

REPLY TO PRE BID QUERY LOT-3 Date 31.07.2026

SUB: "SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, LAYING, TESTING & COMMISSIONING INCLUDING ALL ACCESSORIES WORK OF 220KV DOUBLE CIRCUIT SINGLE CORE 1000 SQ. MM COPPER XLPE CABLE & 2 NOS. MONOPOLE FOR LILO TRANSMISSION LINE AT TALCHER FERTILIZERS LIMITED TALCHER, ODISHA".

TENDER NIT NO: PNMM/PC-183/E-4027/NCB, Dated 04.07.2026

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1	Double Circuit hot dip galvanized transmission line monopoles	471-485	1.1.1	Monopole Details	Kindly provide Route Layout and Technical Data sheet of existing / Proposed Towers adjacent to proposed monopoles. This is required to calculate lot bearing capacity of monopoles.	An indicative Route Layout Drawing showing the proposed monopole locations is enclosed for reference. The Bidder are advised to undertake site visit in order get acquaintance with the route.
2	Double Circuit hot dip galvanized transmission line monopoles	471-485	1.1.2	Monopole Details	Kindly provide monopole bottom cross arm height, Ground clearance required, Body extension required and Deviation angle to be considered.	Please refer Part-02 Clause 1.0: Design and engineering of monopole structures and foundations is under Bidder's scope. The Bidder are advised to undertake site visit in order get acquaintance with the route.
3	Bid Evaluation criteria, Section II	15	A3	MAF Format	Kindly provide format for manufacturer's authorization form for monopole manufacturer.	Please refer Amendment-IV dated 24.07.2026.
4	Scope Of Work		Prebid reply-	Cable Trench (ROW Clearance)	RCC Cable trench will be in the scope of TFL but the total ROW Clearance of Monopole Tower &	Please refer Pre-Bid Reply (Lot-2) dated 27.07.2026.

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			Lot:2		Cable Route has been mentioned in the scope of bidder. But in this case 220KV Cable route ROW & Joint bay ROW clearance should be require to include in TFL scope to avoid any ambiguity or delay in site project work. Generally, Cable trench & joint bay Civil contractor should clear the ROW issue at the time of their site work. Please confirm.	
5	Scope Of Work		Prebid reply-Lot:2	Cable Trench & Joint Bay (ROW Clearance)	Kindly clarify the design work scope of the Cable trench & joint bay otherwise there is possibility of the prepared Cable trench & joint bay may not be suitable or sufficient in space to do the Cable laying & Cable jointing at site. Kindly clarify that after the 220KV Cabling work & Cable jointing work back filling & RCC covering will be whether in TFL scope & please confirm the risk factor involved in this case of 220KV Cable damaging at the time of back filling or RCC Covering will be also in TFL scope.	Construction of RCC Trench and Joint Bay is in the scope of TFL. Please refer Part 07, Clause 1.0 & 3.0.
6	Scope of work			220KV Cable & Spare Cable	We have understand from the BOQ and pre-bid reply that two separate Circuit of 220KV Single Core 1000Sqmm Corrugated Alumunium Sheathed Copper XLPE Cable will laid. Please confirm. But we are unable to understand that whether Spare 220KV Cable will be laid & terminated	Please refer Part-07, Clause 1.0 & Amendment IV dated 24.07.2026. This is an item-rate Contract and payment shall be made for the actual quantities executed as per the BOQ item rates, in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

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					against 220KV Cable each Circuit or only one 220KV Spare Cable against both the 220KV Cable Circuit will be laid & terminated through out the Cable trench .Please clarify. General practice in OPTCL-Spare Cables for each circuit has to be laid & terminated. Kindly confirm. Please amend the BOQ of Cables supply & erection items accordingly.	Further, the metallic sheath of the 220 kV XLPE Cable shall be Corrugated Aluminium Sheath. All references to "Lead Sheath" and "Lead Alloy Sheath" in the Tender Document shall stand substituted with "Corrugated Aluminium Sheath", of thickness which can carry 50KA for 1 sec.
7	Price Variation			Price Variation	Considering the present volatile situation of the raw material market due to war situation it can be noticed from the last six months IEEMA circular that Copper, Alumunium and other raw materials (Like XLPE, HDPE) prices are increasing abruptly. We are requesting you to kindly include price variation Clause in Cables as per IEEMA instead of Firm price .We are facing difficult to do the costing of these project with 90 Days validity on Firm Price basis. Kindly confirm.	Please refer Pre-Bid Reply (Lot-2) dated 27.07.2026
8	Tender Submission extension date request				Requesting you to kindly extend the bid submission date for another minimum 30-days from the date of last pre-bid clarification so that we can able to prepare proper techno commercial offer properly. Kindly consider our request.	Extension of the bid submission deadline is not possible at this stage.

