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Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)

FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR ENGAGEMENT OF STATUTORY AUDITORS FROM 2024-25 TO 2026-27 (THREE YEARS)

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**1.** Invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI) for appointment of Statutory Auditors of Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) from 2024-25 to 2026-27 (Three Years).

# Last date of submission of Bids (EoI): 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 BY 03.00 P.M.

Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) is a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 and function under the aegis of Ministry of Commerce, Govt. of India. The Institute came into existence 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1963 & functions as an autonomous organization. The Institute was granted the Deemed-to-be-University status by Ministry of HRD in 2002. Over the years, the Institute has attained the status of Premier Institution for imparting education in the field of International Business. The MBA(International Business) is the flagship programmes of the Institute. It also conducts MDPs for Govt. Departments/corporate and undertakeResearch studies on target oriented topics to facilitate policy makers for formulating important guidelines impacting economy of the country. The Institute is currently operating from its campus in Delhi and Kolkata, Kakinada & Gift City (Gandhinagar).

# 2. OBJECTIVES

The Objectives of the statutory audit is to seek a professional opinion on the financial statement of Indian Institute of Foreign Trade and to ensure that funds received and expenditure incurred are in accordance with the laid down financial regulations, prescribed procurement procedures and other orders issued from time to time as well as to ensure proper maintenance of books of accounts and other relevant documents at all levels.

Indian Institute of Foreign Trade invites Expression of Interest from Chartered Accountants firms for appointment of Statutory Auditors of the Institute starting Financial years 2024-25 for three years.

#### **3.Qualification for evaluation Technical Bids:**

- (a) Minimum standing of 10 years in the profession with reasonable public image;
- (b) Having a turnover of Rs.**5.00** crore for year ended 31/03/2024;

# (c) The firm must have branch office or Head office in Delhi/Kolkata also

(d) Experience of auditing (internal and statutory) in at least two public sector undertaking/University/Deemed University/Autonomous Bodies/ Research Institutions of Central Governments/State Government during last 5 years (testimonial should be submitted);

- (e) Must be empanelled with CAG;
- (f) Having minimum **5** full time Chartered Accountants including three partners exclusively associated with the firm for at least 3 years out of that at least two should be FCA having 10 years of experience;
- (g) Having at least 10 articles assistants/clerks;
- (h) The firm should not be currently statutory auditor/ internal auditor of the Institute and at least two years must have elapsed from the last assignment;
- (i) The firm should not have disqualified or debarred from being appointed as auditor by Institute of Chartered Accountant of India. (Technical Bid at Form 1)

# 4. The financial bid shall be submitted in a separate closed/sealed envelope along with the technical bid for audit of all Delhi, Kolkata, Kakinada and Gift City (Gandhinagar) Campuses of IIFT. *The Fee must be inclusive of out of Pocket Expenses(Form 2)*.

**5. Time limit:** The audit works should start from 1<sup>st</sup> May and preparation and completion of Final Accounts of the Institute should be by 30<sup>th</sup> June each year.

#### The financial bid will be opened only for the technically qualified entities.

6. The minimum audit fee (IIFT Delhi, Kolkata, Kakinada & Gift City, (Gandhinagar) for statutory auditors as Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees two lacs only) plus taxes. (Inclusive of Out of pocket expenses for audit of IIFT).

**7.** While evaluating Financial Bids if a **tied situation** arises then the following criterion shall be adopted for award of the contract :-

(a) **One mark**, up to a maximum ceiling of **20 Marks** only, shall be awarded for every completed year of existence/service as on 31.03.2024.

(b) For audit of Government University, Government deemed University and Government Educational Institution for last five years, **Four Marks** per institution, up to a maximum ceiling of **20 marks** only, shall be awarded

(c) For Turnover more than Rs.2.00 Crore for last three years back starting from Financial Year 2021-22, **3.3 Marks** for each year shall be awarded.

(d) There will be **maximum 50 Marks** shall be awarded by adopting the above (a) to (c) criterion in case of a **tied situation** in r/o financial bids only.

