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- 2. The scanner should be able to load a minimum of 50 slides or more in one go at a time.
- 3. Should be able to handle all standard commercially available glass slides of at least 25-26 mm x 75-76 mm dimension.
- 4. The scanner should be able to prioritize the slides as per user requirements.
- 5. The scanner must be capable of end to end scan (i.e. from slide insertion in scanner to image display on screen) at a standard rate of 240 seconds or less at 40x magnification for brightfield microscopy(15mm x 15mm Tissue area) and fluorescence microscopy.
- 6. Should have a resolution of 0.25 to 0.27pixel/ μ m or better when scanning at 40x magnification for bright field.
- 7. The system should have at least 4 MP monochrome CMOS/SCMOS camera or better.
- 8. Scanner should automatically detect all tissues on a pathology slide. It should be fully automatic.
- 9. Scanner should be capable to scan histopathology slides including hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stain, special stains and immunohistochemistry slides. It should also be capable to scan cytology smears, frozen sections.
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- 14. **Server** (**Storage**): The system should be supplied with server with at least 100 TB inbuilt storage at no additional cost. Rate of additional storage should be quoted separately. The system should be flexible for expansion of storage for future. Data access for at least a few years of stored data should be fast. The storage should be at full scanned quality (40 x magnifications). The storage has to be physical &local RAID (Redundant Array of Inexpensive Discs or Drives) storage on site at NEIGRIHMS supported by necessary rack type servers and not via Cloud storage solution. The technical offer should clearly specify the size of the storage (in TB/PB) that has been offered & also should clearly specify the type of storage (tape drive/disk drive etc).

Specifications:

- A. Rack type
- B. Processor-Latest Intel Xeon processor
- C. RAM: Min64GB
- D. 250 GB SSD RAID1(OS)
- E. 100TB HDD RAID6 for storage
- F. LAN:4x1 Gigabit Ethernet + Service LAN
- G. Latest Windows / Ubuntu Server

B. Workstation:

- 1. For appropriate viewing and reporting by multiple people, the system has to be supplied with minimum 2 computers with latest Intel Xeon processor, 32GB RAM, 250GB SSD (for OS), 2TB HDD (for storage), branded high end graphic card (at least 8GB), DVD writer, latest windows (licensed version) and 64 bits.
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- 13. Back up scanner: The system should be provided with one additional scanner of capacity 6 slides or more at a time with provision for bright filed microscopy and a minimum speed of 150 secs or less at 40x and 60 secs or less at 20x. All other specifications and the monitors are same as the main scanner and should be provided with monitors and image acquisition software as per the main system.
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- 7. The scanner and all computers should be supplied with branded online UPS (5 KVA)(at no additional cost) with minimum one hour backup.

C. Image acquisition and management software

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- 2. The system should automatically combine the acquired images into one composite 'Digital slide' and present it in the desired magnification with seamless natural navigation and changes in magnification. Should have preset optical magnification (2x, 4x/5x, 10x, 20x and 40x) like the conventional microscope to change to specific magnification quickly.
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- 7. Software should have easily visible summary information relating to each case without the need of opening the case itself.
- 8. The system must allow for simultaneous access to image/images at multiple locations by different assigned users facilitating multisite collaboration and real time consultation.
- 9. During collaborative viewing and real-time consultation-participants should be able to identify and mark their particular areas of interest on the same shared image, thus making it clear and easy to identify who performed the annotations
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- 13. The system must be able to track visited areas and support digital bookmarks which should be stored till cleared by the user.
- 14. The system should be up scalable in a Hub and Spoke environment if required in future as a part of up scalability.
- 15. The scanner image management system must be able to integrate fully and efficiently Bi- Directionally with the LIS/LIMS IT systems that is it should be able to pull from the LIS/LIMS: patient demographics and case reports retrieved from it and push back into LIMS any work done via the scanner image management system. For this the scanner company has to coordinate fully with the LIS vendor.

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- 19. Image viewer should have the ability to view other primary formats on site and at remote location which may involve use of vendor neutral software or web based software at no additional cost. In addition, the images scanned by the system should be usable or viewable in other viewers.
- 20. The export of scanned images in ttiff and JPEG/JPEG2000 format should be possible.
- 21. The system should support third party or other scanners scanned images at no additional cost.
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- 2. The designated system manager(s) must have the facility to create, maintain and retire users, or groups of users (i.e. roles), and associated privileges.
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F. General Specifications:

- Company has to provide vibration free table/ trolley to keep equipment. Required infrastructure will be developed and the provided by the bidder (fiber cable for data transfer cabin etc).
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- Warranty should be at least 5 years from the date of installation and 5 year CMC should be quoted after warranty.
- Demonstration of the quoted model for at least 4 weeks is mandatory before the pre-bid meeting as per the decision of the technical committee. If the firm fails to demonstrate the quoted instrument for the said duration, it will not be considered.
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