

**INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR  
FIRST FLOOR OF NICCO HOUSE  
TO THE EXTENT OWNED BY  
NICCO CORPORATION LIMITED – IN LIQUIDATION**

**Dated 10.04.2019**

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## **1. BACKGROUND**

NICCO Corporation Limited (hereinafter referred to as “the Company”) is a company limited by shares incorporated on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 1942 under the name and style of ‘National Insulated Cable Company of India limited’ under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956. Thereafter, pursuant to the merger of National Insulated Cable Company of India Limited with its various group companies, one Telelink Nicco Limited was incorporated in the year 1983 and thereafter the name of Telelink Nicco Limited was changed to “NICCO Corporation Limited” in due compliance of law with effect from 19th May, 1993.

On 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2017, the National Company Law Tribunal, Kolkata Bench, in Company Petition No. 03/KB/2017 ordered for liquidation of the Company. Mr Vinod Kumar Kothari holding IBBI registration No. IBBI/IPA-002/IP-N00019/2016-17/10033, has been appointed as the **Liquidator** of the Company.

Section 35 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (“the Code”), *inter-alia*, empowers the Liquidator to sell the immovable and movable property and actionable claims of a company in liquidation by public auction or private contract, with power to transfer such property to any person or body corporate, or to sell the same in parcels in such manner as may be specified. Further, Chapter VI of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016 (“the Regulations”) read with Schedule I annexed thereto provide for various matters relating to realisation of assets of a company in liquidation.

## **2. PREVIOUS INVITATION(S) RELATING TO THE SALE ASSET**

Vide Invitation dated 10.01.2019, the Liquidator invited expressions of interest for 2 parcels of Nicco House (to the extent owned by Nicco Corporation Limited – in Liquidation) – (i) Parcel 1, consisting of 1<sup>st</sup> floor of Nicco House, and (ii) Parcel 2, consisting of remaining portions of Nicco House, to the extent owned by Nicco Corporation Limited – in Liquidation. The reserve price for Parcel 1 was Rs. 12.36 Crores.

However, no auction could be conducted for Parcel 1, for lack of interests, and thus the invitation failed.

Thereafter, invitation dated 07.02.2019 was floated at reserve price of Rs. 11.50 Crores. However, the invitation failed for lack of interests. Subsequently, fresh invitation was issued at reserve price of Rs. 11.25 Crores. No EMD was received. Hence, the invitation too, failed for lack of interests.

Accordingly, with a view to make an informed decision about the sale of assets on liquidation, the Liquidator does hereby invite Expressions of Interest (“**EOI**”) from potential Applicants to evince interest in the Sale Asset of the Company. This Invitation is being made to allow the Liquidator to short-list potential Applicants, and thereafter, dispose the Sale Asset of the Company on public auction with the short-listed Applicants as the bidders. The Invitation is for pre-bid qualification of potential Applicants for ensuing disposal of the Sale Asset of the Company in accordance with Section 35 of the Code read with Chapter VI and Schedule I of the Regulations.

### **3. DISCLAIMER**

The Invitation for Expression of Interest for acquisition of the Sale Asset of the Company, hereinafter referred to as “the Invitation”, which expression shall be deemed to include any kind of supplementary document(s) or annexure(s) or information(s) issued in pursuance/furtherance of the Invitation has been prepared by and being in the capacity of the Liquidator of the Company. The Invitation does not constitute a prospectus, or an offer document or a letter of offer for sale of assets of the Company or an official confirmation of any transaction entered into by the Company. The Invitation is only an invitation for submitting Expressions of Interest in accordance with and under the various provisions of the Code read with rules and regulations issued thereunder to interested parties for submission of response to the Invitation (such parties herein referred to as “the Applicants”). **The Invitation purports to ascertain interest of potential Applicants and does not create any kind of binding obligation on the part of the Liquidator or the Company to effectuate the sale of the assets of the Company.**

The Information contained in the Invitation is substantially based on estimated information, opinions and information sourced from the Company, public domain and independent third parties. The Invitation does not amount to a recommendation, either expressly or by implication, with respect to the Company or other entities mentioned in the Invitation. Except where specifically mentioned otherwise, the Liquidator has not independently verified such information and the same is being provided by the Liquidator for information purpose only. The Liquidator does not make any representation or warranty as to the accuracy, reliability or completeness of such information and does not assume any undertaking to supplement such information as further information becomes available or in light of the changing circumstances. The Liquidator shall not have

any liability under any law, statute, rules or regulations for any representations or warranties (express or implied) contained in, or any omissions from this Invitation or any other written or oral communication transmitted to the recipient in the course of its evaluation of the proposed financing or otherwise.