The Statutory Audit will be carried out in accordance with the Generally Accepted Auditing Principles and will include tests and controls, as the auditors feel necessary under the circumstances. The major areas to be covered are as under:-

- a) Transactions are recorded as per principles of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and are booked to proper accounting heads.
- b) Goods and services have been procured in compliance as per the GFR and other orders of GOI/IIFT
- c) Transactions are duly supported by proper supporting documents.
- d) Propriety of the transactions
- e) Checking the maintenance of books of accounts and records
- f) Checking the bank reconciliation statements
- g) Checking of component wise, category-wise and account head wise expenditure
- h) Checking of investments, short term deposit etc. made from time to time
- i) Checking of various taxes/statutory compliance
- j) Verification of fixed deposit register and checking of interest received
- k) To check all statutory records registers including Minute Books and to see that accounting effects of all the decisions taken at Finance Committee are given in the Books of Account.
- l) To give executive summary incorporating all points which are of very important nature.
- m) Scrutiny of general ledger and verification of Income and Expenditure Statement and Balance Sheet and Other Schedules.
- n) Verification of Salary/Consultancy payments, PF, IT, TDS etc and verification of submission of various returns to the competent authority in time.
- o) Verification of all financial information completely, promptly and after the necessary authorization was recorded.
- p) Verification of fixed assets their correct classification and depreciation charged. Review additions and deletions made if any and their proper accounting.
- q) Additionally Statutory auditors shall conduct the IIFT CPF Trust audit for the empanelled period also for 50 Employees of IIFT CPF Trust
- r) Comply with filing & submission of Form 10B by the Statutory Auditor Firm.

#### 9. System Improvement:

- To bring out any lacuna noticed in the existing procedures and suggest improvement. Any duplication of work noticed or unnecessary data noticed will be highlighted and reported.
- To suggest the measures for cost control and increase the revenue of the Institute.
- > To review the internal audit report and check the status of compliance..

#### **10.** Reporting

After finalization of Audit, the Statutory Auditors shall submit Audit Report on the Accounts Audited.

#### 11. General

Auditor would be given access to all books of Accounts, Procurement documents, Legal documents, Sanction letters of IIFT and all other documents and information which they think necessary and expedient for the purpose of audit. The auditors may make specific observations with respect to the efficiency of financial procedure, the accounting system and in general the administration and management of the organization.

For & on behalf of Indian Institute of Foreign Trade

Pitambar Behera Deputy Finance Officer

#### **DOCUMENTS TO ATTACH**

- 1. Name and Date of Registration of the Firm with documents:
- 2. CAG empanelment certificate :
- **3.** The firm must have branch office or Head office in Delhi/Kolkata also
- 4. Contact details:
- 5. Brief profile of the firm :
- 6. Name of the partners and clients :
- 7. Name of the organizations Govt./ Semi Governments Bodies / Autonomous Bodies/ Educational / Research Institution/ PSUs whose audit have been conducted during the last 5 years;
- 8. Proof of the turnover:
- 9. Copy of GSTN: (GSTN No. should match with PAN No.)
- 10. Copy of PAN card: (PAN No. should match with GSTN No.)
- 11. Self certificate that the firm has not been disqualified or debarred from being appointed as auditor by Institute of Chartered Accountant of India.

# **IMPORTANT NOTE :- The whole bunch of papers should be duly pagenumbered, supported by an Index on top depicting page numbers of supporting documents/testimonial in respect of above 11 (eleven) points.**

#### **Declaration:**

All the information furnished above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and any contravention noticed subsequently will cancel the assignment at any point of time.

> Signature Name:

# FORM OF TECHNICAL BID

(1) Minimum standing of **10** years in the profession with reasonable public image;

2) Having a turnover/revenue of Rs.5.00 crore for year ended 31/03/2024;

# 3) The firm must have branch office or Head office in Kolkata also

4) Experience of auditing (internal and statutory) in at least two public sector undertaking /University/Deemed University / Autonomous Bodies/ Research Institutions of Central Governments / State Government during last 5 years(with testimonials);

5) Must be empanelled with CAG;

6) Having minimum **5** full time Chartered Accountants including three partners exclusively associated with the firm for at least 3 years out of that at least two should be FCA having ten years of experience;

7) Having at least **10** articles assistants;

8) The firm should not be currently statutory auditor/ internal auditor of the Institute and at least two years must have elapsed from the last assignment ;

9) The firm should not have disqualified or debarred from being appointed as auditor by Institute of Chartered Account of India.

