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1	Technical	6	Section II – Technical Qualification Criteria, S.No. 1 (Legal Registration; Consortium)	Be a registered legal entity in India, participating as a Single Entity or as a Consortium of not more than three members, supported by a formal consortium agreement. Documents: Certificate of Incorporation; if Consortium, complete details on letterhead of both companies.	With reference to consortium-based participation, kindly clarify: (a) whether the Technical Qualification Criteria (S.No. 2 – Minimum Experience; S.No. 3 – DF/DSM/DR engagement) and the Commercial turnover criterion may be met by any one member or collectively by the consortium members	With reference to consortium participation under Section II Technical Criteria 1: (a) Technical Qualification Criteria (S.No. 2 – Platform & S.No. 3 – DF/DSM/DR engagement) may be met by ANY ONE member or collectively by the consortium members, provided the operational roles and responsibilities are clearly defined in the formal Consortium Agreement submitted with the bid. (b) Commercial Turnover Criterion (Commercial Criteria 1) may be met COLLECTIVELY by the members of the consortium. Each member submits UDIN-based CA certificates, and a pro-rata computation is not required. (c) A disqualification of any one member disqualifies the entire consortium. All members of the consortium shall remain jointly and severally liable for the execution of the contract, and the consortium composition submitted at the bidding stage cannot be altered post-award without prior written approval from BRPL.
2	Technical	6	Section II – Technical Qualification Criteria, S.No. 2 (Minimum Experience)	The bidder must demonstrate an operational, or substantially developed, Demand Flexibility / Demand Response platform — or equivalent verifiable experience — capable of API-based dispatch, telemetry and automative baseline computation. Documents: Documentary evidence as Presentation of Platform.	Kindly confirm: (a) that an operational EMS/SCADA software platform performing API-based dispatch, real-time telemetry, and control of BESS assets on utility/grid signals (e.g., utility-directed dispatch, peak-shaving and curtailment operations) qualifies as "equivalent verifiable experience", even where the platform is not branded as a Demand Response platform; (b) whether automated baseline computation must be a live feature at the EOI stage, or may be demonstrated/configured during Phase 1 (which itself includes baseline creation); (c) whether the documentary evidence "Presentation of Platform" means a platform architecture/capability presentation submitted with the bid, a live demonstration to BRPL post-submission, or both.	(a) CONFIRMED. An operational EMS/SCADA software platform capable of two-way API dispatch, real-time telemetry, and control of BESS / flexible DER assets on utility/grid signals qualifies as 'equivalent verifiable experience' under Technical Criteria 2. (b) Automated baseline computation: High-level automated computation capability must be demonstrated at the EOI stage. Full configuration, calibration, and fine-tuning of the specific baseline algorithm (High 4-of-5 with adjustments) will be carried out during Phase 1 system integration testing (Section III Clause 3 & 9B(d)). (c) 'Presentation of Platform' entails submitting a detailed technical architecture and capability presentation with the bid, followed by a live interactive demonstration before the BRPL Technical Evaluation Committee post-bid opening.
3	Technical	6	Section II – Technical Qualification Criteria, S.No. 3 (Experience of at least one DF/DSM/DR engagement)	The bidder must at least one Demand Flexibility / DSM / DR engagement, in India or overseas, involving aggregated flexible capacity of not less than 500 kW, or hold empanelment/funding under a recognised national or international DR/DSM/Smart Grid programme. Documents: work order/ agreement/ Empanelment Certificate.	Kindly clarify: whether contracts for dispatch, monitoring and control of flexible BESS capacity aggregating not less than 500 kW — executed for utilities or C&I consumers qualify as a "DF/DSM/DR engagement", even where the underlying work order is not titled a Demand Response programme	CONFIRMED. Contracts or engagements involving active dispatch, monitoring, scheduling, and control of flexible BESS (Behind-the-Meter or Front-of-the-Meter) capacity aggregating not less than 500 kW executed for utilities or C&I consumers qualify as a valid 'Demand Flexibility / DSM / DR engagement' under Technical Criteria 3, provided verifiable documentary evidence (Work Order, Contract Agreement, or Client Completion/Operational Certificate) demonstrating the flexible capacity is furnished.
4	Commercial	7	Section II – Commercial Qualification Criteria, S.No. 3	Bidder should be a registered company in India for supplying architect for Construction under the Indian Companies Act 1956 and should have a valid registered office in India with a valid PAN and GST Registration. Documents: Copy of certificate of PAN and GST Registration.	The reference to "supplying architect for Construction" appears inconsistent with the scope of this EOI (Demand Flexibility / Demand Response Aggregation services). Kindly confirm that the intended requirement is only that the bidder be a company registered in India under the Companies Act with a valid registered office, PAN and GST registration, and that no construction/architecture-related registration is required.	CONFIRMED & CLARIFIED. The text 'supplying architect for Construction' is a typographical error in the standard tender proforma. The applicable requirement is strictly that the bidder (or consortium members) must be a legal entity registered in India under the Companies Act (1956/2013) or LLP Act, with a valid registered office in India, PAN, and GST registration. No architectural or construction-related qualification is required.
			Section III clauses 1	Clause 1: "... a Demand Flexibility / Demand Response (DF/DR) Programme ... to enable grid-interactive, technology-driven demand-side flexibility at consumer level."	The EOI is titled a Demand Flexibility / Demand Response (DF/DR) programme and refers to "demand-side flexibility" (clause 1), but the objective and the payment refer only to "demand reduction" and "load reduction" (clauses 2, 7(b) and 11(c)). Is the distributed BTM generation included under the pilot?	Yes. Behind-the-Meter (BTM) energy storage and distributed flexible assets are eligible under the pilot, provided they deliver verifiable demand reduction (Negawatt relief) at the distribution grid level. Standalone generation without controllable dispatch/storage flexibility is not the primary objective; however, BTM storage discharging to curtail consumer grid import during peak hours directly qualifies as demand reduction.

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5	Technical	9,11,13, 16	Section III clauses 2, 11(c)	Clause 2: "... deliver verifiable, dispatchable demand reduction ..." Clause 11(c): "Payment to the Aggregator shall be computed and settled on the basis of the verified load reduction achieved at the nearest point of measurement during a notified DR event ..."	Please clarify whether payment is only for a lower net import at the point of measurement (DR), or also for other flexibility actions (DF). Specifically, does each of the following count as payable demand reduction during an event, and how is it measured? (a) Battery discharge that offsets the home's own load. (b) Battery discharge that exports to the grid (export). (c) Reduced solar export, or curtailed solar generation (export curtailment). Context: the bidder has a significantly large base of well-monitored on-grid residential rooftop solar systems, some of which can help us potentially commit a larger fleet if (b) and (c) count.	(a) Battery discharge offsetting the home's own load: YES, counts as payable demand reduction, measured as a net reduction in grid import at the consumer revenue meter against the approved baseline. (b) Battery discharge exporting to grid: Governed under prevailing DERC Net Metering / DER regulations. Payment under the DR pilot is strictly computed on verified net load reduction at the grid interface point against baseline (c) Curtailed solar generation / reduced export: NO. Curtailment of clean solar generation does not qualify as demand reduction for peak power management under this programme.
			Section III clauses 12	Clause 12: "Aggregators are required to submit the following details, one row per Technology / Program Type per grid ..." (template rows: Commercial HVAC / BMS; Battery Swapping Stations / V2G; BTM Energy Storage; Managed EV Charging; Any Other technology)	Please also state which Section 12 template category applies to each.	For aggregated rooftop solar-plus-battery systems or standalone batteries offsetting consumer load, the applicable category in Section 12 is "BTM Energy Storage". If deploying alternative innovative configurations, bidders may submit under "Any Other technology" with specific technical details.
6	Technical	6	Section II, Technical Criteria 2	"The bidder must demonstrate an operational, or substantially developed, Demand Flexibility / Demand Response platform — or equivalent verifiable experience — capable of API-based dispatch, telemetry and automotive baseline computation." Documents required: "Documentary evidence as Presentation of Platform."	Will a platform that dispatches aggregated rooftop solar-plus-battery systems through inverter or battery-OEM cloud APIs, with telemetry and baseline computation, be accepted as an "operational, or substantially developed" platform?	YES. An operational or substantially developed software platform capable of aggregating and dispatching BTM solar-plus-battery assets via OEM cloud APIs, ingesting real-time telemetry, and performing automated baseline computation satisfies Technical Criteria 2, subject to demonstrating platform capability and presenting architecture during technical evaluation.
