

Notice Inviting Expression of Interest

EOI Notice

	SURAT SMART CITY DEVELOPMENT LIMITED(SSCDL) 1st Floor, South Zone Office, Surat Municipal Corporation, Opp. Satyanagar, Udhna, Surat - 394210, Gujarat. Notice Inviting EOI for "Hiring Service of CA Firm as Internal Auditors for the Period of 01.04.2026 to 31.03.2027 for Surat Smart City Development Limited." [SSCDL-EOI- 06/2025-26]
This EOI Document is being published by the Surat Smart City Development Limited (SSCDL) for Hiring Service of CA Firm as Internal Auditors for the Period of 01.04.2026 to 31.03.2027. Bidders are advised to study this EOI Documents carefully before submitting their proposals in response to the EOI Notice. Submission of a proposal in response to this notice shall be deemed to have been done after careful study and examination of this document with full understanding of its terms, conditions and implications. This EOI Document is not transferable.	
EOI Fee (Non-refundable)	INR 1,000 (One Thousand Rupees Only) + 18% GST by Demand Draft or Banker's Cheque in favour of Surat Smart City Development Ltd. (Attached Firm GST Certificate)
Online Queries	Bidders shall have to post queries by email to cfo@suratsmartcity.com on or before 24/03/2026, 16:00 hrs.
Last date(deadline) for EOI Submission	Complete EOI in sealed envelope with relevant details may be submitted strictly through Speed Post or RPAD only so as to reach by 30/03/2026 up to 16:00 hr at following address: Chief Accountant Shri, Surat Municipal Corporation, Shri Tapi Bhavan, Shri Tapipura, Surat - 395003, Gujarat.
Website to download EOI	http://www.suratsmartcity.com or https://www.suratmunicipal.gov.in
The right to accept/reject any or all bid(s) received is reserved without assigning any reason thereof. Sd/- Chief Executive Officer, Surat Smart City Development Ltd.	

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SURAT SMART CITY DEVELOPMENT LTD.(SSCDL)

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1. Introduction and Background

About Surat Municipal Corporation

The Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC) has responded to the challenges of fastest population growth and high speed economic development by adopting the best urban management practices. The administration of SMC with the help of the people and elected members of the city has transformed Surat to one of the cleanest cities of India. SMC has taken all necessary steps to make the city a better place to live all amenities. SMC has taken up many path breaking initiatives and these efforts have been acknowledged at national and international level.

About Surat Smart City Development Ltd (SSCDL)

As per the GoI guidelines, Surat Municipal Corporation has formed a separate Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) as Surat Smart City Development Ltd (SSCDL) for the implementation of projects under the Smart City Mission for the city of Surat. This SPV shall carry end to end responsibility for vendor selection, implementation and operationalization of various smart city projects.

About AIC SURATi iLAB FOUNDATION

AIC SURATi iLAB Foundation endeavors to provide a platform for aspiring entrepreneurs of Surat and neighboring region to convert their ideas and dreams into reality. It aspires for a industrial 4.0 bend to capitalize on the new types of jobs generated in the economy whilst maintaining Surat's dominance in Textile and Diamond industries.

