



J&K Forest Department
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Auction Notice

For and on behalf of the Governor of Jammu and Kashmir it is notified for information of public in general and registered Minor Forest Produce (MFP) Contractors in particular that auction through open bid for extraction/collection/ transportation of below mentioned quantities of MFP items from the demarcated/un-demarcated/Beruline forest areas of Billawar Forest Division excluding wild life protected areas for the financial year 2019-20 shall be conducted on **26.08.2019 at 12:30 PM** by the authorized committee at **Forest Information Centre, Bikram Chowk, Jammu** .

The list of MFP and the quantity proposed for auction is given as under:

S. No	Division	Species	Quantity allowed (in Kg)	Earnest Money Deposit.	Date of Auction	Venue
1.	Billawar	Kakersinghi (<i>Pistacia integerrima</i>)	65 kg	1000/-	26.08.2019	Forest Information Centre, Bikram Chowk, Jammu
2.		Banafsha (<i>Viola odorata</i>)	80 kg	1000/-		
3.		Brahmi Buti (<i>Centella asiatica</i>)	390 kg	1000/-		
4.		Gucchi (<i>Morchella esculenta</i>)	L.S	3000/-		
5.		Barian (<i>Acorus Calamus</i>)	180 kg	1000/-		
6.		Dhoop (<i>Jurinea Dolomiaea</i>)	60 kg	1000/-		

The terms and conditions of the auction notice are as under:

1. Only those persons who possess valid registration card issued by Forest Department can take part in Open Auction process. Representatives of State Forest Corporation duly authorized by MD SFC are also eligible to take part.
2. Each **bidder** must deposit earnest money as given above in the shape of CDR /FDR from any Nationalized Bank /Scheduled Bank pledged to the Divisional Forest Officer Billawar payable at Billawar for the species for which the bidder is interested in Bidding. Earnest money deposited (EMD) in the form of a CDR should reach by or before **25.08.2019 on** any working day.

3. The prospective Contractor shall quote their offer Lot-Wise. The rate offered shall be per kilogram of MFP item.
4. The lot-wise quantity of MFP items fixed for extraction shall be adhered to by the successful contractor and may vary by not more than +10% of the fixed quantity.
5. The MFP items extracted more than the fixed quantity for a particular lot shall be liable to be seized, besides taking further legal action as per J&K Forest Act. Against the defaulter.
6. The open auction shall be conducted by the auction Committee at **12:30 P.M** on **26.08.2019** in presence of bidders or their authorized representative who may wish to be present.
7. Earnest money of the successful bidders and the second highest bidder shall be retained and earnest money of rest of the bidders will be returned within a week's time after the open auction proceedings are over.
8. The department reserves the right to accept or reject any offer without assigning any reasons thereof.
9. As soon as the acceptance of the contract is complete and conveyed to the successful bidders, the contract shall be final and binding on him. A formal deed incorporating the terms of contract shall be executed by the successful contractor later on failing to execute such formal deed shall not prevent the terms of contract from being enforced against him.
10. The successful bidders shall have to deposit 50% of total value of the contract before issuance of the work order and the balance 50% at the time of obtaining transportation permission for the first consignment.
11. Interest @9% per annum shall be charged for belated payment if any.
12. The successful bidders shall have to enter into an agreement with the department within seven days from the date the sanction of the contract is communicated to him. Failing to execute the agreement within the stipulated period, the earnest money deposited by successful bidders shall be forfeited in favour of department and contract shall be allotted to the second highest bidder. Any loss on this account shall be made good from the 1st. highest bidders in terms of arrears of the land revenue rules besides blacklisting the contract from future department tender.
13. The successful bidders in whose favour department has issued the work order, shall collect the MFP (MFF items) from the jurisdictional area of his lot under the close supervisions and monitoring of forest staff. He will store the MFP (items) at the designated transit depots/godowns as mentioned in the table against each lot and will not store the MFP at any other place other than the duly declared designated Godowns. Transport permission will be issued from these godowns only after due verification. The Contractor shall intimate the DFO and Range officer concerned the exact location of his godowns before storing the MFP at such places.

14. The contractor will be responsible for compliance/observance of all terms and conditions of the agreement by himself as well as his agents.
15. All taxes including Dharat, Sales Tax ,GST, Income Tax, Surcharge etc. payable shall be paid by the contractor including TDS at applicable rates during the year.
16. The successful bidders shall have no right to remove any other MFP of forest produce from the forests under the garb of this contract and if any such instance comes to the notices, the same shall be dealt with as per the provisions of J&K Forest Act.
17. The successful bidders shall have to furnish name of laborers engaged by him for extraction of aforementioned MFPs to the DFO before start of the work. Proper passes/permit (Form-7) shall be issued in favour of these laborers. No authorized labourers other than people living in concession zone of forests shall be allowed to extract the MFP from the forest area mentioned above.
18. As per section 15 of the J&K Forest Act the movements of MFP within the Division shall be covered under and permit-7 issued by contractor to his authorized agents. Whereas the movements of MFP involving movement outside Division or it involve Forest Check Posts then it shall be covered under form-25 issue by Forest Department on the basis of permit-7 issued by the contractors, on the transportation permission ordered by the DFO after proper and prior verification.
19. Any stocks of collected MFP items left in the Forest Division for transportation after 1st. April 2020 shall have to be reported by the contractor with details of stores/godowns in writing to Divisional Forest Office concerned on or before 31st March, 2020 without fail, on the prescribed format. The declared stocks of MFP items as on 31.03.2020 is/are to be got checked/verified /weighed by a team headed by RO concerned, and no claim after this date shall be entertained for any purpose and thereafter it shall be presumed that no balance stocks are left in the transit as well as in the stores.
20. The authorized contractor shall arrange to collect/purchase the MFP items from the forests of lot allotted to him and will not be entitled to procure the said MFP from areas other than the forests of his lot. In case any such instance comes to the notice of Department action will be taken as per law, besides seizing the said consignment of MFP.
21. In case of any natural calamity obstructs the extraction/transportation of aforementioned MFPs, the department shall not entertain any claim for compensation or refund of royalty amount to the successful bidders.
22. Non-telephonic communication or application by post or otherwise for increasing or with drawing any offer received after **26.08.2019** on shall not be entertained.
23. In case any dispute arises between the contractor and the department the decision of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu shall be final and binding on both parties.
24. The department reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason.

25. Conditional tenders will not be accepted.
26. In case more than one bidders offer the same highest bid, the committee may take decision after negotiation with highest bidder.
27. Black listed contractors/defaulters and Government debtors are not permitted to participate in the open auction process.
28. Any other condition that the department may like to impose shall be announced on the date of opening the auction and shall be binding on the bidders

**Sd/-
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Divisional Forest Officer
Billawar Forest Division
Billawar**

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Dated

Copy submitted to the:

1. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu for favour of information & n/action
2. -4. Conservator of Forests, East Circle Jammu, West Circle Rajouri, Chenab Circle Doda for favour of information
5. Deputy Commissioners Kathua for information and necessary action.
6. All Range officers Billawar Forest Division Billawar for information. They are directed to inform the local MFP Contractors about the Auction well in time.
7. Incharge Website Forest Department, PCCF office J&K Govt. Srinagar
8. Head clerk/Account for information & n/action.

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