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# **Declaration:**

All the information furnished above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and any contravention noticed subsequently will cancel the assignment at any point of time.

Signature Name

Both Technical and Financial Bids in sealed envelope should be addressed to the Dy. Finance Officer (Finance), Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) and may be dropped in a box kept with the Security Guard at the main gate of the institute on or before 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 by 03.00 PM :

<u>Shri Pitambar Behera</u> Deputy Finance Officer B-21, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi - 110016

Phone: 011-39147317

	Form 1					
Sl. No.	Particulars	Supporting Documents required to be submitted along with this form	Details			
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)			
1	Name of the Firm					
2	Address of the Firm ( Head Office)					
	Date of establishment of the firm					
	Date since when the H.O. is at the					
	existing					
	Location					
	Branch Offices:					
	Address					
	Partner in Charge					
	Phone No.					
	Email ID					
	Mobile of each Branch Office in-charge:					
3	Contact Details of Partner in					
	Charge(H.O) [Who shall					
	be contacted for further communications (if required)]					
	Name of the Partner					
	Contact Number ( Landline)					
	Contact Number ( Mobile)					
	E mail ID:					
4	Firm's Income Tax PAN No.	Attach copy of PAN card				
5	Firm's GSTN Registration No.	Attach copy of Registration				
6	Firm's Registration No. with ICAI	Attach copy of				
		Registration				
		Certificate				
7	CAG Empanelment Number	Attach copy of				
		acknowledgment/sanction				
		letter.				
8	No. of years of Firm's existence	Attach Firm's				
0	No. of years of Firm's existence	Constitution letter				
		as per ICAI's records as				
		at 1st January 2024 or				
		after.				
9	Turnover of the Firm in last three years	Attach Copy of Audited				
	1) Audit Fee, 2) Other Fee, 3) Total Fee	'Balance Sheet' and 'Profit				
		and Loss Account'				
10						
10	Details of the Partners					
	<ul> <li>Number of Full Time Partners associated</li> </ul>					
	associated					

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	with the firm		Details
	Name of each partner	Attach Firm's	can be
	Date of becoming ACA	Constitution letter as per	attached
	Date of becoming FCA	ICAI's records as at 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2024 or after.	in a
	• Date of joining the firm	January 2024 of alter.	separate sheet.
	• Membership No.		sneet.
	Qualification		
	Experience		
	• Their contact Mobile No., e-mail and	-	
	Full address		
11	Details of Professional Staff		
	Name of Each Staff		
		Details can be	
		attached in a separate	
		sheet.	
		Attach Firm's Constitution letter as	
		per ICAI's records as at	
		1 <sup>st</sup> January 2024 or	
		Thereafter.	
	Date of Becoming ACA		Details
			can be
			attached
			in a
			separate
			sheet .
	Date of Becoming FCA		Details
	Date of Joining the firm		can be
	Membership No.		attached
	Qualification	1	in a
	• Experience		separate
	•		sheet .
	Details of Professional Experience		
12	• Name of the PSU/University/Deemed		Details
	University		can be
		Attach Copy of	attached
		Appointment Letter	in a
			separate
			sheet.
	• Type of Assignment ( Internal/		
	Statutory)	4	
	Period Covered	4	
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# FORM 2 OF FINANCIAL BID

The interested CA firm may quote their professional fees (all inclusive) in the following format:-

# **Statutory Audit**

Sl. No.	Particulars	Amount
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	Annual Professional fee for Statutory Audit Inclusive of out of pocket expenses and CPF Audit as mentioned at Point no 6(Q). Fee /Per Annual	
2.	GST	
	Grand Total	

Grand Total [Professional fees in words]

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Signature

Name: