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## **RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS**

regarding Request For Proposals

for Management Information System

| Questions  | Response   |
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| Whether companies from Outside USA can apply for           | All companies able to meet the requirements of   |
| this? (like, from India or Canada)                         | the RFP are welcome to submit a proposal.        |
| Whether we need to come over there for meetings?           | On-site set-up and periodic support will be      |
|  | required.  |
| Can we perform the tasks (related to RFP) outside          | Some tasks are conducive to remote work;         |
| USA? (like, from India or Canada)                          | others are not.                                  |
| Can we submit the proposals via email?                     | Please see the submittal requirements in Section |
|  | 4.0 of the RFP.                                  |
| What specific data interchange formats does TTD            | Proposers should discuss how their software      |
| currently employ with GMV Synchromatics and Ecolane        | communicates with existing TTD software.         |
| systems, and how are these handled within your existing    |  |
| infrastructure? Could you provide details on whether       |  |
| JSON, XML, or another protocol is utilized for these       |  |
| integrations? Are there particular performance metrics or  |  |
| throughput limits that the new MIS should accommodate      |  |
| or improve upon, considering the integration with these    |  |
| systems?   |  |
| Could you identify the specific roles or groups within TTD | These questions will be covered during the on-   |
| that will require customizable access levels in the new    | boarding of the successful proposer.             |
| MIS? For instance, do roles such as dispatch operators,    |  |
| maintenance coordinators, or administrative staff require  |  |
| unique permissions or interface customizations? How do     |  |
| these roles currently interact with your MIS               |  |
| functionalities, such as data entry, report generation, or |  |
| system alerts?   |  |
| What types of documents and images do TTD currently        | Yes. All mentioned with the functionality        |
| require to upload and attach within the MIS, such as       | described.                                       |
| operational manuals, incident photos, or maintenance       |  |
| records? How are these documents used in your current      |  |
| operations—do they support compliance tracking,            |  |

| facilitate maintenance decisions, or enhance operational reporting?   |  |
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| What specific challenges has TTD encountered in past<br>integrations of transport management systems, such as<br>issues with data consistency, real-time data syncing, or<br>system interoperability? Could you also indicate whether<br>there have been particular problems with data<br>formatting, legacy systems compatibility, or user<br>interface discrepancies?   | Proposers should demonstrate ability to<br>successfully aggregate data from TTD's systems<br>including GMV Synchromatics and Ecolane.<br>Proposers should also discuss how the<br>introduction of new technology will be<br>accomplished.  |
| Could TTD detail the specific functionalities and elements<br>desired on the new MIS's user dashboard? For instance,<br>are there particular metrics or KPIs, such as operational<br>efficiency rates, fleet downtime, or passenger counts,<br>that should be visually highlighted? Does TTD prefer<br>these data points to be displayed through dynamic<br>charts, heat maps, or real-time alerts?   | These questions will be covered during the on-<br>boarding of the successful proposer. All<br>proposers should demonstrate capability to<br>create customizable reports that meet TTD's<br>needs for highly configurable data.   |
| What are the most frequently utilized reports within TTD,<br>and could you specify the primary data sources for these<br>reports, such as vehicle telemetry, rider statistics, or<br>maintenance logs? Moreover, how are these reports<br>employed in daily operations—are they used for tracking<br>performance metrics, regulatory compliance, or<br>operational planning?  | These questions will be covered during the on-<br>boarding of the successful proposer. All<br>proposers should demonstrate capability to<br>create customizable reports that meet TTD's<br>needs for highly configurable data.   |
| What specific custom reporting capabilities does TTD<br>foresee as essential for the near future, particularly in<br>relation to operational, compliance, or strategic planning<br>needs? Does TTD require advanced analytics like<br>predictive maintenance forecasts, passenger flow<br>analysis, or compliance tracking with real-time data<br>visualization?  | All proposers should demonstrate capability to<br>create customizable reports that meet TTD's<br>needs for highly configurable data. Needs may<br>change rapidly depending upon regulatory<br>agency requirements, special projects, planning<br>efforts, etc. Proposer has to demonstrate the<br>ability to flex to those needs and configure the<br>data to answer specific questions. |
| Considering the dynamic nature of transit operations,<br>how does TTD foresee the new MIS managing scalability<br>in the face of evolving demands, such as integrating<br>smart transportation technologies or adapting to<br>increased passenger data flows? Could you detail any<br>specific scenarios, such as seasonal ridership spikes or the<br>incorporation of additional transit modalities, where the<br>system's capacity to scale will be critical? | TTD's service may increase or decrease and the<br>proposer should demonstrate how their solution<br>will adapt and accommodate those fluctuations.   |
| What specific thresholds or parameters does TTD<br>consider critical for triggering alerts on discrepancies in<br>data entries within the new MIS? For instance, are there<br>particular variances in time logs, vehicle location data, or<br>maintenance records that must be flagged immediately?<br>Could you specify how these alerts are currently   | These questions will be covered during the on-<br>boarding of the successful proposer. All<br>proposers should demonstrate capability to<br>create customizable reports that meet TTD's<br>needs for highly configurable data.   |