7	Technical	6	Section II, Technical Criteria 3	"The bidder must at least one Demand Flexibility / DSM / DR engagement, in India or overseas, involving aggregated flexible capacity of not less than 500 kW, or hold empanelment/funding under a recognised national or international DR/DSM/Smart Grid programme."	Will our 50k+ realtime monitored on grid systems + participation in P2P trial with UPNEDA count towards the experience?	Passive monitoring of solar systems alone does not qualify. However, active participation in the UPNEDA Peer-to-Peer (P2P) transactive energy / demand flexibility trial involving controllable dynamic scheduling/settlement can be considered towards Technical Criteria 3, provided the bidder submits valid documentary evidence (work order, pilot agreement, or completion/empanelment certificate) demonstrating flexible aggregated capacity or formal empanelment under a recognized pilot as mandated in Clause 3 of Section II.
					Which programmes are "recognised" for the empanelment/funding alternative?	Recognised programmes include Demand Response (DR), Demand Side Management (DSM), or Smart Grid pilots/schemes initiated, empanelled, or funded by central/state government departments, statutory/regulatory authorities (e.g., Ministry of Power, BEE, DERC, SERCs, CEA), state power distribution utilities / state nodal agencies (e.g., UPNEDA, MEDA, SECI), or multilateral/bilateral funding institutions (e.g., GEAPP, World Bank, ADB, USAID).
			Section III clause 8, Approach 2.	"The Aggregator shall offer the magnitude and price (₹/kWh) it is able to deliver for a given time slot, without a prior request from BRPL". "BRPL shall validate the Aggregator's bid and, decide whether to accept, partially clear, or reject the offer based on prevailing grid economics and network constraints."	For aggregator-initiated offers (Approach 2): (a) On what basis will BRPL accept, partially clear or reject an offer: price, location, reliability, or a published merit order? (b) How soon after an offer will BRPL respond? (c) What is the smallest partial clearing (for example 50 kW)?	(a) Acceptance Basis: BRPL validates and clears offers based on localized network congestion (DT/feeder stress), real-time/day-ahead power purchase optimization economics (marginal procurement cost vs. offered Negawatt tariff), and bidder reliability. (b) Response Timeline: BRPL shall communicate acceptance/rejection within operational notice timelines (typically within 2 to 4 hours for Day-Ahead offers, and at least 1 hour prior to event start for Intraday offers; detailed operational SLAs will be formalized during Phase 1). (c) Smallest Partial Clearing: Partial clearing adheres to minimum standardized bid block sizes specified in Clause 9A(a), i.e., 50 kW for distributed/EV/BSS assets, and 100 kW for C&I HVAC/BTM Storage.

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8	Technical	6	Section II, Technical Criteria 1 and 3	"Be a registered legal entity in India, participating as a Single Entity or as a Consortium of not more than three members, supported by a formal consortium agreement."	Can the experience of one consortium member satisfy Technical Criteria 2 and 3 for the whole consortium?	YES. As per Section II Technical Criteria 1, a consortium of up to three members is permitted under a formal consortium agreement. The technical platform credentials and past DSM/DR experience of any consortium member can be leveraged to fulfill Technical Criteria 2 and 3 for the consortium, provided the respective member's operational role and technical responsibilities are clearly defined in the formal consortium agreement.
					Can a consortium member be added or replaced after bid submission or after shortlisting?	NO. The consortium composition submitted at the time of bid submission shall be final and binding. No addition, substitution, or replacement of consortium members is permissible post-submission or post-shortlisting without prior written approval from BRPL, which may be granted only under extraordinary circumstances at BRPL's sole discretion (refer to Section IV GCC Clauses 42 & 45).
	Technical	5	Section I, General Instruction 3	"Sub-contracting of any or all part of the work is not permissible."	Please confirm that the following are not treated as sub-contracting: (a) use of battery or inverter OEM cloud platforms, (b) installation and service partners, and (c) a third-party DR software provider.	(a) Integrating with OEM cloud platforms and (b) engaging localized installation/field service partners for hardware upkeep are recognized as normal operational support and will not be construed as prohibited subcontracting, provided the bidder retains full contractual responsibility. (c) However, core DR platform operations, automated dispatch orchestration, and aggregation cannot be subcontracted to an unvetted third party; if utilizing a third-party DR platform, that entity must be included as a formal Consortium Member at the bid submission stage.
9	Technical	15, 16, 18	Clause 11(b) and the Section 12 template	"Indicative Probability of Dispatch Readiness reflects the combined availability and operational likelihood of an enrolled asset to curtail load when a DR event is triggered." "Submissions must transparently state this expected dispatch readiness percentage." Section 12 template column: "Indicative Probability of Dispatch Readiness (% p.a.)"	Please give the formula for "Indicative Probability of Dispatch Readiness (% p.a.)" to be entered in the Section 12 table: (a) How are availability and operational likelihood combined, and over what period and base (offered MW, event hours or event windows)? (b) Will the stated percentage be checked against actual delivery, and is any minimum percentage required?	(a) Formula: As defined in Section III Clause 11(b), Dispatch Readiness (%) = [Technical Availability (%) × Operational Likelihood (%)]. Technical Availability represents the % of time/capacity assets are energized and online; Operational Likelihood represents the fraction of connected load that can be curtailed without breaching consumer comfort/constraints. Bidders should indicate an annualized weighted average readiness percentage across the designated peak windows. (b) The percentage in Section 12 is indicative and non-binding at EOI stage. While no statutory minimum percentage is mandated for EOI qualification, actual event delivery during Phase 2 will be measured against committed capacity under the performance availability incentive and disincentive framework (Clause 11(d) & Corrigendum-I Clause 12).
10	Commercial	4, 9	Section I clauses 1.8 and 1.10; Section III clause 2	1.10: "Short listing of vendors would be carried out depending on various criteria including Technical competence, financial capability, workmanship including quality of work carried out in the past, resource capability, adherence to statutory requirements etc." Clause 2: "Shortlisting under this EOI does not, by itself, entitle a Bidder to award of a Contract."	How many aggregators will be shortlisted (tentatively)?	BRPL intends to shortlist multiple qualified aggregators (subject to meeting technical and commercial qualification criteria) to ensure broad representation across diverse asset classes (HVAC, BTM Storage, EV/BSS, and smart appliances) and consumer segments.
					If more bidders qualify than the number to be shortlisted, how will they be ranked, and what weights apply to the criteria?	All bidders fulfilling the qualifying criteria in Section II will be empaneled for participation. Further, as per section III Clause 3, the bidders has to successfully qualify Phase 1 to qualify for Commercial Phase of the program.
					Does shortlisting carry any guaranteed capacity or event allocation?	NO. As stated in Section III Clause 2 and Clause 11(e)(iv), shortlisting or empanelment under this EOI does not confer any right to guaranteed capacity, minimum event volume, or take-or-pay liability on BRPL. Commercial dispatches in Phase 2 depend on successful completion of Phase 1 mock runs, grid requirements, and execution of the Tripartite Agreement under the GEAPP grant framework.
11	Commercial	3, 19, 53	Section I clause 1.4; Section III clause 13; Appendix II para 5	1.4: "Contract Period: 12 months from date of LOI / Agreement" Clause 13: "The EOI response shall remain valid for a period of 30 days from the date of submission." Appendix II para 5: "We agree to abide by this Bid for a period of 180 days from the due date of bid submission ..."	Does the bid validity of 30 days or of 180 days apply?	Bid validity shall be 180 days from the due date of bid submission, in accordance with standard BRPL procurement guidelines as reflected in Appendix II (Bid Form), superseding the 30-day reference in Section III Clause 13.
					From which date does the 12-month contract period run, and does it cover Phase 1 to Phase 3 (indicatively Dec 2026 to Nov 2027)?	The 12-month contract period commences from the date of issuance of the Letter of Intent (LOI) / execution of the Pilot Agreement. It encompasses Phase 1 (Platform integration & mock runs), Phase 2 (Live pilot dispatches & commercial settlement), and Phase 3 (Pilot reporting & framework drafting), tentatively scheduled from December 2026 to November 2027 (subject to revision by BRPL as per Corrigendum-I Clause 1).

