



#### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

#### Requirement of Potato Seed 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.

Given the small landholding status of most farmers in Odisha, many do not perceive potato farming as beneficial due to high production costs and limited access to quality seed, which often must be sourced from outside the state.

To address this, the project introduced the Small Farmers, Large Fields (SFLF) initiative, aimed at strengthening farmers' bargaining power by improving supply chain integration. A major focus of the initiative is to support farmers in collectively procuring quality inputs, such as seeds and fertilizers, from reliable and affordable sources.

The project aims to expand the Small Farmers, Large Fields (SFLF) initiative to 5,100 acres across the state. In the upcoming Kharif season the project is targeting 1400 acres under the SFLF model and thus require procurement of 840 MT of seed for this purpose.

Location -Koraput district Odisha.

#### II. Object of the contest

1 Technical Specification of the item:						
Sr. No.	PARTICULARS	Quantity	PROPOSED SPECIFICATION			
1	Kufri Jyoti Seed Potato	420 MT	Seed Potato, size between 35mm – 45mm			
2	Kufri Himalini Seed Potato	420 MT	Seed Potato, size between 35mm – 45mm			
	Total	840 MT				

# 3.- Deliverables and dates for delivery (Koraput, Odisha): 30th June-15<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 (exact delivery points will be shared at the time of the delivery)

- a) Providing good potato seeds as per the quotation submitted without any deviations.
- b) Ensuring quality materials are supplied.
- c) Coordinating with CIP regarding delivery with proper schedule by CIP and should be adjusted to the client's needs.
- d) Complying with safety regulations.
- e) Delivery will be provided in the month of 30th June-15<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 at: Koraput, Odisha (Contact details of delivery locations will be provided at the time of dispatch)

#### III. Timetable

1. Invitation to applicant companies	May 08, 2025
2. Confirm your desire to participate	May 12, 2025
3. Inspection visits (if required)	N/A
4. Submission of Applicant Inquiries	May 13, 2025
5. Response to inquiries	May 14, 2025
6. Proposal submission	May 20, 2025
7. Opening and evaluation of proposals	May 22, 2025
8. Winner identification and communication to bidders	May 26, 2025
9. Contract signing	June 04, 2025
10. Contract commencement	June 06, 2025

(\*) 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 May 13, 2025, 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 May 20, 2025.

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

**Evaluation Matrix** 

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

<sup>(\*)</sup> 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 xxxxxxxxxxxxx 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				
2,021				
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Name and sign of the legal representative				