

Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

FOR EMPANELLMENT OF LAW FIRM(S)/IP ATTORNEYS/PATENT AGENTS FOR HANDLING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND OTHER RELATED WORKS

Intellectual Property Management & Commercialization Cell (hereinafter IPMCC), Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India, seeks EOI from Law Firms/ IP Attorneys/ Patent Agents for empanelment for drafting, filing and management of Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs), drafting/vetting of technology licensing and other legal documents for partnerships with other entities and to provide other Techno-Legal assistance in forming on a case-to-case basis as per institute IPR policy. Legal Firms/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents shall be selected after following the procedure laid down as per the terms and conditions of the **Expression of Interest (EOI)**.

- (i) The law firm/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents can be based anywhere in India along with a suitable performance guarantee.
- (ii) The EOI shall be based on technical bid along with a financial Bid and security/declaration forms etc.
- (iii) Every Company/Law Firm/IP Attorney/Patent Agent has to submit the technical bid in a sealed envelope. The qualified threshold marks are 20 out of 100 marks. If there is large number of applicants the weightage will be given to those who have scored maximum marks.
- (iv) The empanelment of firms/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents (maximum 06) will be made who have scored maximum marks in Technical Bid and lowest Financial Bid.
- (v) The selected panel/individual shall be valid initially for three years, extendable up to five years as per the performance of the firm.

The law firm/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents must have a minimum of 05 (Five) years working experience in the field of preparation of all documents/agreements for Transfer of Technology /Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)/ Public Private Partnership (PPP) etc. with Government/ Central Govt./ State Govt./ Public Sector industry/ public sector R&D or otherwise. The proposal for technical bid with all the prescribed duly attested enclosures/documents shall be submitted in a separate envelope with the superscript "Tender for Empanelment of IP Law firms/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents Intellectual Property Management & Commercialization Cell (hereinafter IPMCC), Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India" on or before (02.04.2025 upto 5:00 PM) to:

The Registrar,

Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India-151203

The EOI Document containing the details of qualification criteria, submission details, brief objective & scope of work and evaluation criteria etc. can be downloaded from https://bfuhs.ggsmch.org/

Schedule for the Proponents is as under:

EOI Document Number	BFUHS/ EOI-01/ IPMCC/ 2025
Date of Publication	28.03.2025 at 3:00 PM
Last date/Time of submission	17.04.2025 upto 5:00 PM
Opening time and date of EOI	21.04.2025 at 11:00 AM (Registrar Office, BFUHS, Faridkot)

IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India reserves the right to cancel this request for EOI and/or invite afresh with or without amendments, without liability or any obligation for such request for EOI, and without assigning any reason. Information provided at this stage is indicative and the IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India reserves the right to amend/add further details in the EOI.

Introduction:

Baba Farid University of Health Sciences (BFUHS), Faridkot, Punjab, is a leading health sciences university dedicated to excellence in healthcare education, research, and innovation. To further its commitment to academic and research excellence, the university has established the Intellectual Property Management & Commercialization Cell (IPMCC). The primary objective of IPMCC is to foster university-industry collaboration, promote innovation, entrepreneurship, and intellectual property rights (IPR), and facilitate the commercialization of university-generated technologies.

IPMCC acts as a bridge between academia and industry, enhancing cooperation and partnership in research and innovation. This collaboration not only enriches the knowledge and expertise of students and researchers but also provides a platform for practical application of scientific theories. By ensuring the effective transfer of innovative technologies to industry, IPMCC plays a crucial role in keeping the healthcare sector at the forefront of technological advancements.

The cell is also deeply involved in fostering an ecosystem of incubation and innovation. It provides the necessary infrastructure, mentorship, and access to funding for students, researchers, and entrepreneurs, enabling them to transform their innovative ideas into successful ventures. By supporting healthcare startups and research-based enterprises, IPMCC contributes to the growth of the local economy and the broader healthcare sector by generating new job opportunities and businesses.

In conclusion, the **Intellectual Property Management & Commercialization Cell (IPMCC) at BFUHS** is dedicated to promoting research, innovation, IPR generation, and commercialization, as well as fostering entrepreneurship. Through its initiatives, IPMCC contributes to the advancement of healthcare research and

industry collaboration, reinforcing the university's mission of excellence in education and healthcare innovation.