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12	Commercial	25, 53	Appendix II paras 2-4; Section IV GCC clause 10	Appendix II para 2: "... offer to deliver the goods ... for the sum indicated in Price Bid ..." Para 4: "... we will furnish a contract performance bank guarantee for an amount of 10% (Ten) percent of the order value exclusive of GST ..." GCC clause 10: "LIQUIDATED DAMAGE NOT APPLICABLE"	This EOI has no price bid and no order value. Does the 10% performance bank guarantee in Appendix II apply to this pilot? If yes, on what amount and by when must it be furnished? If no, will Appendix II be corrected?	Contract Performance Bank Guarantee (CPBG) is NOT applicable at the EOI stage. Clauses in Appendix II relating to CPBG and price bids are standard tender proformas. A suitable performance security mechanism, if required for Phase 2 commercial dispatches, will be mutually finalized in the Tripartite Agreement prior to commercial settlement.
13	Commercial	9	Section III clause 3, Phase 0 and Phase 1	Phase 0 (Oct 2026): "Evaluation and selection of Aggregator(s) pursuant to this EOI." Phase 1 (Dec 2026 – Mar 2027): "Framework assessment of platform deployment and system integration testing along with baseline creation; no commercial settlement."	Bids are due on 26.10.2026, while Phase 0 selection is shown for October 2026. By when will the shortlist and LOI be issued, and by when must Phase 1 start?	Following bid opening on due date, bid evaluations and platform demonstrations are planned for November 2026. The shortlist notification and LOI are targeted for issuance by late November 2026, with Phase 1 onboarding and integration commencing in December 2026. (Refer to Corrigendum-I Clause 1: timelines are tentative and may be revised by BRPL).
14	Technical	14	Section III clause 9A(a)	"Flexible DR capacity must be offered in standardized minimum blocks of 50 kW (for distributed assets/EV/BSS) or 100 kW (for commercial HVAC/BTM Storage)."	Which block applies to aggregated residential behind-the-meter storage: 50 kW or 100 kW?	Aggregated residential behind-the-meter storage falls under "distributed assets" and is subject to the 50 kW minimum bid block size (Section III Clause 9A(a)). The 100 kW block size applies to large commercial/industrial HVAC and dedicated commercial BTM storage systems and BRPL is flexible with loads
					Can one block combine homes on different feeders or grids, or must each block sit within one congested grid?	For localized network congestion relief, the aggregated capacity block must be electrically mapped to the specific congested grid sub-station or feeder notified by BRPL. For utility-wide peak shaving events, aggregation across multiple feeders within the BRPL license area may be permitted subject to BRPL technical concurrence.
					Does the 50/100 kW limit apply to a specific congested area or overall in the BRPL serviceable region?	The 50 kW / 100 kW block size represents the minimum dispatch bid increment per event within a notified area/grid. The overall aggregate capacity allocated to a single Aggregator across all asset classes is subject to an upper ceiling limit of 500 kW to 1.0 MW during Phase 2 (Section III Clause 9A(b)).
15	Technical	13, 15	Section III clauses 7(c) and 10	Clause 10: "BRPL further informs the list of congested areas where DR program needs to be strategically implemented— covering Domestic, Non-Domestic LT/HT and Industrial consumer segments ..." Clause 7(c): "Notification of Congested grids for implementation of DR program."	Can you kindly share the list of congested grids and feeders, with the consumer segment details, before bid submission? Our bid will heavily depend on this.	Please refer to Corrigendum-I Clause 11 (amending Section III Clause 10): "BRPL shall separately share, with the shortlisted Aggregator(s) and subject to execution of a non-disclosure agreement, the list of congested areas where the DR programme needs to be strategically implemented...". Accordingly, the congested grid/feeder list will be provided to empaneled aggregators under NDA during Phase 1 onboarding.
					If the above is to be shared under the NDA in Appendix VII, when can the NDA be signed?	The NDA (as per Appendix VII format) shall be executed upon notification of shortlisting / LOI issuance to qualified aggregators prior to commencement of Phase 1. The NDA in Appendix VII is part of BRPL standard Bidding procedure. .
16	Technical	11, 16	Section III clauses 5(a) and 11(c)	5(a): "Aggregation and dispatch of flexible load / DER capacity — including, but not limited to Behind-the-Meter storage, ... and Building/Home Energy Management systems ..." 11(c): "Payment to the Aggregator shall be computed and settled on the basis of the verified load reduction achieved at the nearest point of measurement during a notified DR event ..."	Are net-metered rooftop solar homes eligible? For such homes, which of the following count as payable demand reduction during an event, and how is each measured? (a) Battery discharge that offsets the home's own load. (b) Battery discharge that exports to the grid. (c) Reduced solar export, or curtailed solar generation. Please also state which Section 12 template category applies to each.	Net-metered rooftop solar consumers with controllable BTM storage are eligible. (a) Battery discharge offsetting load: Eligible and payable as demand reduction, measured as net reduction in grid import at the BRPL revenue meter against baseline. Category: "BTM Energy Storage". (b) Battery discharge exporting to grid: NO (c) Curtailed solar generation: NOT eligible; solar curtailment does not qualify as demand response.
				11(c): "... verified load reduction achieved at the nearest point of measurement during a notified DR	For a home with rooftop solar and a battery, which is the "nearest point of measurement": the BRPL smart meter net import, a separate battery or inverter, or the DT/feeder meter?	The "nearest point of measurement" is the consumer's BRPL revenue/smart meter at the grid interconnection point. As per Section III Clause 9B(e), BRPL AMI/MDM data serves as the primary source of truth for M&V. Inverter/battery telemetry logs provide secondary supporting data.

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18	Technical	15	Section III clauses 9B(e) and 9B(f)	9B(f): "BRPL shall make raw AMI/MDM event interval data accessible to the Aggregator within five (5) business days of event completion."	What share of consumers in the congested grids have a smart meter with import and export channels and 15-minute data?	BRPL has deployed advanced smart metering across critical network nodes and pilot clusters. Where AMI smart meters with 15-minute interval profiling are present, MDM data will be directly utilized.
	Technical	9, 10, 12	Section III clauses 3 (Phase 1) and 5(b)(iv) and 6	Clause 3: "... five (5) end-to-end mock dry-run dispatches demonstrating two-way API telemetry exchange with BRPL within a maximum latency of 60 seconds." 5(b)(iv): "Interoperability with standard open protocols (including Beckn, OpenADR 2.0b/3.0, IEEE 2030.5, IEC 61850-7-420, and OCPP 2.0.1/2.1 for EV Supply Equipment)."	When will the interface specification and a test sandbox be shared? How is the 60-second latency measured: BRPL command to aggregator acknowledgement, or including telemetry from the end device?	Interoperability with standard open protocols (including Beckn, OpenADR 2.0b/3.0, IEEE 2030.5, IEC 61850-7-420, and OCPP 2.0.1/2.1 for EV Supply Equipment). The 60-second round-trip latency requirement measures the time elapsed from BRPL dispatch signal transmission to the receipt of the operational acknowledgment and dispatch status confirmation payload from the Aggregator's DR Platform (Section III Clause 3). Downstream telemetry verification across end devices will follow per the asset ramp-up profile.
19	Technical	9, 10	Section III clause 3, Phase 1	"To qualify for Phase 2 commercial dispatch, the Aggregator must successfully complete at least five (5) end-to-end mock dry-run dispatches ..."	Please define a "mock dry-run": minimum duration, minimum MW and type of assets. Who certifies that a dry-run is successful, and what is the timeline allocated for this testing?	A mock dry-run involves an end-to-end simulation of a DR event: receiving dispatch instructions, triggering downstream control actions across enrolled assets, and transmitting two-way API telemetry to BRPL within 60 seconds latency. Minimum duration is 15 to 30 minutes. Successful completion of 5 mock runs will be certified by BRPL's Network Modernization / Technical Committee during Phase 1 (Dec 2026 - Mar 2027).
	Technical	14	Section III clause 9B(d)	"Baseline Methodology: BRPL Proposes following Baseline methodology for DR implementation ..."	Is the baseline calculated for each consumer or for the aggregated portfolio? For consumers with rooftop solar, does it use net import or gross consumption?	Baseline is calculated at the individual consumer meter level (CA number) using the High 4-of-5 weekday / 2-of-3 weekend methodology with same-day weather/load adjustments (Section III Clause 9B(d)), and subsequently aggregated across all participating consumers in the dispatched block to establish the portfolio baseline. Baseline computation uses net import profile data recorded at the BRPL revenue meter, as commercial DR settlement reflects verifiable reduction in grid power drawn by the consumer during the active event window.
