बिड संख्या/Bid Number: GEM/2026/B/8131475

दिनांक /Dated: 23-10-2026

बिड दस्तावेज़ / Bid Document

बिड विवरण/Bid Details	
बिड बंद होने की तारीख/समय /Bid End Date/Time	13-11-2026 10:00:00
बिड खुलने की तारीख/समय /Bid Opening Date/Time	14-11-2026 10:00:00
बिड पेशकश वैधता (बंद होने की तारीख से)/Bid Offer Validity (From End Date)	180 (Days)
मंत्रालय/राज्य का नाम/Ministry/State Name	Ministry Of Science And Technology
विभाग का नाम/Department Name	Department Of Science And Technology (dst)
संगठन का नाम/Organisation Name	Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute For Medical Sciences And Technology (sctimst)
कार्यालय का नाम/Office Name	Thiruvananthapuram
शिकायत निवारण के संपर्क विवरण/ Contact details of Grievance redressal	HOD Email id :sm.sctimst-ker@gov.in Buyer Email id: buyer15.sctimsts.kl@gembuyer.in
कुल मात्रा/Total Quantity	9
वस्तु श्रेणी /Item Category	MIRNA ISOLATION KIT TISSUE CELLS , DMEM F 12 HEPES , PENCILLIN STREPTOMYCIN SOL.100ML , TRYPSIN 0 25 PERCENT EDTA 100ML , FETAL BOVINE SERUM , HSA MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 8 PANEL ARRAY , HSA MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 4 PANEL ARRAY
GeMARPTS में खोजी गई स्ट्रिंग्स / Searched Strings used in GeMARPTS	MIRNA ISOLATION KIT TISSUE CELLS
GeMARPTS में खोजा गया परिणाम / Searched Result generated in GeMARPTS	Viral RNA Extraction Kit, Point of Care Rapid Test Kits for Humans – Dengue, Malaria, Typhoid & Others, Immunoassay Analyzer Reagent Kit for Human Samples
अधिसूचना के लिए चयनित प्रासंगिक श्रेणियाँ / Relevant Categories selected for notification	• Research Lab Kit (Platinum) as per CDAC Specification
बीओक्यू शीर्षक /BOQ Title	EPIGENETIC MARKERS
वर्षों के अनुभव एवं टर्नओवर से एमएसई को छूट प्राप्त है / MSE Relaxation for Years Of Experience and Turnover	Yes | Complete
स्टार्टअप के लिए अनुभव के वर्षों और टर्नओवर से छूट प्रदान की गई है / Startup Relaxation for Years Of Experience and Turnover	Yes | Complete

बिड विवरण/Bid Details	
विक्रेता से मांगे गए दस्तावेज़/Document required from seller	Certificate (Requested in ATC),OEM Authorization Certificate,Additional Doc 1 (Requested in ATC) *In case any bidder is seeking exemption from Experience / Turnover Criteria, the supporting documents to prove his eligibility for exemption must be uploaded for evaluation by the buyer
क्या आप निविदाकारों द्वारा अपलोड किए गए दस्तावेज़ों को निविदा में भाग लेने वाले सभी निविदाकारों को दिखाना चाहते हैं? संदर्भ मेनू है/Do you want to show documents uploaded by bidders to all bidders participated in bid?	Yes (Documents submitted as part of a clarification or representation during the tender/bid process will also be displayed to other participated bidders after log in)
बिड लगाने की समय सीमा स्वतः नहीं बढ़ाने के लिए आवश्यक बिड की संख्या। / Minimum number of bids required to disable automatic bid extension	3
दिनों की संख्या, जिनके लिए बिड लगाने की समय-सीमा बढ़ाई जाएगी। / Number of days for which Bid would be auto-extended	3
ऑटो एक्सटेंशन अधिकतम कितनी बार किया जाना है। / Number of Auto Extension count	3
बिड से रिवर्स नीलामी सक्रिय किया/Bid to RA enabled	No
बिड का प्रकार/Type of Bid	Two Packet Bid
प्राथमिक उत्पाद श्रेणी/Primary product category	MIRNA ISOLATION KIT TISSUE CELLS
तकनीकी मूल्यांकन के दौरान तकनीकी स्पष्टीकरण हेतु अनुमत समय /Time allowed for Technical Clarifications during technical evaluation	2 Days
निरीक्षण आवश्यक (सूचीबद्ध निरीक्षण प्राधिकरण /जेम के साथ पूर्व पंजीकृत एजेंसियों द्वारा)/Inspection Required (By Empanelled Inspection Authority / Agencies pre-registered with GeM)	No
मूल्यांकन पद्धति/Evaluation Method	Item wise evaluation
मध्यस्थता खंड/Arbitration Clause	No
सुलह खंड/Mediation Clause	No

