

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)
FOR SELECTION OF CONSORTIUM PARTNER
FOR UPGRADATION OF EXISTING RAJASTHAN STATE DATA CENTRE INTO
AI BASED DATA CENTER**

EOI

Ref. No: EdCIL/DES/DoIT&C/AI/2026/01



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The Bidder shall bear all its costs associated with or relating to the preparation and submission of its BID including but not limited to preparation, copying, postage, delivery fees, expenses associated with any demonstrations or presentations which may be required by the EdCIL (India) Ltd., site visits, investigations, studies or any other costs incurred in connection with or relating to its BID. All such costs and expenses will remain with the Bidder and the EdCIL (India) Ltd. shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for the same or for any other costs or other expenses incurred by a Bidder in preparation or submission of the BID, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Bidding Process.

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1. NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

EdCIL (India) Limited invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from eligible OEMs/System Integrators for selection as Consortium Partner for upgradation of existing Rajasthan State Data center into AI based Data Center.

Reference no.:	EdCIL/DES/DoIT&C/AI/2026/01
Name of work	Expression of Interest for Selection of Consortium Partner for upgradation of existing Rajasthan State Data center into AI based Data Center
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Last Date and Time for receipts of Bids	05-Mar-2026 (4:00 PM)
Date and Time of Opening of Bids	05-Mar-2026 (5:00 PM)
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2. ABOUT EdCIL (INDIA) LIMITED

EdCIL (India) Limited, a Mini Ratna Category – I CPSE (Central Public-Sector Enterprise) Company, registered at Amba Deep Building, 7th Floor, 14 KG Marg, New Delhi-110001 (India), was incorporated in 1981, under the Ministry of Education. It is an ISO 9001:2015 & 14001:2015 Certified Company. It is a continuously dividend paying and profit-making company and the only PSU (Public Sector Undertaking) under Ministry of Education to serve the education sector.

The company over the four decades of existence and has executed many projects and consultancies across the entire value chain of education. It has a large number of satisfied Clients spanning across Govt. of India, State Governments, Foreign Missions, Autonomous Bodies and Centers of Excellence (IITs, IIMs, IIITs, IISERs etc.).

In the higher education domain, Digital Education Services (DES) establishes AI labs and Centers of Excellence within institutions. Additionally, they deploy AI and HPC-powered data centers.

3. BACKGROUND OF THE PROJECT

The Department of Information Technology & Communication, Government of Rajasthan, has initiated this project to upgrade the existing Rajasthan State Data Centre (RSDC Phase-I), Jaipur into a state-of-the-art AI-based Data Center. The current infrastructure, operational since 2011, requires modernization to support high-density AI/ML workloads and advanced digital services. The upgrade aligns with the Government of India's India AI Mission to strengthen AI-ready infrastructure nationwide.

The proposed AI-based Data Center will feature enhanced power, cooling, scalability, and high-performance computing capabilities to accommodate approximately 25 high-density racks (60 kW per rack). The project also includes redesigning civil, electrical, mechanical, and building management systems to meet Tier-III+ standards. Post upgradation, the selected Data Centre Operator (DCO) will operate and maintain the facility for five years to ensure reliability, security, and continuous service delivery as per the EOI Reference No.: F5.502(1411)/DoIT&C/2026/00118/2026 dated 13- Jan-2026.

4. OBJECTIVE OF THE EOI

To identify and shortlist technically qualified and financially competent consortium partner with EdCIL in the upgradation of the existing Rajasthan State Data Centre (RSDC Phase-I) into an AI-based Data Center.

5. SCOPE OF WORK & DELIVERABLES

The scope of work and deliverables shall be governed by EOI Reference No.: F5.502(1411)/DoIT&C/2026/00118/2026 dated 13-Jan-2026 floated by Department of Information Technology & Communication (DOIT&C), Jaipur.

6. CONSORTIUM STRUCTURE & TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The selected consortium partner shall serve as the Technology and Implementation Partner. A formal consortium agreement shall be executed prior to the final bid submission, in accordance with the RFP to be floated by Department of Information Technology & Communication (DOIT&C), Jaipur at a later stage.

