



অসম চৰকাৰ

আভ্যন্তৰীণ জল পৰিবহন, অসম

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR:: INLAND WATER TRANSPORT, ASSAM

ULUBARI:: GUWAHATI -7

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR OPERATION OF WATER TAXI

Directorate of Inland Water Transport (IWT), Govt. of Assam, P.O:- Ulubari, Guwahati-781 007, (Phone No:- 0361-2526421, E-Mail:- diwtassam@gmail.com) invites Expression of Interest (EoI) from interested Organization/Company/Agency/Individual Party/Partnership Firms etc. having prior experience in running of Water taxis, for operation of “Water Taxi” (as a Pilot project) on the river Brahmaputra for smooth, quick and alternate mode of river transportation in an around Guwahati.

Background

The DIWT Assam is facilitating to bring water taxis on the online platform and developing the Inland Water Transport as a localized and key mode of commute in the state and further strengthen the transportation ecosystem.

App-based bookings will streamline and bridge the demand, enable advance bookings and cashless payments. This will pave way for a convenient commuting experience and thus develop the local transportation infrastructure and economy.

Scope of Work

The successful bidder shall be responsible for all the activities related to operation of Water Taxis including but not limited to

- Mobilization of Water Taxis and operators,
- Providing uninterrupted safe and convenient ferry transport services to passengers as per the applicable rules and regulations,
- Training of operators
- Maintenance of their respective boats.

EOI Application:

1. The interested parties shall submit applications along with a brief concept note elaborating their proposed interventions and resource deployment.
2. The bidders shall also highlight previous experience (completed and ongoing) of running of water taxis in rivers in the last 10 years.
3. Participants will be shortlisted on the basis of their supportive documents.
4. In the response to EOI, bidders may clearly state their expectations for initiating the services mentioned above including development of Infrastructure (if any required).

Eligibility Criteria

Participants in this EOI should meet the following eligibility criteria and shall submit supporting documents.

1. The bidder can be an Individual (Proprietorship), company, partnership, trust, Association, or a society. As an evidence suitable documentary proof like partnership deed, Certificate of Incorporation, etc. shall be submitted.
2. The bidder must possess "Water Taxis" duly licensed and registered under in any of the states in India. The duly registered valid document shall be submitted. However to carry out operations, registration under IWT Assam shall be mandatory.
3. The bidder must have an average financial turnover of INR 50 lacs in the last 3 years. The same shall be certified by the Chartered Accountant/competent authority.
4. The participants must possess up to date fitness certificate of Water Taxis. Certificate of fitness/similar document shall be submitted.
5. The participants must submit detail specification of the water taxi, its engine and passenger capacity.
6. The participants must submit detailed constructional design of the water taxi duly approved by competent authority/ Classification Society.
7. Participants should have technically trained manpower and should have bulk of equipments to be utilized for the said activities.
8. Participants must submit details of crews deployed for the said activities along with their valid license/permit.
9. List of standard equipment's and safety measures used to be provided as stated in safety norms.

10. Earlier experience certificate in the same manner of operation of boat on the river Brahmaputra/other rivers.

11. Proposed routes with Commercial Conditions.

Facilities to be provided from IWT, Assam.

1. Inland Water Transport, Assam will provide necessary infrastructure like Terminal & Berthing facilities with a minimal charge (as and when required).
2. IWT, Assam will provide registration, survey facilities etc. for the proposed water taxis.
3. IWT, Assam will provide an app. to be used under “OLA” to act as an aggregator, wherein it will provide an online platform (OLA App) to enable customers to make bookings for Water Taxis which will be mandatory because “OLA” has inked an Agreement with the Govt. of Assam.

Disclaimer :

This EOI is not an agreement. The purpose of this EOI is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in the formulation of their application for qualification pursuant to this EOI (the “Application”).

This EOI is completely a Pilot project exclusively for a period of 1 (one) year. Govt. of Assam does not assure regarding the viability/stability of the Pilot project.

The issue of this EOI does not imply that the IWT, Assam is bound to select and shortlist prequalified Applications for Bid Stage or to appoint the selected Bidder for the Project and the IWT, Assam reserves the right to accept or reject any application and to annul the selection process at any time, without incurring any liability and without assigning any reason thereof.

Submission of EOI:

Interested parties may submit their “EOI” (one original and one copy) in writing by 15 hrs of 11th July 2018 super scribing on the cover with " Expression Of Interest For Operations Of Water Taxis on the river Brahmaputra to :-

The Director,
IWT, Assam,
Ulubari, Guwahati-781 007.