1. Broad Scope of Work:

Subject to the terms and conditions of an Agreement, IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India seeks EOI from Law Firm(s)/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents for empanelment for:

- 1.1. Filing and management of Intellectual Property Rights including drafting, filing, prosecution, opposition, and maintenance of IP in India and Abroad.
- 1.2. The Law Firm shall be responsible for drafting/vetting all kinds of documents/Agreements whatsoever required, in consultation with the IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India, and maintenance of records of patents, industrial designs, trademarks, copyrights and Designs, various processes etc.
- 1.3. Law firm/Agent shall provide Patent Searches, Invalidity/validity and State of the Art Search.
- 1.4. Handling aspects such as renewal, opposition, revocation and restoration of IP and any other proceeding under relevant IP Act/Law including IP management matters in India and Abroad.
- 1.5. Maintenance and handling of foreign patent applications (including PCT) for filing/IP securing.
- 1.6. Interaction/Counselling (if required) with inventors/ principal investigators (PIs) and applicants.
- 1.7. IP infringement cases, representation in India and miscellaneous actions under the relevant Act.
- 1.8. To draft/ undertake legal vetting of all documents/Agreements for Transfer of Technology /Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)/Public Private Partnership (PPP) etc.

2. Tenure of Engagement:

The tenure of engagement (minimum 03 firms/ IP Attorneys/ Patent Agents) shall be initially for a period of three years, extendable further up to five years on a yearly basis with the same terms and conditions, depending upon the satisfactory performance of the Law Firm.

3. Eligibility Criteria:

The firms/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents should fulfill the following criteria and should produce documentary evidence wherever applicable, including the experience projected etc.:

- In case of Firms should be a legal entity registered under statutes of India and should registered patent agent with Indian patent office.
- Firm/ IP Attorneys/Patent Agents should be of good standing with public/ private sector entities/ organizations dealing with all types of IP including services for Patents, Designs, Copyrights, Trademarks & Service Marks etc. Preference will be given to firms, IP attorneys, or patent agents with some working experience in relevant public or private sector entities or organizations.

• The firm/ IP Attorneys/ Patent Agents should not be black-listed by any Central/ State Government/ Public Sector Undertaking, Govt. of India and should not have litigation that may have an impact on the delivery of services.

4. Documents Required:

Proponents are requested to go through all pre-qualification requirements, scope of work for execution & requirements w.r.t. Technical/Financial capabilities and to submit all relevant documents. IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India, reserves the right to call for any clarifications as required to assess the company for eligibility.

5. Rejection Criteria:

The application is liable to be rejected if:

- a. The proposal is not submitted as per the requirements indicated in the EOI.
- b. Not in the prescribed format.
- c. Not properly signed as per requirements.
- d. Received after the expiry of the due date and time.
- e. All relevant supporting documents are not furnished.
- f. The proposal shall be substantially responsive without any material deviation from the terms and conditions of EOI. The proposal should be submitted strictly as per the requirements of Technical of EOI, failing which the proposal shall be summarily rejected.

6. Disclaimer:

- IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India shall not be responsible for any late receipt of applications or for any reasons whatsoever.
- IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India reserves the right to reject any or all applications without assigning any reasons thereof.
- IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India may relax or waive-off any of the conditions stipulated in this document as deemed necessary in the best interest of the University, without assigning any reasons thereof.
- To include any other item in the scope of work at any time, in consultation with proponents or otherwise.

7. Evaluation Methodology/ Pre-Qualification Criteria:

The selection of law firm shall be based upon:

- a) Fulfill the Pre-Qualification; Section-I (Part-A and Part-B)
- b) Lowest Financial Bid; Section-II.

IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India will evaluate the firms for short listing, inter- alia based on their past experience of handling similar types of work, the strength of man power of the firm. IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India will assign scores to the response of each firm/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents based on weightage assigned to each of the criteria under different categories mentioned in Section-I (Part-B). If there is large number of applicants the weightage will be given to those who have scored more marks.

No travelling charges or other related charges would be paid by the IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India in case of bidder is required to present before the expert committee.

