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Date: 16 November 2025

### **Minutes of Pre-Proposal Meeting**

**Contract title:** Supply, Installation and Commissioning for Advanced Development of Cloud Computing Platform at National Data Center (NDC) for enhancing Digital Economy.

**Request For Proposals No:** EDGE-G1B

**Date and Time:** 28 October 2025, 11.00 a.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room of EDGE Project.

The meeting commenced with a welcome note from the Project Director, Enhancing Digital Government and Economy (EDGE) Project, who greeted all participants (see *Attachment-1* for list of attendees) and requested the Deputy Project Director to proceed.

The Deputy Project Director highlighted the key Purchaser Requirements, Procurement Milestones, Evaluation Process, and applicable Procurement Regulations to be followed during the RFP process. Members of the Procurement and Technical Team further elaborated on the specific requirements for this procurement.

The meeting emphasized adherence to procurement timelines, submission deadlines, and evaluation procedures as per the RFP.

Participants were informed that a **Rated Criteria** approach will be used to evaluate the non-price (technical) aspects of the proposals. The **techno-commercial evaluation** will follow the below weightage:

- **Technical Proposal:** 40%
- **Financial Proposal:** 60%

#### **Assessment Steps (as per ITP 32.1 of RFP) of Technical Evaluation:**

##### **Step 1 – Initial Compliance Check:**

Only those proposals that meet the **Purchaser's Technical Requirements** (as detailed in Section VII of the RFP) will proceed with detailed technical evaluation.

##### **Step 2 – Rated Criteria Evaluation (as per PDS ITP 32.2 of RFP):**

The weighting to be given for Rated Criteria (including technical and non-price factors) is: 40%.

The technical factors (including sub-factors if any), which for purposes of this document carry the same meaning as Rated Criteria, and the corresponding weight out of 100% are:



Sl.No.	Technical Factor	Weight in percentage (Weight in %)	Reference
1	Preliminary Project Plan addressing the required topics.	25%	Section IV – Proposal Forms, Format of the Technical Proposal
2	Cyber security management strategies and implementation plans	25%	Section IV – Proposal Forms, Format of the Technical Proposal
3	Preferred: Scalability Requirements Future-Ready Features Energy Efficiency	25%	Part -2, Purchaser's Technical Requirements Section VII. Preferred: mentioned in the section 3.1 Expansion of Existing Private Cloud Platform Software (DC & DR, QTY. 01 Set), A. Addition of New Cloud Services in eGov Cloud Platform of NDC, serial: 15,16 and 17.
4	Preferred: Gartner Magic Quadrant-Based Product Evaluation	25%	Part-2, Purchaser's Technical Requirements Section VII: Preferred: mentioned in Gartner Magic Quadrant-Based Product Evaluation' under the section 3.2 to 3.7.
	<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	

The detailed scoring methodology is provided in **Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria** of the RFP.

Participants were reminded to submit their queries (if any) within 14 days of RFP publication. As of the date of this meeting, no queries were received via email or in person.

The Project Director opened the floor for questions. Queries raised during the meeting were noted for formal response. Participants were requested to submit any additional queries by 01 November 2025. The procuring entity will issue a written response in due time.

There being no further questions, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks from the Project Director.

**Attachments:**

- Attachment-1: List of Participants
- Attachment-2: Queries & Responses



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## Attendance Sheet



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## Attendance Sheet (Firms Representative)

Pre-Proposal Conference

**Contract Title:** Supply, Installation and Commissioning for Advanced Development of Cloud Computing Platform at National Data Center (NDC) for enhancing Digital Economy

**Package No:** EDGE-G1B

**Date & Time:** 28 October 2025 at 11:00 Bangladesh Time (BST=GMT +6:00 hours)

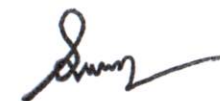
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**Responses of Queries for Supply, Installation and Commissioning for Advanced Development of Cloud Computing Platform  
at National Data Center (NDC) for enhancing Digital Economy  
(Contract Package # EDGE-G1B)**