- EdCIL reserves the right to cancel or modify the process at any time.
- This identification of consortium partner does not constitute any commitment or promise of business.
- Identification of a consortium partner shall not obligate EdCIL to participate in the subsequent tendering process. EdCIL reserves the right to withdraw at any stage without prior intimation to the identified consortium partner.
- The participating bidders in this EOI shall not associate, collaborate, or participate in any form, in the tendering process against EOI Reference No.: F5.502(1411)/DoIT&C/2026/00118/2026 dated 13-Jan-2026 floated by Department of Information Technology & Communication (DOIT&C), Jaipur. This declaration must be submitted on a non-judicial stamp paper of ₹100.

7. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The eligibility criteria shall be governed in accordance with EOI Reference No.: F5.502(1411)/DoIT&C/2026/00118/2026 dated 13-Jan-2026 floated by Department of Information Technology & Communication (DOIT&C), Jaipur. All deliverables mentioned in the said EOI shall be submitted to EdCIL for evaluation of eligibility.

The documents to be submitted include, but are not limited to:

- Company Profile
- GST Registration Certificate
- PAN
- Certificate of Incorporation
- OEM Authorizations
- Audited Financial Statements
- Details of Past Projects
- Non-Blacklisting Declaration
- Power of Attorney
- Detailed Solution Document, including all deliverables as specified in EOI Reference No.: F5.502(1411)/DoIT&C/2026/00118/2026 dated 13-Jan-2026 floated by Department of Information Technology & Communication (DOIT&C), Jaipur.

8. EVALUATION CRITERIA

The bidder who fulfilled the eligibility criteria shall be further evaluated as per the following marking matrix:

Marking Matrix: In the below table, marking parameters for technical evaluation are mentioned:

S.no	Marking Parameters	Marking Scheme	Maximum Marks	Document required
1.	The lead bidder firm must have on its roll at least 100 technically qualified professionals having experience in networking, systems integration and in establishing the Data Centre Infrastructure as well as maintenance services as on date of bid submission..	<p>>=100 Engineers and <500 Engineers = 10 Marks</p> <p>>=500 Engineers =20 Marks</p>	20	Self-Certification by the authorized signatory and HR department with clear declaration of staff – year wise, Level/designation wise.
2.	<p>The lead bidder should have commissioned and installed at least one Data Center (minimum 20 racks with minimum 40 KW each rack) in India from 01 April, 2016 to till date of submission of EOI with an order value of data center in Non-IT but excluding basic building structure, not be less than Rs. 25 crores.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>The lead bidder should have commissioned and installed at least one Data Center of minimum 1.0 MW IT load in</p>	<p>1 Data Center = 15 Marks</p> <p>>= 2 Data Center = 20 Marks</p>	20	Supporting Documentation (purchase orders, completion certificates, or client references) shall be submitted.

	<p>India from 01 April, 2016 to till date of submission of EOI with an order value of data center in Non-IT but excluding basic building structure, not be less than Rs. 40 crores. Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bidder's in house data centres shall not be considered. • Bidders who have built their own Internet Data Centre (IDC) for commercial use will be considered. 			
3.	<p>Average annual turnover of the lead bidder from 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 (as per the last published audited balance sheets), should be at least Rs 300 Crores.</p>	<p>>=300 Crore and <500 Crore = 10 Marks</p> <p>>=500 Crore = 20 Marks</p>	20	<p>Chartered Accountant with Chartered Accountant's Registration number/ Seal</p>
5.	<p>A.) Submission of Solution documents with all the deliverables and documents for evaluating EdCIL to bid further.</p> <p>B.) Technical Presentation - Expert Committee for the Technical Presentation will evaluate</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Value addition to current system 2) Resource Planning: the bidder's capability and product quality (Project Team deployment plan, System Configurability and 		<p>Solution Document Evaluation= 20 Marks</p> <p>Technical Presentation =20 Marks</p>	

	<p>Upgradation, Quality Previous project implementation timelines (From Project kick-off time to Handover date and Time))</p> <p>3) Technical Expertise: technology and other suitability related aspects (Solution Architecture)</p> <p>However this list is not the final list and committee may modify it at any later stage.</p> <p>Note- The Technical Presentation will be held online mode or offline at EdCIL (India) Limited, Noida Campus and Bidder will have to make all the arrangements to attend the same according to the notified date and time on their own.</p>			
Total (Maximum)			100	

The bidder securing the highest marks shall be selected as the Consortium Partner.

9. SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

EOI responses to be submitted in PDF format before the due date.

