

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL | Potato Seed requirement in Odisha

I. Introduction

The International Potato Center (CIP) was founded in 1971 as a research institution for the development of roots and tubers, providing sustainable solutions to the pressing global issues of hunger, poverty, and natural resource degradation. CIP is a global center, with headquarters in Lima, Peru, and offices in 20 developing countries across Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Working closely with our partners, CIP aims to achieve food security, greater well-being, and gender equity for the poor in the developing world. CIP promotes its mission through rigorous research, innovation in science and technology, and capacity strengthening in root and tuber cultivation and food systems.

CIP is part of the CGIAR Consortium, a global partnership uniting organization dedicated to research for a food-secure future. CGIAR research is dedicated to reducing rural poverty, increasing food security, improving human health and nutrition, and ensuring more sustainable management of natural resources. Donors include countries, foundations, and international entities.

The center is an autonomous entity, with an international board of trustees, established as an international organization in 1971 in Lima. CIP has the status and privileges and immunities of an international organization under its host country agreement with the Government of Peru as well as with various other countries in which it conducts research.

In India CIP is established as a Branch Office under regulation with the Reserve Bank of India to carry out research programs to increase the production and productivity of potato and sweet-potato at the national level in cooperation with the Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR), and its associated research institutes working on potato (CPRI) and sweet-potato (CTCRI). Collaborate with universities and international research organizations to advance agricultural innovations in India and the region.

The Odisha has immense potential to increase potato production by expanding acreage and improving productivity. The soils and environment in many parts of Odisha are suitable for cultivating potato. It is also an opportune time to diversify and intensify the rice-based system in a sustainable way, raise farmers' incomes through the production of this profitable crop, and diversify the agri-food system. This requires a holistic approach integrating the best available technology with backward and forward market linkages. CIP helped to the farmers, FPOs NGOs and many SHGs through grow quality potatoes, and reached out more than 70,000 stakeholders throughout the various activities in the state. The state has good climate and opportunities to grow potato in the Rabi season, compared to other potato leading states. The farmers can grow and sale potatoes with high price in so-called off-season potatoes. The potato cultivation in the Rabi will benefit to the farmers in term of livelihood as well as food security, also. In this season, with the interest of the poor tribal farmers and off-season promotion, CIP want to invest on potato seed (125 ton) and support area expansion of potato in the state through the model of "Small Farm Large Field (SFLF).

To continue of the program for the poor and marginal tribal farmers, CIP want to provide backward linkage to the farmer's group for the quality seed, timely access from direct from the seed supplier. The CIP is providing quality seed as per needs of the groups.

Location –Puri and Cuttack districts of Odisha.

II. Object of the contest

Technical Specification of the item:			
Sr. No.	PARTICULARS	Quantity	PROPOSED SPECIFICATION
1	Kufri Jyoti Seed Potato	125 MT	Seed Potato, size between 35mm – 45mm
	Total	125 MT	
3.- Deliverables and dates for delivery (Puri, Odisha): 30th November to 5th December 2024 (exact delivery points will be shared)			
Providing good potato seeds as per the quotation submitted without any deviations. Ensuring quality materials are supplied. Coordinating with CIP regarding delivery with proper schedule by CIP and should be adjusted to the client's needs. Complying with safety regulations. Delivery will be provided in the month of 30th November-5th December at: Puri, Odisha (Contact details of delivery locations will be provided at the time of dispatch)			
4.- Contract Coordinator: Dr. Shahid Ali			
5- Total Cost for Kufri Jyoti – 125 MT CIP Contribution @ 50% Farmer contribution @ 50% Exchange rate USD 1 USD=INR Note: Maximum CIP's contribution would be INR 20 per kg. Further any deviation on higher side for the rate should be contributed by the farmer's group			
6.- Project: 1520-GOOO "Sustainable intensification of Potato for Achieving Self Sufficiency in Odisha"			
7.- Distribution of the CIP's contribution by cost centre: 100% of CIP's contribution – 1520-GOOO / 1520-1000 / 1520-1000-10			
8.- Duration of the contract (start and end date): 20th November to 15th December 2024			
9.- Other comments:			

III. Timetable

1. Invitation to applicant companies	Nov 19, 2024
2. Confirm your desire to participate	Nov 21, 2024
3. Inspection visits (if required)	N/A
4. Submission of Applicant Inquiries	Nov 21, 2024
5. Response to inquiries	Nov 22, 2024
6. Proposal submission	Nov 23, 2024
7. Opening and evaluation of proposals	Nov 25, 2024
8. Winner identification and communication to bidders	Nov 26, 2024
9. Contract signing	Nov 29, 2024
10. Contract commencement	Nov 29, 2024

(*) Please direct your inquiries via email to Mr Barun Raj (barun.raj@cgiar.org) copying Mr Arun Gugnani (a.gugnani@cgiar.org).

IV. Proposals

Proposals must address each of the elements listed in the Terms of Reference. Proposals may be rejected if they do not meet the requirements detailed in the call for proposals. All companies interested in participating and seeking clarification of this document must send their questions via email to CIP no later than Nov 21, 2024, attention to barun.raj@cgiar.org copying a.gugnani@cgiar.org.

They must submit their complete quotation, including technical specifications, by email to barun.raj@cgiar.org copying a.gugnani@cgiar.org no later than Nov 23, 2024.

The costs of preparing proposals are the sole responsibility of the applicant and will not be reimbursed by CIP.

V. Installation/delivery Location

International Potato Center (CIP), Odisha as indicated above.

VI. Process Evaluation

	Relevance %	Points (1-5)	Total
Years of experience and client portfolio	20		
Similar works and implementations	25		
Cost	35		
Delivery time	20		
Total	100		

(*) Only the offers that meet all the requirements included in this tender will be considered.

VII. CIP Rights

CIP reserves the right to accept or reject proposals in whole or in part and to cancel the process at any time if CIP has not signed the corresponding contract.

VIII. Letter of presentation

Sirs
International Potato Center (CIP)
NASC complex, DPS Marg
Pusa campus, New Delhi - 110012

Ref. TITLE

Dear Sir/Madam,

With this letter, our company [company name], represented by Mr. [name of the legal representative], requests to participate in the Selection Process for the provision of xxxxxxxxxxxxxx at the main headquarters in La Molina, Lima", as communicated to us.

We certify that we have become aware of the conditions required for participants and we commit to abide by them in their entirety.

We are enclosing the documentation demonstrating that our company meets the requirements for participation in this process.

Yours faithfully,

IX. Identification

BIDDER IDENTIFICATION	
Name of the company	
Years in the market	
Principal clients (attach letter recommendation)	
RUC/TAX ID	
Address	
Contac person	
Position	
E-mail	
Phone number/ cell phone number	
Total Sales	
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Name and sign of the legal representative	