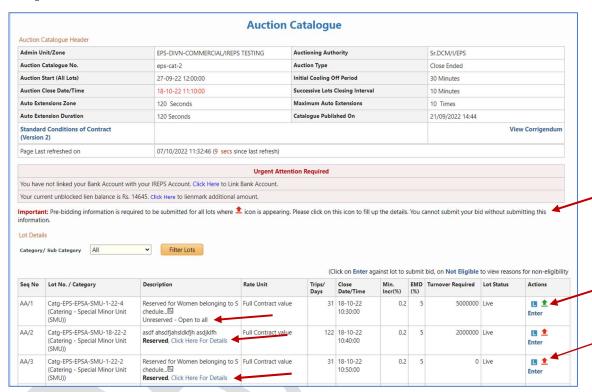


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1. Auction Catalogue

The changes in auction catalogue for catering vis-à-vis other categories are pointed out below:



a) **Reservation Policy:** A catering lot may be either be open to everyone for participation, or it may be reserved for a specific set of people, in accordance with the Catering Policy of Indian Railways. Only the entities qualifying for a lot in accordance with the catering policy can submit their bids against the lot.

The reservation category of the lot is indicated in the Description field of the auction catalogue. The category for which the lot is reserved can be viewed by clicking on *Click Here For Details* link in the Description field, which brings up a pop-up similar to the one shown below:

Lot Reservation Details	
Lot No	Catg-EPS-EPSC-SMU-55-22-1
Reserved for Women belonging to People below Poverty Line (BPL)	
Close	

In case the lot is unreserved, the description will indicate '*Unreserved-Open to all*'.

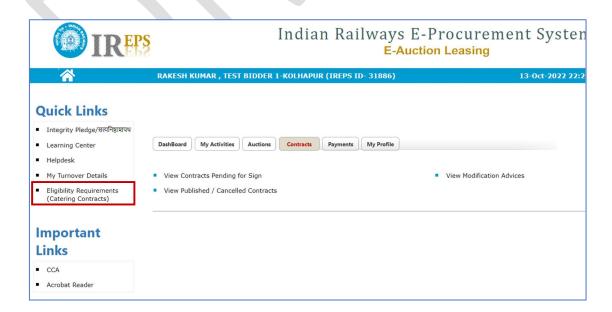
- b) In case of SMU lots only **Individuals** and **Proprietary** firms are allowed to submit their bids against the lot.
 - Under certain circumstances a lot pertaining to Special Minor Units may be auctioned as General Minor Unit. In such cases, all entities that are allowed to participate against General Minor Units will be allowed to participate against the lot.
- c) **Pre-bidding information:** The bidders have to provide pre-bidding information for each catering lot. Bidders are not allowed to enter the bidding page for a lot unless pre-bidding information has been entered. This can be done by clicking on it icon against the lot in the auction catalogue. This is explained in detail in subsequent paragraphs.

2. Eligibility Requirements

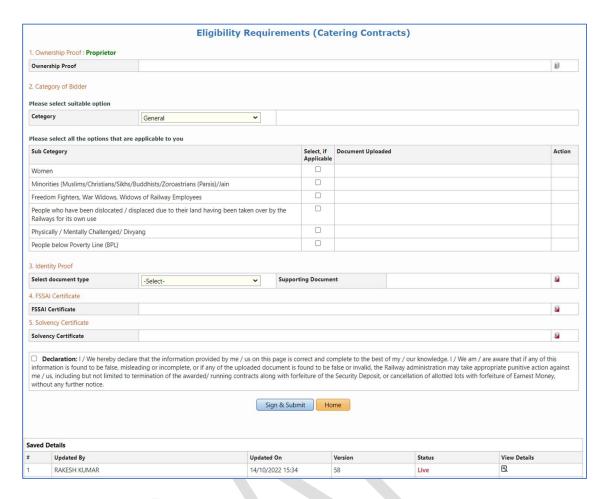
Bidders are required to update their turnover details for all categories of lots through *My Turnover Details* link), and this shall be done for catering lots also.

In case of catering lots, the bidders are also required to submit additional information to enable the auction conducting units to adjudge their eligibility for catering lots.

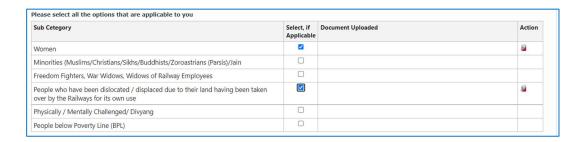
This is done through *Eligibility Requirements (Catering Contracts) link* on bidder's home page, as shown below:



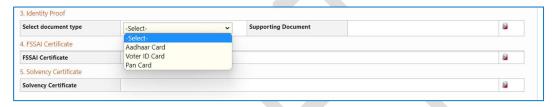
Clicking on this link brings up the following interface



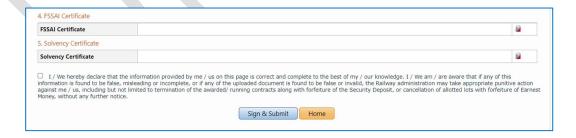
- The ownership type of the bidder as available in IREPS database is shown in para 1 of the page. In case the entity is other than Proprietary firm or an Individual, it is mandatory for it to upload the applicable ownership document like partnership certificate, certificate of registration with registrar of companies or registrar of firms etc. Uploading of this document is optional in case of individual firm/ proprietary firm.
- The firm has to select the caste category (General, OBC, SC, ST) from the dropdown field provided in para 2.
 - Important: This selection can be made by individuals and proprietary firms only. For other types of entities, the value against the field is automatically set to *General*.
- The firm can also choose one or more of the following options available in Para 2 for capturing the status of the firms (Women, Minorities, Freedom fighters etc.) by selecting the check box against the particular row.
 - If a check box is selected for any row, it is mandatory for the firm to upload documentary evidence for the same.



