

NORTH BENGAL STATE TRANSPORT CORPORATION BERHAMPORE DIVISION

MemoNo.566/STC/BHP/DV

Date:27.06.23

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, it appears from the office records that necessary tender was floated by this office of Bengal State Transport Corporation (herein after referred to as 'NBSTC' vide NIQ No.NBSTC/010/DVP-Q/BHP/2022-23, dated 30.12.2022 for selection of Ticket Selling Agents for the following 7(seven) services under Berhampore Division of NBSTC:

Sl. No.	Service Name
1	BERHAMPORE – KULI – KOLKATA
2	BERHAMPORE – KANDI – KOLKATA - D/S
3	BERHAMPORE – RAGHUNATHGANJ - KOLKATA
4	ULTADANGA – KANDI
5	ULTADANGA – MALDA VIA BURDWAN
6	RANAGHAT – GANGARAMPUR
7_	RANAGHAT – CHANCHAL

AND

Whereas, it appears that in response to the tender notice a firm namely Maa Kalyani Enterprise, C/o- Sri Benu Mukherjee, S/o Kiran Mukherjee of Near Generator Ghar, Kantapukur, Burdwan-713101 (herein after referred to as 'the firm'), submitted their bid quoting 7 (seven) different rates for the above 7(seven) services;

AND

Whereas, it appears that in course of comparative analysis of rates quoted by the Bidders the firm was found to be the bidder quoting highest rates in respect of all the seven services aforesaid; and in accordance with the procedure the Letters of Acceptance (LOA) were issued vide MemoNo. 262/NSTC/BHP/DV Dt. 17.03.2023 for the above 7(seven) services.

Whereas, it appears that the firm was reluctant in executing the Tender formalities like signing Tender agreements, depositing security money, etc. The firm was issued a reminder letter for completing the Tender formalities vide MemoNo. 380/NSTC/BHP/DV dated: 04.04.23 within 7(seven) days from

AND

Whereas, it is reflected from the records that despite receiving of the reminders for completing the tender formalities and waiting for a considerable time, the firm executed agreement process in respect of 06(Six) services on 20-04-2023 except Ranaghat-Gangarampur Service (Sl. No. 6 above).

AND

Whereas it also appears that the firm did not ply those services regularly till 10-05-2023 except Berhampore-Kuli-Kolkata (Sl. No. 1 above) & Berhampore-Kandi-Kolkata day service (Sl. No. 2 above) NBSTC authority had to issue several reminders vide MemoNos. 466/NSTC/BHP/DV dt. 11-05-2023, 472/NSTC/BHP/DV dt.17-05-2023 and 483/NSTC/BHP/DV dt.24-05-2023 giving the firm multiple chances in the interest public service to ply all the services as per stipulated number of days and allowing for further times, clearly mentioning the consequences in absence of response i.e. termination of the tender process and forfeiture of Security Deposit;

Whereas It also appears that several phone calls were made on the same issue in addition to issuing the above letters but the Bidder did not pay positive response for playing the services (1) Berhampore-Raghunathganj-Kolkata (Sl. No. 3 above). (ii) Ultadanga-Kandi (Sl. No. 4 above) (iii) Ultadanga-Malda Via Burdwan(Sl. No. 5 above) ((iv) Ranaghat-Gangarampur(Sl. No. 6 above) and (V) Ranaghat-Chanchal (Sl. No. 7 above).

Thus,

- i) It appears that in spite of participating in the tender process and after having been rendered to be the highest bidder amongst others, the Firm did not took interest and necessary initiatives to ply the services excepting 2(Two)services namely (1) Berhampore Kuli Kolkata (Sl. No. 1 above) and (ii) Berhampore-Kandi-Kolkata day service (SL. No. 2 above) despite several efforts, allowance of considerable times and attempts initiated on the part of the NBSTC Authority;
- ii) As NBSTC has a motto of providing transport services to the public in general at economic charges, due to such type of omission/ negligence on the part of the farm the contemplated project of NBSTC could not be implemented in the interest of the public in general and also pushing NBSTC towards losing income earnings resulting into loss to the exchequer;
- iii) NBSTC is compelled to come to the realization that the firm quoted abnormal high rates that they could not maintain and was put only to eliminate the competing firms and it is a crystal-clear case of unhealthy competition adopting unfair tactics only to thwart other interested bidders for the tender;
- iv) Under this situation it was strongly felt that a befitting action as was mentioned in the last reminder ibid. is need to be taken so that this sort of incident never recurs.