The Invitation may contain statements describing documents and agreements in summary form only, and such summaries are qualified in their entirety with reference to such documents and agreements. Some of the facts mentioned herein may be contested by parties in litigation; the Liquidator does not in any manner affirm/ deny or indicate any of the Liquidator's views on these contested matters. The Liquidator expressly disclaims any and all liability, which is based on the information and statements or any part thereof contained in/ omitted from the Invitation.

The Invitation is not intended to be the sole or *prima facie* basis on which intending Applicants may submit their Bids. The information contained in the Invitation has been prepared to assist interested Applicants in making their own evaluation for the purpose submission of Bids, and for no other purpose. The information does not purport to be all-inclusive or to contain all information that a prospective investor/ entity may require/desire.

The delivery of this Invitation at any time does not imply the information in it is correct as of any time after its date, or that there has been no change in the business/ operations, financial condition, prospects, creditworthiness, status or affairs of the Company or anyone else or in the quality, condition, efficiency, functionality of the sale asset since that date. The Liquidator may in absolute discretion, but without being under any obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information in this Invitation. Any such update/amendment/supplement/corrigendum shall be communicated via Liquidator's webpage for Nicco Liquidation at [www.vinodkothari.com/nicco-liquidation](http://www.vinodkothari.com/nicco-liquidation). Any further public newspaper advertisement of such update/amendment/supplement/corrigendum may not be issued.

It is understood that each recipient of this Invitation will perform its own independent investigation and due diligence of the Sale Assets of the Company, based on such information as it deems relevant and without reliance on the Liquidator and this Invitation. The Liquidator/Company shall endeavor to provide such cooperation as may be appropriate for carrying any due diligence at the cost and expense of the Applicant. No claim shall lie against the Liquidator with respect to the contents of this Invitation. The information contained herein is not a substitute for the recipient's investigation, due diligence and analysis. Recipients of this Invitation must check and observe all applicable legal requirements, and for the avoidance of doubt, receipt of this Invitation and the information contained herein may not be taken as discharging the regulatory or statutory responsibilities under applicable legislation (included but not limited to anti-money laundering legislation) of any such recipient.

The Liquidator is not committed either contractually or in any other way to the Applicants whose applications are accepted. The issue of this Invitation does not commit or otherwise oblige the Liquidator or the Company to proceed with the process or any part of it.

The Invitation supersedes any other invitation issued earlier, in respect of Nicco House (to the extent owned by Nicco Corporation Limited – in Liquidation). The terms of the Invitation are to be read subject to this Disclaimer. The provisions of this Disclaimer take precedence over any other provision of the Invitation, which is inconsistent with or otherwise conflicts with any provision of this Disclaimer.

#### 4. DEFINITIONS

Unless the context otherwise requires, the words and expressions as used in the Invitation shall have meanings assigned as hereinbelow –

S. No.	Terms as used in the Invitation	Definition
1.	<i>Applicant</i>	“Applicant” is any person who submits an Expression of Interest in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Invitation.
2.	<i>Bid</i>	“Bid”, in respect of a Sale Asset, is the price tendered by an Eligible Applicant for the Sale Asset in respect of which an Expression of Interest has been submitted.
3.	<i>Eligible Applicant</i>	“Eligible Applicant” is an Applicant who is not an Ineligible Applicant and is entitled to submit a Bid in terms of the Invitation.
4.	<i>Earnest Money Deposit</i>	“Earnest Money Deposit” is the earnest money deposit to be tendered by an Eligible Applicant who intends to submit a Bid for the Sale Asset.
5.	<i>Expression of Interest</i>	“Expression of Interest” refers to the interest submitted by an Applicant in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Invitation.

