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NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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Municipal Corporation Shimla (MCS) invites Expression of Interest (E.O.I) for selection of parties for provision, maintenance and operation of battery operated vehicles for carrying passengers/tourists on the designated routes within the Municipal Corporation Shimla (MCS) area. The selected party shall be entitled to receive passenger fare & shall also be entitled for the income generated through the advertisement on the exteriors of the vehicles subject to approval from M.C. Shimla.

- From Sanjauli to Police Chowki Lakkar Bazaar Shimla.
- 2 From C.T.O to IIAS/ Boileaugani.
- 3 From Chhota Shimla Chowk to Shimla Club.
- 4 From Nay-Bahar to Richmond Rain Shelter.

The Eligibility Criteria for the Bidder:

- 1. Single company or a Joint venture company with the lead partner having minimum of 51 % stakes.
- Annual Turnover of Rs. 50.00 lacs duly certified by the C.A.
- Minimum three years experience in providing similar service/taxi/bus operator.

The bidding parameter would be the Annual Fee payable to M.C. Shimla and the contract period would be three years extendable to five years based on the performance of service delivery.

All EOIs/Bids would be attached with EMD of Rs. 5.00 lacs which can be in the form of Bank Guarantee/Demand Draft. The RFP document and detail of the concession agreement is uploaded on the MCS website www.shimlamc.gov.in. For any queries/or any information please contact the office of Commissioner as detailed above. M.C. Shimla, H.P. reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers in full / part without assigning any reasons whatsoever.

Commissioner
Municipal Corporation Shimla



Municipal Corporation Shimla RFP Document

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Proposed routes are as under:

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- (2) From C.T.O to IIAS/Boileauganj.
- (3) From Chhota Shimla Chowk to Shimla Club.
- (4) From Nav-Bahar to Richmond Rain Shelter.

The requirement of vehicles is as under:

S. No.	Type of vehicles	Requirement	
1	Battery operated vehicles	Minimum of Four Vehicles per route having capacity for	
		carrying minimum number of 8 passengers.	

Terms & Conditions:

- i) The battery operated vehicle should be fit for plying and carrying passengers on hilly terrains in all weather conditions subject to approval of the Design of Vehicle by MCS.
- ii) The battery operated vehicles need to be approved by the competent authority in accordance with the provision contained in Motor Vehicle Act & relevant rules made thereunder.
- iii) The bidding parameter would be the highest offer **(H1)** which will be applicable for all the routes. In case the highest bidder is unable to provide service, then the 2nd bidder can be considered.
- iv) The passenger charges /fare will be fixed by M.C. Shimla (₹ 10 per passenger per trip, this will be increased by 10% every year rounded off to the nearest rupee). The latest ticketing machines/swipe cards etc. should be used.
- v) M.C. shall facilitate terminals for charging the batteries of the vehicle at nominated points through HPSEB Ltd. The operator will have to apply for the electricity connection and pay the expenses thereof and energy consumption charges on account of recharging of batteries shall be borne by the bidder itself.
- vi) An agreement with the party shall be entered into for a period of three years which shall be extendable to five years on satisfied performance basis. Extension of agreement will not be right of service provider.
- vii) Repairs, maintenance and replacement of vehicle, if required, will be done by the operator.
- viii) The minimum number of vehicles to be supplied for a particular road will be as per above detail and may vary as decided by the MCS based on the requirement.
- ix) The operator shall not be allowed to carry more passengers than specified for a particular vehicle in case of violation the operator shall liable for penalty as may be assessed/imposed by the Commissioner of the Corporation.
- x) Every bidder shall deposit a lump sum amount of ₹ 5, 00,000/-(Five Lacs Rupees) only as refundable security (EMD) with M.C. Shimla which shall be refunded on the submission of Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) to M.C. Shimla. The successful bidder shall have to deposit a Performance Bank Guarantee to the tune of Rs. 25 lacs at the time of signing of the agreement which shall remain with the Municipal Corporation during the period of Contract.