20	Technical	15	Section III clause 9B(d)(iii)	"Filter Exclusions: Historical days shall be excluded from the baseline selection pool if they coincide with prior DR event dispatches, grid outages/curtailments, or non-standard operational days ..."	What baseline method applies to a consumer with fewer than five eligible historical days, such as a newly enrolled consumer or a home that has just installed a battery?	For newly enrolled consumers lacking sufficient historical baseline days, an interim baseline protocol (utilizing available non-event historical profile days, normalized peer group consumption, or engineering baseline adjustments) will be finalized during Phase 1 integration testing. As per Corrigendum-I Clause 9, the baseline methodology finalized by BRPL shall be final and binding.
	Technical	12	Section III clause 5(f)	"The Aggregator shall fully indemnify BRPL against any consumer claims arising from asset degradation, automated thermostat resets, or operational disruption."	Will the indemnity be limited to claims caused by the aggregator's proven negligence, and capped at the contract value or the insured amount?	Please refer to Corrigendum-I Clause 3 (amending Section III Clause 5(f)) and GCC Clause 25 & 38. The Aggregator shall fully indemnify BRPL, its directors, officers, and employees against any and all claims, losses, damages, penalties, and expenses arising out of the Aggregator's performance/non-performance, negligence, statutory breach, asset degradation, or disruption. Under GCC Clause 25.2, limitation of liability is not applicable in cases of wilful default, misconduct, or negligence.
21	Commercial	9, 31	Section III clause 3 (Phase 1); Section IV GCC clause 26.3	Phase 1: "... no commercial settlement." 26.3: "The Company shall ... have the right to terminate the Contract at any time without assigning any reason, by giving a written notice of minimum 30 days to the Contractor."	Phase 1 has no commercial settlement. If BRPL terminates for convenience under clause 26.3, will the documented costs incurred by the aggregator be reimbursed?	NO. Phase 1 is strictly a collaborative framework assessment and system integration phase without commercial settlement. In accordance with Section III Clause 16 (Disclaimer), each aggregator shall bear its own costs of preparing and participating in the pilot. Termination under GCC Clause 26.3 entails no cost reimbursement liability on BRPL.

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	Technical	14	Section III clause 9B(b) and 9B(c)	9B(b): Events "shall typically align with ... Afternoon Peak: 14:00 to 17:00 hrs ... Night Peak: 22:00 to 01:00 hrs" 9B(c): "Event Duration: Minimum event duration of 1 hour"	What is the maximum event duration, and the maximum number of events per asset per day and per week?	Minimum event duration is 1 hour (Clause 9B(c)); maximum duration is typically 3 to 4 hours per event, coinciding with the peak stress windows (14:00-17:00 or 22:00-01:00) without impacting the comfort/operations of the participating consumers. . Operational dispatch rules will be refined in Phase 1.
					Can both the 14:00-17:00 and 22:00-01:00 windows be called on the same day?	YES. Depending on prevailing grid stress, severe weather conditions, or dual-peak constraints, events may be called in both afternoon and night windows on the same day, subject to asset operating limitations and the aggregator's confirmed dispatch availability.
					Will BRPL share an event calendar or load forecast in advance?	BRPL will provide seasonal peak projections, indicative stress days, and day-ahead / intraday network loading forecasts through the communication channels to assist aggregators in operational readiness and customer coordination.
23	Technical	14, 18	Section III clauses 9B(a) and 12	9B(a): "Notice Products: Week-Ahead, Day-Ahead, and Intraday. Minimum Notice Periods for each program type is specified in Section 12." Section 12 template: "Min. Notice Time Offered" (e.g. "BTM Energy Storage ... 4 Hour Ahead")	Are the notice times shown in the Section 12 template fixed by BRPL, or are they the notice times the aggregator offers?	The notice periods indicated in Section 12 (Day-Ahead, 4-Hour Ahead, etc.) represent BRPL's standard notice product categories. Bidders should confirm compliance or propose their fastest technically achievable notice response time in their submission.
					For "Any other technology", can the aggregator propose the notice time?	YES. For novel or hybrid asset types submitted under "Any Other technology", aggregators are permitted to propose an appropriate minimum notice time corresponding to their technology's response capability (e.g., 15-minute, 1-hour, or Day-Ahead).
					Can an aggregator decline a BRPL-initiated request without penalty? How long before should this be done to avoid penalty?	Under Approach 1 Step 2, the Aggregator is given an initial response window to accept or decline BRPL's request. Declining at the initial request stage within the specified response window attracts no penalty. However, once an event is formally committed/confirmed by the Aggregator, failure to deliver will trigger the Performance Disincentive framework under Corrigendum-I Clause 12.

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24	Technical	13, 15	Section III clauses 8 and 11(b)	Approach 1, Step 2: "The Aggregator shall respond, confirming the magnitude, time slot(s), and ... the price (₹/kWh), that it commits to deliver."	(Relevant for phase II) After confirming an event, may the aggregator reduce the committed MW because of an outage, a weather change or consumer opt-outs without losing the incentive? Up to how long before the event?	Once confirmed, committed capacity is considered firm. Revisions or de-commitments due to consumer opt-outs are permissible only up to the defined gate-closure timeline (e.g., up to 2 hours prior to event start for Day-Ahead events, to be codified in Phase 1). Post gate-closure, settlement will be based on delivered vs. committed capacity; under-delivery below 50% will attract disincentives under Corrigendum-I Clause 12 (unless caused by a verified BRPL grid outage).
25	Technical	16, 17	Section III clause 11(d)	"Actual Demand Reduction Delivered vis-à-vis Committed Magnitude" (incentive table). "... the eligible capacity for incentive calculation strictly capped at 110%."	Is delivery measured per interval (3, 5 or 15 minutes) or as the event average? How are intervals with missing data treated?	Delivery is calculated for each 15-minute settlement interval and averaged across the full active event duration to determine % performance against committed capacity. For missing AMI meter intervals, Aggregator's verified tamper-evident telemetry logs will be utilized as an interim settlement proxy as stipulated in Section III Clause 9B(f).
	Commercial	15, 18	Section III clauses 11(a) and 11(f)	11(a): "... propose a comprehensive least-cost business model to arrive at an indicative negawatt tariff (₹/kWh) ..." 11(f): "Tariff and pricing information ... is indicative only and non-binding ... It shall serve as a ceiling/benchmark to finalize the commercial terms ..."	Does BRPL have a benchmark or ceiling price (₹/kWh) for the negawatt tariff? How does the price differ by technology and by notice period?	BRPL has not prescribed a mandatory ceiling tariff at this EOI stage. Aggregators must submit competitive, least-cost indicative tariffs based on actual business models. Quoted tariffs are non-binding (Clause 11(f)) and will serve as benchmark ceiling prices for final negotiation in Phase 2, benchmarked against BRPL's avoided marginal power purchase costs. Bidders may propose differential tariffs in the Section 12 submission template based on technology characteristics (e.g., battery degradation/capex for storage vs. operational adjustments for HVAC) and response speed (e.g., fast-response intraday products vs. day-ahead scheduling).
26	Commercial	16	Section III clause 11(d)(ii)	"Performance-Linked Availability Payment (₹/kW): Incentive per event scaled against delivered performance vs. committed magnitude ..." (table: >95% to 110% = 0.5 ₹/KW)	Is the incentive rate of ₹0.5 per kW paid per event, per month or per season?	The Performance-Linked Availability Payment is calculated on a PER-EVENT basis. For each dispatched event, the incentive rate (up to ₹0.50/kW for >95% to 110% delivery) is applied to the delivered capacity (kW) for that specific event and reconciled monthly in accordance with Clause 11(e)(vi).
27	Commercial	13, 17	Section III clauses 8 (Approach 2, c) and 11(e)(iii)	11(e)(iii): "... shall not entitle the Aggregator to any commercial settlement, deemed availability, or standby claims."	Is any availability payment made for committed capacity that BRPL does not dispatch? If not, please confirm that the "Performance-Linked Availability Payment" is paid only on dispatched events.	Confirmed. As clearly specified in Section III Clause 8(c) (No-Standby-Liability Rule) and Clause 11(e)(iii), unaccepted offers or undischarged capacity create no standby liability on BRPL. The Performance-Linked Availability Payment is payable ONLY for events actively dispatched and cleared by BRPL.