Hence it is ordered that:

a) Out of the Tender processes as it was invited vide NIQ No. NBSTC/010/DVP-Q/BHP/2022-23, dated 30.12.2022 and out of the 7(seven) services awarded to the Firm, 5 (Five) Services under said tender serial No.5,7,8,9 & 10 namely (I) Berhampore-Raghunathganj-Kolkata, (SL. No. 3 above), (ii) Ultadanga-Kandi (Sl. No. 4 above) (iii)Ultadanga-Malda Via Burdwan (SL. No. 5 above), (iv) Ranaghat-Gangarampur (Sl. No. 6 above) and (v) Ranaghat-Chanchal(SL. No. 7 above), respectively are hereby declared cancelled w.e.f. 21-06-2023;

And

b) The Security Deposits submitted by the farm in respect of the 5 services as mentioned under (a) above are forfeited;

And

c) Since the Firm has failed to operate the required number of services for which the Firm was awarded and could execute only 29% of the tendered services and could not execute 71% of the tendered services even after being allowed sufficient and reasonable times, it is proclaimed that the firm henceforth, be debarred from taking part in any Tender process of NBSTC for selection of agencies like Full Franchisee Operator or Ticket Selling Agency or the like for more than one service subject to other terms and conditions of the said future tenders for a period of upcoming 5 (five) years w.e.f. 2023-24.

This order takes immediate effect. All concerned are being informed

Divisional Manager NBSTC: Berhampur Division

Copy forwarded for information to:

- 1. The Director of Transport, West Bengal, Paribahan Bhawan (II), 781, JBS Halden Avenue (Eastern Metropolitan By-Pass), Sector C, Kolkata TWP, PIN – 700107.
- 2. Shri Prasenjit Hans, I.A.S., Senior Special Secretary to Government of West Bengal, Transport Department, Paribahan Bhawan, 12, R.N. Mukherjee Road, Kolkata – 700001.
- 3. Shri Manabendra Das, W.B.C.S. (Exe.), Additional Secretary to Government of West Bengal, Transport Department, Paribahan Bhawan, 12, R.N. Mukherjee Road, Kolkata – 700001.
- 4. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Transport Department, Government of West Bengal, Paribahan Bhawan, 12, R.N. Mukherjee Road, Kolkata – 700001.
- 5. The Sr. P.S. to the Secretary to Government of West Bengal, Transport Department, Paribahan Bhawan, 12, R.N. Mukherjee Road, Kolkata - 700001.
- 6. The District Magistrate, Cooch Behar/ Alipurduar/ Jalpaiguri/ Darjeeling/ Kalimpong/ Uttar Dinajpur/ Dakshin Dinajpur/ Malda/ Murshidabad/ Birbhum.
- 7. The Managing Director, NBSTC, Paribahan Bhawan, Sagar Dighi (West), Cooch Behar, PIN -736101.
- 8. The Dy. Managing Director, NBSTC, Paribahan Bhawan, Sagar Dighi (West), Cooch Behar, PIN -736101.
- 9. The Director of Operations, NBSTC, Paribahan Bhawan, Sagar Dighi (West), Cooch Behar, PIN -736101.
- 10. The Divisional Manager, NBSTC, Cooch Behar/ Siliguri/ Raiganj Divisions.
- 11. The Electronic Data Processing Programmer, NBSTC with the request to upload this proclamation in the official website of NBSTC.

Divisional Manager NBSPC; Berhampur Division