INVITATION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

COVER 1

2. Technical Eligibility

#	Eligibility Criteria	Required Documents/ Evidence / Proof
1.	Applications will be considered only from qualified Chartered Accountancy Partnership Firms or Companies or LLPs ("the Firm") registered for more than 15 years as of 31 st March 2025.	Must provide the Registration/ Incorporation Certificate of the Partnership Firm or Company, or LLP as documentary proof.
2.	The Company/Firm must have at least 10 years of experience in conducting Internal/Statutory Audits for Urban Local Bodies, Government Companies (Central/State), Local Authorities, or Public Sector Companies.	Must provide work order and/or work completion certificate as documentary proof.
3.	The Company/Firm should have its Head Office/Branch located in Surat till the execution of the contract. The Company/Firm should not be a collaborated/network Company/Firm. The Company/Firm should have Head office/Branch in Surat for at least last 10 years.	Must provide authorized documentary proof supporting this requirement.
4.	There must be at least 5 CAs in the Company/Firm, out of which minimum 3 CAs must be the Directors/Partners of the Company/Firm as per Company's/Firm's standing as on date of this offer and at least 2 Directors/Partners should be continuously Director/Partner of the Company/Firm since 10 years.	Must provide authorized documentary proof supporting this requirement.
5.	The Chartered Accountant firm has to ensure that Qualified CA along with Technical Staff are deputed for Audit work. They should have the ability to read the documents in Gujarati Language.	Provide a self-declaration/ undertaking in this regard, as per the attached Annexure-1.

#	Eligibility Criteria	Required Documents/ Evidence / Proof
6.	The Company/Firm or any of the Directors/Partners of the Company/Firm should not have any disciplinary matters pending with ICAI/RBI/CBI/Court of Law or any form and they should not have suffered any disqualification.	Provide a self-declaration/ undertaking in this regard, as per the attached Annexure-1.
7.	The Company/Firm should not be banned or blacklisted or temporarily forbidden from applying for tender for any type of audit by PSU/ Local Authority/ Govt. Company. It has also to disclose that any disciplinary actions have not been taken by any Authorities.	Provide a self-declaration/ undertaking in this regard, as per the attached Annexure-1.
8.	The Company/Firm must have an annual turnover exceeding ₹50.00 lakhs in each of the last three financial years and a total taxable income exceeding ₹25.00 lakhs in each of these years, as per the Income Tax Returns.	Must provide copies of audited financial statements and filed income tax returns for the last three financial years, clearly indicating turnover exceeding ₹50.00 lakhs and taxable income above ₹25.00 lakhs for each year.
9.	Sub-contracting of the work assignment in any form shall not be permitted.	Provide a self-declaration/ undertaking in this regard, as per the attached Annexure-1.
10.	The Company/Firm office should be registered under Professional Tax and Provident Fund Act (Surat Region).	Must provide authorized documentary proof supporting this requirement.

We state that the above information is true based on our records, as well as "Envelope 1" that gives details of evidence to support.

For _____

Chartered Accountants

Partner

(Name) _____ Membership no. _____

3. Terms of References for Internal Audit of Surat Smart City Development Ltd.

The proposed scope of Internal Audit to be carried out for the 01.04.2026 to 31.03.2027 while the reporting will be based on 3-month periods June, September, December and March. It is a comprehensive scope covering verification of all the projects carried out by the Surat Smart City Development Ltd- Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) under the Smart City Mission Statement and Guidelines. It aims to give broad contours within which the audit would be carried out; however, it may evolve in the other areas based on the necessity, mandate and compulsion. The Scope is divided into following broad segments:

(A) System& Procedural Audit

a) Accounts and Finance

- Fund Management including Drawing Segregation route between “A&OE”, “Grant Funds received from Central Government” and other funds out of Fixed deposits.
- System and process for JV’s and controls related thereto.
- Compliance with various Accounting Standards.
- MIS - To ensure that the Information System is seamlessly integrated and has minimal manual intervention and there are adequate controls on financial and operational reporting.

b) Statutory compliances

- Verification of Investments & Investment Register.
- Contingent Liabilities
- Verification of Secretarial Compliances - To check all statutory records registers including Minute Books and to see that accounting effects of all

the decisions taken at Board / Committee Meeting / General Meeting /
Audit Committee in the Books of Accounts.

- Review on the Company's dealing where related parties are interested.
- Fixed Assets Verification with Fixed Assets Register.
- Audit of PFMS System and Internal Accounting Software of the Company.

