

Tender No: 02/2026-27/HOKMB-TVM/539/2025-C1(Devp)

Tender Title: Leasing out the Godown facility at Kovalam-Vizhinjam Port,
Thiruvananthapuram

Corrigendum 3

The Kerala Maritime Board Invited Bidders to participate in the tender titled above, published on the e-tender site of Govt. of Kerala. Queries and Responses provided as part of the pre-bid meeting conducted on 24-06-2026 were given below:

SL No	Queries	Response from the Authority
1.	Whether the participant could sublease the Godown Facility at Kovalam-Vizhinjam Port?	A suitable provision for sub-leasing the leased property is included as per the Clause 5 (c) of the tender document. However, the period of sub-lease should be co-terminus with the original lease agreement and the operations should be done strictly adhering to the conditions stipulated in the tender and lease agreement.
2.	Details regarding Lease period and post expiry provisions of the lease agreement.	The lease period is 3 years which is extendable up to 5 years. After the expiry of lease period, KMB may undertake appropriate actions, which may include re-tendering or pursuing alternative development approaches including PPP models.
3.	Is there any scope for developing additional transit sheds/facilities in the port and any scope for enhancing the draft?	There are no immediate plans from the side of KMB
4.	Can a company with international experience can participate in the tender process?	No, foreign firms cannot participate in the tender process.
5.	Whether any support will be extended from the side of KMB for upkeeping the facilities available at the port?	Since the port is under the custody of the KMB, it will be responsibility of KMB to upkeep the facilities in a good condition and KMB will take appropriate steps to ensure the same. However, the transit shed which is on lease will be provided to the selected bidder in as-is-where-is condition and it will be the responsibility of the lessee to operate and maintain the

		transit shed facility properly as per the conditions.
6.	Whether any support will be extended from the side of KMB officials in coordinating with the customs for using the customs bonded area in the transit shed.	Clarified that the Port officials at Vizhinjam shall extend the required administrative supports to liaison with the Customs department.
7.	Whether the godown facility is customs bonded?	560 sqm (approx.) area in the transit shed is notified as a Customs Bound Area.
8.	What is the lease period offered?	The period of lease is 3 years which is extendable up to 5 years.
9.	What is the due date of submission of the tender?	25-07-2026 is the due date of submission of bid.
10.	Is there a provision for the lessee to use a separate energy meter at the facilities?	The lessee shall be permitted to install and use a separate energy meter for availing the electrical load for the provided facilities, subject to prior approval and issuance of a No Objection Certificate (NOC) by the Authority.
11.	Whether the lessee could use the Wharf facility based on the requirement?	All the facilities & infrastructure available at the port which are intended for the port operations can be availed by the lessee by paying the applicable charges fixed by the KMB/Government.
12.	Whether activities such as consolidation, deconsolidation, stuffing and destuffing may be undertaken at the project site?	It is an ISPS Level 1 and ICP status port, the Lessee can perform all the standard port activities as per the law.
13.	Any historical data for the Kovalam-Vizhinjam port operations available for the last 5 years?	No major port operations had happened recently, before which cargo operations were there to Maldives and other countries.
14.	Whether any registered labourers available at the port?	The labourers registered under Labour department are available for work at the Kovalam- Vizhinjam Port and the list can be shared at the time of operations.
15.	If a company is a newly incorporated one with limited experience, but their parent company is an experienced firm, whether the new company can participate in the tender?	The required amount of experience and qualifications as mentioned in the tender should be adhered by the firms participating in the tender. However, a provision of JV/Consortium is allowed in the tender which may be explored by the firm.