# Application Form 

Selection of CA Firms
for Statutory Audit of funds of
SAMAGRA SHIKSHA
(Financial Year 2023-24)

## Letter of Invitation

To,
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Subject: - $\quad$ Selection of Chartered Accountant Firms for Statutory audit for FY 2023-24.

Dear Sir,
Expression of Interest is (EOI) invited from your firm in the prescribed format before the last date prescribed in the advertisement. Only the EOI received in prescribed format accompanied with all requisite documents would be considered.

The following documents are required to be submitted along with the prescribed Expression of Interest

1. EOI as per prescribed format.
2. Copy of the constitution certificate issued by ICAI as on 01.01.2024 and latest.
3. Copy of latest partnership deed in case of partnership firms.
4. Copy of financial statements of the firm along with schedules for the Financial Year 2020-21 to 2022-2023.
5. Copy of acknowledgement of the IT returns of the firm and of full time partners/ the sole proprietors for the Assessment Year 2023-24 along with a copy of computation of income of full time partners/sole proprietor.
6. Details of any court cases/arbitration cases/ or any other case pending against the firm.
7. CAG Empanelment letter for the year 2023-24.
8. Any other document as required in the Eol.


Date: -
Place: -
To,
The Managing Director,
Samagra shiksha
2nd Floor, New Building, CG MSM Campus,
Pension Bada, Raipur (CG)
Subject: - $\quad$ Selection of Chartered Accountant Firms for statutory audit for FY 2023-24 and Letter of Transmittal.

Dear Sir,
We, the undersigned, offer to provide the audit services for Statutory Audit for FY 2023-24 in accordance with your Request for Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal, and a Financial Proposal sealed under a separate envelopes. The proposals are for the conduct of statutory audit of Samagra Shiksha comprising of components of (a) Elementary Education (b) Secondary Education and (c) Teacher Education for the financial year 2023-2024.

We enclose the following:

1. EOI as per prescribed format.
2. Copy of the latest constitution certificate issued by ICAI. The date of issue of constitution as on 01.01.2024 and also certificate should not be older than one month of the last date of submission of Eol.
3. Copy of latest partnership deed in case of partnership firms.
4. Copy of financial statements of the firm along with schedules for the Financial Year 2020-21 to 2022-2023.
5. Copy of acknowledgement of the IT returns of the firm and of full time partners/ the sole proprietors for the Assessment Year 2023-2024 along with a copy of computation of income of full time partners/sole proprietors
6. Details of any court cases/arbitration cases/ any other case pending against the firm.
7. Any other document as required in the Eol.

We further submit that
a. We fulfill the minimum eligibility criteria.
b. Our application is liable to be rejected for want of documents requested in Eol.
c. The Managing Director, Samagra Shiksha reserves every right for selection of suitable applicants.
d. Our proposal is valid for a period for 90 days from the date stipulated for submission of proposal.
e. All the costs associated with the preparation and submission of Eol shall be borne by us.
f. Failure to furnish all information required in the Eol or submission of information not substantially responsive to Eol in every aspect may result in rejection of bid.
g. All the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and accept that any misinterpretation contained in it may lead to our disqualification.
h. The management of Samagra Shiksha is not bound to accept the lowest or any proposal or to give any reason for award, or for the rejection of any proposal.
i. I confirm that I have authority of the firm to submit the proposal and to negotiate on its behalf.

## Yours faithfully

For, M/s $\qquad$
Chartered Accountants

## Signature

Name of Partner/Proprietor with Membership No.


## Selection of Chartered Accountant firms for the statutory audit of Samagra Shiksha Accounts <br> 1.0 Expression of Interest is invited from Chartered Accountants firms (Partnership / Sole

 proprietorship firms with one full time FCA) in the prescribed format for short listing for the engagement of statutory audit and consolidation of the accounts of the Samagra Shiksha being implemented in the State of Chhattisgarh as per the enclosed Terms of Reference.1.1 The last date for receipt of expression of interest in the specified format as specified in the advertisement inviting expression of interest. Incomplete formats / format received after the prescribed last date will not be entertained.
1.2 Eligibility Criteria: Eligibility criteria of the firms shall be based on the various criteria as given in the table below.
1.2.1 The firm must be empanelled with CAG for 2023-24 and with ICAI, without which the application of the firm would not be considered. Letter of empanelment issued by CAG for FY 2023-24 should be attached.
1.2.2 The firm pref. have its Head Office in Chhattisgarh with atleast one office (either Head Office or Branch) in Raipur as on 01.01.2024.
1.2.3 Firms must qualify following minimum criteria:

| Sr. <br> No. | Particulars | Minimum <br> Criteria |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 1. | Number of Full Time FCA Partners / Proprietor associated with the firm <br> (As per Latest Certificate of Constitution issued by ICAI) | 1 |
| 2. |  <br> 2022-23 | Rs. 20 <br> Lakhs |
| 3. | Assignments of any PSU / State Government / Central <br> Government/Central sponsored scheme funded agencies during the <br> last 5 financial years (period 2018-19 to 2022-23) | 2 |
| 4. | Years of existence of firm as per latest constitution certificate issued <br> by ICAI | 5 |