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1.	Section VII – Purchaser's Requirements  C. Service Specifications – Supply & Install Items  2.3 Knowledge Transfer Page No: 135	2.3.1 The Supplier MUST provide following knowledge transfer services: (1) Pre-deployment workshop on the HLD and LLD in BCC (2) Pre-deployment knowledge transfer program on the entire platform for 10 persons in BCC lab facilities (3) Hands-on post-deployment knowledge transfer program for 10 persons in BCC lab facilities	Knowledge Transfer 2.3.1 The Supplier MUST provide following knowledge transfer services: (1) Pre-deployment workshop on the HLD and LLD in BCC (Please mention number of person and duration of the training) (2) Pre-deployment knowledge transfer program on the entire platform for 10 persons in BCC lab facilities (Please mention duration of the training) (3) Hands-on post-deployment knowledge transfer program for 10 persons in BCC lab facilities (Please mention duration of the training)	Refer to Addendum No: 1 (S.L No. 11)
2.	Section VII – Purchaser's Requirements  D. Technology Specifications – Supply & Install Items  3.19 Intelligent Smart PDU (Qty. 24 Nos)	Intelligent Smart PDU (Qty. 24 Nos)	Please re-confirm the quantity of Intelligent Smart PDU	Refer to Addendum No: 1 (S.L No. 05)

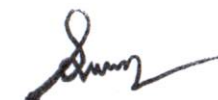




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3.	<p>Section VII</p> <p>C. SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS – SUPPLY &amp; INSTALL ITEMS</p> <p>2.2 Deployment and System Integration &amp; Data Conversion and Migration</p> <p>Page No: 134-135</p>	<p>Integration with the existing NDC Cloud Platform (currently version 6.5.1, to be upgraded to 8.5.1).</p>	<p>Kindly specify the current underlying platform/vendor stack (e.g., VMware, OpenStack, Huawei Cloud Stack, etc.), and confirm whether bidders are expected to continue with the same OEM for compatibility purposes, or if cross-vendor integration will be acceptable within the project's scope.</p>	<p>Current underlying platform/vendor stack is Huawei Cloud Stack.</p> <p>There is no OEM lock-in. The bidder is open for offering competent OEM. Attached is the Compatibility List of OEM provided by existing OEM (<b>Attachment-01</b>).</p>
4.	<p>Section VII – Purchaser's Requirements</p> <p>D. TECHNOLOGY SPECIFICATIONS – SUPPLY &amp; INSTALL ITEMS</p> <p>3.11 Anti-Ransomware Backup Storage in DC (Qty. 01 Set)</p> <p>Line No: 18</p>	<p>The RFP specifies the requirement for ransomware-protected storage with air-gap, anti-tampering, and analysis functions across the Active and DR zones (Dhaka &amp; Jashore).</p>	<p>We would appreciate clarification on the expected Recovery Point Objective (RPO) and Recovery Time Objective (RTO) targets. Additionally, please confirm whether the air-gapped backup is required to be physically isolated from the production clusters, or if logical isolation within the same infrastructure would meet the tender requirements.</p>	<p>RPO will be at least to the last backup transferred successfully into the storage. RTO is variable depending on the type of data transferred to the storage and is not a key factor as long as the data is protected and recoverable as this is not the primary backup storage, this will be secondary backup storage for critical government data from where data will be restored when there are ransomware incidents.</p> <p>The air-gapped backup is required to be Physical isolation.</p>



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5.	<p>Section VII</p> <p>C. SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS – SUPPLY &amp; INSTALL ITEMS</p> <p>2.2.2 API &amp; Internal sub-system integration mechanism: External Self Service Portal and billing system</p> <p>Page No: 134</p>	The specification requires APIs to be ‘technology agnostic’ and to integrate with existing self-service and billing portals.	Could you kindly elaborate on the protocol standards currently supported (e.g., REST, SOAP, gRPC) and the authentication mechanisms in use (e.g., OAuth 2.0, SAML, JWT)? We would also like to confirm whether bidder-developed adapters will be acceptable to ensure seamless interoperability with existing systems.	<p>The protocol standard is Rest API.</p> <p>Authentication mechanisms in use Standard OAuth 2.0 &amp; SAML support.</p>
6.	N/A	N/A	As the project involves expansion of the existing system, we would like to request permission to conduct a site survey at both the Data Center (DC) and Disaster Recovery (DR) sites to better understand the current infrastructure and ensure proper alignment of our proposed solution.	<p>Need to Send letter to Project office.</p> 





### Attachment-01

The compatibility list of existing cloud platforms is as below:

Product Version	Supported Vendors
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	H3C
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	DELL
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Inspur
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	xFusion
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Lenovo
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	HPE
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Ruijie
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Intel
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Mellanox
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Avago
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Samsung
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	NVIDIA
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	CentOS
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Microsoft
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	SUSE
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Debian
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Ubuntu
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Red Hat
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Linux Mint
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Fedora
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Scientific Linux
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Rockylinux
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	openSUSE
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	Slackware
Huawei Cloud Stack 8.5.1	MySQL