6.	<i>Ineligible Applicant</i>	“Ineligible Applicant” is an Applicant who suffers any of the disqualifications mentioned under section 29A of the Code, or is held to be ineligible by the Liquidator to submit a Bid in terms of the Invitation.
7.	<i>Information Sheet</i>	“Information Sheet” refers to a document containing details of the Sale Asset of the Company.
8.	<i>Invitation</i>	“Invitation” shall mean this Invitation for Expression of Interest for acquisition of the Sale Assets of the Company, and shall include any kind of supplementary document(s) or annexure(s) or information(s) issued in pursuance/furtherance of the Invitation, with or without amendments.
9.	<i>Non-Refundable Fee</i>	“Non-Refundable Fee” is the amount of fee payable by the Applicant for submission of EOI pursuant to the Invitation in accordance with Paragraphs 9 and 10 of the Invitation.
10.	<i>Reserve Price</i>	“Reserve Price”, in respect of a Sale Asset, is the price below which no Bid shall be submitted and shall be as stated in Paragraph 9 of this Invitation.
11.	<i>Sale Asset</i>	“Sale Asset” is the asset of the Company included in the liquidation estate of the Company in terms of section 36 of the Code, put up for sale by the Liquidator in accordance with Regulation 32 of the Regulations, <i>more fully</i> described in Paragraph 9 of the Invitation.

## 5. SUMMARY OF STEPS OF THE PROPOSED AUCTION SALE

The proposed sale of the Sale Asset of the Company shall follow the following steps:

- (i) Invitation for EOI on the website of the Company, and the Liquidator.
- (ii) Publication of Invitation in newspapers.
- (iii) Submission of EOI along with Non-Refundable Fee (where applicable), along with required documents [For format of EOI and affidavit, refer **Annexure I**].
- (iv) Confirmation of eligibility of the Applicant by the Liquidator, based on the information supplied by the Applicant, and providing Information Sheet of the Sale Asset, in respect of which EOI has been submitted by the Applicant.

- (v) Deposit of EMD by the Applicant, alongwith bid form.
- (vi) Conduct of e-auction.

**Note: An Applicant, who has already furnished documents/non-refundable fee in terms of any earlier Invitation relating to the Sale Asset, is not required to re-furnish the same. The Applicant may send an e-mail confirmation for participation in the auction process under this Invitation.**

## **6. BRIEF INTRODUCTION OF THE COMPANY**

[Note: The paragraphs below pertain to the business of the Company while the Company was not in liquidation. The Company is presently in liquidation and the Liquidator is carrying on the business only to the extent required for beneficial liquidation.]

The Company is one of the oldest cable manufacturing companies in India engaged in the business of manufacturing and marketing various types of power, electrical and specialty cables to a large base of customers including power, railways, wind energy, defense, automotive, mining, material handling, process industries, OEMs and EPC Contractors. It is the flagship company of the very old industrial group that is, the NICCO Group in West Bengal & Odisha, operating for over 70 years.

The Company has its registered office at Nicco House, 2, Hare Street. The Sale Asset comprises of first floor of Nicco House. A brief description of the Sale Asset has been provided in **Paragraph 9**.

## **7. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR APPLICANTS**

- 7.1. The Applicant must be legally competent to enter into contracts as per prevailing laws.
- 7.2. The Applicant must be lawfully organised and carrying business in India or having permission to carry business in India.

- 7.3. The Applicant may be a single bidder or may be a consortium acting together through a representative, consisting of not more than such number of members, as the Liquidator may decide depending on the circumstances. In case the Applicant is a consortium, each member of the consortium shall furnish an affidavit in terms of Paragraph 7.5 below.
- 7.4. In case the Applicant chooses to conclude the sale in favour of its nominee, the nominee shall not be an Ineligible Applicant under section 29A of the Code, and the nominee shall sign a deed of adherence, as required by the Liquidator.
- 7.5. The Applicant shall file an affidavit (as per format set out in **Annexure I**) with the EOI that the Applicant is not an Ineligible Applicant nor does he have any contract or understanding with any such person in relation to the Sale Assets being acquired. The submission of such affidavit is without prejudice to the right of the Liquidator to conduct such enquiry as the Liquidator may deem appropriate for ascertaining, and forming a view, on the eligibility of the Applicant in terms of section 29A of the Code.