1.3 Supporting Documents for Eligibility Criteria: Following supporting documents must be submitted by the firm along with the technical proposal:
1.3.1 For S. No. 1 and para 1.2.2 above, the firm must submit a self-attested copy of certificate of constitution as on 01.01.2024 and also of latest Certificate of Constitution issued by ICAI and CAG empanelment letter for the relevant year. Also, a latest certificate of constitution should not be older than one month from the last date of submission of Eol.
1.3.2 For S. No. 2, the firm must submit, a copy of the balance sheet for the last three years. A separate CA certificate certifying the annual turnover and the average will have to be also submitted along with the financial statements.
1.3.3 For S. No. 3, copies of the work order / appointment letter will have to be furnished by the firm in support of the execution of the mentioned work.
1.3.4 For S. No. 4 above, years of existence includes deemed date of constitution.
1.4 The firm should not be black listed or debarred during the last 10 years by ICAI / Centrally Sponsored Projects / PSUs / Government Company in respect of any

assignment or behavior. [Self-attested affidavit on Rs. 100/- stamp paper to be given in this regard by the full time partner / proprietor of the firm].
2.0 The term full time partner / CA employee does not include those persons [Partner / sole] who are: -
(i) Partners in other firms
(ii) Employed part-time / full-time elsewhere, practicing in their own name or engaged in practice otherwise or engaged in any other activity which would be deemed to be in practice under section 2 (2) of the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949.
(iii) Partners who have earned more professional income from other sources than their income from the firm.

Similarly, the full time Sole Proprietor does not include a person who is a partner in other firms or is employed elsewhere or other wise engaged in any other business / activity as mentioned above. Accordingly, a person who is a partner / employee in another firm should not apply in his capacity as Sole Proprietor.
3.0 The Expression of Interest must be submitted in the prescribed format given in the attachment. Only the Expression of Interest in the prescribed format accompanied with all requisite documents would be considered.
4.0 All firms are required to enclose the following documents along with the Expression of Interest.
(i) A copy of constitution certificates of firm issued by the ICAI containing interalia.
a. Date of formation of the firms with a full time FCA
b. Details of partners / Sole Proprietor / CA Employees of the relevant year, date of joining the firm, date of becoming FCA, their other interest, if any.
(ii) A copy of the latest partnership deed in the case of partnership firms.
(iii) A copy of the acknowledgement of the IT return of the firm and of all full time partners / the Sole proprietor for the relevant Assessment Year 20232024 and a copy of computation of income of full time partners / Sole proprietor.
Note: Full time partners joining the firm on or after $1^{\text {st }}$ January of the relevant year and firms constituted on or after this period should submit their latest available acknowledgement of IT return / computation statement.
(iv) A copy of audit report and audited financial statements of the firm along with schedules for the financial year 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23.
(v) Copy of the PAN Card and the GST Registration certificate.
(vi) Details of court cases / arbitration cases / or any other case pending against the firm

5.0 Details of audit experience of the firm for the last 5 years in the following proforma. (Only assignments which carry a fee of Rs. 50,000/- and above should be mentioned).

| Name of the area / sector | Name of the company / body audited <br> (a) Society/PSU/ autonomous body <br> (b) Companies in private sector <br> (c) Banks <br> (d) Social Sector Programmes / Projects <br> (e) Centrally Sponsored projects <br> (f) Education Projects / Programmes | Years of audit e.g. <br> (a) 2018-19 <br> (b) 2019-20 <br> (c) 2020-21 <br> (d) 2021-22 <br> (e) 2022-23 | Fees charged for each of the assignm ents in each year | Nature of audit assignment viz. <br> Statutory audit / or Branch audit | Nature of special assignment | Name of the full time partner who supervised the audit or signed the financial statements and who is still working in the firm |
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6.0 The Expression of Interest must be delivered by post (in a sealed envelope)/or by hand in the office of the Managing Director, Samagra Shiksha , Chhattisgarh. The Expression of Interest must be addressed to:

