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NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR EMPANELMENT OF FIRM OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS FOR STATUTORY AUDIT OF THE INSTITUTE OF COST ACCOUNTANTS OF INDIA – EASTERN INDIA REGIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-25

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR APPOINTMENT OF STATUTORY AUDITORS OF THE ICMAI-EIRC FOR

2024-25

The Eastern India Regional Council of The Institute of Cost Accountants of India (erstwhile The

Institute of Cost and Works Accountants of India) is situated at CMA Bhawan, 84, Harish Mukherjee

Road, Kolkata – 700025.

The Institute of Cost Accountants of India is a statutory body established by a special act of

Parliament, namely, the Cost and Works Accountants Act, 1959 which has the role of promoting,

regulating and developing the profession of Cost Accountancy.

The Eastern India Regional Council of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India invites offers from

interested Chartered Accountant firms for appointment as Financial Auditors for the year 2024-25

with experience in auditing the Accounts of autonomous Institutions/statutory bodies. The Scope of

Work is stated below

**OBJECTIVES** 

The objectives of the Financial Audit is to seek a professional opinion on the financial statement of

"Eastern India Regional Council of The Institute of Cost Accountants of India for the financial year

2024-25 and to ensure proper maintenance of books of accounts and other relevant documents at

all levels.

**BACKGROUND** 

The Annual Accounts of Eastern India Regional Council of The Institute of Cost Accountants of India

are prepared and maintained through TALLY.ERP9 accounting software and the Financial Audit will

be carried out in accordance with the Generally Accepted Auditing Principles and will include tests

and controls, as the auditors feel necessary under the circumstances.



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#### **SCOPE**

The major areas to be covered are as under:-

#### 1. Statutory Audit to cover the areas ensuring that,

- (a) Transactions are recorded as per principles of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and are booked to proper accounting heads.
- (b) Utilization of funds is in accordance with financing agreements.
- (c) To check all statutory records, registers including Minute Books and to see that accounting effects of all the decisions taken at Council and Committee Meeting are given in the Books of Account.
- (d) Goods and services have been procured in compliance with the financing agreement.
- (e) Transactions are duly supported by proper supporting documents.
- (f) Checking the maintenance of books of accounts and records.
- (g) Checking the bank reconciliation statements.
- (h) Checking of component wise, category-wise and account head wise expenditures.
- (i) Checking of investments, short term deposit etc. made from time to time.
- (j) Checking of various taxes/statutory compliance.
- (k) Verification of fixed deposit register and checking of interest received.
- (1) To give executive summary incorporating all points/matters; which are of very important nature.

#### 2. Financial Books

- (a) Verification of Bank Book Journal, Vouching of Imprest Cash.
- (b) Scrutiny of all General Ledger, Commenting on loan outstanding entries, etc.
- (c) Verification of cash, cheques on hand etc. as on 31st of March of the year under audit.
- (d) Verification of all computer vouchers and sheets ensure correct coding and accounting head.



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(e) Scrutiny of general ledger and Verification of Income and Expenditure Statement,

and Balance sheet and other Schedules.

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(f) Verification of Salary/ Consultancy payments, P.F, I.T., TDS, Professional Tax, GST,

etc. and submission of various return to the competent authority in time.

(g) Verification of fixed asset and reconciliation of physical verification report with the Fixed

Assets Register.

(h) Verification of Debtors & Creditors.

(i) Verification of detailed schedule of interests received on Fixed Deposit investments and

calculations of accrued interest.

(j) Verification of all financial information completely, promptly and after the necessary

authorisation was recorded.

(k) Any other work needed to Accounts Finalization.

3. Comprehensive audit

The areas covered by comprehensive audit may cover comparison of the results shown in the

current period financial statements with prior periods and if available, with budgets and

forecasts, investment decisions, delegation of financial powers and management of information

systems, organisational effectiveness, management of fixed assets etc.

4. Accounting policy & standard

(a) To review and help the management in implementing proper accounting procedures,

internal control and computerized systems.

(b) Review of Accounts.

(c) Check all recorded entries comply with accounting standard.

