Records of pre-bid discussions held on 25.04.2017 with participants in connection with Expression of Interest for Evaluation of the Schemes of Saakshar Bharat programme and Support to Voluntary Agencies for Adult Education and Skill Development (JSSs and SRCs).

S.No	Issue/Question raised	Reply/cleryfication
1.	Documents to be submitted along with Expression of Interest.	(a) Saakshar Bharat programme:- (i) Certificate as mentioned at page 14 of EOI document (along with the EOI document): (ii) Form I as mentioned at page 15 of EOI document. (iii) Form II as mentioned at page 30 of EOI document. (iv) Form III as mentioned at page 31 of EOI document. (v) Form IV as mentioned at page 32 of EOI document. (vi) Demand draft of Rs. 5000/ Note: All above documents may be placed in ONE SEALED ENVELOPE superscribed-"EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR SAAKSHAR BHARAT APPRISAL"  (b) Scheme of Support to Voluntary Agencies(JSSs & SRCs):- (i) Certificate as mentioned at page 17 of EOI document (along with the EOI document): (ii) Form I as mentioned at page 30 of EOI document. (iii) Form II as mentioned at page 31 of EOI document. (iv) Form IV as mentioned at page 32 of EOI document. (v) Form IV as mentioned at page 32 of EOI document. (vi) Demand draft of Rs. 5000/ Note: All above documents may be placed in ONE SEALED ENVELOPE superscribed-"EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR SCHEME OF SUPPORT TO VOLUNTARY AGENCIES FOR ADULT EDUCATION AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT"
2.	Whether the RFP bid should be submitted for all Regions and also for National Appraisal and Co-ordination Agency (NACA).	At the EOI stage, the agencies should submit only the expression of their interest for evaluation of the Schemes i.e. Saakshar Bharat Programme and Scheme of Support to Voluntary Agencies (JSSs and SRCs).

3.	Whether the fee of Rs. 5000/- is required to be submitted for each Region and NACA.	At the RFP stage, the agency can apply for one Region or more than one or for all five Regions; however along with that one has to necessarily apply for NACA. However, the agencies would be considered only for two Regions and for the NACA.  Yes, separate drafts for each Region and NACA is required to be submitted at the RFP stage. At the EOI stage a single draft of Rs. 5000/- only needs to be submitted.
4.	Whether bidding for separate Regions for evaluation of the Scheme of Support to Voluntary Agency for Skill Development (JSSs and SRCs) is required.	No. The bidding will be for all the five regions as a whole at the RFP stage. In fact for study of Scheme of Support to Voluntary Agencies for Adult Education and Skill Development, the study has NOT been broken up into Regions.
5.	Doubts were raised about para 2(ii) of Annexure-I of EOI document for evaluation of the Scheme of Support to Voluntary Agency for Skill Development (JSSs and SRCs), wherein it was stated that the agency is expected to study atleast 6 State Resource Centers but in other places it has been stated as 10.	It was clarified that 10 State Resource Centers have to be studied and not 6.
6.	Whether bids for five regions and NACA will be submitted simultaneously? What will happen if no bidder is selected for any Region?	The bids for five Regions and NACA will be submitted simultaneously at the RFP stage. However, if no bidder is selected for any particular Region, the successful bidders for other regions will be eligible to apply for the left over region. The selection of bidder for the left over region will be finalized within three working days. Instructions on this matter will be issued separately.

## **Suggestions made**

A suggestion was made that there should be a uniform methodology and tools for conducting the evaluation study and also a common format for submitting the evaluation reports for both the Schemes. This was mainly because of the fact that if different agencies adopt different methodology and tools, collating the information for the NACA would be difficult because the data collected would not match as they are collected by using different parameters.

This suggestion has been accepted by the Ministry.