Managing Director
Samagra Shiksha
STATE PROJECT OFFICE
2nd Floor, New Building, CG MSM Campus, Pension Bada,
Raipur (CG)
7.0 Suitable weightage will be given to firms, which are implementing quality control policies and procedures as provided in statements on Standard Auditing Practices (SAP 17). A brief note on the procedures adopted by them is to be given by the firms for this purpose. (Please refer to Sr. No. 11 of the Expression of Interest format).
8.0 Please indicate: -

The particulars of specialization gained by the firm in audit of
(i) EDP systems
(ii) IT assisted audit
(iii) Any other important special assignments etc. in the following format

| S.No. | Description <br> of <br> specialization | Specify nature <br> of assignment, <br> if other than <br> audit | Name of the <br> organization | Name of the <br> partner / sole <br> proprietor who <br> handled this <br> assignment | Whether partner / <br> sole proprietor <br> mentioned in is still <br> with the firm (Y/N) |
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9.0 All full time partners / sole proprietor should invariably sign the undertaking appended as Section B to the Expression of Interest otherwise the application will be summarily rejected. Similarly, all the full time Chartered Accountant employees of the firm should sign in the column provided at Annex A-3 to the format.
10.0 The successful applicant will have to execute a contract with the Samagra Shiksha.
11.0 The financial bid shall be submitted as per Annexure F. Percentage / proportion of funds involved shall not be basis for quoting the fee.
12.0 Proposals with association with other firms//jpint venture will not be considered.

13.0 The applicant firm shall sign the attach ToR and the draft of agreement which will indicate that the firm has read and understood the terms and the scope of work.

### 14.0 EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

i. The evaluation of proposal will be based on the following parameters.

| SI. <br> No. | Particulars | Minimum <br> Criteria | Max <br> Marks | Evaluation Criterion |
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| 1. | Number of Full Time Partners / <br> proprietor associated with the firm <br> (As per latest certificate of <br> Constitution issued by ICAI) | 1 | 10 | For each FCA Partner/Proprietor <br> 02 Mark <br> For each ACA Partner 01 marks <br> (subject to a maximum of 10 <br> marks) |
| 2. | Average Turnover of the firm in the <br>  <br> 2022-23 | Minimum <br> Rs. 20 Lakhs | 15 | l <br> Rs. 20 Lakhs every Lakhs above <br> (subject to a maximum of 15 <br> marks) |
| 3. | Number of assignments with fee of <br> at least Rs. 50,000/- from Centrally <br> Sponsored Programs / Externally <br> Aided Projects executed by the <br> firm during the last 5 financial <br> years (period 2018-19 to 2022-23) | -- | 25 | For each such assignment, 01 <br> mark shall be given <br> (subject to a maximum of 25 |
| marks) |  |  |  |  |

ii. Supporting Documents for Technical Evaluation: Following supporting documents must be submitted by the firm along with their proposal for Technical Evaluation:
a. For S. No. 1 and 5, the firm must submit a self-attested copy of latest Certificate of Constitution issued by ICAI. This will be cross- verified from the website of ICAI and in case of any discrepancy, the data appearing in the website of ICAI will be considered as final. The latest certificate of constitutioh should not be older than 30 days from the last date of submission of Eol.