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9	SECTION-II	Page -9	A.1	Technical Criteria: Bidder must have completed "Similar work" during the last Seven (07) years to be reckoned as on bid submission date. "Similar work" shall mean the following: Supply, laying, testing and commissioning of 220KV XLPE Cable, Conductor materials as Copper or Aluminum and Conductor size 1000 Sq.mm or higher.	Bidder must have completed "Similar work" during the last Seven (07) years to be reckoned as on bid submission date. Supply, laying, testing and commissioning of 220KV XLPE Cable, Conductor materials as Copper or Aluminum and Conductor size 800 Sq.mm or higher also accepted. Please confirm.	Please refer Section II, Clause A.1 (Bid Evaluation Criteria). The eligibility requirements for Similar Work shall remain as stipulated in the tender.
10	SCC	Page 35 of 39	Sl. 44.5	BOCW (BUILDING AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION WORKS) Applicable BOCW shall be included in the quoted TOTAL CONTRACT PRICE. The contractor shall pay the cess under BOCW Act for subject works and submit proof of submission of cess to owner before submitting the next R.A. bill. In case, contractor does not submit the said proof, applicable BOCW shall	We understand that BOCW is applicable only to the erection portion. Kindly confirm whether BOCW is applicable to the total contract value or only to the erection portion.	Please refer SCC Clause 44.5: Applicable BOCW shall be included in the quoted total contract price.

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				be deducted at source by the OWNER from the contractor's invoice and deposit the deducted amount to the concerned authority. OWNER does not undertake any further responsibility in this regard.		
11	AMENDMENT No. IV Dated:24.07.2026	Page -2	Cl-2	Format for MoU / Agreement / Manufacturer's Authorization Form (MAF) is attached with this amendment as Annexure-VIII Of Joint Deed Of Undertaking By The Tower Manufacturer Alongwith The Bidder/Contractor.	As per Section II, a bidder is permitted to execute an MoU/Agreement/Manufacturer's Authorization Form (MAF) with a maximum of three (03) bidders for participation in this tender. However, our understanding is that the Manufacturer's Authorization Form (MAF) is not applicable for this tender, and only a Joint Deed of Undertaking (JDU) is acceptable. Kindly confirm our understanding.	Please refer Amendment-IV dated 24.07.2026.
12	AMENDMENT No. IV Dated:24.07.2026	Page -7	Cl-11	Engineer-in-Charge can make a variation of the form, quality or quantity of the works or any part there of that may in his opinion, be necessary and for that purpose or if for any other reasons it shall, in his opinion be desirable he shall have power to under in writing to the contractor to do and the contractor shall do any of the	A. For the repeat order, we understand that the final cable quantity will be finalized before issuance of the drawing approval to the cable manufacturer. Since this is a firm-price contract and cable is a commodity with highly volatile prices, kindly confirm that the final repeat order quantity will be frozen prior to drawing approval, and no additional quantity beyond the finalized quantity shall be ordered thereafter. D. We request that any additional work, if required for successful completion of the project,	Please refer Amendment-IV dated 24.07.2026.

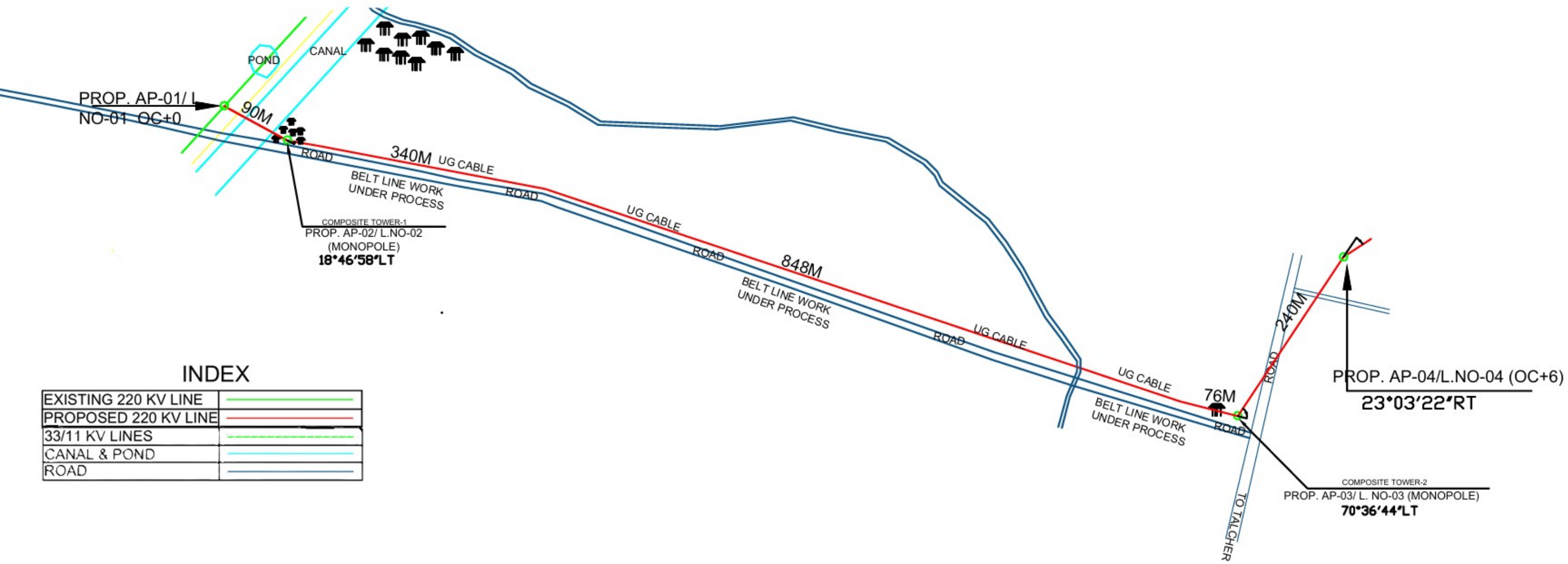
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				following: (A) Increase or decrease in quantity of any work included in the contract within limits and as per terms given in GCC. However, the quantity (A) Increase or decrease in quantity of any work included in the contract within limits and as per terms given in GCC. However, the quantity of SOR item no.3.01 shall not exceed 125% of the tendered quantity. (B) Omit any such work (C) Change the levels, lines, position and dimension of any part of the works and (D) Execute additional work of any kind necessary for completion of works & no such variation shall in any way vitiate or invalidate the contract. But the value, if any of all such variation, shall be taken into account in ascertaining the amount of the contract price.	be identified and finalized during the detailed engineering stage .The rates for such additional work shall be mutually agreed upon between the Owner and the Contractor and shall not be restricted to the Schedule of Rates (SOR). Kindly confirm.	
13	SCC	Page	Cl -40.2	B) Electrical Works:	kindly accept below payment Terms of	Refer Amendment-V

