Number	Question	Answer
1	Clause 8.1 asks for “2x Thunderbolt 4 … 2x USB Type-A … 1x HDMI 2.1” in all three categories. HP’s published specifications show the named models do not have this combination. Should bidders meet the port line exactly, or the ports of the named model?	Where there is a discrepancy between the specified port configuration and the manufacturer's published specifications, equipment that meets the minimum functional requirements may be proposed.
2	Clause 7.7 requires “the exact models”, while 8.1 and Annexure A allow “or equivalent”. Which applies?	The requirement should be interpreted as the specified model or an equivalent meeting or exceeding the minimum specifications.
3	Will the NHBRC accept a current-generation equivalent where the named generation is no longer available? This covers a newer processor than 13th Gen / Ryzen 7000, DDR5 memory, a 16-inch display and Wi-Fi 6E or later.	Current-generation equivalents are acceptable where the specified generation is no longer available, provided they meet or exceed the stated requirements.
4	Is any LTE Cat 16 module acceptable in place of “Intel XMM 7560”?	Any LTE Cat 16 (or higher) module offering equivalent or better functionality than the Intel XMM 7560 will be acceptable.
5	Clause 7.9: is the warranty five years in total (three years extended to five)?	The warranty requirement is a total of five (5) years, whether supplied as a standard five-year warranty or as a three-year warranty extended to five years.
6	Annexure A asks for “escalation per annum” on a once-off supply, and has no unit-price column. Should bidders add unit prices, and may escalation be stated as “not applicable”?	As this is a once-off supply, escalation may be indicated as N/A, and bidders may include unit pricing for clarity.