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#### 5. System Improvement

The selected Auditor(s) will report suggest improvement in the existing procedures.

#### 6. The Chartered Accountant firm so appointed would be required to give:-

 Audit Certificates and issue any other certificate as may be required by the Institute from time to time without any additional fee to be paid by the Institute.

 Statements in annual report that describes the work of The Eastern India Regional Council of Institute of Cost Accountants of India. The responsibilities of the audit also include reporting on the adequacy of statements.

#### 7. Liaison

The selected Auditor(s) will liaise with the Management for the periodical meetings to review the progress of the work and to ensure requirement be fully met.

**8.** To suggest the measures for cost control and to increase the revenue of the Regional Council of the Institute.

**9.** The Chartered Accountant firm so appointed would be required to look into the compliance of previous audit objections raised (if any) and have to verify or comment on the supporting documents/ vouchers submitted at latter stage, to settle the audit qualifications in the Statutory Audit report of this assignment.

#### 10. Reporting

After finalization of Audit, the Statutory Auditors shall submit Audit Report to the Regional Council within the stipulated time period.

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**GENERAL** 

Auditor would be given access to all Books of Accounts, Procurement documents, Legal

documents, Approval/Sanction letters/notes, and all other documents and information which they

think necessary for the purpose of audit. The auditors may make specific observations with

respect to the efficiency of financial procedure, the accounting system and in general, the

administration and management of the organization.

11. TIME PERIOD FOR ENGAGEMENT

The selected Chartered Accountant firm will be required to provide the above mentioned services as

Statutory Auditors initially for the accounting year i.e, 2024-25 and will be renewed subject to a

maximum period of 3 years depending upon the satisfactory performance, on mutually agreed

terms.

12. PRE-QUALIFICATION CRITERIA OF THE CA FIRM

The bids of only those firms will be considered, which satisfy the following eligibility criteria:

a. The Chartered Accountant Firm should be registered with The Institute of Chartered

Accountants of India (ICAI) and have Income Tax Permanent Account Number (PAN) and

GSTN.

b. The Firm should have Head Office at Kolkata, West Bengal.

c. The firm should have been in operation for minimum 10 years after its registration and at

least 5 years experience in Audit of Annual Accounts of Central Autonomous Bodies / Public

Sector Undertakings/Statutory Bodies and Filing of Returns of Income Tax

d. The average gross profession fee received / earned by the firm in the last 3 financial years

(2023-24,2022-23,2021-22) must be equal to or more than Rs.20.0 lakhs per annum

e. The firm should have at least 3 partners. One each should have minimum continuous

association of 5 years with the Firm. There should be at least one year continuous association

for both exclusive partners and CA employees. Two of the partners should be FCAs. Also, at least two of the partners should have minimum 10 years experience in practice.

- f. In addition to the partners, the firm should have minimum 5 Nos. of Qualified Assistants including and other experienced staff performing audit / accounting work in addition to the Partners.
- g. In order to avail expertise of the Statutory Auditors it should be ensured that the firm was not been appointed during last three years in the Institute Headquarters, Regional Council and Chapters, if appointed, they shall not be considered for re-appointment.

#### **13. PAYMENT TERMS**

a. The professional fee will be Rs.70,000/- (Rupees Seventy Thousand only) plus applicable Taxes for the entire contract period. Payment shall be made against invoices on completion of the audit and submission of audit report. No proposal for variation would be allowed during the contract period.

b. Taxes as per Income Tax Act or any other taxes will be deducted at applicable rates from all payments made by the Institute.

#### 14. SUBMISSION AND EVALUATION OF THE EOI

#### 14.1 Submission of EOI

Interested firms meeting all the pre-qualification criteria as mentioned in Para - 12 above may submit their offer in the prescribed Annexure / sub-Annexure of this EOI

(i) Annexure-A duly filled Pre-qualification-cum-Technical Bid along with all supporting documents duly signed with Seal of the authorized Partner and should be submitted in one sealed envelope superscribed as – 'PRE-QUALIFICATION AND TECHNICAL BID for EOI No. EIRC-ICMAI/STAT AUDIT/01/2024-25.