ईएमडी विवरण/EMD Detail

आवश्यकता/Required	No

ईपीबीजी विवरण /ePBG Detail

आवश्यकता/Required	No

बोली विभाजन लागू नहीं किया गया/ Bid splitting not applied.

एमआईआई खरीद वरीयता/MII Purchase Preference

एमआईआई खरीद वरीयता/MII Purchase Preference	No

एमएसई खरीद वरीयता/MSE Purchase Preference

एमएसई खरीद वरीयता/MSE Purchase Preference	Yes
सूक्ष्म और लघु उद्यम मूल उपकरण निर्माताओं/सेवा प्रदाता को खरीद में प्राथमिकता, यदि उनका मूल्य L1+X% / Purchase Preference to MSE OEMs/ Service Provider available upto price within L1+X%	15
सूक्ष्म और लघु उद्यम मूल उपकरण निर्माता/सेवा प्रदाता को खरीद में प्राथमिकता के लिए बिड की मात्रा का अधिकतम प्रतिशत / Percentage of Bid quantity/amount for MSE OEMs/ Service Provider Purchase preference	25

1. If the bidder is a Micro or Small Enterprise as per latest orders issued by Ministry of MSME, the bidder shall be relaxed from the eligibility criteria of "Experience Criteria" as defined above subject to meeting of quality and technical specifications. The bidder seeking Relaxation from Experience Criteria, shall upload the supporting documents to prove his eligibility for Relaxation.
2. If the bidder is a Micro or Small Enterprise (MSE) as per latest orders issued by Ministry of MSME, the bidder shall be relaxed from the eligibility criteria of "Bidder Turnover" as defined above subject to meeting of quality and technical specifications. If the bidder itself is MSE OEM of the offered products, it would be relaxed from the "OEM Average Turnover" criteria also subject to meeting of quality and technical specifications. The bidder seeking Relaxation from Turnover, shall upload the supporting documents to prove his eligibility for Relaxation.
3. If the bidder is a DPIIT registered Startup, the bidder shall be relaxed from the the eligibility criteria of "Experience Criteria" as defined above subject to their meeting of quality and technical specifications. The bidder seeking Relaxation from Experience Criteria, shall upload the supporting documents to prove his eligibility for Relaxation.
4. If the bidder is a DPIIT registered Startup, the bidder shall be relaxed from the the eligibility criteria of "Bidder Turnover" as defined above subject to their meeting of quality and technical specifications. If the bidder is DPIIT Registered OEM of the offered products, it would be relaxed from the "OEM Average Turnover" criteria also subject to meeting of quality and technical specifications. The bidder seeking Relaxation from Turnover shall upload the supporting documents to prove his eligibility for Relaxation.
5. **Purchase preference to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs):** Purchase preference will be given to MSEs having valid Udyam Certificate and whose credentials are validated online through Udyam Registration portal as defined in Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) Order, 2012 dated 23.03.2012 issued by Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and its subsequent Orders/Notifications issued by concerned Ministry. If the bidder wants to avail themselves of the Purchase preference, the bidder must be the manufacturer / OEM of the offered product on GeM. In respect of bid for Services, the bidder must be the Service provider of the offered Service. Traders are excluded from the purview of Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises and hence resellers offering products manufactured by some other OEM are not eligible for any purchase preference. Relevant documentary evidence in this regard shall be uploaded along with the bid in respect of the offered product or service, and Buyer will decide eligibility for purchase preference based on documentary evidence submitted in case of product bids, whereas in case of services the eligibility is automatically validated. If L-1 is not an MSE and MSE Seller (s) has / have quoted price within L-1+ 15% (Selected by Buyer) of margin of purchase preference /price band defined in relevant policy, such MSE Seller shall be given opportunity to match L-1 price and contract will be awarded for 25% (selected by Buyer) percentage of total quantity. The buyers are advised to refer the OM_No.1_4_2021_PPD_dated_18.05.2023 for compliance of Concurrent application of Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises Order, 2012 and Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017. Benefits of MSE will be allowed only if seller is validated on-line in GeM profile as well as validated and approved by Buyer after evaluation of documents submitted.

