NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FASHION TECHNOLOGY

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TENDER DOCUMENT FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF **INTERNAL AUDITOR OF NIFT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2019-20 ONWARDS** (From 2019-20 - 2021-22)

NIFT, HEAD OFFICE, HAUZ KHAS, NEW DELHI

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SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR IN NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FASHION TECHNOLOGY, HAUZ KHAS, NEW DELHI FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2019-20 (FURTHER EXTENDABLE FOR TWO (2) FINANCIAL YEARS i.e. 2020-21 & 2021-22).

1. ABOUT NIFT:

National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) was set up by the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India in 1986 which has been accorded statutory status under the Act of Parliament in 2006 (NIFT Act 2006) for the promotion and development of education and research in field of Fashion Technology.

NIFT provides fashion business education across the country through its network of 16 centers. It provides four years under graduate (UG) program in design and technology, two years post graduate (PG) program in design, fashion management & fashion technology and short duration education program to address the specialized needs of professional and students in the field of fashion.

NIFT has its head office at New Delhi with its campuses located at Bengaluru, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Chennai, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad, Jodhpur, Kangra, Kannur, Kolkata, Mumbai, New Delhi, Patna, Raebareli, Shillong and Srinagar.

2. NOTICE INVITING TENDER:

- (a) Tenders are invited from Chartered Accountants Firms (herein after referred to as Lead CA Firms) for appointment as NIFT Internal Auditor for the Financial Year 2019-20 onwards. The appointment of the selected Chartered Accountants Firm as internal auditor may further be extended for two more financial years at sole discretion of NIFT if the performance of the auditor is found to be satisfactory in the year under consideration i.e. 2019-20.
- (b) The interested Lead CA firms should apply online and submit their tender and the bids along with scanned copies of all the relevant certificates, documents, etc. in support of their technical & price bids all duly signed on the <u>https://nifttenders.eproc.in</u> from 25.06. 2019 by 10.00 A.M to 16.07.2019 upto 03.00 P.M. Tender documents is also available for viewing on the "tenders" link of the NIFT website i.e <u>https://nifttenders.eproc.in</u> / <u>http://www.nift.ac.in.</u>
- (c) Applications to this tender will be accepted only through the online mode through <u>https://nifttenders.eproc.in</u>. No other mode of application will be considered & application will not be accepted.
- (d) For applying online, the Lead CA Firm should get itself registered at https://nifttenders.eproc.in by paying
 - Annual Registration Charges of Rs. 2000 + GST (non-refundable)
 - Bid Processing Fee charges of Rs. 2240 + GST (non-refundable)

- (e) The bidders need to compulsorily pay the above two fees online for approval of Registration and successful submission of Tender, failing which, the firm will not be able to participate in the e-tender.
- (f) The basic requirements for registration and applying for tender online are as under:
 - Operating System should be atleast windows 7.
 - Java version: Java 8 update 25.
 - Use Internet Explorer atleast 8 and above
 - All java add-ons must be enable in the system.
 - Always use Class III B Digital Signature Certificates (DSC) having Signing and Encryption both.
- (g) The Lead CA Firm should ensure that it complies with the above requirements before applying for the tender. Also, the interested Lead CA Firms should submit a hard copy of the application submitted online with all relevant supporting documents by 16th, July 2019 upto 03.00 P.M. Non-submission of hardcopy as directed will lead to rejection of the tender application.
- (h) The sealed hard copy of the tender shall be submitted in one big envelope superscripting "Appointment of NIFT Internal Auditor of NIFT for the Financial Year 2019-20 Onwards" containing two separately sealed small envelopes, one for "Technical Bid as per Annexure II" and another for "Financial Bid as per Annexure III" superscripting as such and addressed to Director (Finance & Accounts), NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FASHION TECHNOLOGY, 2nd Floor, Administrative Block, NIFT Campus, Hauz Khas, Near Gulmohar Park, New Delhi – 110016. The sealed tender must be dropped in the tender box at 2nd Floor, Administrative Block, NIFT, New Delhi – 16, Head Office only, on or before 16.07.2019 by 3.00 P.M.
- (i) The technical bid envelope must contain the technical bid in prescribed Performa as per Annexure II along with a demand draft of Rs. 1000/- (Rupees One Thousand only) towards cost of tender (non-refundable) and Earnest Money Deposit (refundable but non-interest bearing) of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakhs Only) favoring NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FASHION TECHNOLOGY and payable at New Delhi with all relevant documents in support of eligibility and experience criteria. The financial bid envelope must contain only the financial bid as per Annexure III. The financial bid shall include professional fee / charges for all services including expenses for boarding / lodging of staff to be incurred in carrying out the internal audit services. NIFT will not accept any claim other than professional fee / charges etc. mentioned in financial bid. The firm is also required to duly fill the Information Sheet at Annexure I and submit it with the Technical Bid.
- (j) The technical bid will be opened at NIFT, Head Office, 2nd Floor, Accounts Department on 16th July, 2019 at 03.15 P.M. in the presence of the bidders/ their authorized representatives who wish to be present. The Financial bid will be opened on the date which will be communicated to only those bidders who are found to be technically qualified after evaluation of technical bids as per selection criteria provided in Para 6.