## **8. MODE AND MANNER OF SALE**

Regulation 32 of the Regulations permits the Liquidator to sell the assets of the Company on standalone basis, or a set of assets collectively or sell the assets in parcels. Further, Regulation 33 requires that the Liquidator shall ordinarily sell the assets of the Company through an auction in the manner specified in Schedule I.

Pursuant to and in accordance with the aforesaid provisions of the Code and the Regulations, the Invitation calls for Expression of Interest for the acquisition of the Sale Asset, as described in Paragraph 9 hereinbelow.

The Sale Asset shall be sold through electronic auction platform “BankAuctions.In” (hereinafter referred to as “E-auction Platform”), a unit of M/s 4 Closure, at the website <https://bankauctions.in>. A brief manual on participating in the e-auction is given in **Annexure – II**.

## **9. SALE ASSET AND RESERVE PRICE**

- 9.1. Nicco House, situated at Hare Street, is a landmark building in close proximity to High Court, National Company Law Tribunal, Kolkata. The building is G+6 storied-building.



9.2. The entirety of 1<sup>st</sup> floor of Nicco House, consisting of about 17,500 sq. ft. of area (approximate and unmeasured), was given on leave and license basis till 31.10.2018. However, despite the expiry of the license period, the then occupier, Nicco Engineering Services Limited, has not vacated the same and consequently the Liquidator has filed appropriate application before NCLT. Other details as may be relevant are given in the Information Sheet.

9.3. The Invitation seeks to invite Expression of Interest for acquisition of the following Sale Asset of the Company, the brief description of which is being provided hereinbelow.

Detailed aspects relating to the Sale Asset have been discussed in the Information Sheet, which will be shared with the Applicants on submission of Expression of Interest –

S. No.	Details of Sale Asset(s)	Brief description	Reserve Price	Non-Refundable Fee
1.	<i>First Floor of Nicco House</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Location:</b> First Floor, Nicco House, 2, Hare Street, BBD Bag, Kolkata – 700 001, S-W of Dalhousie square (BBD Bag) near Bankshall Court.</li> <li>• <b>Area:</b> Approximately 17,500 sq. ft. [Unmeasured]</li> <li>• <b>Note:</b> The area was under leave and license, which has now expired. However, the occupiers have not vacated the same. Appropriate application has been filed before NCLT.</li> </ul>	Rs. 11,00,00,000/-  [Rupees Eleven Crores Only]	Rs. 5,000/-  [Rupees Five Thousand only]

Any person interested in the Sale Asset may submit EOI, alongwith necessary non-refundable fee of Rs. 5000/- only.

**IMP NOTE:** The areas have been stated on the basis of information received from the records of the Company, including information obtained from ex-officials of the Company. The Liquidator makes no representation as to the correctness of the areas and the Applicants are advised to have the spaces measured independently.

## **10. NON-REFUNDABLE FEE**

- 10.1. An Applicant who intends to submit an EOI for the Sale Asset of the Company shall tender a Non-refundable Fee as mentioned in Paragraph 9 of the Invitation.
- 10.2. The Applicant who has furnished non-refundable fee along with the expression of interest in terms of any earlier invitation relating to the Sale Asset, shall not be required to re-furnish the Non-refundable Fee, specified hereinabove. However, the Applicant shall confirm via letter/e-mail his interest in the Sale Asset.
- 10.3. The Non-refundable Fee shall be paid by the Applicant by RTGS/NEFT/Funds Transfer in favour of “Nicco Corporation Limited-in Liquidation” to the credit of Account No.: 1392201980308 Canara Bank, Kolkata Hare Street Branch, Branch Code - 1392, IFSC Code – CNRB0001392 **or** by Cheque/Demand Draft/Pay Order in favour of “Nicco Corporation Limited-in Liquidation”.
- 10.4. It must be noted that the fee is non-refundable irrespective of subsequent cancellation or deferment of the proposed sale at the discretion of the Liquidator. However, in the event of cancellation of the proposed sale or failure of the proposed auction, if the Liquidator conducts a subsequent auction sale, the Applicants furnishing the Non-refundable Fee shall be entitled to express their interests in the subsequent auction sale, without re-furnishing the said amount.
- 10.5. The payment of the non-refundable fee as above will entitle the Applicant to the following:
- (a) The right to submit an EOI in terms herein;
  - (b) A copy of the Information Sheet;
- Additionally, the Applicant may carry such due diligence as the Applicant prefers to carry, and the Liquidator’s office or the Company’s retainers will provide cooperation feasible at their end.