6. Estimated Bid Value indicated above is being declared solely for the purpose of guidance on EMD amount and for determining the Eligibility Criteria related to Turn Over, Past Performance and Project / Past Experience etc. This has no relevance or bearing on the price to be quoted by the bidders and is also not going to have any impact on bid participation. Also this is not going to be used as a criteria in determining reasonableness of quoted prices which would be determined by the buyer based on its own assessment of reasonableness and based on competitive prices received in Bid / RA process.

मूल्यांकन विधि(मदवार मूल्यांकन विधि) / Evaluation Method (Item Wise Evaluation Method)

Contract will be awarded schedule wise and the determination of L1 will be done separately for each schedule. The details of item-consignee combination covered under each schedule are as under:

मूल्यांकन अनुसूचियां / **Evaluation Schedules**	वस्तु/श्रेणी / **Item/Category**	मात्रा / **Quantity**
Schedule 1	Mirna Isolation Kit Tissue Cells	1
Schedule 2	Dmem F 12 Hepes	2
Schedule 3	Pencillin Streptomycin Sol.100ml	1
Schedule 4	Trypsin 0 25 Percent Edta 100ml	1
Schedule 5	Fetal Bovine Serum	2
Schedule 6	Hsa Mirna Miscript Lna Pcr 8 Panel Array	1
Schedule 7	Hsa Mirna Miscript Lna Pcr 4 Panel Array	1

MIRNA ISOLATION KIT TISSUE CELLS

तकनीकी विशिष्टियाँ /Technical Specifications

Specification Document	View File
BOQ Detail Document	View File

Advisory-Please refer attached BOQ document for detailed consignee list and delivery period.

परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी तथा मात्रा/Consignees/Reporting Officer and Quantity

क्र.सं./S.No.	**परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी /Consignee Reporting/Officer**	**पता/Address**	**मात्रा /Quantity**	**डिलीवरी के दिन/Delivery Days**
1	Deepthi Bhaskar	695011,Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute For Medical Science and Technology,Medical College PO, Trivandrum	1	30

DMEM F 12 HEPES

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परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी तथा मात्रा/Consignees/Reporting Officer and Quantity

क्र.सं./S.No.	परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी /Consignee Reporting/Officer	पता/Address	मात्रा /Quantity	डिलीवरी के दिन/Delivery Days
1	Deepthi Bhaskar	695011,Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute For Medical Science and Technology,Medical College PO, Trivandrum	2	30

PENCILLIN STREPTOMYCIN SOL.100ML

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परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी तथा मात्रा/Consignees/Reporting Officer and Quantity

क्र.सं./S.No.	परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी /Consignee Reporting/Officer	पता/Address	मात्रा /Quantity	डिलीवरी के दिन/Delivery Days
1	Deepthi Bhaskar	695011,Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute For Medical Science and Technology,Medical College PO, Trivandrum	1	30