- (k) The interested Lead CA firms are advised to read carefully the entire tender document before submitting their tender and the tender documents not received online in prescribed format and/or are found incomplete in any respect will be summarily rejected.
- Any further clarifications can be sought from the office of Deputy Director (Finance & Accounts) on Telephone No. 011-26542010/ 011-26542059, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FASHION TECHNOLOGY, NIFT Campus, Hauz Khas, Near Gulmohar Park, New Delhi -110016.

(m) A pre bid meeting will also be held on 8th July, 2019 at 3.00 P.M. to discuss the queries of the bidders if any in Room No 5, NIFT Head Office.

3. HOW TO APPLY:

For the purpose of internal audit, a Lead CA Firm can apply independently or can also form a consortium with other CA Firms (herein after referred to as Associate CA Firms) provided that:

- (I) The Lead CA Firm satisfies all the eligibility criteria specified at point no. a, b, c, d, e, f, g and h of **Para 4**; and
- (II) The Associate CA Firm satisfies the eligibility criteria specified at point no. b, c, d, f, g and h of **Para 4.**

However,

- a) The maximum number of Associate CA Firms can be up to three (3) and the Lead CA Firm has to provide a list of such Associate CA Firms mentioning name, address, contact no. and the nodal partners in each Associate CA Firm.
- b) The office of the lead CA Firm and each of the Associate CA Firm should be located in different cities.
- c) The Lead CA Firm has to provide a certificate that each of the Associate CA Firm is independently eligible for bidding, if applicable and an undertaking / consent from the Associate CA Firms to undertake the work in collaboration with the Lead CA Firm should be submitted.
- d) The Lead CA Firm cannot add any other CA firm as their Associate CA Firm after the submission of tender.
- e) Further, the Lead CA firm can also engage any "other CA firm" at the time of submitting the tender or at any time during the year of their appointment provided that the other CA firm satisfies all the eligibility criteria as applicable to Associate CA Firms mentioned above. However, such other CA firm can be engaged only with express consent of the NIFT. If the Lead CA Firm is engaging such other CA Firm at the time of submitting the tender document, then such other CA firm will not be counted for the sake of marking as mentioned in Para 6. The Lead CA Firm will be required to give an undertaking in this regard that the other CA Firms satisfies all the Eligibility Criteria and submit necessary documents.

Further, if at any stage it is found that the certificate submitted by Lead CA Firm regarding the eligibility of the Associate CA Firms / Other CA Firms is not correct/ false, then NIFT may cancel the contract with retrospective effect and the security deposit amount shall be forfeited.

Before doing so, the Lead CA firm would be given an opportunity to explain their case. However the decision of NIFT would be final.

4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:-

The interested Lead CA firms are advised to read and understand the eligibility criteria mentioned herewith before submitting their tender. They are also required to submit the relevant documents as mentioned in para 5 for each of the eligibility criteria:-

- a) <u>EMPANELLMENT WITH C&AG</u>: The Lead CA Firm should be empanelled with the Comptroller & Auditor General of India (C&AG) for the financial year 2019-20.
- **b) EXPERIENCE:** The Lead CA firm/Associate CA Firm should have atleast an experience of ten (10) years from the date of registration of the firm.
- c) <u>NO. OF PARTNERS</u>: The Lead CA firm/Associate CA Firm should have at least five (5) partners on the date of tender submission.
- d) <u>NO. OF QUALIFIED CA's</u>: The Lead CA firm/Associate CA Firm should have at least five (5) Chartered Accountants as employee (other than partners) as on the date of tender submission out of which at least three should be FCA.
- e) LOCATION OF LEAD CA FIRM's OFFICE: The Lead CA firm should have the registered / main office in Delhi. In case the lead CA firm does not have registered / main office in Delhi then it should have a branch office in Delhi. Further, the Lead CA firm shall provide a list of their branch offices located across India.
- f) <u>NO. OF STATUTORY AUDIT / INTERNAL AUDIT:</u> The Lead CA firm/Associate CA Firm should have conducted either statutory audits and /or internal audits of at least three Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies / Educational Institution/ PSU with minimum annual turnover of Rs. 50 Crore each with multi locations/offices/branches/units on or after financial year 2013-14.