## **11. INFORMATION SHEET**

On submission of EOI in terms of the Invitation and on payment of Non-refundable Fee, if applicable, as above, the Applicant will be provided with Information Sheet relating the Sale Asset, for which the EOI has been submitted. The Information Sheet, compiled from various sources including information received from ex-officials of the Company, inter-alia, shall contain the following details –

- (i) Description of the Company
- (ii) Description of the business carried on by the Company, prior to the liquidation
- (iii) Details of the Sale Asset, as available to the Liquidator
- (iv) Reserve Price of the Sale Asset
- (v) Other matters, as the Liquidator may include.

The requisition of Information Sheet shall be sent to [niccoliquidation@gmail.com](mailto:niccoliquidation@gmail.com). The Applicant obtaining the Information Sheet shall not share or distribute the Information Sheet with any other person(s). A breach of this condition shall be deemed to be a breach of terms of conditions stated herein and shall be liable to be dealt with accordingly.

Applicants may note that the Information Sheet is not an all-inclusive single window source of information relating to the Sale Asset and is provided solely for the guidance of the Applicants. Information Sheet is a compiled document and may contain such information which may or may not have been independently verified by the Liquidator. Hence, Applicants shall satisfy themselves in all respects independently, before submitting their bids in the e-auction. Further, availability of information with the Liquidator is limited to that as is available from the records of the Company or as may be obtained from the ex-officials of the Company.

## 12. TIMELINES

12.1. The cut-off dates have been specified in the table below. The timelines shall be strictly adhered to by the Applicants.

Submission of EOI along with Non-refundable Fee (if applicable)	20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2019
Submission of EMD and Bid Form	TBA
Conduct of auction	TBA

12.2. The date of EMD and auction date shall be intimated to only such participants who submit an EOI in terms of the Invitation.

12.3. The Liquidator reserves the right to alter/extend the timelines as per the sole discretion of the Liquidator. Any information about alteration/extension of any of the timelines above shall be published at the Liquidator's webpage for Nicco liquidation at [www.vinodkothari.com/nicco-liquidation](http://www.vinodkothari.com/nicco-liquidation), and further newspaper advertisement of such alteration/extension may not be given.

### **13. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PROPOSED SALE**

- 13.1. The proposed sale will be conducted on "AS IS WHERE IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" and "NO RECOURSE BASIS". The Liquidator or the Seller will undertake no liability as to any continuing, pending litigation, dispute, etc. or to vacate the premises, or any other liability whatsoever in relation to the Sale Asset.
- 13.2. The proposed sale shall be conducted through E-auction Platform to be managed by M/s. 4 Closure, under the supervision of Authorized Officer(s) (AO) of the Liquidator.
- 13.3. Only the Applicant(s) who is not an Ineligible Applicant and who submits the Non-refundable Fee in terms of Paragraph 9 and 10, where applicable, shall proceed with the submission of the EOI in accordance with the Invitation.
- 13.4. The Applicant shall fulfil the eligibility criteria described in Paragraph 8 of this Invitation at the time of submission of EOI.
- 13.5. The Applicant shall submit the EOI in the format prescribed in **Annexure I**, along with the documents stated thereunder.
- 13.6. The EOI shall be submitted, duly filled and signed by the Applicant or an authorised signatory of the Applicant by 7:00 P.M of 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2019. An Applicant who has submitted the EOI in terms of an earlier invitation in respect of the Sale Asset is not required to re-furnish the same; however, the Applicant shall send an e-mail confirmation expressing intention to participate further in the process. An Applicant not furnishing the EOI or not confirming its interest as aforesaid shall have no claim as to any further communication from the Liquidator.