TRYPSIN 0 25 PERCENT EDTA 100ML

तकनीकी विशिष्टियाँ /Technical Specifications

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परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी तथा मात्रा/Consignees/Reporting Officer and Quantity

क्र.सं./S.No.	परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी /Consignee Reporting/Officer	पता/Address	मात्रा /Quantity	डिलीवरी के दिन/Delivery Days
1	Deepthi Bhaskar	695011,Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute For Medical Science and Technology,Medical College PO, Trivandrum	1	30

FETAL BOVINE SERUM

तकनीकी विशिष्टियाँ /Technical Specifications

Specification Document	View File
BOQ Detail Document	View File

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परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी तथा मात्रा/Consignees/Reporting Officer and Quantity

क्र.सं./S.No.	परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी /Consignee Reporting/Officer	पता/Address	मात्रा /Quantity	डिलीवरी के दिन/Delivery Days
1	Deepthi Bhaskar	695011,Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute For Medical Science and Technology,Medical College PO, Trivandrum	2	30

HSA MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 8 PANEL ARRAY

तकनीकी विशिष्टियाँ /Technical Specifications

Specification Document	View File

BOQ Detail Document	View File

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परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी तथा मात्रा/Consignees/Reporting Officer and Quantity

क्र.सं./S.No.	परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी /Consignee Reporting/Officer	पता/Address	मात्रा /Quantity	डिलीवरी के दिन/Delivery Days
1	Deepthi Bhaskar	695011,Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute For Medical Science and Technology,Medical College PO, Trivandrum	1	30

HSA MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 4 PANEL ARRAY

तकनीकी विशिष्टियाँ /Technical Specifications

Specification Document	View File
BOQ Detail Document	View File

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परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी तथा मात्रा/Consignees/Reporting Officer and Quantity

क्र.सं./S.No.	परेषिती/रिपोर्टिंग अधिकारी /Consignee Reporting/Officer	पता/Address	मात्रा /Quantity	डिलीवरी के दिन/Delivery Days
1	Deepthi Bhaskar	695011,Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute For Medical Science and Technology,Medical College PO, Trivandrum	1	30

क्रेता द्वारा जोड़ी गई बिड की विशेष शर्तें/Buyer Added Bid Specific Terms and Conditions

1. **Generic**

   OPTION CLAUSE: The Purchaser reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity to be ordered up to 25 percent of bid quantity at the time of placement of contract. The purchaser also reserves the right to

increase the ordered quantity up to 25% of the contracted quantity during the currency of the contract at the contracted rates. The delivery period of quantity shall commence from the last date of original delivery order and in cases where option clause is exercised during the extended delivery period the additional time shall commence from the last date of extended delivery period. The additional delivery time shall be (Increased quantity ÷ Original quantity) × Original delivery period (in days), subject to minimum of 30 days. If the original delivery period is less than 30 days, the additional time equals the original delivery period. The Purchaser may extend this calculated delivery duration up to the original delivery period while exercising the option clause. Bidders must comply with these terms.

2. **Generic**

   Bidders are advised to check applicable GST on their own before quoting. Buyer will not take any responsibility in this regards. GST reimbursement will be as per actuals or as per applicable rates (whichever is lower), subject to the maximum of quoted GST %.

3. **Generic**

   Manufacturer Authorization: Wherever Authorised Distributors/service providers are submitting the bid, Authorisation Form /Certificate with OEM/Original Service Provider details such as name, designation, address, e-mail Id and Phone No. required to be furnished along with the bid

4. **Generic**

   While generating invoice in GeM portal, the seller must upload scanned copy of GST invoice and the screenshot of GST portal confirming payment of GST.