Further, marks will be awarded only for branches and not for Head office because the pre-qualification criteria stipulate that the applicant pref. have its Head Office in Chhattisgarh.
b. For S. No. 2, the firm must submit, a copy of the balance sheet for the last three years. A separate CA certificate certifying the annual turnover and the average should also be submitted along with the financial statements.
c. For S. No. 3, the applicant firm will have to provide copies of relevant work orders and the firm must fill in the separate table in the format given in Annexure D. The applicant will also have to mention the relevant page number in the table in which the copy of work order is attached failing which the marks may not be provided.
d. For S. No. 4 above, the applicant firm will have to provide copies of relevant work orders in Annex E . The applicant will also have to mention the relevant page number in the table in which the copy of work order is attached failing which the marks may not be provided. The work of charitable trusts and NGOs will not be considered. Similar work of only those works in similar sector will be considered which run by Central Government / State Government / Semi Government/Central sponsored scheme. Also, proof of receipt of payment can be called, if required.
e. For Sr. No. 6, qualified means CA employee as appearing in the latest certificate of constitution. Semi-qualified means CA intermediate / IPCC both group pass staff. Only those semi-qualified staff will be considered for which copies of the pass certificate / mark sheet is attached.
15.0 The Technical Proposal shall be placed in a sealed envelope clearly marked "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL". The original Financial Proposal shall be placed in a separate sealed envelope clearly marked "FINANCIAL PROPOSAL" and with a warning "DO NOT OPEN WITH THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL." The envelopes containing the Technical and Financial Proposals shall be placed into an outer envelope and sealed. This outer envelope shall be clearly marked "DO NOT OPEN, EXCEPT IN PRESENCE OF THE OFFICIAL APPOINTED. The Samagra Shiksha shall not be responsible for misplacement, losing or premature opening if the outer envelope is not sealed and/or marked as stipulated. This circumstance may be case for Proposal rejection. If the Financial Proposal is not submitted in a separate sealed envelope duly marked as indicated above, this will constitute grounds for declaring the Proposal non-responsive and result in disqualification.
16.0 Financial proposals shall be opened only for those firms who secured at least $50 \%$ of maximum marks on evaluation criteria.
17.0 In case after the technical evaluation, if no bidding firm gets the minimum $50 \%$ marks then the top three firms shall be taken into consideration for financial bid.
18.0 The weighed average score of the technical and financial score will be taken for selection of auditor. The technical proposal will be given a weightage of $70 \%$ and financial proposal shall be allocated weightage of $30 \%$.
19.0 For working out the combined score, the following formula shall be used:

Total Points $=[0.70 \times$ TS $]+[0.30 \times$ LEC $/ E C]$, where
TS Stands for Technical Score
EC Stands for Evaluated Cost of the Financial Proposal
LEC Stands for Lowest Evaluated Cost of the Financial Proposal.
Note 1 : If the total points of more than one applicant is equal, then the applicant who has scored the highest marks in Technical evaluation will be selected

Note 2 : if after note 1 above, the technical scores are equal, then the firm with higher marks in Sr .4 of technical evaluation will be selected.
20.0 The last date for submission of expression of interest is as mentioned in the advertisement of notice inviting expression of interest.
21.0 The technical bids will be opened on the date as published in the notice inviting expression of interest. Interested firms / their authorized representatives can be present at the time of opening of Technical Proposal.
22.0 The date and time of the opening of financial proposal shall be informed separately to firms which secure the specified minimum number of marks on evaluation criteria.
23.0 A firm which is appointed as internal auditor of the Samagra Shiksha will not be appointed as statutory auditor for the same financial year.
24.0 Firms which have been conducting the statutory audit of Samagra Shiksha (EE,SE \& TE) for continuous period of three years are not eligible to apply.
25.0 If the spaces provided in the annexures are not sufficient, fill separate sheets.
26.0 Cost of this application form for submission of expression of interest is Rs. 1,000/-. Prospective applicants can download a copy of this application from the website of Government of Chhattisgarh www.ssachhattisgarh.gov.in and pay the cost of this application along with the Eol by attaching a Demand Draft in favour of "Managing Director, Samagra Shiksha" payable at Raipur. Non-enclosure of demand draft will render the Eol defective and will be rejected.
27.0 An EMD of Rs. 2,00,000/- is required to be submitted in the form of a FDR in favour of "Managing Director, Samagra Shiksha". Non enclosure of EMD will render the Eol defective and will be rejected.
28.0 Pre-bid queries are being invited by email. All queries for the pre-bid meeting are to be sent to Samagra Shiksha at its email - ssfinancecg@gmail.com within 4 days of the publication of notice inviting Eol. The Bidders are required to send their consolidated queries only once and further queries sent by the Bidders shall not be entertained. Queries received after 4 days, will not be entertained. Samagra Shiksha may incorporate any changes in the Eol based on acceptable suggestions received in pre-bid queries. The decision of Managing Director regarding acceptability of any suggestion shall be final in this regard and shall not be called upon to question under any circumstances.
29.0 Managing Director, Samagra Shiksha has every right to cancel the selection process at any stage without assigning any reason whatsoever.
30.0 Any correction/corrigendum of this RFP will be Published only on the website/Portal where it is originally published.
31.0 The minimum fee for assignment under Guideline No. 1-CA(7)/03/2016 published in The Gazette of India dated $7^{\text {th }}$ April, 2016 is given in the table below. This per accounting year fee is inclusive of fee for consolidation, Travelling allowance, Daily allowance, lodging and all incidental expenses, but exclusive of GST.