- 13.7. The Applicant is required to register its name at the E-auction Platform and get user ID and password free of cost and get training / on-line training on electronic auction from M/s 4 Closure, whereupon it would be allowed to participate in the auction sale.
- 13.8. The EMD payable shall be Rs. 50,00,000/- [Rupees Fifty Lakhs Only].
- 13.9. As a pre-requisite for submission of a Bid, the Eligible Applicant has to deposit EMD as above, by RTGS/NEFT/Funds Transfer/Bank Guarantee in favour of “Nicco Corporation Limited-in Liquidation” to the credit of Account No. : 1392201980308 Canara Bank, Kolkata Hare Street Branch, Branch Code - 1392, IFSC Code – CNRB0001392 **or** by Demand Draft/Pay Order in favour of “Nicco Corporation Limited-in Liquidation”.
- 13.10. The Applicant shall submit the Bid Form in the format prescribed along with a scanned copy of the Applicant’s Identity Proof and PAN Card, to the E-auction Platform and the Liquidator.
- 13.11. The date and time for bidding will be intimated to the Eligible Applicants at least 5 days prior to the scheduled auction date.
- 13.12. It shall be presumed that all the facts were taken into account by the Applicant while submitting its Bid. Even if the Applicant chooses not to inspect or conduct due diligence on the Sale Asset, it shall be presumed that the Applicant has made himself aware of the physical condition, market value, etc., of the Sale Asset and has satisfied itself in all aspects relating to the same and therefore, no complaint/claim against the same shall be entertained in this regard by the Liquidator after the submission of the Bid. Also, no excuse as to non-availability of any information/document, etc. shall be entertained, once the Bid is submitted. The Applicant shall understand that the availability of information/documents in liquidation scenario might be limited.
- 13.13. The Applicant should thoroughly satisfy itself about the nature, conditions and quality of the Sale Asset. The Liquidator gives no guarantee or warranty as to title of the Sale Asset or the conditions of the assets/material or/its quality for any specific purpose or use. It should be clearly understood that no claim/complaint about the stability/quality /conditions /fitness for use will be entertained by the Liquidator. The Liquidator gives no assurance as to clear possession of the property or any part thereof, or connected litigation.

- 13.14. The submission of the Bid means and implies that the Applicant has read carefully and unconditionally and irrevocably agreed to and accepted all the terms and conditions laid herein.
- 13.15. Bids once submitted cannot be withdrawn or revised.
- 13.16. The Liquidator reserves the right to accept or reject any/or all the Bids or adjourn, postpone or cancel the proposed auction sale anytime without assigning any reason thereon. Any notice of such adjournment/postponement/cancellation of the auction sale shall be published on the website of the Company at <http://www.niccogroup.com/> or the webpage [www.vinodkothari.com/nicco-liquidation](http://www.vinodkothari.com/nicco-liquidation) and no public notice thereof shall be published.
- 13.17. The Applicant who submits the highest Bid shall be declared successful bidder. The Liquidator shall issue Letter of Acceptance of Offer to the successful bidder.
- 13.18. Letter of Acceptance of Offer *per se* does not confirm sale in favour of the Applicant making the highest bid. Confirmation of sale is subject to the fulfilment of conditions stated hereunder and approval of the Liquidator.
- 13.19. The successful bidder shall have to deposit 25% of the sale price, within 5 days of the issue of the Letter of Acceptance.
- 13.20. The balance 75% of sale price shall be paid within 15 days of the issue of the Letter of Acceptance.
- 13.21. The EMD by the successful bidder against accepted bid shall be adjusted towards the amount deposited under paragraph 13.18 above. However, where the EMD was submitted as bank guarantee, the same is not adjusted. The successful bidder shall pay 25% of the sale price (without considering the value of bank guarantee), and on receipt of such part consideration, the bank guarantee shall stand retired.
- 13.22. In the event of default of payment within the stipulated period, as mentioned above, the deposit as well as the EMD shall be forfeited and the assets shall forthwith be sold again and such defaulting bidder shall forfeit all claims to the assets or to any part of the amount for which it may be subsequently sold.