(B) Pre-audit of transactions

(1) Transaction & Compliance Audit

- Pre-audit of transactions before they are vouched for in the accounts.
- Stamp & Signature on each of the transactions as a token of pre-audit for processing the documents.
- Verification of Cash and Bank payments, FDR's and receipt system
- Visit as frequently as necessary so that no transaction remains unprocessed as a result of pre-audit for more than 24 working hrs.
- Compliance related to Tax Deduction at Source (TDS), Tax Collection at Source (TCS) and other laws.
- Compliance related to Goods and Service Tax (GST) Act.
- Compliance on relation to TDS, Advance Tax, Income Tax, Professional Tax, filing of Taxes, & Payment of any Taxes. (GST)

(2) Payroll and HR Related Documents:

- Verification of salaries and statutory deductions related documents e.g. Provident Fund, ESI, Professional Tax etc.
- Contractual Arrangements verification with individuals and other entities.
- Assisting in finalization of Accounts at the year end.

- Coordination with statutory auditors and other auditors.
- Verification of compliance in relation to company law.

(3) Budget:

- Base of the budget to be verified to ensure that sanctity of the budget is as per the Smart City – Mission Guidelines and Statements.
- All the transactions entered into form part of the approved projects and are funded from allocations or grants received for the purpose.
- Reviews of the price escalations and star rate differences if any to be paid or recovered from the contractors as per the tender terms.

(4) Other Areas / Responsibilities:

- Providing consultancy on various matters related to Compliances
- Reporting to Audit Committee major observations and strengthening whistle blowing mechanism.
- Liaising with statutory auditors.
- Internal Auditor has to compulsorily present 3 days in week. and also as and when required by SSCDL remains present. (24 X 7)
- Fund Tracking Statement has to be preparing on timely basis.
- Utilization Certificate has to verify monthly before 5th of every month.
- Submit detail Quarterly Audit Report at the end of the Quarters

(5) Penalty & Termination

- Penalty will be levied for Internal Auditor for leave of absence from the schedule set for visit at office of SSCDL. And any work dissatisfaction (amount of penalty will be decide by the management) Also deduction from the final

fee payment can be done by SSCDL (At the discretion of Mgt) if the work is not performed per work order.

- SSCDL reserve the right to cancel the Agreement at any point during the tenure of Appointment if the work is not found Satisfactory.

(6) Any other Areas suggested by the Audit Committee

Please Note: The eligibility based on which the audit firm initially qualifies is required to be maintained by the firm throughout the contract period, failing which the contract can be terminated. The Reappointment as the Internal Auditor along with the fee for next One year will be decided on the basis of the performance and the final decision of the Management and the Board.

We agree to the above scope of work and comprehensive financial bid in form of proposed Fees stated in Envelope 2.

For _____

Chartered Accountants

Partner

(Name)

Membership no._____

COVER 2

4. FINANCIAL BID

Estimated cost will be 1,00,000/-

Scope of Work	Total Amount (in INR)						
<u>System& Procedural Audit</u> a) <u>Accounts and Finance</u> b) <u>Statutory compliance</u> <u>Pre-audit of transactions</u> a) <u>Transaction & Compliance Audit</u> b) <u>Payroll and HR Related Documents:</u> c) <u>Budget:</u> d) <u>Other Areas / Responsibilities:</u> e) <u>Any other Areas suggested by the</u> <u>Audit Committee</u>	(Comprehensive quote for Scope of work agreed upon shall be stated, which shall be inclusive of out of pocket / incidental expenses. GST should be mentioned separately.) <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Yearly Professional Fees for agreed Scope of work</td><td> Amt in INR Rupees in Words </td></tr> <tr> <td>Applicable GST</td><td> Amt in INR Rupees in Words </td></tr> <tr> <td>Total</td><td> Amt in INR Rupees in Words </td></tr> </table>	Yearly Professional Fees for agreed Scope of work	Amt in INR Rupees in Words	Applicable GST	Amt in INR Rupees in Words	Total	Amt in INR Rupees in Words
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