Elementary Education

| Sr. | Name of Unit | Yearly Rate Per Unit |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | Rs. |
| 1 | SPO | 15000.00 |
| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 14000.00 |
| 3 | District Project Office | 3500.00 |
| 4 | Consolidation for the District |  |


| 5 | Block Resource Center | 2500.00 |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 6 | Cluster Resource Center | 450.00 |
| 7 | SMCs receiving funds in excess of Rs. 1 Lac | 275.00 |
| 8 | Other SMCs | 250.00 |

KGBV in Elementary Education

| Sr. | Name of Unit | Yearly Rate Per Unit |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | Rs. |
| 1 | SPO | 2500.00 |
| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 5000.00 |
| 3 | Consolidation for the District | 2500.00 |
| 4 | KGBV Funded Institution / hostel | 1000.00 |

## Secondary Education

| Sr. | Name of Unit | Yearly Rate Per Unit |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | Rs. |
| 1 | SPO | 5000.00 |
| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 7500.00 |
| 3 | District Project Office | 2500.00 |
| 4 | Consolidation for the District | 2000.00 |
| 5 | Girls Hostel/Boys Hostel | 150.00 |
| 6 | Schools under secondary level | 150.00 |

Teacher Education

| Sr. | Name of Unit | Yearly Rate Per Unit |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | Rs. |
| 1 | State Office \& Consolidation | 20000.00 |
| 2 | DIETS \& Consolidation | 5000.00 |

## Expression of Interest for short listing Chartered Accountant Firms for the audit of the accounts of Samagra Shiksha

$\square$ Sole Proprietorship $\square$

1. (a) Name of the firm (in Capital letters)
(b) Address of the Head office
(Please also give telephone no. and e.mail address)
(c) PAN of the firm
2. ICAI Registration No.

Region Name
Region Code No.
3. (a) Date of constitution of the firm:
(b) Date since when the firms has a full time FCA
4. Full-Time Partners / Sole Proprietor of the firm as per the latest constitution certificate attached with Eol (Please fill up Annex A-1)

| S.No. | Years of continuous association in the firm | Number of <br> FCA | Number of <br> ACA |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| (a) | Less than one year |  |  |
| (b) | 1 year or more but less than 5 years |  |  |
| (c) | 5 years or more but less than 10 years |  |  |
| (d) | 10 years or more but less than 15 years |  |  |
| (e) | 15 years or more |  |  |

5. Number of Part Time Partners if any, as per the latest Constitution certificate attached (Please fill up Annex A-2)
6. Number of Full Time Chartered Accountant Employees as per Latest constitution certificate (Please fill up Annex A-3)
7. Number of audit staff employed full-time with the firm
(a) Articles / Audit Clerks
(b) Other Audit Staff ( with knowledge of book keeping and accountancy)
(c) Other Professional Staff (Please specify)

8. Number of Branches (Please fill up Annex-B)
9. Fees earned by the firm from April 2020 to March 2023 in respect of:

PSU / Companies in autonomous Private sector body/Govt Sector

Banks
(i) Statutory / Branch Audit / 6 monthly Audit Review
(ii) Internal / Concurrent Audit

Total of (i) and (ii) above
10. Whether the firm is engaged in any internal / concurrent audit or any other services of any Govt. Companies / Corporations etc. If yes, details may be given Annex ' $C$ '.
11. Whether the firm is implementing quality control Policies and procedures designed to ensure that all audits are conducted in accordance with Statements on Standard Auditing Practices (SAP 17)
(If yes, a brief note on the procedure adopted is to be given)
12. Whether there are any court /arbitration / any other legal case against the firm (If yes, give a brief note of the case indicating its present status)


## SECTION-B

## Undertaking

$\mathrm{I} / \mathrm{We}$ the sole proprietor / following partners of $\mathrm{M} / \mathrm{s}$. $\qquad$ Chartered Accountants do hereby jointly and severely verify and declare-
(i) that the particulars given are complete and correct and that if any of the statements made or the information so furnished in the application from is later found not correct or false or there has been suppression of material information, the firm would not only stand disqualified from allotment but would be liable for disciplinary action under the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 and the regulations framed thereunder;
(ii) that the firm, proprietor or partners has not been debarred or cautioned by ICAI during the last three years, (if debarred, give details);
(i) that individually we are not engaged in practice otherwise or in any other activity which would be deemed to be in practice under Section 2 (2) of the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949;
(ii) that the constitution of the firm shown in the Expression of Interest is same as that in the constitution certificate issued by the ICAI.

| SI. | Name of the partner | Membership <br> N <br> o. sole proprietor | PAN No | Dates of payment <br> of membership <br> fees for the | Signature of <br> partner / <br> sole <br> poroprietor |
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| 1 |  |  |  | relevant year 2023- <br> 2024 |  |
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## *A For membership

## B For issue of certificate of practice

Place:
Date:
Enclosures: $\qquad$ pages

For Office Use Only
Whether firm has done
(a) Statutory/Branch Audit
(b) Internal/Concurrent Audit

Checked by
Verified by
Date updated by

(Annex A-1)

1. Firm's name $\qquad$ CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Details of Full Time Partners / Sole Proprietor of the firm (Please refer to SI.No. 4 of the Expression of Interest format)

| S.No. | Name of the Partner / sole proprietor | Membership No. | Whether <br> FCA / <br> ACA | Date of Joining the firm (full time) | Date of becomi ng FCA | Station \& Region where residing at present | Whether acknowledgement of Income Tax Return for the relevant year $\qquad$ <br> attached <br> Yes / No | Whether has ISA <br> (Information systems Audit / CISA or any other equivalent qualification (specify the qualification) |
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*If yes, please attach a copy of the certificate
(Annex A-2)
Details of Part-Time Partners of the firm (Please refer to SI.No. 5 of the Expression of Interest format)

| Name of partners | Member ship No. | Whether FCA / ACA | Date of becoming FCA | Date of Joining partnership | No. of other firm in which he is partner | Whether practicing in his own name also ( $\mathrm{Y} / \mathrm{N}$ ) | Whether employed elsewhere ( $\mathrm{Y} / \mathrm{N}$ ) | Whether has ISA (Information <br> systems Audit / CISA or any other equivalent qualification (specify qualification)* |
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*If yes, please attach a copy of the certificate.
(Annex A-3)
Details of full time Chartered Accountant Employees (Please refer to SI.No. 6 of the Expression of Interest format)

| S.No. | Name | Membe <br> r ship <br> No. | Whether <br> FCA / <br> ACA | Date of joining <br> the firm as full <br> time employee | Whether has ISA (Information <br> systems Audit / CISA or any <br> other equivalent qualification* <br> (specify the qualification) | Signature of <br> the <br> employee |
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*If yes, please attach a copy of the certificate

(Annex A-4)
Details of partners and full time Chartered Accountant Employees of the firm included this year in Annex A-1, A-2 \& A-3 above.

| S.No. | Name | Membership No. | Whether Full Time Partner / Part Time Partner / <br> Full Time CA Employee |
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(Annex B)
Particulars of Branches (including foreign branches, if any)

| S.No. | Station <br> at which <br> located | Complete with <br> address wame of the <br>  <br> Telephone No. | Nate of <br> partner incharge <br> of the branch | Date <br> opening of <br> the branch | Whether included <br> in 1ast year <br> application (Yes / <br> No) |  |
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(Annex C)
Details of internal audit work / any other accounting work of Public Sector Undertaking in hand with the firm (please refer to SI. No. 10 of the Expression of Interest format)

| S.No. | Name of the PSU/Unit | Nature of assignment | Year for which appointed |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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(Annex D)
Details of assignments with fees of atleast Rs. 50,000/- from Centrally Sponsored Programs / Externally Aided Projects executed by the firm during the last 5 financial years. (period 2018-19 to 2022-23)

| Sr. | Sector | Name <br> of the <br> entity | Name of the centrally <br> sponsored scheme | Year of <br> assignm <br> ent | Fees <br> charged for <br> the <br> assignment | Nature of <br> assignment | Work <br> Order in <br> Page No. <br> of the <br> Technical <br> Proposal |
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(Annex E)
Prior experience of similar work and nature in education sector with minimum fee of Rs. 25,000/- executed by the firm during last 5 years. (period 2018-19 to 2022-23)

| Sr. | Sector | Name of the entity | Funding Organisation | Year of assignm ent | Fees charged for the assignment | Nature of assignment | Work Order in Page No. of the Technical Proposal |
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FINANCIAL PROPOSAL
(Annex F)

## Format for Financial Offer ( To be printed on letter head of applicant firm)

EE

| Sr. | Name of Unit | No. of Units | EE |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Yearly Rate Per Unit |  |
|  |  |  | Rs. | In Words. |
| 1 | SPO | 1 |  |  |
| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 1 |  |  |
| 3 | District Project Office | 28 |  |  |
| 4 | Consolidation for the District | 28 |  |  |
| 5 | Block Resource Center | 150 |  |  |
| 6 | Cluster Resource Center | As per Requirement |  |  |
| 7 | SMCs receiving funds in excess of Rs. 1 Lac | As per Requirement |  |  |
| 8 | Other SMCs | As per Requirement |  |  |
|  | Total |  |  |  |

