

Clarification

A. Benchmarking Test

- Processing Entries
It is a joint responsibility of CBSE and the selected bidder
- Transferring entry data to the bidder
CBSE will transfer data to the bidder
- Printing question papers and speaking test materials
Printing of question papers and speaking test materials will be the responsibility of CBSE
- Producing CDs or MP3 sound files for the listening test from a master supplied by the bidder
Selected bidder to prepare the master CDs or MP3 sound files for the listening test and finally delivering it to the CBSE for making further copies as per the number of students
- Printing scannable answer sheets
It is the responsibility of the CBSE
- Distributing test materials in secure conditions
CBSE has both the experience and expertise to ensure that the test materials are distributed in a secure manner
- Administering the benchmarking test in secure conditions at its designated schools across India
Selected bidder in consultation with CBSE will administer the benchmarking test
- Administering the speaking test in secure conditions at a selection of its designated schools across India
Selected bidder in consultation with CBSE will administer the speaking test
- Receiving all answer sheets, checking all answer sheets have been received and completed correctly
This will be the responsibility of the CBSE
- Destroying all test materials and audio files after the test
This will be the responsibility of CBSE
- Returning all answer sheets to the bidder
Answer sheets to be analysed mutually by CBSE and the selected bidder.

B. ASL

- Processing Entries
It is a joint responsibility of CBSE and the selected bidder
- Transferring entry data to the bidder
CBSE will transfer data to the bidder
- Printing question papers and speaking test materials
Printing of question papers and speaking test materials will be the responsibility of CBSE
- Producing CDs or MP3 sound files for the listening test from a master supplied by the bidder
Selected bidder to prepare the master CDs or MP3 sound files for the listening test and finally delivering it to the CBSE for making further copies as per the number of students
- Printing scannable answer sheets
It is the responsibility of the CBSE
- Distributing test materials in secure conditions
CBSE has both the experience and expertise to ensure that the test materials are distributed in a secure manner
- Administering the Listening and Speaking test in secure conditions at its

designated schools across India

Selected bidder in consultation with CBSE will administer the ASL test

- Receiving all answer sheets, checking all answer sheets have been received and completed correctly

This will be the responsibility of the CBSE

- Destroying all test materials and audio files after the test

This will be the responsibility of CBSE

- Marking and examining listening and speaking test in accordance with the instructions provided by the bidder

This is the responsibility of CBSE

- Dispatching results in an electronic format to the bidder for grading and quality assurance checks.

This is the responsibility of CBSE

2. Printing and supply of OMR shall be the responsibility of the selected bidder or CBSE. Further, who will be responsible for its despatch to the concerned schools and its collection?

This will be the responsibility of CBSE

3. The scanning of OMR sheet will be held centralized or will be distributed and the infrastructure for scanning and result processing shall be of CBSE or of selected bidder responsibility

This will be the responsibility of CBSE

4. What will be the ideal batch size of the training of oral examiners and what will be their approximate numbers?

Selected bidder will train master (trainers) examiners and provide system to train oral examiners through cascading model.

The ideal batch size for selected bidder to train master (trainers) examiners would be 40-50. However total master (trainers) examiners to be trained by the selected bidder may be 100-150

5. The para 3.1 of the RFP requires experience at both Secondary and Senior Secondary levels. However, few bidders desired that the experience at primary level may also be considered in addition to that Secondary and Senior Secondary levels.

Yes, it could be considered.

6. Whether CBSE will prescribe any specific qualification for the oral examiners to be trained by the selected bidder.

Yes, it has already been specified. The oral examiner should have a graduate/post graduate degree or a qualification which can be equivalent to a graduate degree in English language. Diploma or post graduate qualifications acquired from IFLU Hyderabad are acceptable. The experience of being an oral examiner in any of the examination conducted by British Council will be an added qualification. The person should be above 30 years of age and fluent in spoken and written English.