

**SILIGURI JALPAIGURI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF**

**Dry port at Siliguri**

Siliguri is located in the Northern Part of West Bengal with locational advantages and proximity to countries like Nepal, Bangladesh, China, Bhutan and states like Bihar, Sikkim, Assam and other North Eastern states. It is in the midst of region with strong agriculture, horticulture, floriculture base. Tea is one of the major produce of the region which needs to be moved out for either export or domestic markets. With the opening up of Nathu La pass and Fulbari International Check Post trade to China, Bangladesh and Nepal can be increased manifold.

Keeping in view the above facts, Siliguri Jalpaiguri Development Authority is developing a Inland Container Depot (ICD) with funding from ASIDE scheme of Govt. of India. After the development, this ICD will be operated and managed through private sector partnership which will provide an effective linkage to Kolkata and other ports and will establish a nodal transfer / transshipment points in the region. Containerization or cargo to enable multi-modal transport and reduction of handling costs and freight will also be emphasized in this ICD. Facilities like excise payment, customs clearance, container yards, transit sheds, warehouses, railway siding, truck parking, modern cargo handling facilities will also be developed to function this ICD like a Dry Port.

**Site:** An area of 34 acre of land has been earmarked near New Jalpaiguri Railway Junction on the outskirts of Siliguri.

**Eligibility/pre-qualification criteria for prospective applicant agencies:-**

Any private sector entity or a consortium of private sector entities is said to be eligible to apply, if it complies with all of the following parameters:

- (i) The applicant or a member of the consortium should have the experience of establishing and managing similar kind of facilities or should have experience of transfer / transshipment of minimum 1,50,000 M.T. materials per annum into / from multi-modal transport for last 3 years upto 31.03.2008 of which at least 30% should be into / from Railway wagons.
- (ii) The average annual turnover of the applicant / consortium should be not less than Rs. 30.00 crore for the last three financial years ending with 2007-08.
- (iii) The Net Worth of the applicant / consortium should be over Rs. 10.00 crore as on 31.03.2008.
- (iv) In case of a Consortium, the lead member, whom the members of the consortium would designate as lead member, must hold at least 26 percent in the equity of the entity.

Interested parties may apply to the Chief Executive Officer, Siliguri Jalpaiguri Development Authority in following address in sealed envelop containing documents in proof of eligibility on the above criteria and a project report, details of facilities etc. to be provided with a demand draft of Rs. 5,000.00 in favour of "SILIGURI JALPAIGURI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY" payable at Siliguri.

SJDA may short list some private sector entities or consortium of private sector entities, on the basis of the EOI submission against this invitation notice, for the final tendering with financial bid.

**Last date of application:** before 3:00 p.m., 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2009.

**Disclaimer:** SJDA reserves the right to withdraw from the whole process or any part thereof, to accept or reject any or all offers at any stage of the process. No financial obligation shall accrue to SJDA or in such an event authority shall not be responsible for non-receipt of correspondence sent by post/e-mail/ fax/ courier.

**Contact address:** Siliguri Jalpaiguri Development Authority, Tenzing Norgy Road, Central Bus Terminus, Pradhan Nagar, Siliguri-734003, Telephone Nos. 0353 –2515647 / 2512922, Fax- 2510056 during office hours.

**Chief Executive Officer,**  
**Siliguri Jalpaiguri Development Authority**