8. Conflict of Interest:

- 1. Where there is any indication that a conflict of interest exists or may arise, it shall be the responsibility of the bidder to inform the IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India, detailing the conflict in writing as an attachment to this Bid.
- 2. IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India will be the final arbitrator in cases of potential conflicts of interest. Failure to notify the IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India of any potential conflict of interest will invalidate any verbal or written agreement.
- 3. A Conflict of Interest is where a person who is involved in the procurement has or may be perceived to have a personal interest in ensuring that a particular Bidder is successful. Actual and potential conflicts of interest must be declared by a person involved in a Bid process.

9. Technical Bid Criteria:

Proponents are required to submit their proposals in writing providing their credentials and requests for empanelment. Details are to be given as per the formats and Annexures given below. In case of any clarification required, please contact:

IPMCC, Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab, India.

Annexure-I

Section-I (Part-A)

Pre-Qualification

S.No.	Criteria	Yes/No	Marks Claimed
1.	The proponent shall be a legal entity (in the case of a firm) registered under the statutes of India and should be registered as a patent agent with patent office. (attach Format-1)		
2.	The proponent (in case of a firm) must be registered in India with taxation and other administrative authorities. (Attach Format 2)		
3.	The proponent should have practiced for at least 05 (years) in the profession in the relevant field. (Attach Format 3)		
4.	The proponent should not have been black-listed and not involved in major litigation by any Central /State Government / Public Sector Undertaking, Govt. of India (Attach Format 4)		NA
5	The Law Firms/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents may be on the panel or providing services to at least one Central or State Govt. organization /PSU/Govt. Autonomous Organization/ Govt. Institution/private university at the time of submitting of EOI. (Attach Format 5)		

 $I/We\ hereby\ declare\ that\ the\ above\ information\ provided\ for\ empanelment\ is\ factually\ correct.$

Date:	
Place:	

Authorized Signatory

(Representative of the Law Firm/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents)

Annexure-II

Section-I (Part-B)

	TECHNICAL BID (Max. Marks – 100) Qualifying Marks 20		
		claimed	
1.	Number of years of experience in IPRs related work etc., (Max Marks: 15) (0 - 7 Years: Marks 05) (>7 - 10 Years: Marks 10) (>10 Years: Marks 15)		
2.	Number of patents granted through the firm/ by IP Attorneys/Patent Agents in India and Foreign jurisdictions; (Max Marks: 15) (1 − 100: Marks 05) (101 − 500: Marks 10) (≥501: Marks 15)		
3.	Number of copyrights, Trademarks, and Designs granted through the firm/ by IP Attorneys/Patent Agents in India and Foreign jurisdictions (Max Marks: 15) (1 − 200: Marks 05) (201 − 500: Marks 10) (≥ 501: Marks 15)		
4.	Number of PCT filed and prosecuted through the firm/ by IP Attorneys/Patent Agents (Max. Marks: 15) (1 − 05: Marks 05) (6 − 50: Marks 10) ≥51: Marks 15)		
5.	Number of qualified advocates with the firm (applicable only in case of firms) (Max Marks: 15) (1 - 3 : Marks 05) (>3 - 7: Marks 10) (>7 : Marks 15)		
6.	Number of Technologies transferred (Max Marks: 10) (1 - 10: Marks 05) (11 - 50: Marks 07) ≥51: Marks 10)		
7.	Law firm/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents providing services to the Central or State Govt. organization /PSU/Govt. Autonomous Organization/ Govt Institution/private university. (Max marks: 15) (1 -10: Marks 5) (11-25: Marks 10) ≥26: Marks 15)		

I/We hereby declare that the above	ve information provided for empanelment is factually correct.
Date:	
	Authorized Signatory
Place:	(Representative of the Law Firm/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents)

Annexure-III

Section-II

	FINANCIAL BID (Quotation)		
	Services (Patents)	Government Fee (INR)	Professional Fee (INR) (Excluding GST)
A.	Patentability verified search report		
B.	Provisional specifications drafting & filing		
C.	Complete specifications of drafting & filing (up-to 30 pages and 10 claims)	As per the Govt.	
D.	Complete specifications of drafting & filing (each extra page beyond 30 and each extra claim beyond 10)	Rules for Educationa 1 Institute	
E.	Submission of Request of Examination		
F.	Filing Request for early publication	7	
G.	Drafting and Filing Response to (FER)		
H.	Hearing Charges (per hearing)		
I.	Maintenance Charges submission (per submission)		
	Total INR from A to I	1	
	Services (Trademark)	Government Fee (INR)	Professional Fee (INR) (Excluding GST)
A.	Drafting and Filing of Trademark (per mark/per class)	As per the	
B.	Response of the Trademark	Govt.	
C.	Hearing of the Trademark	Rules for the Educationa l Institute	
	Total INR from A to C		
	Services (Design)	Government Fee (INR)	Professional Fee (INR) (Excluding GST)
A.	Drafting and Filing of Design	As per the	
В.	Drafting and filing Response of the Design	Govt. Rules for	
C.	Hearing of the Design	Educational	

