

MINUTES OF PRE-BID MEETING

BIHAR HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

2nd Floor, Krishi Bhawan, Mithapur, Patna - 800001

Tender Title:	e-Tender notice for the empanelment of agency to supply tissue culture derived G-3Potato (Lady Rosetta) seed tubers during 2026-27 in the State of Bihar
Date & Time of Pre-bid Meeting	01.09.2026, 3:30 PM
Mode	Virtual /Offline
Venue:	Directorate of Horticulture, Department of Agriculture, 2nd Floor, Krishi Bhawan, Mithapur, Patna - 800001

A pre-bid meeting for the empanelment of agency to supply tissue culture derived G-3Potato (Lady Rosetta) seed tubers during 2026-27 in the State of Bihar was held on 1st September 2026 at 3:30 PM, under the chairmanship of Mission Director, Bihar Horticulture Development Society, Patna. 4 agencies participated in Offline mode and 10 agencies participated in Online mode and the pre-bid meeting was held whose details are annexed below: -

- i. HIL India Ltd
- ii. Techno Agri Sciences Limited
- iii. Prakashan Agrotech
- iv. The Great Himalaya Food Company
- v. Uday Kumar
- vi. Green Garden
- vii. Sashanka Agrotech Private Limited
- viii. Crynto Engineering
- ix. Sudama Yadav
- x. RKS Integrated Mushroom Pvt Ltd
- xi. Brassnk Agro Pvt Ltd
- xii. RMPAT
- xiii. Agroegram
- xiv. GRS Bioplants Pvt Ltd



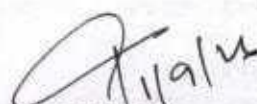
The pre bid queries submitted and responses are as listed below:-

Query/Request for clarification	Section/Part of RFP and page No. clause	Response/Modification
1. Applicant sought to lower the turnover criteria to 3-4 Crores?	Page No 2, Point No 4-Eligibility and Mandatory Quality Gate	The average annual financial turnover of the bidder agency during the last 3(three) consecutive financial years (FY 2022-23, FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25) ending on 31st March should be at least Rs. 400.00 Lakh
2. The applicant seeks clarification regarding the three financial years to be considered for calculating average annual turnover. Should the relevant period be FY 2022-23, FY 2023-24, and FY 2024-25, or alternatively FY 2023-24, FY 2024-25, and FY 2025-26?	Page No 2, Point No 4-Eligibility and Mandatory Quality Gate	For the purpose of calculating the average annual turnover , only the three audited financial years FY 2022-23, FY 2023-24, and FY 2024-25 will be considered.
3. The applicant seeks clarification on whether Annexure III, Annexure IV, and Annexure V are required to be submitted along with the tender documents.		As per the tender provisions, Annexure III (Lot Source and Traceability Statement) is mandatory at the time of bid submission. Annexure IV and Annexure V are not required to be submitted at the bid stage; they may be sought or utilized during subsequent evaluation or compliance processes
4. The applicant seeks clarification on whether Annexure VII are required to be submitted on which stamp paper?		Annexure VII shall be executed and submitted on a ₹100 (Rupees One Hundred) Stamp Paper in accordance with the tender requirements.
5. The applicant seeks clarification on whether the tender permits supply of only the Lady Rosetta potato variety, or if other potato varieties may also be offered under this procurement.		As per Clause 7 (Minimum Technical and Physical Specifications), the tender explicitly states: "Crop and variety: Potato, Lady Rosetta only. No equivalent or substitute variety." Therefore, only Lady Rosetta variety is admissible under this tender. No other potato variety may be offered or substituted.
6. The applicant seeks clarification on whether the quoted price is to be considered for one financial year only (FY 2026-27) or whether it will remain applicable for the entire		As per the tender provisions, the quoted all-inclusive rate shall remain applicable for the entire empanelment period covering both FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28.

empanelment period covering both FY 2026-27 and FY 2027-28.		
7. The applicant seeks clarification on whether, in the case of a dealer participating in the tender with authorization from the primary producer, the turnover of both the dealer and the distributor/primary producer will be considered jointly for meeting the turnover eligibility requirement.		As per Clause 4 (Eligibility and Mandatory Quality Gate), the turnover requirement is linked to the bidder's own audited financials proportional to the quantity offered. While a dealer and the primary producer are jointly responsible for source, quality, replacement and complaints, turnover will ordinarily be assessed on the bidder's audited records only.
8. The applicant seeks clarification on whether bidders registered under the Bihar Start-Up Policy and recognized as MSMEs will be eligible for benefits or relaxations with respect to the Turnover requirement and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) under this tender.		As per Clause 4 (Eligibility and Mandatory Quality Gate), relaxations for eligible Start-Ups, MSMEs, or government institutions shall be applied only under the provisions of the Bihar Purchase Preference Policy, 2024. Such exemptions, where applicable, may extend to turnover and EMD requirements. However, no exemption shall dilute obligations relating to variety identity, lot certification, physical quality, delivery capacity, or farmer-protection measures.
9. The applicant seeks clarification on the requirement that the tender specifies supply of certified seed of Lady Rosetta. Since the Lady Rosetta variety is not notified and therefore cannot receive certification under the notified seed standards, the applicant wishes to know whether production of G-3 seed tubers (tissue-culture derived) will be acceptable for bidding under this tender?		As per the tender provisions, tissue-culture-derived planting materials must be certified in accordance with the mandatory standards and protocols prescribed under the TCP-DBT framework.
10. The applicant seeks clarification on the timeline for release of payment to the supplier. Specifically, they wish to know within how many days the payment will be released after accepted delivery and		Payment will be released in accordance with Clause 12. Ninety-five per cent of the payment shall be released promptly after accepted delivery and verification of dispatch documents. The remaining five per cent shall be released following completion of the technical-support round and the 15-to-21-day emergence review, subject to resolution of supplier-attributable complaints.

completion of the required verification process.		
11. The applicant seeks clarification on whether a distributor is eligible to participate as a bidder in this tender, and if so, whether a distributor may independently apply for empanelment and supply under the stated conditions.		A distributor may apply as a bidder only if he holds valid, direct authorization from the primary producer and fulfills all other eligibility requirements, including seed license, turnover, certification, and quality obligations. In such cases, the distributor and the primary producer shall bear joint responsibility for source, quality, replacement, and complaint resolution.
12. The applicant seeks clarification on whether the tender is specifically for " seed potato " or whether it also covers " potato tubers ", since in practice many suppliers market the product as <i>seed potato</i> while others describe it as <i>potato tubers</i> . The applicant wishes to confirm whether this tender applies exclusively to certified seed potato or whether both terms are acceptable under the scope of supply.		As per the tender provisions, the applicable terminology and specifications shall be those prescribed under the TCP-DBT guidelines for tissue-culture-derived planting materials. Accordingly, the standard nomenclature and specifications defined under TCP-DBT protocols will be treated as valid and binding.

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



(Abhishek Kumar I.F.S)

Mission Director,
Bihar Horticulture Development Society,
Government of Bihar.

Memo No : 3341

Dated- 01/07/2026