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				iii) Balance 5% (Retention Money) shall be released along with final bill		
14	SCC	Page 26 of 39	Cl -40.2	For Items involving both Supply & Erection i) 65% on receipt and storage at site and on physical verification and furnishing of necessary certificate by Employer's representative. ii) 20% on its completion of erection / Installation. iii) 10% on its testing and commissioning. iv) Balance 5% (Retention Money) shall be released along with final bill.		
15	SCC	Page 26 of 39	Cl -40.2	II) For Lump sum/Lot Items: i) 70% shall be paid on receipt and acceptance of material at site on pro rata basis ii) 20% on completion of erection / Installation pro rata basis iii) 5% on Inspection & testing pro rata basis iv) Balance 5% (Retention Money) shall be released		

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				along with final bill Note: Bidder shall submit the breakup details of LOT items before submission of invoice		
16	BOQ		3.06	Earth continuity Cable	Please specify the size of Earth continuity cable.	Please refer Pre-Bid Reply (Lot-2) dated 27.07.2026.
17	BOQ		3.1	Earthing Material for 220 kV Cable, Joint box and at Termination End	Please specify the earthing material required for the application.	Please refer the Tender Specifications.
18	NIT4027	568 of 584		Bonding of Cable	At the termination end, bonding shall be adopted by solidly earthing the cable sheath through the single-phase disconnecting link boxes. Cross bonding can be done with three phase link boxes with CCPUs at the specified locations based on the sheath voltage calculations. We understand that , the Link box at termination End shall be 1ph without SVL and cross bonding link box shall be 3-Ph with SVL . Kindly confirm our understanding.	Please refer the Tender Specifications.
19	General			Cable Termination: Both ends of the UG cable section shall be terminated on the Monopole structures	Please specify the Earthing philosophy to be consider for monopole structure.	Please refer the Tender Specifications.
20	Annexure-IV, Bidding Data Sheet	122 of 584	16.1, 16.10 and 38.6	EMD: In case 'Earnest Money / Bid Security' or "Contract Performance Security" is in the form of 'Demand Draft' or	Clause Nos. 16.1, 16.10 and 38.6 of the BDS specify that the EMD/Bid Security shall be in favour of "Talcher Fertilizers Limited", New	The BDS clause is self-explanatory. For BDS, Please refer Annx-IV of Section-III.

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	(BDS)			'Banker's Cheque' or 'Insurance Surety Bond' / 'Fixed Deposit Receipt', the same should be favour of " Talcher Fertilizers Limited ", payable at New Delhi .	Delhi. As per our understanding the beneficiary details are as follows: M/s Talcher Fertilizers Ltd. (TFL), Administrative Building, Talcher, Post: Vikrampur, Dist.: Angul – 759106, Odisha. Kindly confirm whether our understanding is correct or provide the complete beneficiary details with pincode to be mentioned in the EMD/Bid Security.	
21	Final payment			Final Payment	Please confirm if the 220KV Cable will not be commissioned after the total physical work completion of Cabling contractor due to delay of transmission line work or any other reason which is not attributed in the 220KV Cabling work contractor scope, in that case M/s. TFL will release all the retention payment without holding any amount of payment.	Refer Amendment-V.



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