The annual turn-over for each Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies / PSUs / Educational Institutes shall be as per their Audited Financial Statements for any financial year during 2013-14 till 2017-18. In case the Lead CA firm has carried out the statutory audit / internal audit for a branch (s), then the turnover of only that branch (s) will be considered.

- **g**) **ANNUAL TURNOVER OF THE FIRM:** The annual average turnover of the interested Lead CA firm/Associate CA Firm shall not be less than Rs. 3 Crores for last three financial years i.e. 2017-18, 2016-17, 2015-16.
- h) **INCOME AS PER INCOME TAX RETURN OF THE FIRM:** The Lead CA Firm/Associate CA Firm average returned income should not be less than Rs. 50 lakh for last three financial years i.e. 2017-18, 2016-17, 2015-16.

5. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

The Lead CA Firm shall compulsorily submit the following documents as proof to their eligibility being fulfilled which should be duly certified by at-least 2 partners of the firm.

- (a) For Eligibility Criteria No. 4 (a), certified copy of empanelment letter issued by C&AG is to be submitted.
- (b) For Eligibility Criteria No. 4 (b), certified copy of registration certificate of the firm is required be submitted.
- (c) For Eligibility Criteria No. 4 (c), certified copy of relevant documents from ICAI is required to be submitted.
- (d) For Eligibility Criteria No. 4 (d), certified copy of relevant documents from ICAI is required to be submitted.
- (e) For Eligibility Criteria No. 4 (f), certified copy of appointment letters from the client organizations and copy of their Audited Balance Sheets and P&L Account of client is required to be submitted. Proof of their having multiple locations also needs to be submitted.
- (f) For Eligibility Criteria No. 4 (g), certified copy of Audited Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account of the firm for the mentioned years may be submitted.
- (g) For Eligibility Criteria No. 4 (h), certified copy of Income Tax Return Acknowledgement of the Firm for the mentioned years may be submitted.
- (h) A copy of Goods & Service Tax Registration No is to be submitted.
- (i) A copy of PAN No. allotted by Income Tax Department is to be submitted.
- (j) A declaration needs to be submitted by the Lead CA Firm / Associate CA Firm that they have not been blacklisted by any Government Entity/PSU etc.

If the Lead CA Firm is applying for the tender through a Consortium of Associate CA firms, then the supporting documents asked in point no b, c, d, f, g & h as applicable to Associate CA Firms should also be submitted for each Associate CA Firms. A declaration in this regard is also required to be submitted by the Lead CA Firm that each of its Associate CA Firms satisfies the eligibility criteria mentioned in point no b, c, d, f, g & h above.

These documents should be submitted at the time of submitting the tender only. Undertaking for subsequent submission of any of the above documents will not be entertained under any circumstances. However, NIFT reserves the right to seek fresh set of documents or seek clarifications on the already submitted documents. It is the responsibility of the firm to verify the authenticity of any third party document being submitted as part of the eligibility requirements.

6. <u>SELECTION CRITERIA:-</u>

The eligible technical bids received from the **Lead CA Firms** will be evaluated in terms of following parameters and points will be given as defined below. Further the points will be awarded to the bidder on the following basis:-

Sl. No	Particulars	Maximum Marks	Marks
1.	Experience:	10	
	At least 10 years		6
	> 10 to 12 years		8
	More than 12 years		10
2.	No. of Partners:	10	
	At least 5 partners		6
	> 5 to 8 partners		8
	More than 8 partners		10
3.	No of Qualified CA's:	10	
	At least 5 qualified CA's		6
	> 5 to 8 qualified CA's		8
	More than 8 qualified CA's		10
4.	Number of Statutory Audit / Internal Audit of	10	
	Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies / Educational		
	Institution/ PSU with minimum annual turnover of Rs. 50		
	Crore each with multi locations/offices/branches/units on		
	or after financial year 2010-2011. :		
	At least three Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies /		5
	Educational Institution/ PSU		
	> 3 to 5 Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies /		7
	Educational Institution/ PSU		
	> 5 to 9 Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies / Educational Institution/ PSU		9
	More than 9 Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies /		10
	Educational Institution/ PSU		
5.	Annual Turnover of the Firm (Average of last 3 years)	10	
	At least 3 Crores		6
	> 3 to 5 Crores		8
	More than 5 Crores		10
6.	Income as per Income Tax Return of the Firm (Average of	10	
	last 3 years)		
	At least 50 Lakhs		6
	> 50 to 70 Lakhs		8
	More than 70 Lakhs		10

The top ten eligible technical bids of Lead CA Firm (who have scored highest marks as per parameters indicated above) will qualify the technical evaluation. In case of tie (if more than one

Lead CA Firm gets equal marks), the tied Lead CA Firms will get the same ranking and it may results that more than 10 Lead CA Firms qualify the technical evaluation.

