront payment (after signing of MoU) may be allowed to the L1 bidder on submission of Bank Guarantee/e-BG of the same amount, issued in the favor of BHDS, Bihar payable at Patna.
5	Bidder requested to remove the criteria of DBT certification	Page No-3,- Minimum eligibility criteria (Agency, Point-2) -  DBT Certificate of bidder is mandatory.	Rejected

Note: The Pre-bid meeting document shall be an integral part of the tender document.

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Director Horticulture-cum-Mission Director, Government of Bihar

Memo No: 2896

Dated-24/10/2025