TAMIL NADU ARASU CABLE TV CORPORATION LTD, CHENNAI -8

Tender for supply of standard definition (SD) and High Definition (HD) Set Top Box on Rate Contract basis.

Tender No:001/TATV/Set Top Box/2020 dt. 21.10.2020.

Clarification to Queries dt.18.11.2020.

Sl.No.	Query	TACTV Reply
1	Can we submit Set top box samples with 2 different Chip Processor so that we can have back up to meet delivery timeline as the maximum delivery time is taken by Chip Processor supplier. If one supplier delays then we can use the chip processor from other supplier. The price and other specs will all remain same.	We have not mentioned any chip processor name in tender. No change in Tender specification.
2	Regarding the AV Port, its mentioned "RCA" for both SD & HD, can we use Mini AV Port (3 in 1) port for both SD & HD? We will supply Cable which will support MINI AV at one end (stb side) and RCA on other (tv side)	No change in Tender specification
3	If MINI AV cannot be used for SD box, can we use MINI AV for HD box and we will supply cable that will support MINI AV port	No change in Tender specification
4	Regarding VC-1 decoding, could you please confirm whether this is mandatory or optional?	Mandatory as per tender
5	Regarding the HD box memory, it is mentioned "256 MB DDR", but as per our R&D evaluation, "128 MB DDR" is enough for HD features so can we use " 128 MB DDR" for HD?	No change in Tender specification
6	Regarding the HD audio decoding, kindly confirm whether "AC-3, E-AC-3, AAC, DTS" decoding is mandatory or optional, because it will attract Dolby/AAC/DTS royalties. If its not mandatory then these royalties can be excluded. Please confirm this for both SD and HD box	Mandatory and as per Tender specification.
7	Regarding the CAS, could we use the Advanced Cardless CAS (SoftCAS), and supply box without card reader slot?	No change in Tender specification
8	Regarding the Middleware, can we use our native middleware or we have to use any third party middleware ?? If third party middleware then could you please share the details	TACTV specified only that CAS and STB should support and compliant with middleware. No specific middleware mentioned. No change in tender specification.

9	Please explain what is "upstream communication"	No change in Tender specification
10	Regarding the "Digital format", can you please confirm whether GIF, TIF/TIFF, BMP, PNG formats are mandatory or optional?	Mandatory as per tender
11	Regarding the "ISO/IEC 14496-10", there are nearly no chipset that support all profiles and levels, please confirm it is mandatory or optional?	Mandatory as per tender.
12	Regarding the HD Decode, please explain what is "MEPG 4 Stereo" and "5.1" ?	These are Audio Formats.No change in Tender specification
13	Regarding the HD box, please confirm whether 576i and 576p are mandatory or optional?	Mandatory as per Tender
14	Regarding the Annex B, Please confirm if it is mandatory that chipset should support Annex B	Mandatory as per Tender
15	The turnover criteria for Prime Bidder is Rs. 25 crore for last 3 FY, can you consider the turnover considering total turnover of all parties of the consortium?	No change in Tender condition
16	The lead time of components are quite high so request to consider 8 weeks for 40% of quantity and 10 weeks for 60% quantity from date of purchase order	No change in Tender condition.
17	HD STB – 128 MB DDR instead of 256 MB DDR	No Change in Tender condition
18	Criteria 3(d) as financial years 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19	**Amended as Financial year 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 or 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20. Corrigendum-1 issued**
19	Extension by another 10 days	**Extended till 27.11.2020. Corrigedum-1 issued**
20	Turnover Clause 3(d) (ii) turnover of Rs.25 crores put together including consortium partner	No Change in Tender condition.
21	Single pin part instead of 3 RCA port for SD and HD STB	No Change in Tender specification

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