Minutes of Pre-bid meeting held on 11.02.2015 at 14:00 hr at RITES office for Supply of HIV (RAPID) 2nd & 3rd ANTIGEN and WHOLE BLOOD FINGER PRICK TEST KITS against: IFB No. RITES/MSM/NACP/07/2014/REBID

1. The following were present:-

I) From RITES S/Shri

M K Das, Manager/MSM

B. N. Meena, AM/MSM

A. Chatterjee, Engineer (Mech.)/MSM

II) Firms which attended the pre bid conference are as follows:

S. No.	Name of representative S/Shri	Name of Firm
1	Chander Prakash Kundra	M/s SD Biostandard Diagnostic Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon

M/s Bhat Biotech India (P) Ltd., New Delhi sent their query through email.

- 2. Initiating the discussion, chairperson welcomed the participants. It was explained that purpose of Pre-bid meet is to educate the bidders regarding various important provisions of the bidding documents and also to clarify any queries that the bidders may have in the subject bidding documents.
- 3. The issues raised during the pre bid meeting and clarifications are as under-

S.	Query Raised	Clarification
No.		
	Section I. Instructions To Bidders	
1.	The prices are not being considered on the basis	All related factors including prevailing
	of the present market rate and it is based	inflation are taken into consideration while
	previous rates which has not relevance or	deciding a tender.
	justified reasons.	
Section II. General Colnditions Of Contract		
2.	Some queries are being raised are very trivial in	All bills accompanied with requisite
	nature for the reason the payments are being	documents as per the contract are paid
	withheld. However, there is no reason then why	promptly. However, deficiency in documents
	payment cannot be released as suppliers have	has to be made correct by the supplier before
	already submitted a performance bank guarantee	release of payment.
	and as such documents against queries can be	
	provided even later point of time.	
3.	As there is huge delay in release of payments	There will be no change in the payments
	due to various reasons, it is requested to give	terms & conditions.
	advance payment so that manufacturing and	
	delivery against the contract can be done within	
	delivery period.	

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	Section III: Schedule of Requirements				
4.	It has been observed and still facing serious issue while supplying material to respective consignee because they decline to accept the material due to their common root cause issue i.e. "non-availability of storage space" but they are not giving any written prior intimation and prompt communication on mails to supplier on the same.	Consignees should intimate about their stock position to NACO well in advance so that necessary reallocation and accordingly amendment in contract can be issued.			
	Section IV. Technical Specifications				
5.	Technical Specification for HIV (Rapid) Whole Blood Finger Prick Test Kits: 1) Sr. No 2, As Per Bid Technical Specification "The cumulative time- temperature indicator technology used should be pre-qualified by WHO". One of the supplier states that the Cold Chain used by them are fulfilling the Quality requirement i.e. "the maintenance of cold chain during storage & transport the kits at 2-8 degree Celsius". But the condition that time-temperature indicator technology used should be prequalified by WHO could become a monopolistic situation and could restrict its usage. This results in increase in prices and thereby having unfair competition. Hence, it is requested to kindly remove the condition of "pre-qualified by WHO" and to make this bidding process more competitive.	There will be no change in the technical specification.			

Meeting concluded with thanks to the participants for their active participation.