| automated resolutions or escalations in the new system?   |        |
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| How critical is real-time data processing to the Real-time data processing is expected and a              |        |
| operational efficiency and service delivery at TTD, and critical function for all TTD departments. Data   |        |
| what are the specific response time expectations for the should be readily available at all times for any |        |
| new MIS in processing and displaying this data? For purpose.  |        |
| example, are there key operational decisions that rely on   |        |
| immediate data availability, such as dispatch adjustments   |        |
| based on live traffic conditions or instant maintenance   |        |
| alerts from vehicle sensors?  |        |
| Could you describe TTD's current incident reporting All proposers should demonstrate capability to        | )      |
| process, particularly highlighting any areas where you've create customizable reports that meet TTD's     |        |
| encountered inefficiencies or challenges? Are there needs for highly configurable data. Proposers         |        |
| specific improvements or automations you anticipate the should highlight their product/service features   | in     |
| new MIS should implement to enhance this process, such their proposal                                     |        |
| as automated flagging of critical incidents, streamlined  |        |
| data entry interfaces, or integrated communication tools  |        |
| for immediate response coordination?  |        |
| What specific workflow automations or notification TTD's existing system has this functionality and       | зa     |
| features does TTD seek to enhance in the new MIS's successful proposer will meet or exceed existing       | าg     |
| maintenance and work order systems? Are there functionality.  | 0      |
| expectations for automatic scheduling of preventive   |        |
| maintenance based on mileage or operational hours or  |        |
| real-time notifications for critical repair needs detected  |        |
| via vehicle diagnostics? Could you also specify how these   |        |
| automated processes are envisioned to integrate with  |        |
| existing maintenance protocols to optimize fleet uptime   |        |
| and resource allocation?  |        |
| Could TTD specify which historical data sets need to be All historical data will need to be integrated ar | nd     |
| migrated to the new MIS, such as past transaction available through any new system. TTD expect            | ts     |
| records, operational logs, or maintenance histories? Are the successful proposer to adapt and overcom     | e      |
| there particular challenges you anticipate facing during  | ے<br>د |
| this data migration, such as data format discrepancies.   | -      |
| data volume management, or ensuring data integrity  |        |
| across different systems?   |        |
| What specific performance metrics or benchmarks should Please refer to the RFP and propose a system       |        |
| the new MIS meet during its testing phase to ensure it that meets TTD's operational requirements an       | d      |
| aligns with TTD's operational standards? Are there highlight the proposed solution's limitations are      | nd     |
| expected thresholds for system response times, data   | iu.    |
| processing speeds, or user concurrency levels?  |        |
| Furthermore, could you outline any stress testing   |        |
| scenarios that the system should be able to handle, such  |        |
| as high-volume data inputs during peak operational hours  |        |
| or simultaneous access by multiple users?   |        |
| Clarifying these expectations will help in designing an MIS The RFP specifies which system must integrate |        |
| that not only meets TTD's operational needs but also with the proposed MIS. It is reasonable to           |        |

| ensures high user satisfaction and continuous system<br>improvement based on direct user inputs. Are there<br>additional software tools or platforms beyond GMV<br>Synchromatics, Ecolane, GTFS, etc., depicted in the<br>specification that the new MIS needs to integrate to<br>support TTD's operations? For instance, does TTD utilize<br>any financial management systems, HR platforms, or<br>other operational software that should be seamlessly<br>connected to the new MIS? | assume that further information systems will be<br>integrated throughout the contract term.<br>Proposals should outline how additional<br>integrations will be handled.  |
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| How does TTD envision the new MIS handling feedback<br>from users regarding usability or functionality issues? Are<br>there specific mechanisms or features, such as real-time<br>chat support, user feedback forms, or an integrated<br>ticketing system, that you expect to be included to<br>facilitate quick and effective resolution of user concerns?   | Proposers should include how their system will<br>handle feedback from users regarding usability<br>or functionality issues. Proposers should specify<br>mechanisms or features, such as real-time chat<br>support, user feedback forms, or an integrated<br>ticketing system, that may be included to<br>facilitate quick and effective resolution of user<br>concerns. |
| In our continuous effort to deliver the most effective and<br>forward-thinking learning solutions, we've identified<br>several advanced features that could further enhance the<br>learning experience, operational efficiency, and<br>accessibility of the proposed Management Information<br>System.  | N/a  |
| These features, driven by the latest AI and machine<br>learning technologies, offer potential benefits well<br>beyond the current scope outlined in the RFP. Would the<br>TTD be interested in exploring these additional<br>capabilities? If so, may we include them as additional<br>options in our proposal?   | Yes.   |
| Can the TTD provide a current list of assets for the purpose of this RFP?   | Proposed MIS should be scalable.   |
| Please define the datasets that would be integrated<br>(Import vs. Export) with the following: GMV<br>Synchromatics, Ecolane, GTFS  | These questions will be covered during the on-<br>boarding of the successful proposer.   |