



Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited

Invites

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

FOR

LONG TERM STRATEGIC TIE-UP

FOR

Green Hydrogen Fuel Cell rolling stock

Issued by:

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(hereinafter referred to as 'BHEL')



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Expression of Interest (Eoi) seeks response from interested OEM/Supplier who are willing to work in consortium or sub-contractor form on long term basis with BHEL for mechanical scope for green hydrogen fuel rolling stock opportunity as listed below: -

- i. Develop mechanical structure for new hydrogen fuel cell rolling stock
- ii. Convert existing diesel rolling stock to hydrogen fuel cell rolling stock

2.0 ABOUT BHEL

Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) is a Central Public Sector Enterprise, wherein Government of India is holding 63.17% of its equity. One of the largest engineering and manufacturing companies of its kind in India having a turnover of around USD 3 billion. The company is engaged in the design, engineering, manufacture, construction, testing, commissioning and servicing of a wide range of products and services for the core sectors of the economy, viz. Power, Transmission, Industry, Transportation, Renewable Energy, Oil & Gas and Defence with over 180 product offerings to meet the needs of these sectors.

Since its inception in 1964, BHEL has been the solid bedrock of evolution of India's Heavy Electrical Equipment industry. BHEL has a mammoth 20,000 MW per annum capability for manufacturing power generation equipment. With a widespread network of 16 manufacturing facilities, 2 repair units, 4 regional offices, 9 service centers, 4 active joint ventures, 15 regional marketing centres, and current project execution at numerous project sites across India and abroad, BHEL manufactures a wide range of high quality & reliable products adhering to national and international standards.

With key focus on project execution, the worldwide installed base of power generating equipment supplied by BHEL has exceeded 185 GW. BHEL's equipment that account for about 56% of the country's total generation from thermal utility sets (coal and lignite based), stand a testimony to its valuable contribution towards nation building. BHEL's global competitiveness has established its footprint in all the inhabited continents with references in 93 countries.

The high level of quality & reliability of BHEL products is a testimony to its adherence to international standards by acquiring and adapting some of the best technologies from leading companies in the world including General Electric, Siemens AG, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ltd. etc., together with technologies developed in its own R&D centres. BHEL invests more than 2.4% of turnover on R&D and innovation.

BHEL has been designing and manufacturing rolling stock for rail and urban transportation. BHEL has also been manufacturing Motors, Power electronics and Controllers for various transportation applications at its various factories.

In transportation sector, BHEL is into the manufacture of complete electric and diesel electric locomotives and electrical assemblies/components including traction motors, traction transformers, power & auxiliary converters and controls, gear wheels etc. We are a regular supplier of propulsion equipment of ACEMU/MEMU. India's first air-conditioned ACEMU train operational in Mumbai is equipped with BHEL's electrics and propulsion system.

At our Jhansi plant, we manufacture complete Electric Locomotives upto 6000 HP rating for mainline application of Indian Railways, Diesel Electric Locomotives from 350 HP to 3250 BHP rating. Till date, we have supplied cumulatively more than 800 nos. of main line electric locomotives to Indian Railways and diesel electric locomotives for shunting operations to various industries.

Our Jhansi plant have an installed capacity of 75 nos. locomotives per year. At Jhansi, we have complete state-of-the-art facilities for manufacturing, fabrication and testing of bogies, loco shells, under frames and other mechanical components of locomotives. We have recently developed India's first state-of-the-art WAG7 Electric Locomotive with regenerative capabilities. We have also developed India's first Traction Motor for 9000HP Electric Locomotives.

Among electrical propulsion equipment, we manufacture and supply traction motors, traction transformers, power converters (IGBT) & controls, auxiliary converters (IGBT) and vehicle control



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units for electric locomotives, diesel electric locomotives, EMUs, DEMUs & and metros trains of Indian Railways. Our manufacturing range includes complete solutions for ACEMU/MEMU, IGBT based 3-phase drive equipment up to 6000HP rating. BHEL has also been in the forefront of providing maintenance and spares/replacement support to Indian Railways for their locomotive fleet. We have full-fledged service department located at major centres in the country.

BHEL in partnership with M/s Titagarh Rail Systems limited is currently executing the Vande Bharat Sleeper Trainset project, which involves the supply of 80 trainsets, their maintenance for 35 years, and the upgradation of two maintenance depots and one manufacturing unit.

More details about the entire range of BHEL's products and operations can be obtained by visiting our web site www.bhel.com.

3.0 PURPOSE

- 3.1 BHEL is a regular manufacturer and supplier of Electric rolling stocks to Indian Railways and Diesel Electric shunting rolling stocks to Industry such as power, steel, fertilizer, cements etc.
- 3.2 The hydrogen fuel cell based rail propulsion technologies powered by PEMFC (proton exchange membrane based Fuel Cell) along with a suitably sized battery bank are being tried out globally for powering railroad vehicles.
- 3.3 Indian Railways plans to introduce hydrogen fuel cell based trainsets in its rolling stock fleet, initially to be operated in the tourism sector.
- 3.4 NTPC Limited has also planned to introduce hydrogen fuel cell locomotive with the objective to replace its existing fleet of Diesel electric locomotives in the future. Tentatively, they have planned to replace around 245 such locomotives in a phased manner with new hydrogen fuel cell loco or conversion of diesel loco into hydrogen loco.
- 3.5 The intent of this Expression of Interest hereinafter referred to as the "EOI" is to invite applications from interested Party/Parties who are willing to work in consortium mode or as a sub-contractor with BHEL for Green hydrogen fuel cell rolling stocks as per the following broad scope for execution of contracts.
- 3.6 BHEL can enter into Strategic tie-up and finalize partnership depending upon the nature of response received.
- 3.7 OEMs having requisite experience as mentioned in the EOI may submit its response for the below scope for partnership as under: -
 - (i) Complete design of car body and Bogie along with design of its sub-assemblies, 3D modelling & Manufacturing Drawings, FEA validation and vehicle dynamic analysis as per applicable IR/RDSO norms
 - (ii) Concept layout & interface design for all items like hydrogen tanks, fuel cell stacks, traction equipment and auxiliaries tank mounting, space allocation, weight Management & Weight Balancing, CG calculations, crash protection, ventilation pathways, pressure relief routing, vibration isolation, cooling system (radiators, pumps, piping) and maintainability access provisions complying with railway and **hydrogen safety standards**.
 - (iii) Piping routing (hydrogen, cooling, pneumatic), fire protection provisions, driver cab mechanical layout, ergonomic interfaces, and complete manufacturing documentation including assembly drawings, technical specification of BOI and inspection requirements. Risk assessment & safety studies (HAZOP/SIL/QRA/HIRA) for complete Hydrogen Vehicle. Documentation for prototype approval and regulatory compliance.
 - (iv) Validation of vehicle performance during oscillation trial if conducted.



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- 3.8 In the next stage, BHEL shall enter into exclusive MoU with the finalized partner(s). Subsequently, BHEL would sign the Business Sharing Agreement in line with upcoming tender(s) or on project-to-project basis, depending upon mutually agreed terms and conditions. In addition, the selected party, after entering into a mutually exclusive agreement with BHEL, cannot quote directly or enter into any kind of joint arrangement or agreement with any other party for any future requirement related to green hydrogen fuel cell rolling stock/Rolling stock.
- 3.9 It is envisaged that BHEL along with the selected party shall jointly work towards preparation and submission of bid against upcoming tender(s) and shall jointly execute the works after award of contract. Any opportunity of similar nature or works would be done jointly with selected party to address green hydrogen fuel cell rolling stock requirement.

4.0 INSTRUCTION TO RESPONDENTS/APPLICANTS:

- 4.1 **Interested party may respond this EOI as per Annexure -1** (along with supporting documents for criteria as applicable) by Post / e-mail so as to reach us on or before 27th February 2026 at the following address:

Sr. Dy General Manager, TBSG,
Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
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Integrated Office Complex,
Lodhi Road-New Delhi -110003,
India.

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Mobile: +91-9971269977 / +91-9810911884/ +91-8800690810

- 4.2 The details submitted by the respondent(s) shall be complete in all respects and BHEL may seek clarifications/additional information as considered necessary. Such clarifications/additional information must be provided within 2 days of BHEL request.
- 4.3 The EOI process involves seeking willingness of interested party/parties and selecting party/parties amongst all who make an application in response to this EOI.
- 4.4 Selection of party for Green Hydrogen fuel cell rolling stock would be done as per Broad Scope mentioned at clause no.3.7 of EOI and based on evaluation of the technical criteria as per Annexure-2 and information provided at Table-2.
- 4.5 Any applicant from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to participate in this EOI only if the applicant is registered with the Competent Authority as mentioned in the Office Memorandum of Ministry of Finance(GoI), DoE F No.6/18/2019-PPD dtd 23.07.2020 the extant Government rules and orders or its amendments, if any.
- 4.6 Any applicant barred by the Central/ State Government, or any entity controlled by it, from participating in any project, will not be eligible to participate in this EOI.
- 4.7 Any request for further information or clarification on the EOI document may be submitted to above address within 07 days from date of issue of EOI.