These qualified bids will then be considered for opening of the financial bid and the Lead CA Firm having lowest financial bid (L1) will be the successful bidder. Further, in case of tie in financial bid as well, the Lead CA Firms having higher ranking will be the successful bidder.

7. <u>SCOPE OF WORK:-</u>

The NIFT Internal Auditor's scope of work shall include the following (this is an illustrative but not exhaustive list):-

A. CASH & BANK BOOK:

- Checking and verification of the cash book and to ensure that the cash in hand is reconciled with cash book records.
- Checking and verification of all bank books and to ensure that the bank books are reconciled on monthly basis and necessary actions are taken for unmatched transactions.
- Checking and verification of payment transactions on test check basis to ensure that they are made as per the generally accepted accounting principles and the NIFT rules.
- Ensure reconciliation of earnest money deposits (EMD) register and security deposit (SD) register with the Accounting records.

B. GRANT & FEE INCOME:

- Checking and verification of fees / incomes / receipts and the review of the reconciliation for fees / income /receipts to ensure that no revenue leakage exists.
- Checking and verification of Government Grants (Central / State) received and utilized and their quarterly reconciliation and certification (UC).

C. FIXED ASSETS & LIABILITIES:

- Scrutiny of all assets and liabilities accounts to ensure their correctness.
- Audit of fixed assets registers, accounting records and their reconciliation with accounting records.
- The audit of liability registers and their reconciliation with accounting records.
- Carrying out the physical verification of fixed assets and inventories at least once in a financial year and their comparison with the accounting records and reporting of the variations, if any.

D. STATUTORY AND INTERNAL COMPLIANCE:

- To audit the compliance with applicable statutory requirements like income tax, GST, EPF and ESI etc.
- To advice and give written opinion on issues pertaining to Income Tax, GST, excise duty and custom laws etc. applicable to NIFT Campus and/or HO time to time. To help in preparation and submission of necessary compliance with applicable laws.
- Preparation of all income tax returns and submission of same to income tax authorities.
- Advise and assist in the matters related to Income Tax, GST, and other statutory laws applicable to NIFT.
- Assist in preparation and filing of all kinds of Statutory Returns of NIFT.
- Provide recent updates on all statutory laws applicable to NIFT.
- Helping in preparation & filing of e-TDS quarterly returns within due date.
- Helping in preparation and filing of GST returns within due date.
- To audit compliance of recent changes in last two years in commercial laws applicable to NIFT such as Income Tax, GST, EPF and ESI etc- a certificate for the same has to be attached with the internal audit report for each quarter.
- To check whether monthly progress reports and quarterly progress reports are submitted to Head Office within due date.

E. SALARY AND ADVANCES:

- To audit that the salary to staff is being paid as per their terms and conditions and to audit the correctness of pay fixation.
- To audit that outstanding staff loans and advances are recovered as per the stipulated terms / NIFT rules.

F. INTER – CAMPUS RECONCILIATION:

• To audit the inter-campus transactions by way of debit notes and /or credit notes and their quarterly reconciliation i.e. the inter- campus- reconciliation.

G. PROCUREMENT OF GOODS & SERVICES:

- Checking and verification of procurements of goods and services to ensure that prescribed procedure mentioned in NIFT purchase policies / GFR / GoI guidelines / Policy circulars of NIFT etc have been followed.
- Checking of all works / petty repair works related bills awarded by NIFT.
- Ensure that payment for AMC and service contracts were made as per the Agreement terms and conditions.

H. ADHERENCE TO NIFT RULES & REGULATIONS:

- Checking and verification of records of establishment department and activities to ensure compliance with NIFT rules and regulations.
- Checking and verification of records of administrative department and activities to ensure compliance with NIFT rules and regulations.
- Checking and verification of records of academic department and activities to ensure compliance with NIFT rules and regulations.
- Checking and verification of records of building department activities to ensure compliance with NIFT rules and regulations.
- Ensure that the NIFT policies, rules, regulation and procedures are adhered to is all accounting matters and transactions.
- Checking and verification of records of project cell, projects undertaken, timelines prescribed as per NIFT's rules & regulations and the deviations, if any may be reported.

I. INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEM:

- Audit of the financial management of infrastructural/construction projects or works of NIFT.
- Audit of the strategic projects undertaken by NIFT.
- Review of accounting and internal control systems and suggestions for improvements where a weak lacuna in accounting and internal control systems is observed.
- To ensure that the major expenditure and incomes items are booked/recorded following accrual system of accounting by all campuses & Head Office and report deviations, if any.
- Detection of systemic flaws and suggestions for adopting the corrective measures.
- Advice NIFT on risk assessment and risk mitigation mechanism.

- Conducting Process Audit of areas as intimated and directed by the management from time to time.
- Reporting of outstanding C&AG audit paras at the end of each reporting period of internal audit with remarks of NIFT Campus for non-compliance / non-settlement.

8. <u>PERIODICITY AND TIMELINES OF AUDIT:</u>

- (a) NIFT's Internal Auditor will be required to conduct the internal audit in four quarters: 1st April to 30th June, 1st July to 30th September, 1st October to 31st December and 1st January to 31st March. The auditors will also be required to prepare and consolidate the annual accounts of NIFT for the year 2019-20 and also for subsequent years, if re-appointed.
- (b) **Timelines for conducting the Audit**: The Auditor shall strictly follow the timelines mentioned below in the table:

S.No	Description of Audit	Timeline
1.	Commencement of Internal	The audit should start from the 10 th day of the
	Audit of every Quarter	month following the end of the quarter of which
		audit is to be done at every NIFT Campus and Head
		Office
2.	Submission of Final Internal	The final Internal Audit Report of each campus and
	Audit Report	the Consolidated Report after discussion with the
		NIFT's Management should be submitted within 30
		days from the date of start of Internal Audit.
3.	For Preparation and	For Campuses Annual Accounts: 07th May
	Consolidation of Annual	For Head Office Annual Accounts: 15th May
	Accounts	For Consolidated Annual Accounts: 31st May

9. DUTIES OF AUDITOR:

- (a) The Auditor will be required to carry out internal audit of each campus of NIFT and Head Office on quarterly basis and submit the final internal audit report to Campus Director with a copy to Director (F&A) in case of campuses internal audit and Director (F&A), NIFT HO in case of head office internal audit.
- (b) The auditor will be required to carry out assessment of any particular internal system of NIFT in detail and submit report on the same as demanded by the DG NIFT.
- (c) The Auditor will be required to submit a audit schedule / plan within 7 days before the end of quarter stating the major areas which would be covered during the audit at all NIFT Campuses and Head Office.
- (d) The Auditor will be required to depute his audit team in the following manner:

No of days h the team e present:

		present	
1.	Team deputed to carry out the internal audit for each campus / Head Office	Should consist of at least one CA with 5 years' experience, one CA intermediate/IPCC and one assistant.	The team will be required to be present at the campus / HO for carrying out audit for a minimum of two week for each quarter.
2.	The team deputed to carry out the internal audit for the last quarter and Consolidation and Finalization of financial statements at the year end for each campus.	Should consist of at least one CA with 5 years' experience, two CA intermediate / IPCC.	The team will be required to be present at the campus for a minimum of two weeks for carrying out audit, Consolidation and Finalization of financial statements.
3.	The team deputed to carry out the internal audit for the last quarter & Consolidation and Finalization of financial statements at the yearend for Head Office.	Should consist of at least one CA with minimum 10 years' experience, one CA with 5 years' experience, 3 CA intermediate / IPCC.	The team will be required to be present at the HO for a minimum of four weeks for carrying out audit, Consolidation and Finalization of financial statements.

- (e) The auditor will be required to discuss the internal audit reports of all campuses and Head office at NIFT Head Office before its finalization for each quarter. It may take 4-5 working days. For this he will be required to meet the Director of the Campus/HO and discuss his response and incorporate their comments before issuing final internal audit report. For internal audit report of the Head Office, the inputs of Director (F&A) will be obtained before issue of final internal audit report.
- (f) For Consolidation of Accounts, the auditor shall be responsible for standardization of accounting heads, arranging heads, arranging of standardized codes and standardization of formats for final account across campuses.
- (g) The auditor shall be responsible for consolidation & finalization of the financial statements at the year-end of all NIFT Campuses and Head Office within the time stipulated in table at point c above from the end of the Financial Year. The same shall be signed and sealed by the Lead CA Firm. Further, the auditor shall also be responsible for

the consolidation of annual accounts of NIFT Campuses and Head Office by the end of 31st May.