		Institute	
	Total INR from A to C		
	Services (Copyrights)	Government Fee (INR)	Professional Fee (INR) (Excluding GST)
A.	Drafting and Filing of Copyright	As per the	
B.	Drafting and Filing Response of the Copyright	Govt. Rules	
C.	Draft /undertake legal vetting of all documents/ Agreements for transfer of technology/Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)/Public Private Partnership (PPP) etc.	for Educational Institute	
	Total INR from A to C		

(Note: The comparative statement of bidder shall be prepared separately for patents, Trademarks, designs and copyrights based upon the total amount of the service, any other service not mentioned above shall be negotiated at the institute level at later stage)

Date:	Authorized Signatory
Place:	

Annexure IV

COVER LETTER

Expression of Interest

(To be submitted on Agency's/Individual's Letter Head)

To The Registrar BFUHS, Punjab, India – 151 203.

Subject: Submission of Expression of Interest (EOI) for engagement of Legal Firm.

Ref.:

The undersigned have read and examined in detail all the EOI documents pertaining to the engagement of legal Firm, do hereby express the interest to undertake the assignment/scope of work as mentioned in the EOI document. The details of the Legal Firm and contact person are given below:

1	Name of the Proponent	
2	Address	
3	Telephone No. (with STD code)	
4	Mobile No. of the contact person	
5	Email ID of the contact person	

The following documents are enclosed:

- i. Pre-qualification Documents (Part-A and Part-B)
- ii. Financial Bid (in separate sealed envelope)

I/we hereby declare that the information furnished is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief. Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(Signature of the Authorized signatory)

Undertaking for Registered Patent Agent

(To be submitted on Agency's/individual's Letter Head)

$\label{eq:continuous} \textbf{Declaration of PAN and GST registration number}$

(To be submitted on Agency's Letter Head)

To The Registron
The Registrar BFUHS, Punjab, India – 151 203.
Subject: Declaration of PAN and GST registration number
Ref. No.:
Sir
It is hereby confirmed and declared that firm is legal entity registered under
statutes of India following are the PAN and GST registration number.
1. PAN number
2. Registered GST no.
(Signature of the Authorized signatory)
Name:
Designation:
Seal with date

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Undertaking regarding work experience (no. of years) of the firm/IP Attorneys/Patent Agents

(To be submitted on Agency's Letter Head)

To The Registrar BFUHS, Punjab, India – 151 203.	
Subject: Undertaking regarding work experience	(no. of years).
Ref. No.:	
Sir	
It is hereby confirmed and declared that firm/	TP Attorneys/Patent Agents has been
providing legal services in the field of Intellectual	Property Rights since(Total
experience Years)	
	(Signature of the Authorized signatory)
Name:	
Design	ation:
Seal wi	th date

Undertaking with regard to blacklisting and not major litigation

To
The Registrar
BFUHS, Punjab, India – 151 203.

Subject: Undertaking regarding Blacklisting and major litigation

Ref. No
Sir,
It is hereby confirmed and declared that _______is not blacklisted/debarred and also not have any major litigation with any Government Department/Public Sector Undertaking/Private Sector/or any other agency for which works/assignments/services have been executed / undertaken.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature of the Authorized signatory)

Name:
Designation:

Seal with date

Undertaking with regard services to the other entities

(To be submitted on Agency's Letter Head) To The Registrar BFUHS, Punjab, India – 151 203. Subject: Undertaking with regard services to the other entities Ref. No Sir, It is hereby confirmed and declared that firm is a panel member or providing legal services regarding IPR to the following Central or State Govt. organization /PSU/Govt. Autonomous Organization/ Govt. Institution/private university at the time of submitting of EOI. List of the entities: 1. 2. 3. (Signature of the Authorized signatory) Name: Designation:

Seal with date