

**PRE-BID MEETING ON 28-01-2021 at 12.00 PM AT KINFRA MEGA FOOD PARK,  
PALAKKAD - SELECTION OF OPERATING AGENCY TO OPERATE, MAINTAIN &  
MANAGE COLD STORAGE COMPLEX [COLD STORAGE/PACK HOUSE/RIPENING  
CHAMBER]**

**Minutes of Meeting**

<b>QUERIES RAISED</b>	<b>REPLY</b>
As per Central Govt. directives, MSME registered bodies are exempted from conditions related to prior turnover and prior experience. Is this condition applicable to KINFRA's tender?	<p>It is not applicable.</p> <p>The Central Govt. directives are issued for bodies under the Central Govt.</p> <p>It may also be noted that these exemptions are for products that are procured or purchased by Central Govt. bodies. Whereas KINFRA's tender is not related to purchase or procurement, but is related to the selection of Operating Agencies for operation and management of specialized services needing skilled manpower.</p>
The eligibility criteria refers to Farmer Producer Companies under the conditions for Pack House and Ripening Chamber, but it is not mentioned for cold storage. Why?	<p>An eligible applicant should offer operation and management of all three activities, namely cold storage, pack house and ripening chamber, and hence should meet all the three prescribed criteria.</p> <p>In cases, where applicant does not have direct experience in any of the three areas, they can form a consortium with other agencies who fulfil respective conditions and thus become eligible to apply under this tender. The applicant would be treated as the lead member of the consortium with whom KINFRA would deal with financial, administrative and contractual matters.</p> <p>Alternatively, Farmer Producer Companies who are in the field of food processing with prescribed experience are also eligible under conditions for cold storage.</p>