	Commercial	16, 17, 25	Section III clause 11(d); Section IV GCC clause 10	Incentive table: "Below 50% ... 0". GCC clause 10: "LIQUIDATED DAMAGE NOT APPLICABLE"	Apart from losing the incentive, are there any penalties or deductions for delivering below 50% of the committed magnitude, or for not responding to an accepted event?	YES. Vide Corrigendum-I Clause 12 (inserting Sub-clause 11(d)(iii)), a Performance Disincentive framework applies for delivery below 50%: • 35% to <50%: -20 paise/kW on Committed Capacity (kW) × Event Duration (hrs) • 20% to <35%: -30 paise/kW on Committed Capacity (kW) × Event Duration (hrs) • Below 20%: -50 paise/kW on Committed Capacity (kW) × Event Duration (hrs) Furthermore, under the Consecutive Default Rule, delivering <20% for two consecutive events triggers a 7-day operational debarment. Repeated default may result in de-empanelment.

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	Technical	10, 15	Section III clauses 3 (Phase 3) and 9B(g)	9B(g): "Data Retention & Audit Trail: All raw 15-minute AMR/AMI load profiles, weather normalization factors, event dispatch logs, and baseline calculations shall be digitally archived in a tamper-evident format for a minimum period of three (3) years ..."	Who owns the pilot data, baselines and learnings, and will they be shared with GEAPP or published?	As per Corrigendum-I Clause 14 (inserting Clause 16 on IP & Data Rights): All programme data (metering, consumer load profiles, dispatch, and M&V) vests exclusively in BRPL. Data and aggregated findings will be shared with GEAPP under the grant framework and submitted in regulatory filings before DERC. Aggregated, anonymized insights will be published in the Phase 3 Pilot Outcomes Report.
28	Technical	12	Section III clause 5(e)	"... complete operational handover / knowledge transfer at the conclusion of the Programme."	Does "complete operational handover / knowledge transfer" include the aggregator's source code or intellectual property, or only data, reports and procedures?	Knowledge transfer does NOT include the aggregator's proprietary source code or background intellectual property. It encompasses operational standard operating procedures (SOPs), API integration documentation, baseline computation algorithms, M&V models, consumer onboarding protocols, pilot performance datasets, and evaluation reports as clarified in Corrigendum-I Clause 14.
29	Technical	6	Sec II, Tech QC-3	Bidder must have at least one DF/DSM/DR engagement involving aggregated flexible capacity of not less than 500 kW, or empanelment/funding under a recognised DR/DSM/Smart Grid programme.	Please confirm whether an ongoing (not yet completed) DISCOM-led Automated Demand Response pilot approved by a State Electricity Regulatory Commission qualifies under this criterion. Please also clarify whether a letter/certificate from the DISCOM is acceptable documentary evidence in lieu of a work order.	YES. An ongoing SERC-approved DISCOM-led Automated Demand Response (ADR) or DR pilot meets the qualification intent under Technical Criteria 3 (engagement or empanelment under a recognized DR/DSM programme). A formal certificate or letter issued by the concerned DISCOM confirming the pilot's approval, the bidder's role, and aggregated/targeted capacity is acceptable documentary evidence in lieu of a conventional work order.
30	Technical	6	Sec II, Tech QC-2 / QC-3 / QC-4 & Comm QC-1	Technical, certification and turnover qualification requirements of the Bidder.	Please confirm whether the Bidder may rely on the experience, platform credentials, ISO/IEC 27001 certification and financial standing of its parent/group company. If permitted, kindly specify the supporting documents required (e.g., parent company undertaking, board resolution, letter of support).	Parent's platform must be demonstrated by the Bidder, with a binding right to deploy and operate it for BRPL. Hosting and processing of all BRPL and consumer data must be in India and it should be operated by the bidder only under this program. Parent or group company means a holding company, subsidiary, or entity under common control. Otherwise, the Bidder must submit the undertaking to certify within 12 months of contract signing, as the NIT already allows. The Bidder's undertaking must also cover the parent/group company whose credentials are relied upon. Credentials must be supported by the documents below - Parent undertaking or letter of support on its letterhead, Parent's board resolution, certified true copy, Declaration that the parent is not debarred or blacklisted by any utility, DISCOM or government body.
31	Technical	6	Sec II, Tech QC-2	Bidder must demonstrate an operational or substantially developed DF/DR platform capable of API-based dispatch, telemetry and automated baseline computation; evidence as Presentation of Platform.	Please confirm that a live platform demonstration together with a technical architecture note will satisfy this criterion, and whether evidence of production deployment at a utility is additionally required.	CONFIRMED. A live demonstration of the operational or substantially developed DF/DR platform along with a comprehensive technical architecture note (evidencing API-based dispatch, real-time telemetry ingestion, and automated baseline computation) will satisfy Technical Criteria 2. Prior production deployment with a utility is not mandatory for Criteria 2, provided platform maturity and capabilities are successfully demonstrated during technical evaluation.
32	Commercial	6-7, 54	Sec II, Comm QC-1; Appendix V	Cumulative turnover of Rs. 20 Lakhs over FY 2023-24 to 2025-26; Appendix V seeks financial data for previous 5 financial years.	Please confirm (a) whether Appendix V is required for 3 or 5 financial years, particularly for a recently incorporated entity.	Submission of financial statements / audited balance sheets for the last three (3) financial years (FY 2023-24, FY 2024-25, and FY 2025-26) with UDIN-certified CA certificate is sufficient to satisfy Commercial Criteria 1 (minimum cumulative turnover of Rs. 20 Lakhs).
33	Commercial	6, 43	Sec II, Tech QC-1; GCC Clause 45	EOI permits participation as a Consortium of not more than three members; GCC Clause 45 states the Contractor shall not constitute a joint venture/consortium following execution of the Contract.	Please clarify how these two provisions are to be read together.	The two provisions are complementary. Participation as a Consortium of up to 3 members is fully permitted under Section II Technical Criteria 1, provided the formal Consortium Agreement is submitted along with the bid. GCC Clause 45 restricts the contractor from constituting a new joint venture or altering/reconstituting the consortium structure after executing the contract without prior written consent from BRPL.

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34	Commercial	5, 43	General Instruction 3; GCC Clause 42	Sub-contracting of any or all part of the work is not permissible.	Please confirm whether engagement of (a) field installation/outreach agencies, (b) tele-calling / consumer enrolment support agencies, (c) hardware OEMs, and (d) cloud hosting providers constitutes sub-contracting. These are standard components of a residential DR deployment while platform operation, dispatch and accountability remain with the Aggregator.	Engaging specialized third-party partners for (a) field installation/outreach, (b) tele-calling/consumer onboarding support, (c) hardware OEMs/smart device suppliers, and (d) cloud hosting providers is recognized as standard operational support and will NOT be construed as prohibited sub-contracting, provided the Aggregator retains sole contractual accountability, data privacy compliance (DPDP Act 2023), and performance responsibility vis-à-vis BRPL. Core DR aggregation and dispatch management cannot be sub-contracted.
35	Commercial	21-47	Section IV (GCC), various clauses	GCC includes manpower-contract provisions (Clauses 12, 19, 20, 30, 33-36, 49, 55 etc.) such as site office, uniforms, PF/ESI challans, age limits, deployment restrictions, T&P and dust control.	Please specify which GCC clauses are applicable to this DR pilot engagement. In particular, please clarify (a) whether a site office within the BRPL licence area is mandatory during Phase 1, and (b) applicability of Clause 33(F) to control-room/operations staff required for 24x7 event operations, given the Night Peak window of 22:00-01:00 hrs.	The General Conditions of Contract (GCC) contains standard utility contracting terms. Specialized operational nuances of the DR Pilot shall be governed primarily by Section III (Scope of Work and Technical Specifications) and the Tripartite Agreement, which supersedes generic GCC clauses in case of conflict. Specifically: (a) A physical site office within the BRPL license area is NOT mandatory during Phase 1 (cloud/remote operations permitted); a designated single point of contact (SPOC) in Delhi is sufficient. (b) Control-room and technical operations staff managing 24x7 automated cloud platforms and the Night Peak window (22:00-01:00 hrs) are governed under standard IT/ITES and relevant statutory provisions regarding flexible shift operations with requisite safety and statutory compliance.
