

Volume - IC
General Conditions of
Contract
(Common for Power Sector Regions)

2012

TABLE OF CONTENTS

1. **Chapter-1** : General Instructions to Tenderers
 - 1.1. Despatch Instructions
 - 1.2. Submission of Tenders
 - 1.3. Language
 - 1.4. Price Discrepancy
 - 1.5. Qualification of Tenderers
 - 1.6. Evaluation of Bids
 - 1.7. Data to be enclosed
 - 1.8. Authorisation and Attestation
 - 1.9. Earnest Money Deposit
 - 1.10. Security Deposit
 - 1.11. Return of Security Deposit
 - 1.12. Bank Guarantee
 - 1.13. Validity of offer
 - 1.14. Execution of Contract Agreement
 - 1.15. Rejection of Tender and other Conditions

2. **Chapter-2**
 - 2.1. Definitions
 - 2.2. Law Governing Contract and Court Jurisdiction
 - 2.3. Issue of Notice
 - 2.4. Use of land

- 2.5. Commencement of Work
- 2.6. Measurement of Work and Mode of Payment
- 2.7. Rights of BHEL
- 2.8. Responsibilities of Contractor in respect of Local Laws, Employment of Workers etc
- ~~2.9. Progress Monitoring, Monthly Review and Performance Evaluation~~
- ~~2.10. Time of Completion~~
- ~~2.11. Extension of Time for Completion~~
- ~~2.12. Over Run Compensation~~
- ~~2.13. Interest Bearing Recoverable Advances~~
- ~~2.14. Quantity Variation~~
- ~~2.15. Extra Works~~
- ~~2.16. Supplementary Items~~
- ~~2.17. Price Variation Clause~~
- 2.18. Insurance
- 2.19. Strikes & Lockout
- 2.20. Force Majeure
- 2.21. Arbitration and Reconciliation
- ~~2.22. Retention Amount~~
- 2.23. Payments
- ~~2.24. Performance Guarantee for Workmanship~~
- 2.25. Closing of Contracts
- 2.26. Reverse Auction
- 2.27. Suspension of Business Dealings
- 2.28. Other Issues

CHAPTER -1

1. GENERAL INSTRUCTION TO TENDERERS

1.1. DESPATCH INSTRUCTION

- i) The General Conditions of Contract form part of the Tender specifications. **All pages of the tender documents shall be duly signed, stamped and submitted along with the offer in token of complete acceptance thereof.** The information furnished shall be complete by itself. The tenderer is required to furnish all the details and other documents as required in the following pages
- ii) Tenderers are advised to study all the tender documents carefully. Any submission of tender by the tenderer shall be deemed to have been done after careful study and examination of the tender documents and with the full understanding of the implications thereof. Should the tenderers have any doubt about the meaning of any portion of the Tender Specification or find discrepancies or omissions in the drawings or the tender documents issued are incomplete or shall require clarification on any of the technical aspect, the scope of work etc., he shall at once, contact the authority inviting the tender well in time (so as not to affect last date of submission) for clarification before the submission of the tender. Tenderer's request for clarifications shall be with reference to Sections and Clause numbers given in the tender documents. The specifications and terms and conditions shall be deemed to have been accepted by the tenderer in his offer. Non compliance with any of the requirements and instructions of the tender enquiry may result in the rejection of the tender.
- iii) Integrity pact (IP) shall be applicable for all tenders / contracts if indicated in NIT. This integrity pact shall be issued as part of the Tender documents and shall be returned by the bidder along with Techno-commercial bid duly filled, signed and stamped by the authorized signatory who signs the bid. Only those vendors / bidders who have entered into such an IP with BHEL shall be considered qualified to participate in the bidding. Entering into this pact shall be a preliminary qualification.

1.2. SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

- 1.2.1 The tenderers must submit their tenders to Officer inviting tender as per instructions in the NIT
- 1.2.2 Tenders submitted by post shall be sent by 'REGISTERED POST ACKNOWLEDGEMENT DUE / by COURIER' and shall be posted with due allowance for any postal/courier delays. BHEL takes no responsibility for delay, loss or non-receipt of tenders sent by post/courier. **The tenders received after the specified time of their submission are treated as 'Late Tenders' and shall not be considered under any circumstances.** Offers received by Fax/Email/Internet shall be considered as per terms of NIT.
- 1.2.3 Tenders shall be opened by authorised Officer of BHEL at his office at the time and date as specified in the NIT, in the presence of such of those tenderers or their authorised representatives who may be present

1.2.4 Tenderers whose bids are found techno commercially qualified shall be informed the date and time of opening of the Price Bids and such Tenderers may depute their representatives to witness the opening of the price bids. BHEL's decision in this regard shall be final and binding.

1.2.5 Before submission of Offer, the tenderers are advised to inspect the site of work and the environments and be well acquainted with the actual working and other prevalent conditions, facilities available, position of material and labour, means of transport and access to Site, accommodation, etc. No claim will be entertained later on the grounds of lack of knowledge of any of these conditions.

