GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

eProcurement – Payment Gateway- Integration with eProcurement application- Payment of Transaction fee through ICICI, HDFC Payment gateway - Orders Issued – Reg

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATION DEAPARTMENT

e-Procurement

G.O. Ms. No. 13

Dated: 05.07.2006

Read the following:

1. EProcurement agreement dated 7-04-2005
2. G.O Ms. NO 4. IT & C Department (e-Procurement)
   Dated 17-02-2005

ORDER:

The Government of Andhra Pradesh is the pioneering state in implementation of a state- wide eProcurement platform successfully under the Application Service Provider Model for the past 3 years. The platform is being used by 10 Govt departments, 15 Public Sector Undertakings, 58 Urban Local Bodies, 5 Universities and the aggregate transaction turnover is Rs 35, 703 Crores from 16260 tenders till date. The initiative has delivered demonstrable benefits like cost savings to the user departments, significant reduction of tender process time, efficiency in procurement processes and transparency.

2. In the G.O 2\textsuperscript{nd} read above orders were issued to the effect that the participating bidders would pay transaction fee to the Service provider electronically and corresponding Payment Gateway charges shall be borne by the bidders. In the agreement between GOAP and M/s C1 India for e-Procurement solution read above, the mechanism for Payment Gateway services to be provided by M/s C1 India are broadly mentioned as follows,

a) Should provide the interface and access to the external online payment gateway service provider and should be integrated with e-procurement solution to enable the vendors to make online payments for the transactions occurring in e-Procurement Solution.
b) Should facilitate payment through credit card and direct debit facilities.
c) Should also support other renowned online payment mechanisms, which are secured and well accepted in the industry.
d) Payment gateway services should provide complete audit functionality for tracking and monitoring/reconciling the financial transactions taking place through e-Procurement solution.

3. M/s C1 India has negotiated with various banks and finally ICICI bank and HDFC bank have agreed to integrate their Payment Gateways with eProcurement application for providing online payment services to the participating bidders for paying the transaction fee. ICICI bank’s payment gateway accepts any MASTER or VISA cards from bidder with transaction charges at 1.85% to the bidders. HDFC Bank’s payment gateway accepts Credit Card payment facility with transaction charges at 1.85% to the bidder and the Direct Debit facility at “Nil” cost is accepted. Both the banks payment gateway supports Secure Socket Layer, Secured Electronic Transactions, Pseudo Card Numbers (PCN, 3-D Secure Visa Authenticated Payment protocol and MasterCard Secure) to authenticate cardholders during online transactions reducing the potential for fraudulent exposure.

4. The Government after careful consideration hereby issue the following orders:

a) It is permitted to integrate the eProcurement platform www.eprociurement.gov.in of the Government with electronic Payment Gateway of ICICI Bank and HDFC Bank for providing online payment service through eProcurement platform.
b) All the participating bidders shall electronically pay the transaction fee to the Service provider through Payment Gateway service on eProcurement platform. Payment of transaction fee by the participating bidders through the Electronic Payment Gateway is made mandatory for tenders with estimated cost value above Rs. 50.00 Lakhs with effect from 15-07-2006 and for tenders with estimated cost value below Rs. 50.00 Lakhs with effect from 01-08-2006.
c) M/s C1 India shall provide complete audit functionality for tracking and monitoring/reconciling the financial transactions taking place on e-Procurement platform through Payment Gateway.
d) M/s C1 India shall be responsible to maintain the security of eProcurement application from the issues arising out of integration of Payment Gateway.

e) M/s C1 India shall publish Frequently Asked Questions, training module related to payments through the Payment Gateway in the Home page of eProcurement application and provide easy links to these in the web page concerned.

f) M/s C1 India shall submit summary of transaction fee through the Payment Gateway on monthly basis by 10th of succeeding month to the department.

g) Henceforth, all the Tender Inviting Authorities using eProcurement shall incorporate a condition in the tender notice/ Bid document that the bidder shall mandatorily pay the transaction fee to M/s C1 India through the electronic Payment Gateway.

5. This order shall come into force with immediate effect and is applicable to all departments/ PSUs/ Local bodies using the eProcurement platform.

6. A copy of this order is also available on the web at http://www.aponline.gov.in and also at http://www.eprocurement.gov.in

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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All HOD's Concerned
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The Account General (A & E), AP, Hyderabad
M/s. C1 India Pvt Ltd., TGV Mansion, Khairatabad, Hyderabad
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