

**CLARIFICATIONS TO THE QUERIES AS RAISED BY THE BIDDERS IN THE PREBID MEETINGVAT Dr.KSKGRL, ALAHABAD.**

**Reply to the queries as raised by the bidders in prebid meeting held on at Dr KSKGRL, Allahabad are as follows:**

**>>> Regarding the lower limit of financial bid quote - Whether it can be below 2%. They also mentioned some organizations don't allow below this limit.**

Lower limit of financial bid quote may be lower than 2%. However, as per notification, 29(1)2014/2014-PPD, dated 28.01.2014 Service charges quotes with nil consideration by the bidders are considered as null and void and the bids to be considered as irresponsive and the bid can be rejected.

**>> At present EPF admin rate is reduced by 0.50% and hence now the rate is 13% instead of 13.15%. For this there will be any amendment.**

As per the tender stipulations the charges towards the statutory compliances are variable and are liable to variations / alteration as per the notification published from time to time in this regard. However, as per the standard format prescribed in our financial bid the EPF rate may be taken as 13.15 for projecting the same platform to all the bidders. Therefore, the bidders are advised to consider only 13.15 % EPF provision projected din Financial bid only. For this there is no amendment in the tender.

**The bid of the agencies will be rejected on technical grounds, if it is found/understood that they have been blacklisted or are in process of blacklisting / termination of contract before the expiry of tenure from any Govt. organization of state/ central/ autonomous / public undertaking dept. or Indian Institute of Geomagnetism before the expiry of the contract period.**