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- 4.8 Response to EOI is to be submitted in English only. Supporting documents, as required, should also be in English language. In case, documents are available in languages other than English, the Applicant shall necessarily provide duly authenticated translated version of the same in English.
- 4.9 Duly authorized representative of the respondent(s) shall sign on each page of the document. Response to EOI should be prepared in such a way so as to provide a straight forward, concise description of respondent's capabilities.
- 4.10 Notwithstanding anything contained in this EOI, BHEL reserves the right to accept or reject any response and to annul the EOI Process in whole or part, at any time without any liability or any obligation for such acceptance, rejection or annulment, and without assigning any reasons thereof.
- 4.11 BHEL reserves the right to verify all statements, information and documents submitted by the respondent(s) in response to the EOI. Any such verification or lack of such verification by BHEL shall not relieve the respondent of his obligations or liabilities hereunder nor will it affect any rights of BHEL.
- 4.12 The EOI process shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of India and the Courts at New Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all disputes arising under, pursuant to and/ or in connection with the EOI process.
- 4.13 All costs incurred for participation in the EOI shall be borne by the respondent(s).
- 4.14 Applicant may be a natural person, private entity, government-owned entity, Consortium (Not More than 2 Members) with a formal intent to enter into an agreement with BHEL to form a Consortium.
- 4.15 In case of Consortium, at least one member of the Consortium should meet the Technical eligibility at Annexure 2. Both the members of the consortium will be required to be the part of the bidding consortium.



Annexure-1

Information to be submitted by Applicant

1. Name of the Company:
2. Legal status of the Company:
3. Brief description of the Company including details of its business groups/subsidiaries/affiliates:
4. Date of Incorporation:
5. Full address including Telephone / Mobile nos. / Fax nos./Email ID:
 - Registered Office:
 - Head Office:
 - Address for communication:
 - Contact Details:
 - Office Address in India, if any:
 - Place of address where local content is added:
6. PAN & GST No.:
7. Documents to be enclosed:
 - i. Technical Credentials - Filled up Annexure -2 along with all applicable documents considered relevant to meet and support evaluation criteria indicated in Applicant's Response Column of Annexure 2. Relevant Product/System catalogues, Experience /Reference List, Engineering strengths, quality accreditations, etc.
 - ii. Financial Credentials - Copies of Audited profit and loss account and balance sheet for last 3 years.

(Sign & Company Seal)
Authorized signatory



Annexure-2

Table-1

Criteria		Applicant's Response	
Technical & Financial Criteria		Meeting the criteria Yes / No*	Documentary evidence: Enclosed
1	The applicant must have experience of carrying out Design, Manufacture, Supply, Testing and Commissioning of hydrogen fuel cell rolling stock, vehicle, mobility or any project of similar nature during the last Ten years till last date of EOI.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
2	The applicant must have experience of carrying out vehicle design, development, manufacture, supply, testing and commissioning of EMU based train-sets with aluminium and/or steel car body, and the supplies must have completed satisfactory revenue operation during the last 3 (three) years or more ending 30 (thirty) days prior to Bid Due Date	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
3	The applicant should have an average annual turnover of more than Rs.100 crore in the preceding 3 financial years till last date of EOI.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
4	Net worth of Applicant's (Including its associates) (a natural person, private entity, government-owned entity, Consortium (Not More than 2 Members) should not be less than 100% of the applicant's Paid-up share Capital as on last day of preceding financial year i.e. financial year ended before floating date of EOI.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

Note:

- (i) Any Indian company or subsidiary, affiliates or associates can submit the technical as well as financial credentials of its parent company for evaluation of the party/respondent. A declaration from the parent company is required for authentication to its Indian subsidiary/affiliates/associates for submission of response.
- (ii) In case a responding party to this EOI is a Consortium, then the term applicant as used in this Qualifying Criteria shall include each member of such Consortium.
