

Corrigendum-1

Date: - 17 Mar 2026

CLARIFICATION TO VENDOR QUERIES RAISED DURING THE PRE-Eol MEETING

HELD ON 09 Mar 2026 AT 10.00 HRS.

1. Whether it is compulsory to attend the Pre-Eol meeting to submit the response to Eol?

Reply: Attending the Pre-Eol meeting is not mandatory and any vendor meeting the requirements of Eol can submit their response.

2. What will be the inspection requirement?

Reply: Appropriate inspection requirements specific to the items will be detailed out in the tender document.

3. Whether the technical specifications and parameters be same across all the four shipyards?

Reply: Technical specifications and quality parameters will remain identical across all the four shipyards.

4. Whether permanent vendor registration with all the individual shipyards is mandatory even if the vendor have temporary vendor code?

Reply: Permanent registration with any / all shipyards is not mandatory for participation in this Eol. Vendor registration contact details are indicated in the Eol for vendor to pursue registration, if interested.

5. Is Bank Guarantee required to be furnished in main rate contract?

Reply: Detailed provisions relating to Bank Guarantees will be defined in the tender document. BGs shall be submitted to the respective shipyard issuing the confirmatory order against the confirmatory contract, which will be based on the main rate contract.

6. Whether reverse auction will be conducted on GeM or any other separate platform?

Reply: Based on the response of manufacturers in the Eol, the requirement of reverse auction will be decided and will be stipulated clearly in the tender document. Further, the tendering process will be conducted either on GeM or on NIC portal, as both support reverse auction.

7. Whether there will be provision for differing logistic costs for deliveries to various shipyard locations?

Reply: Appropriate geographical pricing mean shall be provisioned in the tender document for the vendor to quote combining all the costs, including the logistic cost to the various shipyard locations.

8. What timeline will be there for the placement of contract?

Reply: Main purpose of this Eol is to shortlist qualified vendors for the limited tender which will help in placing the contract post tendering at the earliest as the major aspects are being

addressed in the Eoi itself.

9. Please clarify whether there will be pre-qualification requirement relating to past order performances?

Reply: Bidders are required to demonstrate that they are currently active in the relevant line of business. Evidence for their manufacturing capability must be provided by firms for evaluation of their production capacity.

10. Evaluation of Vendor manufacturing facilities may be carried out to ensure only MSME & Start-up manufacturers can participate.

Reply: Evaluation of vendor responses will be as per the extant provisions of the Eoi.

11. Whether the rate contract will be awarded to a single bidder or multiple bidders by getting opportunity to match the L1 price?

Reply: This will be decided based on the quantum of requirement and the responses received. Price matching opportunity shall be in accordance with the provisions of tender document.

12. Whether the contracts will be issued from a central location or from four separate shipyards? Will there be any Minimum Order Quantity (MOQ)?

Reply: As & when required, confirmatory orders will be issued by the individual shipyards under main rate contract which will be placed by MDL through limited tendering to the shortlisted vendors of Eoi. MOQ if any, will be as per specified in the tender document

13. Whether the category-7 (Deck Bulkhead Pieces) can be split as into copper-nickel and steel due to differing manufacturing complexities and price indices.

Reply: The bulkhead pieces in this EOI are of flanged type and there is no requirement of screw type. Hence, there is no specific manufacturing complexity involved in the CuNi compared to Steel Bulkhead fittings.

14. For PVC, WPI index has been referred, which doesn't constitute market realities and implication on the pricing of the items. Also in the present war scenario, the market is highly volatile, hence it is suggested that PVC clause should be from the start of the contract or from shorter duration (2 or 3 months) from the start of contract.

Reply: PVC clause is already in the Eoi & the applicability will be after 12 months of contract, which is in accordance with the Government Guidelines. As indicated in Eoi, the price variation of (+/-) 2% will not be provided & beyond that, variation PVC will be provided. Appropriate indices will be included in the tender document depending on the item category ensuring transparency, parity, and fairness for all bidders.

15. We do not have experience in submitting Eoi response in NIC portal.

Reply: NIC helpdesk contact details are available on <https://eprocuremdl.nic.in>. Online training sessions are also conducted by NIC. Vendor are requested to pursue with NIC helpdesk towards assistance for participation.