EE (KGBV)

| Sr. | Name of Unit | No. of Units | EE (KGBV) |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Yearly Rate Per Unit |  |
|  |  |  | Rs. | In Words |
| 1 | SPO | 1 |  |  |
| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 1 |  |  |
| 3 | Consolidation for the District | 28 |  |  |
| 4 | KGBV Funded Institution / hostel | 94 |  |  |
|  | Total |  |  |  |

## SE

| Sr. | Name of Unit | No. of Units | SE |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Yearly Rate Per Unit |  |
|  |  |  | Rs. | In Words. |
| 1 | SPO | 1 |  |  |
| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 1 |  |  |
| 3 | District Project Office | 28 |  |  |
| 4 | Consolidation for the District | 28 |  |  |
| 5 | Girls hostel/ boys Hostel | $27+58=85$ |  |  |
| 6 | Schools under Secondary education | 5000 approx |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

TE

| Sr. | Name of Unit | No. of Units | TE |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Yearly Rate Per Unit |  |
|  |  |  | Rs. | In Words. |
| 1 | State Office and consolidation | 1 |  |  |
| 2 | DIETs | 19 |  |  |

## Notes

1. The fees should be stated in Rupees and on per unit basis.
2. The audit fee quoted should be inclusive of the TA / DA / Lodging and all incidental expenses as applicable.
3. GST shall be paid separately by Samagra Shiksha.
4. In case of any discrepancy bid prices stated in numbers and words, the letter shall be considered as final for evaluation.

Date:-
Place: -

Authorized Signatory
Name, Address \& Tel Nos of CA Firm
(Firms Seal)


## Samagra Shiksha, Chhattisgarh <br> TERMS OF REFERRENCE FOR APPOINTMENT OF A CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT FIRM FOR STATUTORY AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS OF SAMAGRA SHIKSHA, CHHATTISGARH STATE FOR THE YEAR 2023-2024 (FINANCIAL AUDIT)

## BACKGROUND

Samagra Shiksha, is the registered Society which are implementing the centrally sponsored Programme of Samagra Shiksha to attain the goal of Universalization of Elementary Education in all the districts of Chhattisgarh State for which funds are shared between the Government of India and State Government in the ratio of 60:40.

## OBJECTIVES

The objective of the audit of the Programme Accounts (Programme Financial Statement \{PFS\}) is to enable the auditor to express a professional opinion on the financial position of Samagra Shiksha programme at the end of each fiscal year and of the funds received and expenditure incurred for the accounting period ended $31^{\text {st }}$ March, 2024, as reported by the Programme Financial Statement.

The programme accounts (books of accounts) provide the basis for preparation of the PFS and are established to reflect the financial transactions in respect of the project as maintained by the project implementing agency Samagra Shiksha.

## SCOPE

Expenditure is incurred against various activities approved in the Annual Work Plan \& Budget from funds released by the Government of India and the State Government covering the programme cost. A statement of expenditure based on actual amount spent under various interventions is sent to Government of India. The C.A. firm is required to exercise such tests of accounting records, internal checks and control and other necessary audit of the accounts as per general principles and standard of audits of the Institute of Chartered Accountant of India. In conducting the Audit, attention should be given to the following:
(a) All funds have been used in accordance with the condition of the relevant financial norms and financial regulations with due attention to economy and efficiency, and only for the purpose for which the financing was provided.
(b) Generally accepted accounting principles are followed by all entities which are authorised to incur expenditure under Samagra Shiksha.
(c) Goods, works and services financed have been procured in accordance with relevant provisions of the Procurement Procedure prescribed for the purpose. Proper documents, namely, purchase orders, tender documents, invoices, vouchers, receipts, pay bills, TA bills etc. are maintained and linked to the transactions and retained till the end of the Programme.
(d) All necessary supporting documents, records and accounts have been kept in respect of all programme expendifure including expenditure covered by Statement of