(h) The internal audit report for each quarter is to be prepared in three parts as given below for each campus / HO:-

Part - I	:	Management Summary and Suggestions
Part - II	:	Detailed Internal Audit Report (for Current Quarter)
Part – III	:	Follow up and Action Taken Report (for Previous Reports)

Further, a Consolidated Management Summary for each quarter of all campuses and HO are also required to be submitted to the Head Office.

- (i) It will be the duty of the internal auditor to obtain / follow up the corrections / rectifications / action taken for each objection and incorporate the same in consolidation management summary to be presented in the Finance and Accounts Committee (F&AC) & BOG.
- (j) The senior partner of Lead CA Firm will have to present the consolidated management summary of internal audit report in PPT Form for each quarter in the Finance and Accounts Committee (F&AC) meetings and Board of Governors (BOG) meeting. Further, he has to present the consolidated NIFT annual accounts for the year in the meetings of F&AC and BOG. No separate boarding & lodging will be paid for attending such meetings during the year.
- (k) For all matters, the NIFT internal auditors will co-ordinate with Director (F&A), NIFT Head Office, Hauz Khas, New Delhi.

10. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:-

- 1. Initially the appointment of NIFT internal auditor will be for the financial year i.e. 2019-20. However, the NIFT may extend the appointment for next two financial years i.e. 2020-21 and 2021-22 with a 5% escalation per annum. The extension will be made for each financial year separately at the sole discretion of NIFT. The appointment of NIFT internal auditor cannot be for more than three years in total. However, the grand total fees to be quoted by the Lead CA Firm in the Financial Bid at **Annexure III** shall not be less than Rs. 16 Lakhs (Rupees Sixteen Lakhs Only) for all the 16 Campuses of NIFT and Head Office.
- 2. Each page of tender documents is required to be signed by the Nodal Partner of Lead CA Firm. The documents / certificates in support along with the tender shall also be signed by the Nodal Partner.
- 3. All documents should be numbered and an index of pages should also be submitted.

- 4. Tender shall be submitted in prescribed / official tender document only. If submitted in any other form, the same shall be summarily rejected.
- 5. The tender documents shall be written legibly and free from erasing, corrections and over-writing, otherwise the bid will be rejected.
- 6. Upon verification, evaluation / assessment, if in case any information furnished by the firm is found to be false / incorrect, their bid shall be summarily rejected and no correspondence on the same shall be entertained.
- 7. Tenders without EMD will be summarily rejected. The earnest money deposit (EMD) of successful bidder will be converted into Security Deposit (SD) amount for the period of contract and will be refunded on request of the bidder after completion of period as well as the obligation of internal audit of NIFT. No interest will be paid on EMD and Security Deposit.
- 8. Whenever deemed necessary, NIFT may seek clarifications on any aspect from the participant firm. However, that would not entitle the participant to change or cause any change in the substance of the offer submitted or price offered
- 9. The technical bid will be evaluated as per the eligibility criteria and other terms and conditions mentioned in this tender document.
- 10. NIFT reserves the right to issue a corrigendum to this tender document as and when required which would be a supplement to the main tender document. Any Corrigendum to this tender will be notified through the websites <u>https://nifttenders.eproc.in</u> / <u>http://www.nift.ac.in.</u>
- 11. If any date mentioned above happens to be a holiday, then the next working day will be the relevant date.
- 12. NIFT reserves the right to cancel this tender process at any time without assigning any reason before the selection of Lead CA Firm and the tendered shall not be entitled to claim any damage or compensation due to such cancellation.
- 13. This tender is subject to the jurisdiction of the local courts at Delhi only. All disputes arising out of the tender process shall have the jurisdiction of the local courts at Delhi only.
- 14. Tenders received in the single-bid system i.e. having the technical bid as well as financial bid in the same small envelope shall be rejected.
- 15. NIFT will not accept any claim other than professional fee / charges etc. specified in financial bid.