- xi) The operator shall keep sufficient number of spare parts to avoid any delay in service delivery.
- xii) Vehicles will ply on the specified roads at least from 7 A.M. to 9 P.M. only at a maximum speed of 20Km per hour and provision of ambulance type siren on the vehicle for the awareness of passengers/ passersby's is also needed.
- xiii) In case of any dispute the decision of MCS shall be final and binding on the Parties to the Contract.
- xiv) MCS reserves the right to alter the boarding/de-boarding station.
- xv) The terms & conditions of the contract can be changed with mutual consent of both the parties.
- xvi) There shall be no subletting of the contract.
- xvii) The operator shall be liable for any legal liability that may arise due to the operation of the service during the period of contract.
- xviii) The operator shall provide identity cards, name plates and dresses to the drivers operating and maintaining the vehicle for the purpose of identification only and the same shall be shown to the inspection staff of M.C. Shimla or the other authority duly empowered in this behalf.
- xix) The operator shall provide adequate training to the drivers on safety standard to be maintained to avoid any mishap. The relevant provision of Motor Vehicle Act 1988 would be applicable which shall be the sole responsibility of the operator.
- xx) The Operator should also be governed by the central/ state/local laws which ever are prevalent in the field.
- xxi) In case of Force Majeure either party has to issue a notice to the M.C. Shimla for termination of contract. In case of any dispute, the matter would be settled in the jurisdiction of competent Court(s) in Shimla.
- xxii) MCS shall not be liable for any damages/injuries/material losses caused to the operator and the staff, passengers, pedestrians and third party vehicles. The operator shall be liable for any losses, damages, destruction, deteriorations and injuries to passengers during transportation through the vehicle or any act of omission or commission on their part for safe transportation of passengers on the specified roads. The operator shall also be held responsible for causing any damage to any person, public or private building or property in any case. In any case the operator is willing to discontinue the service; a notice of 90 days is essential to be given to the MCS, but in that case his performance security shall be forfeited without any notice.
- xxiii) The expenditure on staff deployed on battery operated vehicles shall be borne by the operator and in no case staff of the operator will be treated as an employee of MCS.
- xxiv) Third party Insurance shall be enforced by the said operator from an Insurance company as per Motor Vehicle Act, 1988.
- xxv) There shall be provision of well equipped kiosks for smart ticketing procedures.
- xxvi) There shall be a provision of 60% reservation of seats especially for Sr. Citizen, Patients, Women and Physically Challenged Persons.
- xxvii) Vehicle shall be fabricated keeping in view the climatic conditions of Shimla City and shall be subject to the satisfaction of MCS.
- xxviii)On-street/Off-street Parking Facility shall be provided by the M.C. Shimla on nominal fee basis.
- xxix) In case of break-down of vehicle alternate back-up vehicle should be made available within half an hour.
- xxx) Space will be provided by M.C. Shimla for Charging of Battery whereas electricity bill will be borne by the operator himself.

- xxxi) The driver of the battery operated vehicle shall possess the driving license of transport category of specified vehicle.
- xxxii) The delivery of vehicle shall be made within 15 days from the award letter.
- xxxiii) The operator shall be allowed to advertise on the exteriors of the vehicles and shall follow the rules and guidelines framed in this regard either by MCS or by the Govt.
- xxxiv) The envelope containing above should be clearly marked with "Expression of Interest (E.O.I) for provision, maintenance and operation of battery operated vehicles in the MCS.
- xxxv) The Commissioner, MCS shall reserve its right to reject any or all the offers received without assigning any reason and in the case of successful bidder the Commissioner, M.C. Shimla shall also reserve its right to close the operation of battery operated vehicle on the present scheme at any time in the public interest or by the order if any passed by any Court of Law in this regard and successful bidder/operator shall not claim any damages due to closer of the scheme/battery operated vehicle for the Municipal Corporation.

Eligibility Criteria of Agency / Organisation:

- a) Registration of firm as a single identity company or a joint venture company.
- b) Detail of turnover of minimum of ₹ 50 lacs duly certified by the CA for last two years i.e 2012-13 & 2013-14.
- c) PAN Number of the firm.
- d) Previous experience in similar fields for a minimum period of three years along with firm's background and professional strength etc.

Mode of Allotment of route/road.

- a) The request of party for operation rights would be made on the highest bids for annual fee to M.C. Shimla.
- b) In case of single bid the matter would be sent to the H.P. Govt. for approval as per the CVCs guidelines.
- c) In case of new routes being selected for operation of "Battery Operated Vehicles", the priority and preference shall be given to bidding firm who shall be considered as empanelled firm. The allotment will be done on competitive rates.

The time lines for various stages of the bid process will be as under:

Sl. No.	Proceedings	Date & Time
1	Pre bid meeting with potential bidders	5 th Feb.,2015, 14-30 Hrs
2	Last date for receiving EOI	18 Feb., 2015, 1400 Hrs
3	Opening of Bids	18 Feb., 2014, 1530 Hrs

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