

Corrigendum 02

**2024 DIT 811691\_1**  
**Digital India BHASHINI Division**

**Electronics Niketan, 6, CGO Complex New Delhi**  
**Date 09.07.2024**

Subject: Corrigendum to RFE for Empanelment of Higher Educational Institutions/ Incubators in DIBD

We would like to inform all interested parties that there has been an update to the clause in the Request for Empanelment (RFE). Responses have been provided to the queries raised during the pre-bid meeting/Query Sessions held on July 1, 2024.

<b>Sr no.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Clause/Page No.</b>	<b>Clause Modified</b>
1.	Application Submission  The Proposer(s) is required to send their proposals in Sealed Envelope to "The CEO DIBD, Electronics Niketan, 6, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110003, INDIA" by 6th February 2024.	Page 06, Clause 2 (Instructions to Proposers) Point J	Application Submission is done via CPP portal only, no physical mode of proposal submission will be entertained.

This Corrigendum forms a part of the aforesaid RFE and except as otherwise provided herein all other terms and conditions thereof shall remain valid and binding.

## Response to the Queries received

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1	Clause 3 (Scope of Work) on Page 6	What is the role of HEI in the BHASHINI scheme?	Roles & responsibilities	Please refer to Point 3: Scope of Work in the RFE document.
2	Clause 3 (Scope of Work) on Page 6	What specific steps and resources are recommended to maximize public awareness and engagement with the BHASHINI initiative, especially in Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities and villages?	Roles & responsibilities	Please refer to Point 3: Scope of Work in the RFE document.
3	Clause 3 (Scope of Work) on Page 6	How can we contribute to the BHASHINI initiative? Whether it includes submitting a project proposal? If yes, can we contribute in the form of an open source framework (possibly also with some front end part for using it), mainly for researchers working on low resource languages, particularly low resource Indian languages?	Application submission	<p>Please refer to Point 3: Scope of Work in the RFE document for detailed roles and responsibilities of empanelled member</p> <p>Applicants must submit their proposals based on the evaluation metrics mentioned in the RFE document. For each criterion, applicants are required to provide the relevant supporting documents.</p>
4	Clause 6 (Mandatory criteria for participation in RFE) on Page 10	1. We are a Section 8 company under the HEI (Indian Statistical Institute) and we are a technology business incubator. Can we submit the	Application submission	<p>Incubators that meet the eligibility criteria outlined in the RFE document can submit their proposals independently.</p> <p>Region/Zone will be solely for internal reference and will not be</p>

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		<p>proposal independently or it has to come from the HEI.</p> <p>2. We are from Kolkata, but we have applied under Northeast, as there is no option for East</p> <p>3. It is unclear how the activities envisaged under this initiative will be funded.</p>		<p>weighted for selection</p> <p>For financial assistance, Please refer to point 13</p>
5	<p>Clause 6 (Mandatory criteria for participation in RFE) on Page 10</p>	<p>1. Can Consortium of HEIs from different states can be formed. 2. We plan to work of develop models as well as organize events (gcs, Hackathons, Conferences, Workshops, Seminars etc.) And other Outreach activities. Can we do all this?</p>	<p>Application submission</p>	<p>Yes HEIs are allowed to form consortium and Joint parties can apply for the RFE</p> <p>For activities and responsibilities, Please refer to Point 3: Scope of Work in the RFE document.</p>
6	<p>Clause 7 (Evaluation Scorecard) Point 8 on Page 13</p>	<p>Hello sir, In the "Proposed approach and methodology to Work with DIBD" - Whether we need to propose development of Machine Translation system from scratch? Or improve the existing system of BHASHINI? Hope the timeline may be extended as the documents need</p>	<p>Application submission</p>	<p>Applicants must detailed out collaboration approach with Digital India BHASHINI Division.</p> <p>The application timeline extension will be at the sole discretion of DIBD. Any extension will be published through a corrigendum.</p>

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		some time to collect and figure out the criteria.		
7	Clause 7 (Evaluation Scorecard) on Page 10	1. What all should be there in the proposal document 2. Any member from the organisation can do the online bidder enrolment or only company director/CEO needs to do?	Application submission	Details can be found on the Central Procurement Portal under Tender ID: 2024_DIT_811691_1 Tender Reference Number: DIBD/Empanelment-HEI/2024/01.  Online bidder enrolment can be submitted by designated member of the organization. All the supporting documents need to duly approved by Head of the Institution.
8	Clause 7 (Evaluation Scorecard) on Page 10	What are the details document required for an incubator to be part of this program	Application submission	Details of the document requirements are mentioned in Point 7 of the RFE.
9	Clause 6 (Mandatory criteria for participation in RFE)	How much grant is there for Incubators? What is the eligibility criteria for the same?	Financial support	For financial assistance, Please refer to point 13. Eligibility criteria are outlined in Point 6 of the RFE document.
10	Clause 3 (Scope of Work) on Page 6	1. Duration of Grand challenge/ Pre incubation program 2. Mode of program (Physical or Virtual) 3. Role of the incubator in details"	Role and responsibilities	Duration may vary and will be intimated to the empanelled HEI's at the time of launching the challenge.  Mode of the program will be mostly physical with few activities may be organized virtually  For roles and responsibilities, Please refer to Point 3: Scope of

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				Work in the RFE document.
11		Who will be signing authority from HEI whether signature of registrar is sufficient or VC signature is required	Application submission	The Head of the Institution will have signing authority for HEIs, and the submitted documents should be signed by the Institution Head.
12		What is the aim of the BHASHINI mission?	Mission	The BHASHINI mission includes formulating a long-term strategy to advance the adoption and growth of sustainable Indian language technology solutions. It aims to enable cutting-edge research and harness economies of scale to propel Indian language technologies forward.
13		We are working on Indian sign language translation by the name "gesture guru" and "learn sign" to help deaf and mute persons to learn sign language and its recognition. So my query is that are you providing any short of funding or grant to such projects or help us to collaborate with relevant agencies	Financial support	Financial support will be provided to empanelled members on activity basis. Assistance will cover activities such as hackathons, challenges, seminars, and workshops in partnership with BHASHINI. HEI's need to propose on the way they can contribute on this joint activity as per the proposal  Based on the requirements and approval from the Digital India BHASHINI Division,

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				<p>support will be extended for outreach and collaboration events.</p> <p>The quantum of funding will be determined solely based on the requirements of the activities.</p>
14		Do we have any format or any portal to submit the proposal.	Application submission	Applicants must submit their proposals based on the evaluation metrics mentioned in the RFE document. For each criterion, applicants are required to provide the relevant supporting documents.
15		Want to know more about scheme, how to bid online etc	Application submission	Details can be found on the Central Procurement Portal under Tender ID: 2024_DIT_811691_1 Tender Reference Number: DIBD/Empanelment-HEI/2024/01.
16		Please let us know how we can submit a project proposal and funding opportunities there.	Financial support	Project proposal need to be submitted through CPP portal For financial assistance, Please refer to point 13

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