

**Response to Pre-bid queries for “GeM Bid (Open Tender under custom bidding):
GeM Bid No. GEM/2026/B/7795910 dated 30.07.2026 for "Manufacturing, Testing and Supply of Alloy 718 Bolts"**

Pre-Bid meeting was conducted on 11th August 2026, 02:00PM to 05:00PM.

Pre-bid queries received from bidders along with responses by ITER-India are summarised as below;

Sr. No.	Tender Reference	Ref clause No.	Description of clarifications/queries	Response of ITER-India for the clarifications/queries
1	PART-I: Technical & management specifications, Scope of Supply and Scope of Work	8, List of deliverables and due dates. Table 3 Deliverables	Due Date [T0 + X weeks] may please be specified clearly for Phase 1: pilot project: That includes the (i) Raw material qualification and (ii) product qualification of the bolt. We understand that, Deliverable Number D3 [T0 + 28weeks] is only up to Availability of qualified Raw material with Material Test Reports.	It is hereby clarified that all qualified raw materials, along with the corresponding CMTRs approved by ITER-India and IO, shall be made available by T0 + 28 weeks, as part of the D3 deliverable. The Contractor shall execute the Pilot Project (Phase 1) after achievement of the M2 milestone. However, commencement of Phase 2 shall be contingent upon the successful completion and formal acceptance of all Phase 1 objectives by the Purchaser. The Contractor shall accordingly plan and execute the activities to ensure that the D4 deliverable is achieved within the overall contract schedule.

2	PART_II_ Additional Terms & Conditions (ATC)	1.6.5.3.1 Table-1: Payment Schedule: S.No.5. Page nos. 27&28	Tender term: Payment against receipt of all ordered items under bulk production: 60% with 100% taxes. We request that 60% may please be suitably divided into payments in three stages as below: Supply of Fasteners: 1. M36 x 136mm long BI-Hex bolts sphere– BLV sealing for DNB ...252 nos. 2. M36 x 136mm long BI-Hex bolts sphere– BLV sealing for HNB3...252 nos. 3. M36 x 160mm long BI-Hexbolts plain – BSV sealing for HNB3 ...180 nos.	Refer Tender Amendment for break up payment milestone no. 5
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3	PART-I: Technical & management specifications, Scope of Supply and Scope of Work	8. List of deliverables and due dates Table 3 Deliverables Page no.17	We request that the delivery period of 72 weeks be increased to 104 to 112 weeks. One of the main reasons is the time required to test the chemical composition and traceability of the raw material to its Melting process and subsequent manufacturing programme followed to produce the raw material bars to conform the ITER defined procurement specifications. Another reason is the special dies required to forge Inconel heads, which may not be readily available as of the dies for SS material.	As per the scheduled project requirements, extension of the delivery period cannot be considered. Accordingly, the tender conditions shall remain unchanged.
4			<u>Clarification</u> is sought on whether the quantities of bolts subjected to destructive testing during the qualification activities in Phase 1, as well as the quantities of bolts subjected to testing during Phase 2, are included in the Scope of Supply and are eligible for billing.	The quantities specified under Sr. Nos. 1.1 and 1.2 of Table 1 of Clause 3.1 of Part-I are earmarked for destructive testing for qualification of the finished product during Phase 1, as specified in Clause 3.2.1. Similarly, 5 quantities from each of the supply sets specified under Sr. Nos. 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3 of Table 1 of Clause 3.1 of Part-I shall be considered for destructive testing during Phase 2, as specified in Clause 6.5.2.

				The above quantities shall be considered as part of the Scope of Supply as per table 1 and shall be eligible for billing as per the applicable payment terms of the contract.
5			<u>Clarification</u> is sought on whether machining of the bolt head and shank is permitted after the forging process	Please refer Clause No. 6.3 of Part-I of Tender Documents
6			<u>Clarification</u> is sought on the necessity of submitting the Signature Table (page 11 of 43 & 37 of 43) specified in Part-II, considering that a separate Bidder Compliance Sheet has also been stipulated in the tender.	The Signature Table specified in Part-II (page No. 11 & 37 of 43) need not be signed separately by the bidder, as the Bidder Compliance Sheet is provided separately for confirming compliance with the tender requirements.