36	Commercial	53, 19	Appendix II (Bid Form) items 4 & 5; Sec III Clause 13	Bid Form requires 10% Contract Performance Bank Guarantee and bid validity of 180 days; Sec III Clause 13 states EOI validity of 30 days.	Please clarify (a) the applicable validity period (30 or 180 days), (b) whether a CPBG is applicable at EOI / Phase 1 stage, and (c) how 'order value' / 'Contract Value' will be determined for a grant-funded pilot with variable, performance-based payments, as this also governs the Limitation of Liability under GCC Clause 25.	(a) Bid validity shall be 180 days from the bid submission date as per standard BRPL procurement guidelines (Appendix II). (b) Contract Performance Bank Guarantee (CPBG) is NOT applicable at the EOI submission or Phase 1 (mock dry-run) stage. (c) For Phase 2 commercial pilot operations, 'Contract Value' / order value shall be defined in the Tripartite Agreement based on the allocated grant budget ceiling / maximum eligible disbursement envelope under the GEAPP framework, which will also define the reference ceiling for Limitation of Liability under GCC Clause 25.
37	Technical	12	Sec III Clause 5(f) & 5(g)	Consumer consent and onboarding; participation by end-consumers shall be purely voluntary.	Will BRPL support consumer enrolment through measures such as bill inserts, SMS from a BRPL sender ID, co-branded consent/awareness material, and an authorisation letter for Aggregator field staff? DISCOM endorsement materially improves residential consent conversion and consumer trust.	YES. BRPL recognizes that utility co-branding and trust are vital for consumer mobilization. Subject to execution of the Tripartite Agreement and approval of consumer communication templates, BRPL will provide reasonable facilitation support, including: issuance of an official Project Authorization Letter for the Aggregator's field personnel, joint digital/social media awareness, co-branded communication flyers, and targeted SMS / WhatsApp communications from BRPL official communication handles to eligible consumers in designated pilot clusters.
38	Commercial	15	Sec III Clause 11(a)	Negawatt tariff to cover consumer acquisition, platform maintenance and incentive pass-through.	Please clarify whether consumer incentives may be credited through the consumer's BRPL electricity bill, or must be paid directly by the Aggregator, and whether any DERC approval is required for bill-credit pass-through.	In Phase 2 (Grant-funded pilot under GEAPP), commercial settlement and incentive disbursement to consumers will be managed directly by the Aggregator from the energy payments received from BRPL/GEAPP. Passing consumer incentives as an adjustment/credit on the BRPL electricity bill is not envisaged at this stage.
39	Technical	14, 18	Sec III Clause 9A(a), Clause 12	Minimum Bid Block Size: 50 kW (distributed assets/EV/BSS) or 100 kW (commercial HVAC/BTM Storage).	Please confirm the applicable minimum block size for residential (Domestic) air-conditioner load aggregated via smart AC controllers, since the Response Template lists Domestic under the Commercial HVAC/BMS row. We request that aggregated residential AC load be treated as distributed assets (50 kW block).	CONFIRMED. Aggregated residential (domestic) air-conditioning loads controlled via smart plugs, smart thermostats, or IoT controllers are classified as distributed demand flexibility assets and are eligible for the 50 kW minimum bid block size (Section III Clause 9A(a)). The 100 kW block size strictly applies to centralized commercial HVAC, chillers, and large C&I facilities.
40	Technical	14, 17	Sec III Clause 9A(b); Clause 12	Aggregator Upper Ceiling Limit of 500 kW to 1.0 MW during Phase 2; offered potential to remain within 500 kW - 1 MW ceiling.	Please confirm whether 500 kW is a mandatory minimum offer per Aggregator or only part of the ceiling range, i.e., whether an Aggregator may offer less than 500 kW in Phase 2 and scale up subsequently.	The range of 500 kW to 1.0 MW specified in Clause 9A(b) represents the maximum upper ceiling limit allocated to a single Aggregator during Phase 2. Offering a minimum of 500 kW at initial bidding is not a disqualifying threshold; Aggregators may commence Phase 2 with a smaller validated capacity block (subject to meeting the 50 kW bid block requirement) and scale up progressively towards the 500 kW - 1.0 MW ceiling as consumer onboarding expands.

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41	Technical	15-16	Sec III Clause 9B(e)-(f); Clause 11(c)	Settlement based on verified load reduction at the nearest point of measurement; BRPL AMI/Feeder/DT data is primary source of truth.	For residential participants, a 50-100 kW reduction may not be reliably distinguishable at DT/feeder level. Please confirm that (a) consumer-level smart-meter (AMI) data will be used for M&V wherever available, and (b) where consumer-level AMI is not available, calibrated device-level Aggregator telemetry will be accepted as the settlement basis.	CONFIRMED. Consumer-level AMI smart meter data (15-minute load profile) from BRPL's MDM/HES is the primary source of truth for M&V and settlement wherever smart meters are installed.
42	Technical	14-15	Sec III Clause 9B(d)	Baseline: High 4-of-5 (weekday) and 2-of-3 (weekend/holiday) with same-day weather/load adjustments.	Is BRPL open to evaluating alternative baseline methods for weather-sensitive residential AC load during Phase 1	YES. While the High 4-of-5 weekday baseline serves as the reference starting framework, Section III Clause 9B(d) specifically provides that baseline parameters may be fine-tuned during Phase 1 integration testing. BRPL's technical committee, in collaboration with the Aggregator and GEAPP technical advisors, will evaluate weather-sensitive regression baselines and cooling degree-day adjustments for residential AC loads during Phase 1. The finalized baseline protocol approved by BRPL will govern Phase 2 commercial settlement (Corrigendum-I Clause 9).
43	Technical	12, 16	Sec III Clause 5(f); Clause 11(b)	Customer override margins to be considered; Aggregator to indemnify BRPL against consumer claims arising from automated thermostat resets.	Please confirm that consumer overrides/opt-outs during an event (permitted under voluntary participation) will only be reflected in the measured delivered reduction, and will not be treated as non-compliance or give rise to the indemnity obligation under Clause 5(f).	CONFIRMED. Consumer opt-outs or thermostat overrides are recognized as inherent to voluntary residential DR programs and shall be reflected solely in the measured demand reduction achieved vis-à-vis committed magnitude (subject to the performance incentive/disincentive mechanism in Clause 11(d) & Corrigendum-I Clause 12). Consumer opt-outs will not be treated as contractual non-compliance and do not trigger indemnity obligations under Clause 5(f), which is intended for legal/tort claims or asset damage.
44	Technical	14	Sec III Clause 9B(b)-(c)	Afternoon Peak 14:00-17:00 and Night Peak 22:00-01:00; minimum event duration of 1 hour.	Please specify (a) the maximum event duration, (b) any limit on events per consumer per day/week and minimum interval between events,	(a) Minimum event duration is 1 hour, maximum event duration per event call is typically align with the peak operational stress windows (14:00-17:00 or 22:00-01:00 hrs). (b) While the pilot has an overall envelope of up to 150 events, consumer-level event fatigue will be managed by limiting dispatches to a maximum of 1 event per consumer per day and 3 to 5 events per week, with adequate pre-cooling/recovery intervals. Detailed dispatch scheduling rules will be codified in the Phase 1 operational protocols.
45	Technical	9-10	Sec III Clause 3, Phase 1	Qualification for Phase 2: at least five end-to-end mock dry-run dispatches demonstrating two-way API telemetry exchange with BRPL within a maximum latency of 60 seconds.	Please define how the 60-second latency is measured (dispatch to platform acknowledgement, or dispatch to device-level confirmation) and the required telemetry granularity (aggregate vs device level; reporting interval).	The 60-second round-trip latency requirement measures the time elapsed from BRPL event signal dispatch to the receipt of the Aggregator DR Platform's API acknowledgment and operational response payload (Section III Clause 3). Downstream device-level dispatch confirms based on asset ramp-up profiles. Telemetry exchange at the API interface shall be provided at the aggregated block/portfolio level (with supporting asset-level logs accessible for M&V validation) at reporting intervals of 1 to 5 minutes during active event execution.