Expenditure. Clear linkages should exist between the books of accounts and reports presented to the Government of India and the State Government.
(e) Expenditure incurred under Samagra Shiksha is strictly in accordance with the financial norms prescribed in the Samagra Shiksha framework or any other clarifications issued from time to time. The expenditure statements / financial statements included in the statement of expenditure of the relevant period represent a true and fair view or implementation and operations of the programme at the end of the financial year and of resources and expenditure for the year ended on that date.
(f) Expenditure is incurred with reference to the budget allocation approved by the PAB. In case the budget allocation is exceeded proper re-appropriation duly approved by the competent authority has been obtained.
(g) Samagra Shiksha funds are used efficiently and economically to the purpose for which they are intended.
(h) Reconciliation of Bank Statements and accounts is regularly carried out on a monthly basis.
(i) The C.A. firm appointed for the audit should also look into the position of audit compliance of previous audit objections raised, if any. The audit reports should include a separate Para in this regard.
(j) The C.A. firm appointed for the audit should be required to give Audit Certificate, utilization certificate and any other certificate required from time to time.
(k) The audit should cover the accounts of State Implementing Society, all district project offices and sample BRCs, CRCs, Schools/ SMCs in order that all are covered in a three year cycle of audits, excepts that Schools/ SMCs receiving more than Rs. 1.00 lakh per year be included in the sample. The total number of SMCs covered in audit should be indicated in the audit report.

## UNITS TO BE COVERED

EE

| EE |  | No. of Units |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| Sr. | Name of Unit | 1 |
| 1 | SPO | 1 |
| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 28 |
| 3 | District Project Office | 28 |
| 4 | Consolidation for the District | 150 |
| 5 | Block Resource Center | As per Requirement |
| 6 | Cluster Resource Center | As per Requirement |
| 7 | SMCs receiving funds in excess of Rs. 1 Lac | As per Requirement |
| 8 | Other SMCs |  |

EE (KGBV)

| Sr. | Name of Unit | No. of Units |
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| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 1 |
| 3 | Consolidation for the District | 28 |
| 4 | KGBV Funded Institution / hostel | 94 |


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| 2 | Consolidation for the State | 1 |  |  |
| 3 | District Project Office | 28 |  |  |
| 4 | Consolidation for the District | 28 |  |  |
| 5 | Girls hostel/ boys Hostel | $27+58=85$ |  |  |
| 6 | Schools under RMSA | 5000 approx |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

TE

| Sr. | Name of Unit | No. of Units |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 1 | State Office and Consolidation | 1 |
| 2 | DIETs | 19 |

## PROGRAMME FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Programme Financial Statements should include:
(a) A summary of funds received from Government of India and State Government separately;
(b) Any other receipt accruing separately;
(c) A summary of expenditure shown under the main programme heading both for the current fiscal year and accumulated to date; and
(d) Audit Report \& Balance Sheet showing accumulated funds of the programme, bank balances, other assets of the programme, and liabilities, if any. Along with consolidated audit report and consolidated financial statements, separate audit report and separate financial statements are also required for EE Components, EE- KGBV Components, SEComponents \& TE
(e) Audited Financial Statements and other annexures to be certified as per Manual.
(f) Utilization Certificate
(g) sr. (a) to (f) above, are required separately for SC, ST \& General component
(h) sr. (a) to (g) above, are also required separately for Civil for Civil head and General head
(i) Procurement Certificate

Copy of manual will be provided on receipt of written request.

## AUDIT OPINION

The primary audit opinion should include the Programme Financial Statements, and the annual audit report of the Programme Accounts. The financial statement, including the audit report should be received by the State Implementing Society not later than (three to six) months after the end of the accounting period to which the audit refers. The auditor should submit the report to SPD of the Society well in advance who will take further action to have two copies of the Audit of Accounts and report forwarded to Government of India. (E.E. Bureau)


## MANAGEMENT LETTER

In addition to the audit reports, the auditor will prepare a "management letter", in which the auditor will:
(a) Give comments and observations on the accounting records, systems, and internal controls that were examined during the course of the audit;
(b) Identify specific deficiencies and areas of weakness in systems and internal controls and make recommendations for their improvement;
(c) Report on the degree of compliance of each of the financial covenants of the financing agreement and give comments, if any, on internal and external matters affecting such compliance;
(d) Communicate matters that have come to the attention during the audit which might have a significant impact on the implementation of the programme; and
(e) Bring to the Implementing Agencies' attention any other matters that the auditor considers pertinent.

## KEY PERSONNEL

The key personnel in the audit team, their minimum qualifications, and their anticipated inputs are indicated below:
(a) The audit team should be led a Chartered Accountant with a minimum 5 years experience in audit.
(b) The audit team should include sufficient number of appropriate staff (Articles/Audit Clerks and other audit staff), commensurate with the size and scope of the assignment.

## GENERAL

The auditor should be given access to all legal documents, books of accounts, procurement documents, correspondence, and any other information associated with the programme and deemed necessary by the auditor.

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