1.3. LANGUAGE

1.3.1 The tenderer shall quote the rates in English language and international numerals. These rates shall be entered in figures as well as in words. For the purpose of the tenders, the metric system of units shall be used.

1.3.2 All entries in the tender shall either be typed or written legibly in ink. Erasing and over-writing is not permitted and may render such tenders liable for rejection. All cancellations and insertions shall be duly attested by the tenderer.

1.4 PRICE DISCREPANCY:

1.4.1 **Conventional (Manual) Price Bid opening** : In the case of price bid opening without resorting to Reverse Auction, if there are differences between the rates given by the tenderer in words and figures or in amount worked out by him, the following procedure for evaluation and award shall be followed:

- i) When there is a difference between the rates in figures and in words, the rates which corresponds to the amounts worked out by the contractor, shall be taken as correct
- ii) When the amount of an item is not worked out by the contractor or it does not correspond with the rate written either in figure or in words, then the rate quoted by the contractor in words shall be taken as correct
- iii) When the rate quoted by the contractor in figures and words tallies but the amount is not worked out correctly, the rate quoted by the contractor shall be taken as correct and not the amount.
- iv) In case of lumpsum price, if there is any difference between the amount in figures and in words, the amount quoted by the bidder in words shall be taken as correct.
- v) In case of omission in quoting any rate for one or more items, the evaluation shall be done considering the highest quoted rate obtained against the respective items by other tenderers for the subject tender. If the tenderer becomes L-1, the notional rates for the omission items shall be the lowest rates quoted for the respective items by the other tenderers against the respective omission items for the subject job and the 'Total quoted price (loaded for omissions)' shall be arrived at. However the overall price remaining the same as quoted originally, the rates for all the items in the 'Total quoted price (loaded for omissions)' shall be reduced item wise in proportion to the ratio of 'Original' total price and the 'Total quoted price (loaded for omissions)'
- vi) The 'Final Total Amount' shall be arrived at after considering the amounts worked out in line with 'i' to 'iv' above.

1.4.2 **Reverse Auction:** In case of Reverse Auction, the successful bidder shall undertake to execute the work as per overall price offered by him during the Reverse Auction process. In case of omission of rates, the procedure shall be as per 'Guidelines for Reverse Auction' enclosed.

1.5. QUALIFICATION OF TENDERERS

- i) Only tenderers who have previous experience in the work of the nature and description detailed in the Notice Inviting Tender and/or tender specification are expected to quote for this work duly

- ii) detailing their experience along with offer.
- ii) Offers from tenderers who do not have proven and established experience in the field shall not be considered
- iii) .Offers from tenderers who are under suspension (banned) by any Unit/Region/Division of BHEL shall not be considered.
- iv) Offers from tenderers who do not comply with the latest guidelines of Ministry/Commissions of Govt of India shall not be considered.

1.6. EVALUATION OF BIDS

- i) Technical Bids submitted by the tenderer will be opened first and evaluated for fulfilling the Pre Qualification criteria and other conditions in NIT/Tender documents, based on documentary evidences submitted along with the offer
- ii) In case the same qualifying experience is claimed by more than one agency, then the agency who has executed the work as per documentary evidence submitted shall only be qualified. Scope of qualifying work should be totally with the agency who has executed and in case it is only labour+consumables without T&P, then the responsibility of execution is assigned to the first agency and not to the agency who has executed only as labour supply contractor. Further, BHEL reserves the right to ask for further proofs including submission of TDS certificates for the said job
- iii) In case the qualifying experience is claimed by private organizations based on Work Order and completion certificates from another private organization, BHEL reserves the right to ask for further proofs including submission of TDS certificates for the said job
- iv) Assessing Bidder Capacity for executing the current tender shall be as per Notice Inviting Tender
- v) Price Bids of shortlisted bidders shall only be opened either through the conventional price bid opening or through electronic Reverse Auction, at the discretion of BHEL
- vi) Price Bids of unqualified bidders shall not be opened. Reasons for rejection shall be intimated in due course after issue of LOI/LOA to successful bidder and receipt of unqualified acceptance from the successful bidder
- vii) Bidders are advised to also refer to clause no 2.9.4 regarding evaluation of their performance in ongoing projects for the current tender

1.7. DATA TO BE ENCLOSED

Full information shall be given by the tenderer in respect of the following. Non-submission of this information may lead to rejection of the offer.

- i) **INCOME TAX PERMANENT ACCOUNT NUMBER**
Certified copies of Permanent Account Numbers as allotted by Income Tax Department for the Company/Firm/Individual Partners, etc. shall be furnished along with tender.
- ii) **ORGANIZATION CHART**
The organization chart of the tenderer's organization, including the names, addresses and contact information of the Directors/Partners shall be furnished along with the offer.
- iii) An attested copy of the Power of Attorney, in case the tender is signed by an individual other than the sole proprietor
- iv) **IN CASE OF INDIVIDUAL TENDERER:**
His / her full name, address and place & nature of business.

v) **IN CASE OF PARTNERSHIP FIRM**

The names of all the partners and their addresses, A copy of the partnership deed/instrument of partnership duly certified by the Notary Public shall be enclosed.

vi) **IN CASE OF COMPANIES:**

- a. Date and place of registration including date of commencement certificate in case of Public Companies (certified copies of Memorandum and articles of Association are also to be furnished).
- b. Nature of business carried on by the Company and the provisions of the Memorandum relating thereof.