46	Commercial	17	Sec III Clause 11(e)(i)-(ii)	Combined dispatch envelope of up to 150 DR events / event hours across Phase 2.	Please clarify whether the 150-event envelope is counted in events or event-hours.	The envelope of up to 150 represents the cumulative operational volume of DR event calls (dispatched event-hours) supported under the GEAPP grant framework for Phase 2 across the utility license area (accounting for both BRPL-initiated Approach 1 dispatches and accepted Aggregator Approach 2 offers).
47	Commercial	9	Sec III Clause 3, Phase 1	Phase 1 (Dec 2026 - Mar 2027): platform deployment, integration testing and baseline creation; no commercial settlement.	Please clarify whether any funding support is available for hardware deployment and consumer acquisition during Phase 1. If not, please confirm that bidders may include amortised deployment costs within the indicative negawatt tariff.	Phase 1 is strictly a zero-commercial-settlement phase focused on platform integration, API interoperability, and baseline testing. There is no direct capex/opex subsidy provided by BRPL for consumer acquisition or hardware during Phase 1. Bidders are expected to factor their amortized customer acquisition, device enablement, and platform operational costs into the indicative Negawatt Tariff (₹/kWh) proposed in the Section 12 submission template for Phase 2 commercial recovery. Furthermore, consumer enrolment can continue into Phase 2, and Phase 1 dry-runs can be tested with partial fleet deployment.

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48	Commercial	15, 18	Sec III Clause 11(a); 11(f)	Aggregator to propose least-cost business model to arrive at indicative negawatt tariff; tariff to serve as ceiling/benchmark.	Will BRPL share an indicative ceiling tariff or its avoided peak power procurement cost benchmark (Rs/kWh) to help bidders propose realistic tariffs?	BRPL does not prescribe a rigid ceiling tariff at this EOI stage to encourage transparent market price discovery. However, for benchmarking, Delhi's peak marginal power procurement costs during summer high-demand months historically range between ₹7.00 to ₹10.00/kWh (subject to market exchange dynamics and DSM regulations). Indicative tariffs quoted in Section 12 are non-binding and will serve as benchmark ceilings during final Phase 2 commercial negotiations under the GEAPP grant framework.
49	Technical	9-10	Sec III Clause 3, Phase 1 & 2	Phase 1 Dec 2026 - Mar 2027; Phase 2 Apr - Aug 2027.	Phase 1 falls in winter when residential AC load is minimal. Please confirm that (a) consumer enrolment and device deployment may continue into Phase 2, (b) Phase 1 dry runs may be conducted on a partial fleet, and (c) baselines may be established using early-summer (Apr-May) data.	CONFIRMED on all points: (a) Consumer onboarding and IoT hardware installation may continue progressively into Phase 2. (b) Phase 1 mock dry-run dispatches can be conducted on a partial representative fleet of deployed devices to validate API connectivity, control sequence, and 60-second telemetry exchange. (c) While integration testing occurs in Phase 1, summer-specific AC baselines may be computed and calibrated using early summer load data (April-May) prior to full commercial dispatches.
50	Commercial	12	Sec III Clause 5(e)	Complete operational handover / knowledge transfer at the conclusion of the Programme.	Please confirm that 'operational handover / knowledge transfer' covers data, reports, SOPs and documentation only, and does not require transfer of the Aggregator's platform source code or proprietary IP, which shall remain with the Aggregator.	CONFIRMED. As explicitly clarified in Corrigendum-I Clause 14 (inserting Clause 16 on IP & Data Rights): The Aggregator retains full ownership of its pre-existing platform and proprietary source code/software IP. The 'complete operational handover / knowledge transfer' is strictly confined to programme data, metering logs, standard operating procedures (SOPs), integration documentation, M&V models, and pilot outcome reports, which shall vest in BRPL for regulatory filings and subsequent tender structuring.
51	Technical	14-15	Sec III Clause 9B(d); Clause 11(c)	BRPL proposes a High 4-of-5 weekday baseline and 2-of-3 weekend/holiday baseline, with same-day weather/load adjustments; baseline parameters may be fine-tuned during Phase 1, and M&V methodology will be finalized in Phase 1.	Since the EOI specifies a baseline methodology proposed by BRPL, please clarify the evaluation criteria and measurable metrics that will be used to assess its accuracy, robustness and suitability for measuring demand reduction, and who will be responsible for evaluating and validating the methodology (BRPL, the Aggregator jointly with BRPL, or an independent third party). Please also outline the proposed validation approach during Phase 1, including whether performance will be benchmarked against established/research-backed M&V methodologies and how the final methodology and acceptance criteria will be agreed before commercial settlement begins in Phase 2.	During Phase 1, baseline evaluation will be conducted jointly by BRPL's Technical / Network Modernization team, the shortlisted Aggregator(s), and technical experts from GEAPP / independent knowledge partners. The methodology will be assessed using standard M&V accuracy metrics, such as IPMVP. Both the default High 4-of-5 with day-of adjustments and weather-regression models will be calibrated on historical and early Phase 2 AMI data. The finalized M&V and baseline methodology approved by BRPL will be codified in the Tripartite Agreement prior to commercial settlement and shall be final and binding (Corrigendum-I Clause 9).
52	Technical	10	4	Technical Architecture & Interconnection Framework	Please provide details of DRMS. What protocols does it support? Our platform supports only IEEE 2030.5 and OpenADR 3.0. We are asking to determine whether we need to make any changes to our platform.	Interoperability with standard open protocols (including Beckn, OpenADR 2.0b/3.0, IEEE 2030.5, IEC 61850-7-420, and OCPP 2.0.1/2.1 for EV Supply Equipment).
53	Technical	10	4	Technical Architecture & Interconnection Framework	Please provide BRPL API specifications, supported protocol profile/version, security requirements, test harness and acceptance criteria for the five mock dispatches.	Interoperability with standard open protocols (including Beckn, OpenADR 2.0b/3.0, IEEE 2030.5, IEC 61850-7-420, and OCPP 2.0.1/2.1 for EV Supply Equipment).

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54	Technical	11	5	Role of Aggregator	V2G is not available at commercial scale in India. Does BRPL already have a hub identified and a tie-up with an OEM for a V2G pilot? Offcourse Managed charging can be very well supported.	V2G is included as an illustrative, forward-looking flexibility technology option and is NOT mandatory. Bidders are encouraged to participate with commercially viable asset classes, including Managed EV Charging (EVSE), Battery Swapping Stations (BSS), Behind-the-Meter (BTM) Energy Storage, and Commercial/Domestic HVAC. For aggregators with OEM tie-ups for bidirectional EVSE/V2G, BRPL will facilitate grid connection at designated pilot clusters during Phase 2.
55	Commercial	15	11	Commercial Model, Indicative Probability of Dispatch Readiness and Payment Mechanism	Does BRPL have any indicative Incentive Pass-Through for consumers? Currently, two DR pilots have been conducted in India, and both show very different figures.	BRPL has not prescribed a mandatory consumer incentive pass-through percentage. As per Section III Clause 11(a), the Aggregator shall formulate an attractive consumer acquisition and incentive-sharing model within their proposed Negawatt Tariff (₹/kWh) suited to their target consumer class. Bidders should outline their proposed pass-through structure in their technical proposal.
56	Commercial	19	13	Section III Clause 13 says EOI validity is 30 days; Appendix II says 180 days.	Please confirm the applicable validity period for the EOI response and whether Appendix II is to be amended.	CLARIFIED. The applicable bid validity period shall be 180 days from the due date of bid submission in accordance with standard BRPL utility procurement procedure as stipulated in Appendix II (Bid Form), superseding the 30-day reference in Section III Clause 13. Appendix II remains applicable as published.
57	Technical		12	Section III Clause 12 response template specifies managed EV charging notice as "Day-Ahead"; Clause 9 lists Week-Ahead, Day-Ahead and Intraday/hour-ahead products.	Please confirm minimum notice periods in hours for each notice product and whether the managed EV row should be offered only day-ahead at this stage.	Standard notice periods are: (i) Week-Ahead: 7 days, (ii) Day-Ahead: 12 to 24 hours (notified by 12:00–14:00 hrs D-1), and (iii) Intraday / Hour-Ahead: 1 to 4 hours. For Managed EV Charging, while Day-Ahead is indicated as default in the template, aggregators equipped with dynamic smart charging / CMS control may also offer faster response products (e.g., 1-Hour to 4-Hour Ahead) under 'Managed EV Charging' or 'Any Other technology' with specific response parameters indicated in their Section 12 submission.
