

Integrity Pact Program

Bringing the practices in Railtel Corporation of India Limited up to the internationally acclaimed best practices for raising integrity levels in procurement of works and services, RailTel is implementing the Integrity Pact Program in line with the recommendation of Central Vigilance Commission (CVC).

The Integrity Pact Program envisages an 'Integrity Pact', an agreement between the prospective Bidders & Contractors and RailTel, committing the persons/officials of both parties, not to exercise any influence on any aspect of the contract.

Coverage:

The Integrity Pact Program will cover the following tenders/procurements:

All tenders relating to procurement of OFC, quad cable, pre-fab shelters, electronic equipments and its installations and/or commissioning etc and other item(s) or activity/activities proposed to be carried out or required by the Company for the value exceeding Rs. 15 crores at a time including for repair and maintenance of cable /network and any other items required for special works assigned to RailTel

Implementation:

The accompanying 'Integrity Pact' will be issued along with the bidding documents and will also be uploaded on the website.

Bidder of Indian origin shall submit the Integrity Pact (in 2 copies) on a non judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/- duly signed by the person signing the bid. Bidder of foreign origin may submit the Integrity Pact on its company's letterhead, duly signed by the person signing the bid.

If the bidder is a partnership or a consortium, the Integrity Pact shall be signed by all the partners or consortium members.

The 'Integrity Pact' shall be returned by the Bidder duly signed along with the Bid in a separate envelope, duly superscripted with 'Integrity Pact'.

On behalf of RailTel, the Integrity pact will be signed by the concerned representative of the Projects department in the Bid Opening Committee immediately on receipt of Integrity Pact signed by the Bidder at the time of Bid opening. One copy of the Integrity Pact shall be retained by RailTel and the 2nd copy will be issued to the representative of the bidders during bid opening. If the Bidders representative is not present during the Bid opening, the 2nd copy shall be sent to the bidder by post/courier.

Bidder's failure to submit the Integrity Pact duly signed along with the Bid shall lead to outright rejection of the Bid.

The bidder shall not change the contents of the Integrity pact.

All the pages of the Integrity Pact are to be signed by both RailTel and the Bidder.

Independent External Monitors (IEMs):

1. CMD of RailTel is the authority to appoint Independent External Monitor(s) to oversee Integrity Pact Program's implementation and effectiveness with respect to the tenders/procurements to which Integrity Pact Program applies. For this purpose, CVC would nominate IEMs for RailTel from the panel of IEMs maintained by it. The Terms and Conditions of their appointment would be decided by CMD, RailTel in line with CVC guidelines in the matter.
2. In all tenders covered under the Integrity Pact, particulars of all IEMs, including their email IDs should be mentioned.
3. A copy of such Tender Document shall be forwarded to both IEM's promptly after publishing of the same, Information regarding the contracts awarded against the said Tender shall be provided to the concerned IEM at regular intervals as decided in consultation with CVO. Additional details/documents, if any, shall be furnished to the concerned IEM/IEMs, as and when sought by them.
4. IEM/IEMs shall provide their opinion on the complaints received by them to CMD RailTel at the earliest. They may however send their report directly to the CVO in case of suspicion of serious irregularities requiring legal/administrative action.