To: **All Bidders**

Subject: **Design-Build of Embellishment Works along the Metro
             Corridor from Rose Hill to Port Louis.**

Procurement Ref No: **MEL/METRO/EMBRP/09/2021**

Date: 23rd July 2021

CLARIFICATIONS - No 1

Please find hereafter the request for clarifications received from prospective
bidders and the corresponding replies.

SN	Request for Clarification	Reply
1	Please advise on the budget earmarked for the design and build project	The maximum budget earmarked for the project is MUR 60 million (Incl of VAT) which also includes the cost of the first-year maintenance plan. However, each bidder is recommended to propose a cost effective and value for money proposal abiding to all the requirements in the bidding document but which may not necessarily consume the whole budget.
2	Please provide the survey report and as-made drawings for the metro corridor from Rose Hill to Port Louis	The extent of the work area has been provided in the AutoCAD plan. The prospective bidders may carry out further site visits if required for preparation of the conceptual designs.

| | | | However, access to the track area and restricted areas (e.g the maintenance road alongside the track from Barkly to Coromandel) shall be requested from MEL.

Further drawings and plans would be provided to the successful bidder during detailed design stage. |
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| 3 | Clause 1.2 under Section I – Instructions to Bidders states that "The successful bidder will be expected to complete the Works within 6 months as from the award of Contract" whereas Sub-Clause 1.1.33 of the appendix to technical proposal states that "6 months for execution of works after handing over of site to contractor". Please clarify on the completion period for the execution of works and whether the six (6) months for completion of works is inclusive of one (1) month for the final design. | The correct clause is: "The successful bidder will be expected to complete the Works within 6 months after handing over of site to the Contractor"

As such, Clause 1.2 under Section I – Instructions to Bidders shall be amended as per the corrected clause.

The 6 months is inclusive of the design stage. The prospective bidders shall decide on how these 6 months would be split between design and construction. |
| 4 | We refer to Clause II. Defect Liability Period Maintenance under Section A of Section 4 – Employer's Requirements. It states that "The Bidder shall quote for a one-year comprehensive maintenance plan in his bid for any embellishment or landscape components found in the area delimited in the AutoCAD file provided by MEL. The schedule of the maintenance plan may be negotiated. The schedule of the maintenance may be negotiated and shall be agreed between MEL and the Bidder" Please provide us details regarding the existing embellishment and/or landscape components that we | The prospective bidders shall carry out their own site visits and identify existing vegetations and landscaping elements that they intend to retain for the project.

During and after implementation of the project, all vegetations inside the area delimited in the AutoCAD plan shall be maintained by the successful bidder.

However, maintenance of existing structural elements shall not be included in the bidder's maintenance proposal, with exception of vegetations as mentioned above. |

	shall include in our maintenance plan other than works we shall propose in our design concept.	
5	Please advise on the working hours where works must be done on embedded tracks and/or along the tracks.	Works alongside the tracks or on embedded tracks will need to be carried out outside of the trains' operation hours. The tentative working hours on embedded tracks and along the tracks are as follows: Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays: 23:00 hrs to 04.30 hrs Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays: 20:00 hrs to 04.30 hrs Kindly note that the working hours are subjected to change and may also be fine-tuned with the successful bidder during implementation, depending on the type of works being done. The successful bidder shall also request Permit To Work (PTW) from MEL for construction.