5. **Purchase Preference (Centre)**

   Indian suppliers of this item are not allowed to participate and/ or compete in procurement by some foreign governments. Bidders / products from such countries are not eligible / not allowed to participate in this bid in terms of clause 1 (d) of Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017

6. **Certificates**

   Bidder's offer is liable to be rejected if they don't upload any of the certificates / documents sought in the Bid document, ATC and Corrigendum if any.

7. **Buyer Added Bid Specific ATC**

   Buyer Added text based ATC clauses

DETAILED ITEM SPECIFICATION

SL.NO	ITEM DESCRIPTION	QTY
1	MIRNA ISOLATION KIT(TISSUE/CELLS) (MIRNAEASY (HUMAN) TISSUE/CELLS ADVANCED MIRNA MINI ISOLATION KIT (50 PREP)	1 NO
2	DMEM/F-12 HEPES DMEM /F 12 - HEPES GIBCO 500 ML FOR CELL CULTURE	2 NOS
3	PENCILLIN STREPTOMYCIN SOL.100ML PENICILLIN STREPTOMYCIN (10000U/ML) SOL. 100ML FOR CELL CULTURE	1 NO
4	TRYPSIN 0.25% EDTA- 100ML TRYPSIN - EDTA (0.25%), PHENOL RED-100ML	1 NO
5	FETAL BOVINE SERUM GIBCO FETAL BOVINE SERUM INVITROGEN FOR CARDIO MYOCYTES CELL CULTURE TESTED	2 NOS

6	HSA-MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 8 PANEL ARRAY (HSA-MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 8 PANELARRAY HSA-MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 8 PANEL ARRAY)	1 NO
7	HSA MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 4 PANEL ARRAY (HSA-MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 4 PANEL ARRAY HSA-MIRNA MISCRIPT LNA PCR 4 PANEL ARRAY)	1 NO

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अस्वीकरण/Disclaimer

The Additional Terms and Conditions (ATC) have been incorporated by the Buyer after approval of their Competent Authority. The Buyer ,is solely responsible for the impact of these clauses on the bidding process, its outcome, and consequences thereof including any restriction arising in the bidding process due to these ATCs and including the modification of technical specifications and / or terms and conditions governing the bid.All representations / grievances pertaining to the ATC clauses shall be raised with the buyer organization directly and not with GeM.If any of the clause(s) is/are incorporated by the Buyer regarding the following, the bid & resultant contract shall be treated as null & void. Further, GeM reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to cancel the bid forthwith, without issuance of any prior notice or intimation :-

1. Publishing Custom / BOQ bids for items for which regular GeM categories are available (unless such Custom / BOQ item is bunched with the major regular product Category Item).
2. Mandating procurement of / from specific Brand / Make / Model / Manufacturer / Dealer except in case of Single Bid / Proprietary Article Certificate (PAC) Buying.
3. Inclusion of disqualification criteria related to suspension of seller / service provider, where such suspension period has already expired.
4. Mandating submission of documents (other than EMD and signed Integrity Pact - which can be submitted within 5 days of bid opening) in physical form as a pre-requisite to qualify bidders.
5. Publishing bids on GeM for procurement of works.
6. Procurement of Goods by creating a Service bid on GeM & vice-versa.
7. Seeking sample with bid or approval of samples during bid evaluation process. However, trial / sample, as the case may be, shall be permitted in cases where trial / sample are allowed as per approved and published procurement policy of the Buyers' controlling Ministry / Department / State / Public Sector Enterprises Headquarters. If there is any violation of trial / sample clause with regard to approved policy of the Buyers' Ministry / Department / State / Public Sector Enterprises Headquarters, then this is to be determined and redressed by the concerned Buyer Organisation only.
8. Seeking experience from specific organization / department / institute only or from foreign / export experience.
9. Creating bid for items from incorrect categories.
10. Reference of conditions published on any external site or reference to external documents/clauses.
11. Asking for any Tender fee / Bid Participation fee, as the case may be.
12. Buyer added ATC Clauses which are in contravention of clauses defined in bid detail section, including specifications, EMD Detail, ePBG Detail and MII and MSE Purchase Preference sections of the bid, unless otherwise allowed by the applicable GeM GTC.
13. Any ATC clause in contravention with GeM GTC Clause 4 (xiii) (h) will be invalid. In case of multiple L1 bidders against a service bid, the buyer shall place the Contract by selection of a bidder amongst the L-1 bidders through a Random Algorithm executed by GeM system.
14. In a category based bid, adding additional items, through buyer added, additional scope of work/ additional terms and conditions/or any other document. If buyer needs more items along with the main item, the same must be added through bunching category based items or by bunching custom catalogues or bunching a BoQ with the main category based item, the same must not be done through ATC or Scope of Work.