- 13.23. The EMDs of the unsuccessful Applicants shall be refunded within 15 days from the date of issue of Letter of Acceptance of Offer by the Liquidator to the successful bidder. However, the Liquidator may retain EMD of the top 2 Bidders for up to 15 days from the date of opening of the auction in order to consider the bid submitted by the second highest Applicant in the event the successful bidder fails to pay the bid amount within the stipulated period. In case of cancellation of the auction sale, the EMDs of the Applicants shall be refunded within 15 days of the date of cancellation of the auction sale. Please note there is no interest payable on EMD in any condition.
- 13.24. The Liquidator reserves the right to impose penalty, where an Applicant/Bidder interrupts/disrupts/attempts to delay or jeopardise the process of auction in any manner, whether wilfully, negligently or otherwise.
- 13.25. The Liquidator shall not be responsible for any technical fault in the auction process or where any bidder, who inspite of being present during the auction, fails to tender Bid for any technical glitch, etc. Presence of a Bidder during the auction is sufficient evidence of his capability to tender Bid during the auction period. In the event of any technical difficulties faced by the bidder, the bidder shall forthwith contact the representative of the e-auction service provider and drop an e-mail at [niccoliquidation@gmail.com](mailto:niccoliquidation@gmail.com). In the event no complaint is made during the time period of the auction, it shall be deemed that the bidder did not face any difficulty during the auction and the non-participation of the bidder in the auction was due to his lack of want to increase the bid.
- 13.26. Before issuance of a certificate of sale, there shall be an agreement for sale. Note that, all legal documentation as prepared by the Liquidator or appointed advisors/counsels of the Liquidator shall be final and no request for changes therein shall be entertained by the Liquidator.
- 13.27. On full and final payment of the sale price by the successful bidder, execution of the agreement for sale as in paragraph 13.25, and confirmation of sale by the Liquidator, the Liquidator shall execute a Certificate of Sale of the Sale Asset in favour of the successful bidder.
- 13.28. The Purchaser will be required to bear all the necessary expenses for transfer of assets in his/her/its name, including but not limited to stamp duty, registration charges, etc. payable on the transaction. It is expressly stipulated that there are no implied obligations on the part of the Liquidator and it shall be solely the obligation of the Purchaser, at his/her cost, to do all acts, things and deeds whatsoever for the completion of the sale. The Liquidator does not take any responsibility to provide information on the same.

- 13.29. The Purchaser shall take the Sale Asset subject to any statutory liabilities like arrear of property tax, outstanding electricity charges, license, approval charges, etc.
- 13.30. Any taxes that may be arising out of the present transaction shall be payable by the Purchaser.
- 13.31. Any adverse change in a material fact/information about any Applicant/Purchaser as submitted with the Bid, which may affect its capacity to participate in the proposed sale in the opinion of the Liquidator, shall disqualify the Applicant/Purchaser from participating further in the proposed sale. In such an event, if the Purchaser has already been identified, any amount paid by the Purchaser shall be forfeited without providing any notice or intimation to the Purchaser.
- 13.32. Where the sale is deferred or stayed for any reason, including but not limited to litigation, etc., no interest is payable on the monies received from the bidder. The Liquidator's liability is restricted to refund of the monies received from the bidder, subject to the directions of NCLT.
- 13.33. The Invitation is valid till the last date for submission of EOIs, or such dates as may be extended by the Liquidator from time to time. In case no EOI is received within the period or the extended period, as the case may be, or in case no bidder participates in the proposed auction, the auction shall be deemed to have failed, without prejudice to the rights of the Liquidator to proceed with a subsequent sale of the Sale Asset, in any manner as permitted under the law.

#### **14. INSPECTION OF SALE ASSET**

The Applicants may, prior to submitting their Bids, but only after submission of EOI and obtaining Information Sheet from the Liquidator, visit and inspect the Sale Assets between 12:00 AM to 2:00 PM from Monday to Friday by taking prior appointment of the persons designated by the Liquidator.

Please also refer to *Disclaimer Clause* of this Invitation wherein the Applicants have been encouraged to conduct their own due diligence on the Sale Assets.