(ii) The EOI should reach the following address latest by 17:00 hours of 17th June, 2024.

The Chairman, ICMAI-EIRC, CMA Bhawan, 84, Harish Mukherjee Road, Opp. Harish Park, Kolkata-700025

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(iii) The Institute reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the offers received or cancel the

bidding process at any time prior to award of contract, without assigning any reason.

(iv) The firm should not be blacklisted or banned by any of the government department of PSU(Self

attested affidavit on stamp paper of Rs.100 to be given in this regard by the partner of the firm).

(v) The senior partner has to be present periodically at the EIRC office for finalizing the audit and has

to hold periodic meetings with Accounts Officer/Management for which no expenses will be borne

by the Institute. He/She will also have to attend Council/Finance Committee Meeting of the Eastern

India Regional Council, if required.

Other partners and other qualified professionals will spend all their stipulated man days at site for

which no expenses will be borne by the Institute.

(vi). Marking System: The criteria for selection of the Statutory Auditor would purely on marking

system. The highest value of points would be awarded the job and incase of tie the firm having more

experience would be selected as Statutory Auditors for the year 2024-25



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### The following criteria for marking system are stated as follows:

SI no	Particulars	Points Fixed	Maximum Point
1	Place /Location of the firm - Head Office at Kolkata -		25
2	Number of Partners		15
	(a) 3 partners	5	
	(b) Above 3 Partners 2.5 mark each from 4 <sup>th</sup> partner for each additional partner maximum to 10 points	10	
3	Number of Qualified Assistants employed with the Firm		5
	5-10	3	
	11-15	4	
	16 and above	5	
	( These would exclude typists, stenographers, computer operators, secretary/ies and sub-ordinate staff)		
4	Age of the Firm		15
	0.5 point for every calendar year ( Counted from the date of constitution of the firm with one full time FCA or date of joining of the firm by the existing partner having the longest association with the firm whichever is later )		
5.	The Firm must have carried out at least 2 Statutory Audits in Public Sector/Autonomous Bodies funded by GOI/Statutory Bodies during the preceding financial year i.e 2023-24 The firm should have statutory audit experience of 5 years of the Public Sector Undertakings (either		15
	Central or State Government undertaking). While calculating such experience ,more than one assignment given to a firm during a particular year or		

	more than one year's statutory audit (audit in arrears ) assigned to the firm will be reckoned, as one year experience only, for the purpose of counting such experience.		
	No. of Statutory Audits conducted in Public Sector/Autonomous Bodies/Statutory Bodies	Marks	
	2	5	
	3 to 6	8	
	7 to 10	10	
	Above 10	15	
6.	Experience in statutory auditing in Corporates/MNC		5
	No. of Years	Marks	
	3 to 5	3	
	5 and above	5	
7.	Empanelled with Government Agencies/Departments/Ministries like C & AG (if yes – 5 marks )		5
8.	Conducted Internal Audit or Similar engagements in CA/ICSI/Universities of Repute/Autonomous Bodies in last financial year i.e.2023-24		5
9.	At least two full time partners of the firm or its paid full time Chartered Accountants must possess CISA/ISA qualification		5
10.	CISA/ISA Qualified Employees  1 point each and Maximum of 5 points for 5 employees		5
	Total Points		100

### ANNEXURE-A

SI. No.	Particulars	Details	Firm Strength and Capacity	
1.	Chartered Accountant Firm	Name & Address of the Firm		
		Name and address of the Authorized Partner (s)		
		Telephone No(s) with STD Code Mobile No (s):		
		iviobile No (s).		
		e-Mail ID:		
		(Submit copy regarding address		
2. a)	Prequalification Criterion The CA Firm should be Registered with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) for minimum 5 years and must possess permanent account number (PAN) under Income Tax and registration number under GST.	(Submit copies of the registration certificates and constitution certificate generated online from The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India) PAN of the CA Firm (Submit copy)		
b)	Average Gross Professional Fees received / earned by the CA Firm for the last 3 (three) years i.e. (2023-24,2022-23,2021-22) ending on 31st March, 2024.  Must be equal to or greater than Rs.20 lakhs	Average Gross earned Details to be ANNEXURE A-1.	Professional Fees received/ provided as per SUB- professional fee received)	
c)	The Firm should have at least 5 years experience in Audit of Annual Accounts of Central Autonomous Bodies / Public Sector Undertakings/Statutory Bodies under an Act of Parliament and Filing of Returns of Income Tax	Sector Undertak similar services years. Details to be ANNEXURE A-2.	Autonomous Bodies/ Public ings/Statutory Bodies where were provided in the last 5 provided as per SUBworks Orders as evidence)	

