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NOTICE INVITING QUOTATIONS

Dr. Y S Parmar University invites quotations (Technical + Financial) from the registered firms / companies to deliver an all-in-one e-books platform/database by offering:

- A comprehensive collection of **academic and professional eBooks**.
- Affordable, flexible **subscription-based access**.
- Tools that enhance research, teaching, and digital learning.
- **Inclusive for all type of users** –students, scholars, teachers as well as specially abled users.
- Sealed quotations are invited from international, leading firms who can offer access to over **50,000 e-Books** in Forestry, and Horticulture, Agriculture, Life Sciences + Comprehensive coverage across multiple disciplines will be considered an added advantage. Focused subject areas are mentioned below:

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| 1 Floriculture & Landscape Architecture | 15 Plant Pathology |
| 2 Fruit Science | 16 Microbiology |
| 3 Vegetable Science | 17 Molecular Biology & Biotechnology |
| 4 Spices, Plantation & Medicinal & Arom: Plants | 18 Environmental Science & Environm |
| 5 Food Technology | 19 Soil Science & Water Management |
| 6 Seed Science & Technology | 20 Agricultural Economics |
| 7 Agro-forestry | 21 Agricultural Extension |
| 8 Silviculture | 22 Statistics |
| 9 Forest Genetic Resources / Tree Improvement | 23 Food Science & Technology |
| 10 Plantation Technology | 24 Biotechnology |
| 11 Watershed Management | 25 Food Technology |
| 12 Wood Science & Technology | 26 Value-Added Products from Fruit Vegetables |
| 13 Entomology | 27 Agriculture/Agribusiness Managem |
| 14 Nematology | |

Types of Content:

- Core academic textbooks
- Professional reference books
- Non-fiction & applied sciences

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Languages:

- English (mandatory)
- Other languages (Multilingual Support) would be appreciated

Must include International Publishers:

- Must include major international publishers including reputable global academic publishers, University presses & Society publications.

****Note-**

- *Separate envelopes should be sent for technical specifications and financial quotations. The Firm, whichever clarifies the technical requirements, will only be eligible for opening of financial quote.*
- *A financial quote should be sent for a subscription cost for a period of 3 years.*

Annexure- I

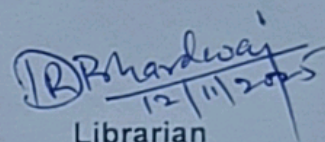
Technical Specifications Table for e-books database

Feature	Details
Platform Type	Web-based with mobile apps (iOS & Android)
Content Volume	Quotation is invited for 50,000 e- textbooks and e-reference books on subscription basis whereas New titles/volumes must be updated automatically every month without any extra cost. (The vendor with the most qualitative and vast coverage collection along with overall maximum number of titles at the lowest price will be given preference)
Content Type	Must include textbooks and reference books, including case studies
Access Model	Subscription-based
Should Quote At Least For	50 licenses
Reading Format	Online in-browser and offline via app
Audiobooks / Read Aloud	Built-in read-aloud feature for most eBooks
Search Functionality	Full-text smart search + Dialog AI assistant for semantic search
Dictionary	Built-in English Dictionary

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Feature	Details
Note-taking & Highlighting	Syncs across devices
Bookmarking & Citations	Yes – Includes APA, MLA, Chicago, Harvard, etc.
Accessibility Features	Dyslexic-friendly font, color themes, TTS, screen reader support
Integrations	LMS integration
Authentication	Email login, Google SSO, institutional SSO available
Support Reports &	Institutional usage reporting, basic analytics
AI Features	Dialog: Smart search, contextual AI summarization & citation suggestions
Disciplines Covered	Over 900+ disciplines. Must have strong coverage in agriculture, life sciences, horticulture and other subject areas.


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AVAILABILITY OF BID DOCUMENT

The Bid Document is available on the Official Website of Dr. Y S Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni-Solan. URL : www.yspuniversity.ac.in

KEY DATES:

Date of Online Publication	12-11-2025
Tender (Technical and Financial) Submission Last Date	25-11-2025 (11 AM)
Physical Submission of EMD	25-11-2025 (11 AM)
Date of Technical and Financial Evaluation of Tender	25-11-2025 (3 PM)

Tender Details:

The tender Documents shall be submitted in 2 Covers

Cover-1: Shall Contain Scanned copies of all Technical Documents/ Eligibility information alongwith EMD Rs. 20,000/- (Twenty Thousand) only in the name of The Comptroller, UHF, Nauni.

Cover-2: Shall contain Financial Tender, where the Bidder will quote his offer for the database subscription for a time period of three years.

Submission of Original Documents : The Bidder are required to submit :

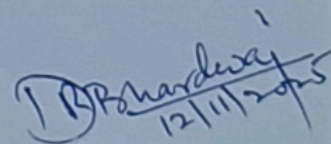
- (a) **EMD (Earnest Money Deposit) Security Amount to Rs. 20,000/- (Twenty Thousand) only of Bid Document in shape of FDR (Fixed Deposit Receipt) duly pledged to The Comptroller, UHF Nauni and other** Technical documents in the office of The Librarian, SNS Library, Dr. Y. S. Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni-Solan as specified in key dates on tender opening date, failing which the bids will be declare non responsive.
- (b) **Bid Opening Details :** The bid shall be opened on 25-11-2025 (3:00 PM) in the office of The Librarian, SNS Library, Dr. Y. S. Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni-Solan by the authorized officer/official(s). In their interest the Tenderer are advised to be present along with Original Documents at the time of opening of tender. If the office happens to be

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closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on next working day at the same time and venue.

- Mandatory, a checklist for the list of documents enclosed with their page numbers.
- Tender should be submitted complete in all respect as per the terms and conditions of the tender document within the prescribed stipulation. Any tender received after the valid period shall not be considered.
- No tender will be considered unless and until all the documents are properly signed on each page of the tender document by the tenderer. The tenderer shall initial all corrections in the tender and noncompliance with this condition will render the tender liable to rejection.
- All alterations or cuttings in the tenders shall be initiated by the panel of officers. The conditional/ambiguous tender shall not be accepted and shall be rejected out rightly.
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- A comparative statement of rates shall be prepared and **the bid found to be the lowest evaluated bid shall be accepted.** (The Financial Evaluation of Bid will be done on Overall rates quoted by the Firm).
- The tenderers should enclose mandatory GeM availability/Non-availability Certificate, Sole Supplier Certificate, List of Customers with proof, GOC Conversion Rates, Registration Certificates of Firm/company, MSME certificates, etc. . The bid submitted without such documents will be rejected out rightly.
- If the tenderer is available on Gem, them the subscription will be preceded through GeM only.
- The Payment will be initiated by the University only after the activation of the subscription and account creation.


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