- 16. The Lead CA Firm should not have any disputes with any of the client. If any disputes come to knowledge of NIFT at any point of time, then the services of Lead CA Firm would be terminated.
- 17. Any tender received not in conformity the aforesaid terms and conditions may not be considered and same will be rejected.
- 18. TDS if applicable will be deduced at prescribed rates as per Income Tax Act, 1961.
- 19. In case a bidder withdraws unilaterally after submission of Bid EMD will be forfeited.
- 20. The payment shall be made as follows:
 - (a) <u>For Internal Audit</u>: The 50% payment of professional fees for internal audit will be released on quarterly basis on submission of bills subject to timely submission of quarterly internal audit reports of each campus / HO along with consolidated executive summary & action taken report and balance 50% after its approval by the Finance & Audit Committee (F&AC) of NIFT
 - (b) For Consolidation and Finalization of Annual Accounts: The 50% payment of professional fees for Consolidation and Finalization of Annual Accounts of NIFT will be made on submission of bills subject to submission of sealed and signed consolidated Annual Accounts and balance 50% after approval of Annual Accounts by F&AC and BOG.
- 21. The contract will be only between NIFT and Lead CA Firm which will be built around the terms and conditions of this tender document. The contract should be accepted and signed by the Lead CA Firm within a week failing which their EMD will be forfeited.
- 22. The terms and conditions of the contract shall constitute the entire agreement between the Lead CA Firm and NIFT. Any change will be binding only if the amendment are made in writing and signed by a competent authority of NIFT and the Lead CA Firm.
- 23. Any dispute arising shall be referred to the sole arbitration. The selection of arbitration will be made by DG, NIFT. The arbitrator's decision shall be final and binding on both the parties.
- 24. The Lead CA Firm will ensure that no information or data about the policies of NIFT is taken out in any form including electronic form or otherwise. The firm shall also undertake that any information data signed by the staff of the Firm is not provided to any third party or misused. In case there is such an instance, NIFT reserves the right to take action against the Firm as deemed fit.
- 25. The Firm shall be responsible for any damage to equipments, property and third party liabilities caused by acts on part of its auditors / representatives.

- 26. The Lead CA Firm shall ensure that the audit work is started and completed as per the time schedule mentioned in the tender document. In case of delay in the satisfactory performance and completion of audit work, penalty @ 0.2% (point two percent) per day of the quarterly amount payable shall be applicable for a maximum of 30 days. Beyond 30 days, NIFT reserves the right to cancel the contract, forfeit the EMD/ Security Deposit and get the work completed from alternate sources at the risk and cost of the defaulting firm.
- 27. The NIFT reserves the right to cancel the contract in the following cases:
 - (i) The Lead CA Firm fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the contract.
 - (ii) The Lead CA Firm fails to deliver the services on time.
 - (iii) The Lead CA Firm becomes bankrupt or goes into liquidation.

Upon receipt of the said cancellation notice, the Lead CA Firm shall discontinue contract and matters connected with it.

- 28. In the event of Force Majeure occurring within the contracted period, the delay in performing internal audit can be extended by NIFT on receipt of written request of Lead CA Firms.
- 29. The NIFT has categorized the locations in India for the purpose of internal audit in four zones as detailed below. The Lead CA Firm and each of the Associate CA Firm should be from different zones.

North Zone

Jammu & Kashmir, 2. Himachal Pradesh, 3. Punjab, 4. Haryana, 5. Uttarakhand,
Delhi, 7. Uttar Pradesh, 8. Chandigarh, 9. Madhya Pradesh

East Zone

1. Arunachal Pradesh, 2. Meghalaya, 3. Nagaland, 4. Manipur, 5. Tripura, 6. Mizoram, 7. Sikkim, 8. Assam, 9. Bihar, 10. West Bengal, 11. Jharkhand, 12. Orissa, 13. Chhattisgarh

West Zone

Rajasthan, 2. Gujarat, 3. Daman & Diu, 4. Dadra & Nagar Haveli, 5. Maharashtra,
6. Goa

South Zone

1. Andhra Pradesh, 2. Karnataka, 3. Kerala, 4. Tamil Nadu, 5. Puducherry, 6. Andaman & Nicobar Island, 7. Lakshadweep

- 30. The Tender document shall be arranged in the following order:
 - i) Demand draft for EMD and cost of tender.
 - ii) Index containing Page Numbers.
 - iii) Technical Bid and the related documents.

- iv) Signed tender documents.
- v) Financial Bid in a separate envelope.

Annexure – I

INFORMATION SHEET

Particulars of Lead CA Firm for appointment as Internal Auditor of NIFT

- (a) Name of the Firm:
- (b) Incorporated asin year.....at.....
- (c) Whether any legal/arbitration proceedings are instituted against the Firm or the firm has lodged any claim in connection with works carried out by them. If yes, please give details.
- (d) Registered Office Address Name of the Nodal Partner Designation Telephone Numbers Fax Numbers E-mail Mobile No.
- (e) Registration details with Statutory Bodies: (enclose attested photocopy of documents)

Goods & Service Tax Registration No.: Income Tax No. (PAN): C&AG Registration No.:

(f) Details of Partners of the Firm:

S.No		Name	Qualif	fication	Associated with Firm Since

(g) Details of Full Time Chartered Accountants in the Firm:

S.No	Name	Qualification	Associated with Firm Since

- (h) Total Staff Strength of the Firm:
- (i) EMD Details:

Particulars	Amount	Draft No.	Date	Bank	Branch
	(Rs.)				

