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**INQUIRY INTO GRANTING OF CONTRACT NUMBER
OoS17/18-021 BY THE OFFICE OF SPORT**

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As an FEI level 3 course designer, I have course designed several show jumping shows on the Otto surface at SIEC.

In show jumping, the quality of footing is absolutely essential for the performance of the horses, the confidence of the horses, and most of all the safety of the horses. Like any athlete, over the course of a horse's jumping career, there will be wear and tear on muscles and joints. We want a surface which is firm enough for a confident take-off, but has enough give on landing to avoid concussion injury.

The Otto surface is of world standard, presenting the highest quality footing available for jumping. It was no accident they won the contract for the Rio Olympics, and the surface was installed at SIEC not long after.