

Minutes of the joint meeting of Publication and Publication Advisory Committee (PAC) held on 21.06.2018 at 3.00 PM at NIOS HQ for finalization of e-bids for procurement of paper for the session 2018-19.

The Publication Committee and Publication Advisory Committee, Joint meeting held on 21/06/2018 at 3.00 p.m. in the premises of NIOS (HQ) Conference Room, A 24/25, Sector - 62 NOIDA, U.P. to finalize e-bids received through GeM for purchase of paper for 2018-19 for printing Self Instructional Materials (SIMs) etc. for learners enrolled through Open and Distance Learning Mode (24x7 NIOS online admissions). The following members were present:

1. Sh. C. Dharuman, Director (Eval.), NIOS - In Chair
2. Sh. Sanjay Kumar Sinha, Director (Acad.), NIOS
3. Dr. Ashminder Singh Bahal, Director (VE), NIOS
4. Sh. S. K. Prasad, Director (SSS), NIOS
5. Sh. Manoj Kumar Jain, DD (MD Unit), NIOS
6. Mrs. Anitha Nair, Deputy Director (VE), NIOS
7. Sh. R.D. Mahapatra, DD (Evaluation)
8. Sh. Naveen Bhatia, SAP, NIOS
9. Sh. Anil Kumar, Account Officer, NIOS
10. Sh. Balbir Singh, Retd. AD(Production), -Technical Expert from NBT, GOI
11. Mrs. Neena Golani, AD (SSS), NIOS
12. Sh. D. N. Upreti, Publication Officer, NIOS - Member Convener

At the outset Sh. C. Dharuman, Secretary/Director (Evaluation) and Chairman PAC welcomed all the members and thanked for sparing their valuable time for attending the meeting. Thereafter, the Agenda item was taken up for discussion and consideration.

Item 21.1 To confirm the Minutes of last Publication Advisory Committee for procurement of paper for 2018-2019.



Minutes of the Publication Advisory Committee held on 05/06/2018 were considered and confirmed by the PAC.

21.1.1 To report action taken thereon.

On the basis of the recommendations of the Publication Advisory Committee and subsequent approval by the Competent Authority of NIOS, the following quantities of paper were uploaded on GeM on 13th June 2018 for inviting rates for 2018-19:

(1)	Maplitho Paper with NIOS water mark in sheets of 70 GSM in 58.5x91 cm size (as per BIS Specification 1848/2007)	2700 MTs
(2)	Maplitho Paper with NIOS water mark in sheets of 80 GSM in 58.5x91 cm size (as per BIS Specification 1848/2007)	2000 MTs
(3)	Due to unavailability of desired specifications for Art Card on GeM the same could be uploaded.	

The Publication Advisory Committee took note of it.

 1 



Item 21.2 To finalize e-bids for procurement of Maplitho Paper 70 and 80 GSM for printing of NIOS study materials for the year 2018-19 through Government eMarket Place (GeM)

It was informed that the last date for opening of the Technical and Financial Bid for procurement of aforesaid paper on GeM was 20th June 2018. A committee of Sh. Anil Kumar (AO), Sh. Naveen Bhatia (SAP) and Sh. D.N. Upreti (PO) constituted to open the Technical and Financial bids of GeM and the comparative statement is as under:

Maplitho Paper 70 GSM

S.No	Name of the Firm	Unit Price per Kg. (All inclusive)	Total Amount 2700MTs. (2700000 Kg.) All inclusive
1.	M/s D.S.G. Papers Pvt. Ltd.	Rs.58.10 (L-1)	Rs.15,68,70,000/-
2.	M/s Instant Procurement Services Pvt. Ltd.	Rs.58.25	Rs.15,72,75,000/-
3.	M/s Vishal Coaters Pvt. Ltd.	Rs.58.25	Rs.15,72,75,000/-
4.	M/s Bajaj Kagaj Ltd.	Rs.58.45	Rs.15,78,15,000/-
5.	M/s N.R. Agarwal Industries Ltd.	Rs.58.47	Rs.15,78,69,000/-

Maplitho Paper 80 GSM

S.No	Name of the Firm	Unit Price per Kg. (All inclusive)	Total Amount 2000MTs. (2000000 Kg.) All inclusive
1.	M/s D.S.G. Papers Pvt. Ltd.	Rs.58.10 (L-1)	Rs.11,62,00,000/-
2.	M/s Vishal Coaters Pvt. Ltd.	Rs.58.25	Rs.11,65,00,000/-
3.	M/s Bajaj Kagaj Ltd.	Rs.58.45	Rs.11,69,00,000/-
4.	M/s N.R. Agarwal Industries Ltd.	Rs.58.55	Rs.11,71,00,000/-

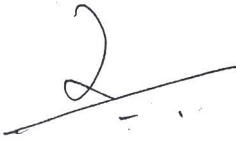
The members discussed the issue at length and recommends the following:

- (i) To go in for reverse bidding as rates received are on the higher side and unrealistic in comparison to the last bids for Maplitho Paper 70 and 80 GSM.
- (ii) Sh. Manoj Jain, DD (MD Unit) informed that as on date approx 76000 learners of Block-II (2017-18) are yet to make available the study material and these learners will appear for the examination in Sept./October 2018. In view of this, it was agreed to provide DVDs to these learners at an earliest. As soon as the paper is received in store, the books would be printed and dispatched to these learners also.
- (iii) Sh. Manoj Jain, DD (MD Unit) was authorized to despatch the available books/study material to the learners enrolled as on date for Block-II (2017-18) and Block-I (2018-19) and balance books/study material to these learners will be despatched as soon as the books are received in store.

(iv) A Committee of the following members is constituted to examine/compare /check/analyse whether the rates for papers received through GeM are reasonable according to the rates available in the open market:

- (1) Sh. Sanjay Kumar Sinha, Director (Academic), NIOS
- (2) Sh. S. K. Prasad, Joint Director(CBC)/Director(SSS)
- (3) Sh. R. Thyagarajan, FC Member of NOS Society/Outside Technical Expert
- (4) Sh. D.N. Upreti, Publication Officer, NIOS
- (5) Sh. Naveen Bhatia, SAP, NIOS
- (6) Sh. Balbir Singh, Retd. Asst. Dir. (Production), External Technical Expert
- (7) Sh. Anil Kumar, Account Officer, NIOS

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.



(D. N. Upreti)
Member-Convener



(S. K. Prasad)
Chairman, Publication Committee(PC)



(C. Dharuman)
Chairman, Publication Advisory Committee(PAC)