Further, if any seller has any objection/grievance against these additional clauses or otherwise on any aspect of this bid, they can raise their representation against the same by using the Representation window provided in

the bid details field in Seller dashboard after logging in as a seller. Buyer is duty bound to reply to all such representations and would not be allowed to open bids if he fails to reply to such representations.

All GeM Sellers/Service Providers shall ensure full compliance with all applicable labour laws, including the provisions, rules, schemes and guidelines under the four Labour Codes i.e. the Code on Wages, 2019; the Industrial Relations Code, 2020; the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020; and the Code on Social Security, 2020 as and when notified and brought into force by the Government of India.

For all provisions of the Labour Codes that are pending operationalisation through rules, schemes or notifications, the corresponding provisions of the pre-existing labour enactments (such as The Minimum Wages Act, 1948, The Payment of Wages Act, 1936, The Payment of Bonus Act, 1965, The Equal Remuneration Act, 1976, The Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972, etc. and relevant State Rules) shall continue to remain applicable.

The Seller/ Service Providers shall, therefore, be responsible for ensuring compliance under:

- **All notified and enforceable provisions of the new Labour Codes as mentioned hereinabove; and**
- **All operative provisions of the erstwhile Labour Laws until their complete substitution.**

All obligations relating to wages, social security, safety, working conditions, industrial relations etc. and any other statutory requirements shall be strictly met by the Seller/ Service Provider. Any non-compliance shall constitute a breach of the contract and shall entitle the Buyer to take appropriate action in accordance with the contract and applicable law.

This Bid is governed by the General Terms and Conditions, conditions stipulated in Bid and Service Level Agreement specific to the Service, as the case may be, as provided in the Marketplace.

However, in case of Service, if any condition specified in General Terms and Conditions is contradicted by the conditions stipulated in Service Level Agreement specific to said Service, then it will over-ride the conditions in the General Terms and Conditions.

यह बिड सामान्य शर्तों के अंतर्गत भी शासित है /This Bid is also governed by the General Terms and Conditions

जेम की सामान्य शर्तों के खंड 26 के संदर्भ में भारत के साथ भूमि सीमा साझा करने वाले देश के बिडर से खरीद पर प्रतिबंध के संबंध में भारत के साथ भूमि सीमा साझा करने वाले देश का कोई भी बिडर इस निविदा में बिड देने के लिए तभी पात्र होगा जब वह बिड देने वाला सक्षम प्राधिकारी के पास पंजीकृत हो।बिड में भाग लेते समय बिडर को इसका अनुपालन करना होगा और कोई भी गलत घोषणा किए जाने व इसका अनुपालन न करने पर अनुबंध को तत्काल समाप्त करने और कानून के अनुसार आगे की कानूनी कार्रवाई का आधार होगा।/In terms of GeM GTC clause 26 regarding Restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India, any bidder from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to bid in this tender only if the bidder is registered with the Competent Authority. While participating in bid, Bidder has to undertake compliance of this and any false declaration and non-compliance of this would be a ground for immediate termination of the contract and further legal action in accordance with the laws.

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