- Important: These selections can be made by individuals and proprietary firms only. These options are disabled for other types of entities.
- The firm has to provide a valid document for establishing its identity. Users have the option to upload Aadhar card, Voter ID card or Pan Card.



- Important: It is mandatory for individuals and proprietary firms to select the option and upload the required document. It is not mandatory for other types of firms.
- It is mandatory for firms, to upload *FSSAI certificate*, and *Solvency Certificate*. Entities belonging to BPL category will be able to submit the form without submitting FSSAI certificate, and in cases where a BPL entity has not provided the form before bidding, the divisions will obtain the same before start of the contract.



- The firms are required to tick the check box for the declaration displayed on the page, before they submit the information, as shown in the screenshot below.

Bidders are not allowed to participate against auctions for catering lots, unless and until all the required information related to eligibility is submitted through this interface. Bidders can modify the information at any point of time, and the modified details become applicable for bids submitted after the modification.

3. Pre-Bidding Information

Bidders are required to submit pre-bidding information for each catering lot before entering the bidding page for the lot. Pre-bidding information can be entered by clicking on icon against the lot on the auction catalogue. If the bidder is eligible for participation against the lot, based on the reservation criteria, the following page is displayed.



The years of experience required for participation against the lot is mentioned on the page. The bidder has to enter the years / months of experience in catering business that it possesses, and upload supporting documents by clicking on the Click Here link against the field. Multiple documents can be uploaded, one after the other, through the same link. An uploaded document can be deleted by clicking on the cross.

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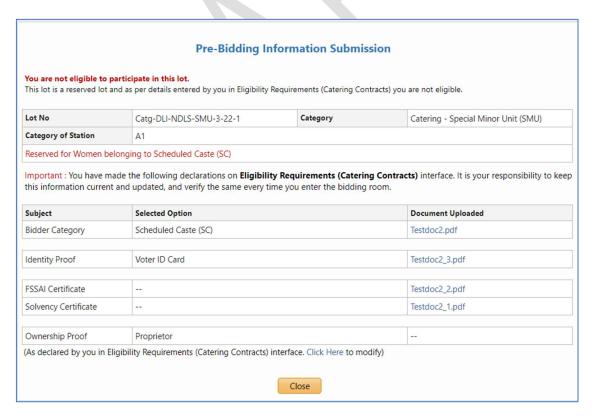
- Bidders have to ensure that all required documents as mentioned on the page are uploaded through this interface, else the awarded lot shall be cancelled, and their EMD shall be forfeited.

- The system will not allow submission of this page if the years of experience entered by the bidder is less than the required years of experience, as mentioned on the page.
- **Lots reserved for BPL category**: In case of D, E & F category stations, if a lot is reserved for BPL category, the years of experience entered can be less than that mentioned on the page, or even zero. Document uploading is required in such cases only if the value entered is greater than 0.

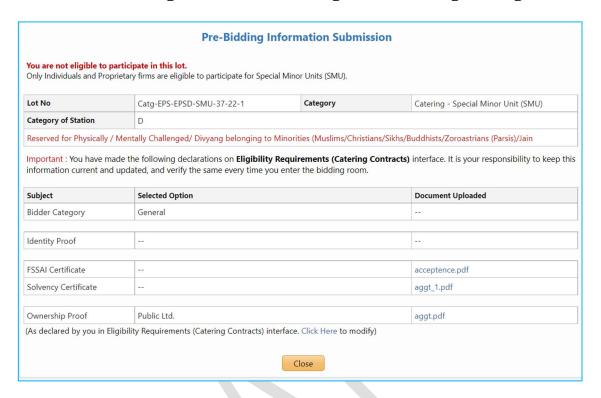
All the information entered by the firm on the Eligibility Criteria (Catering Contracts) page is shown on the Pre-Bidding Information Submission page again, so as to enable the bidder to re-check the same.

The bidder has to select the Declaration check box at the bottom of the page and then click on the **Sign & Submit** button to digitally sign and save the information.

In case the firm does not qualify the eligibility criteria mentioned for a lot, as mentioned in the auction catalogue, a message to this effect is displayed on the Pre-Bidding Information Interface, and the bidder is not allowed to submit this page, nor allowed to submit bid against the lot.



In case of SMU lots, *which are being auctioned as SMU and not GMU*, only Individuals and Proprietary firms are allowed to submit their bids against the lot. Other categories of bidders will get the following message:



4. Bidding

Once the Pre-Bidding information is submitted for a lot, the bidder can enter the bidding room for that lot and submit its bid in the same manner, as is done for lots pertaining to other categories, as described in detail in User Manual for Contractors for E-Auction Leasing module.

5. Disclaimer

IREPS software is being upgraded continuously and the Pages/ Forms shown or referred to in this manual may be subject to changes. Users are advised to keep themselves abreast with the latest changes, and by taking note of the messages sent by the IREPS administrator from time to time.

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