d)	CA Firm should have minimum 3	Partners:-
	(Three) partners	FCA:
		ACA:
		Submit the details of the Chief Functionaries
		of the CA firm as provided in SUB-
		ANNEXURE-A3
e)	Numbers of professionals and other staff on payroll of Firm	No. of Article clerks and other professionals performing audit/accounting work (in figures and words) along with their name, membership number and the Institute from where they have passed.

Certified that the above particulars are correct. In the event of any information found to be incorrect, be it at any time, The Institute of Cost Accountants of India - EIRC is at liberty to reject the proposal/work awarded to this CA Firm.

Date:	Signature:
OFFICE SEAL:	Name:
	Designation

**SUB-ANNEXURE: A1** 

## Details of CA Firm's professional Income (Gross Professional Fees received/earned)

Rupees in lakhs

Particulars	Financial Year	Financial Year	Financial Year	Average
	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	Annual
Gross				
Professional				
Fees received/				
Earned				

(Attach audited Profit & Loss Account of the firm along with copy of Income Tax Return)

Date:	Signature:
OFFICE SEAL:	Name:
	Designation

#### **SUB-ANNEXURE: A2**

### Details of CA Firm's Experience of Similar Services during the last 5 (five) years

SI.	Name of the	Name of the	Name of the	Nature of	Details of the
No.	Assignment	Assignment	Client	the	Supporting
		(Start date/		Assignments	Documents
		End date)		(Please	provided
		and period		specify the	
		of work		work	
				involved as	
				detailed in	
				scope of	
				work)	
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					

Furnish the copy of the documentary evidence/Purchase Order received from any such Company along with audited Profit and Loss Account of that Company in support of the information provided above.

Please attach additional sheets, if required.

Date:	Signature:
OFFICE SEAL:	Name:
	Designation

#### **SUB-ANNEXURE A-3**

#### (On Firms Letter Head)

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I/We	the	following	partners	of	M/s.	
Charte	ered					
Accou	ntants	do hereby	jointly and s	sever	ely verif	y and declare –

- (i) that the particulars given are complete and correct and that if any of the statements made or the information so furnished in the application form is later found not correct or false or there has been suppression of material information, the firm would not only stand disqualified from allotment but would be liable for disciplinary action under the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 and the regulations framed there under;
- (ii) that the firm, or partners has not been debarred or cautioned by ICAI during the last five years, (if debarred, give details);
- (iii) that individually we are not engaged in practice otherwise or in any other activity which would be deemed to be in practice under section 2 (2) of the Chartered Accountant Act, 1949;
- (iv) that the constitution of the firm as on 1<sup>st</sup> April of the relevant year shown is same as that in the constitution certificate issued by the ICAI.

SI. No.	Name of the Partner	Status (ACA/FCA)	Membership Registration No.	PAN No.	Signature of partner

C	Pate:	Signature: Name:			
C	OFFICE SEAL:				
		Designation:			

Documents to be submitted (apart from the documents mentioned above)

- 1. Copy of all Experience Certificates, Copy of COP of the Partners, Copy of Certificate of Qualified Assistants.
- 2. Copy of Annual Accounts of the Firm for the last three years along with Income Tax return.
- 3. Signed with Seal of the Firm in each page of the documents submitted as a token of acceptance of the terms & Conditions of the Contract mentioned in the EOI.

Note: All documents submitted along with EOI has to be attested by the partner with Seal & Signature of the Firm.