- (j) List of Clients where the firm has carried out Statutory and Internal audit and also mention the year of audit:
- (k) Name of Clients (PSU's / Autonomous Bodies) of which Statutory audit was assigned through C&AG's office and conducted in any of the last 5 years.
- (l) Any other information Firm would like to furnish:

Signature with Stamp

Date

Place

Annexure – II

Sr.	Particulars	Details to be pr closing date of th	ovided as on the is NIT
	General Informati		
1.	Name of the Lead CA Firm		
2.	Date of registration of Lead CA firm		
3.	Registered / Main Office Address		
4.	Name of Nodal Partner		
5.	Contact No. of Nodal Partner		
6.	No. of Branches in India		
	(Attach a list along with address)		
7.	No. of Associate CA Firms		
	(Attach a list with details)		
8.	Details of Demand Draft submitted towards cost		
	of tender.		
9.	Details of Demand Draft submitted towards		
	Earnest Money Deposit.		
10.	Please specify whether applying individually or		
	through consortium.		
	Eligibility Criteri	a	
		For Lead CA	For Associate
		Firm	CA Firms (if applying through
			concortium)
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	(Provide a list of names with ICAI		
	membership No.)		
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	(Also indicate under which range of the		
	selection criteria does the Lead CA Firm fall		
	i.e Atleast 5 Qualified CA employees/ 5-8		
	Qualified CA employees / more than 8		
	Qualified CA employees)		
6.	Whether the Lead CA firm has its registered /		Not Required
	main Office/ branch office at Delhi.		
	(Yes / No)		
7(a)	Whether the Firm has an experience of		
	conducting requisite no. of statutory and /or		
	internal audit of eligible clients / organization.		
7(b)	Total No. (specify) and Names of eligible		
	Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies /		
	Educational Institution/ PSU for which the		
	Firm has carried out statutory / internal audit.		
	(Enclose a list).		
	(Also indicate under which range of the		
	selection criteria does the Lead CA Firm fall		
	i.e Atleast 3/ 3-5 / 5-9 / more than 9 eligible		
	Autonomous Bodies / Statutory Bodies /		
	Educational Institution/ PSU)		
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8(a)	Whether the Firm fulfills the eligibility criteria		
	with respect to minimum average annual		
0(1)	turnover required.		
8(b)	Details for annual turnover for -		
	FY 2015-16:		
	FY 2016-17 :		
	FY 2017-18:		
	Average Turnover for three years:		
	(Also indicate under which range of the		
	selection criteria does the Lead CA Firm fall		
	i.e average turnover is Atleast 3 crores/ 3-5		
	crores/ more than 5 crores.		
9(a)	Whether the Firm fulfills the eligibility criteria		
	with respect to minimum average Income as		
	per Income Tax Return.		
9(b)	Details for Income as per Income Tax Return		
	for -		
	FY 2015-16:		
	FY 2016-17 :		
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	FY 2017-18:	
	Average Income as per ITR for three years:	
	(Also indicate under which range of the selection criteria does the Lead CA Firm fall	
	i.e average income as per Income Tax Return	
	is Atleast 50 Lakhs/ 50-70 Lakhs/ more than	
	70 Lakhs.	
10.	Whether the Associate CA Firms are	Not Required
	independently eligible for bidding. (Yes/No)	
	(if Yes, attach undertaking for the same)	
11.	Whether an undertaking/consent obtained from	Not Required
	the Associate CA Firm.	_
	(Yes/No)	
	(if Yes, attach certificate for the same)	

(Note: The documents/certificates required in the technical bid would be attached in the order they are mentioned. Further, the details provided here must be true and correct, a declaration in this regard is to be submitted)

Signature of Nodal Partner With name and firm Seal

Annexure - III

FINANCIAL BID

The interested Lead CA firm may quote their professional fees (all inclusive) in the following format:-

S. No.	Particulars	Amount in Rs.
1.	Annual Professional fee for Internal Audit (Quarterly	
	Basis) for the financial year 2019-20 for all 16	
	campuses and Head Office.	
2.	Annual Professional fee for consolidation and	
	finalization of financial statements for 2019-20 for	
	each campus along with all schedules, accounting	
	policies and notes on accounts at the end of financial	
	year and the consolidation and finalization of the	
	financial statements for Head Office and all the	
	campuses at the end of financial year.	
3.	Other Annual Charges (including lodgings and	
	boarding)	
4.	Total Annual Professional fee (1+2+3)	
5.	GST @ 18%	
6.	Grand Total	

Grand Total Professional fees in words

Signature of Nodal Partner With name and firm Seal