58	Commercial	15	11	Availability incentive schedule uses ₹/kW and performance bands, but event duration/capacity basis may affect the calculation.	Please confirm whether ₹/kW is per event, per dispatched hour, or per event-hour; confirm committed kW or eligible capacity is the calculation base.	The Performance-Linked Availability Payment is computed on a PER-EVENT basis (Section III Clause 11(d)(ii)). The incentive rate (e.g., ₹0.50/kW for >95% to 110% delivery) is applied to the actual verified delivered demand reduction (kW) achieved during that event, capped at 110% of committed capacity. Note: For events delivering below 50%, the Performance Disincentive under Corrigendum-I Clause 12 applies: Disincentive (₹) = Committed Capacity (kW) × [Applicable Rate (paise/kW) / 100] × Dispatched Event Duration (hrs).
59	Commercial	14	9	Section III Clause 9 capacity ceiling says maximum 500 kW to 1.0 MW per aggregator, and template notes "500 kW–1 MW ceiling."	Please confirm whether the minimum Phase 2 allocation/offer is 500 kW and whether an aggregator may offer exactly 500 kW across standardized 50 kW blocks.	CONFIRMED. 500 kW represents the baseline upper ceiling limit (scalable up to 1.0 MW per Aggregator as per Clause 9A(b)). An Aggregator may offer exactly 500 kW (or any volume between 50 kW and 1.0 MW) structured in standardized blocks of 50 kW (for distributed assets/EV/BSS) or 100 kW (for HVAC/BTM Storage). Starting with a smaller operational block (e.g., 50–200 kW) and scaling up to 500 kW during Phase 2 is permissible.
60	Commercial	14	9	BRPL publishes settlement primary AMI data and interim telemetry proxy if data is missing/delayed.	Please confirm source priority, data latency, proxy acceptance period, dispute window and treatment where BRPL AMI data arrives after monthly reconciliation.	(a) Source Priority: BRPL AMI/MDM interval data is the primary source of truth; Aggregator certified tamper-evident telemetry logs serve as secondary supporting proxy (Clause 9B(e)). (b) Data Sharing Latency: BRPL shares interval meter data within five (5) business days of event completion (Clause 9B(f)). (c) Reconciliation & Dispute Window: Monthly reconciliation is finalized within 15 calendar days of month-end; aggregators may raise data disputes within seven (7) business days of receiving interval sheets. (d) Late AMI Data Treatment: If AMI data is unavailable during monthly reconciliation

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61	Technical	15	10	EOI says BRPL list of congested areas and grid/consumer data are confidential.	Please provide the initial eligible grid/feeder list, eligible consumer classes, point-of-measurement mapping and data sharing protocol after NDA execution.	In accordance with Corrigendum-I Clause 11 (amending Section III Clause 10): The detailed list of target congested 66/11 kV grid substations, identified 11 kV feeders, consumer category breakdowns (Domestic, Non-Domestic, Industrial), and CA number mapping protocols will be formally shared with empaneled Aggregators under Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA, Appendix VII) immediately upon LOI issuance at the beginning of Phase 1.								
62	Tender Fee			Tender Fee Rs 1180	Can we pay the document fee by way of NEFT Transfer instead of DD. Please confirm and share the Bank details for NEFT transfer.	Yes, details as mentioned below: MICR : 110002715 <table><tr><td>Bank Name</td><td>State Bank of India</td></tr><tr><td>Branch address:</td><td>DDA Building, Nehru Place, New Delhi 19</td></tr><tr><td>A/c No.</td><td>84049871840</td></tr><tr><td>IFSC Code</td><td>SBIN0041077</td></tr></table>	Bank Name	State Bank of India	Branch address:	DDA Building, Nehru Place, New Delhi 19	A/c No.	84049871840	IFSC Code	SBIN0041077
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63	Technical	6	Technical Qualification Criteria Table S. No. 2	Section II – Eligibility & Evaluation Criteria, Technical Qualification Criteria, Sl. No. 3: Minimum Experience. The tender requires bidders to have at least one Demand Flexibility / DSM / DR engagement involving aggregated flexible capacity of not less than 500 kW, or hold empanelment/funding under a recognised national or international DR/DSM/Smart Grid programme.	Given the nascent stage of formal DR/DSM programmes in India, we request BRPL to consider an alternative qualification pathway under Criterion 3, whereby bidders can technically demonstrate at least 500 kW of aggregated capacity across digitally connected, controllable distributed assets, supported by evidence of remote monitoring and control capabilities.	CONSIDERED & CLARIFIED: Bidders demonstrating at least 500 kW or aggregated capacity across digitally connected, controllable distributed assets (such as EV chargers, battery swapping stations, or smart IoT devices) with active remote telemetry and control capabilities will be considered compliant with the technical intent of Criterion 3, PROVIDED: (i) The bidder provides verifiable documentary proof (client certificates, platform telemetry logs, or operational agreements) demonstrating active control and monitoring of ≥500 kW aggregated capacity; OR (ii) The bidder participates as part of a Consortium (up to 3 members as per Section II								
64	Commercial Settlement Mechanism and Payment Responsibility		Section III, Clause 3 and Clause 11(c), 11(e)(v)–(vi),		a. Which entity should the Aggregator invoice for Phase 2 settlements—BRPL, GEAPP, or a designated third-party fund manager/escrow administrator? b. Will the contractual arrangement be a bilateral agreement between BRPL and the Aggregator or a tripartite agreement involving BRPL, GEAPP and the Aggregator? c. In the event of delays in the release of GEAPP grant funds, will any mechanism be provided to ensure timely payments to Aggregators and uninterrupted disbursement of incentives to participating consumers?	Clarified as follows: (a) & (b) The contractual framework for Phase 2 commercial pilot operations shall be executed as a Tripartite Agreement among BRPL, GEAPP (Global Energy Alliance for People and Planet), and the shortlisted Aggregator. The Aggregator shall raise monthly invoices upon completion of the joint M&V reconciliation (finalized within 15 calendar days of month-end) addressed in accordance with the billing instructions stipulated under the Tripartite Agreement and GEAPP grant disbursement protocols. (c) As per Section III Clause 11(e)(v) and Corrigendum-I Clause 13, all incentive disbursements and energy settlements are funded under the GEAPP grant framework. Processing and release of verified claims shall be completed within thirty (30) calendar days from invoice submission as per the grant protocol.								
65	Clarification on Bid Submission Date and Extension		Section I, Clauses 1.4, 1.5 and 1.13, and Section IV (GCC), Clause 1.2.13,		kindly clarify whether the scheduled bid submission and opening dates of 26 October 2026 is falling on public holiday. Hence, will it be shifted to the next working day and BRPL notifies this through a corrigendum? Given the specialised nature of the technology and the need for interested entities to assess the commercial implications and prepare their submissions, we request BRPL to consider extending the bid submission deadline by at least one/two weeks from the currently scheduled date. This would provide adequate time to review the clarifications and prepare comprehensive bids.	Bid Submission has been extended upto 03.11.2026, 1500 HRS Bid Opening has been extended upto 03.11.2026, 1530 HRS								
66	Tax Treatment of Commercial Bids and Invoices		Section III, Clauses 11(a), 11(d) and 11(e), and Section IV (GCC), Clauses 6 and 8,		kindly clarify whether the Megawatt Tariff (₹/kWh) and Availability Payment (₹/kW) quoted by the Aggregator should be inclusive or exclusive of GST. Please also clarify whether applicable GST will be payable over and above the quoted rates against valid tax invoices. If treated as a service fee/demand response service provided to BRPL, kindly confirm that GST as applicable (currently 18%) will be paid by BRPL/funding agency over and above the verified Megawatt tariff and performance availability incentive rates upon submission of valid GST Tax Invoices. In addition to the above, we request clarification on the implementation and commercial framework for the pilot and subsequent phases, particularly regarding the responsibilities of empanelled Aggregators, performance verification and the process for transitioning to commercial settlements.	Clarified as follows: (a) The indicative Negawatt Tariff (₹/kWh) and Performance-Linked Availability Payment rates (₹/kW) quoted in the Section 12 Response Template should be exclusive of taxes. (b) Applicable Goods and Services Tax (GST) as per prevailing Government of India statutory rates shall be payable over and above the verified energy payments and performance incentives subject to the terms of the Tripartite Agreement and statutory invoicing norms.								