1.8 **AUTHORISATION AND ATTESTATION**

Tenders shall be signed by a person duly authorized/empowered to do so. An attested copy of the Power of Attorney, in case the tender is signed by an individual other than the sole proprietor shall be submitted along with the tenders

1.9 **EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT**

1.9.1 Every tender must be accompanied by the prescribed amount of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in the manner described herein.

- i) EMD shall be furnished along with the offer in full as per the amount indicated in the Special Conditions of Contract / NIT
- ii) EMD is to be paid in cash (as permissible under Income Tax Act), Pay order or Demand Draft in favour of 'Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited' and payable at Regional HQ issuing the tender.
- iii) No other form of EMD remittance shall be acceptable to BHEL
- iv) Bidder may opt to deposit "One Time EMD" of Rs. 2.0 lakhs (Rupees Two lakhs only) with BHEL:Power Sector Region HQ issuing the tender, which will enable them to participate in all the future tender enquiries in respect of Erection and Commissioning services issued from the respective office. Interested bidders may clearly send their consent for converting the present EMD into a "One Time EMD" in their offer.
 - Note : The 'One Time EMD' cannot be withdrawn by the tenderers within 3 years from the date of deposit, under any circumstances. The Tenderer who wishes to withdraw after three years will not be allowed to submit 'One Time EMD' again.
- v) Bidders who have already deposited such "One Time EMD" of Rs. 2.00 lakh are exempted from submission of EMD for this tender. However a copy of 'One Time EMD' certificate issued by BHEL Regional HQ issuing the tender shall be enclosed along with the offer.

1.9.2 EMD by the bidder will be forfeited as per Tender Documents if

- i) After opening the tender, the bidder revokes his tender within the validity period or increases his earlier quoted rates.
- ii) The bidder does not commence the work within the period as per LOI/Contract. In case the LOI / contract is silent in this regard then within 15 days after award of contract.

1.9.3 EMD shall not carry any interest.

1.9.4 In the case of unsuccessful bidders, the Earnest Money will be refunded to them within a reasonable time after acceptance of award by successful tenderer.

1.10 SECURITY DEPOSIT

1.10.1 Upon acceptance of Tender, the successful Tenderer should deposit the required amount of Security Deposit for satisfactory completion of work, as per the rates given below:

SN	Contract Value	Security Deposit Amount
1	Up to Rs. 10 lakhs	10% of Contract Value
2	Above Rs. 10 lakhs upto Rs.50 lakhs	1 lakh + 7.5% of the Contract Value exceeding Rs. 10 lakhs.
3	Above Rs. 50 lakhs	Rs 4 lakhs + 5% of the Contract Value exceeding Rs. 50 lakhs.

1.10.2 The security Deposit should be furnished before start of the work by the contractor.

1.10.3 Security Deposit may be furnished in any one of the following forms

- i) Cash (as permissible under the Income Tax Act)
- ii) Pay Order / Demand Draft in favour of BHEL.
- iii) Local cheques of scheduled banks, subject to realization.
- iv) Securities available from Post Offices such as National Savings Certificates, Kisan Vikas Patras etc. (Certificates should be held in the name of Contractor furnishing the security and duly pledged in favour of BHEL and discharged on the back).
- v) Bank Guarantee from Scheduled Banks / Public Financial Institutions as defined in the Companies Act. The Bank Guarantee format for Security Deposit shall be in the prescribed formats
- vi) Fixed Deposit Receipt issued by Scheduled Banks / Public Financial Institutions as defined in the Companies Act. The FDR should be in the name of the contractor, A/C BHEL, duly discharged on the back.
- vii) Security deposit can also be recovered at the rate of 10% from the running bills. However in such cases at least 50% of the Security Deposit should be deposited in any form as prescribed before start of the work and the balance 50% may be recovered from the running bills.
- viii) EMD of the successful bidder can be converted and adjusted against the cash portion of Security Deposit excepting for such bidders who have remitted One Time EMD.

NOTE: Acceptance of Security Deposit against Sl. No. (iv) and (vi) above will be subject to hypothecation or endorsement on the documents in favour of BHEL. However, BHEL will not be liable or responsible in any manner for the collection of interest or renewal of the documents or in any other matter connected therewith.

1.10.4 The Security Deposit shall not carry any interest.

1.10.5 In case the value of work exceeds / reduces from the awarded / accepted value, the Security Deposit shall be correspondingly enhanced / reduced as given below:

- i) The enhanced part of the Security Deposit shall be immediately deposited by the Contractor or adjusted against payments due to the Contractor.
- ii) There will be no reduction in Security Deposit value in case of variation in contract value upto the lower limit specified in Quantity variation clause. In case of reduction of contract value beyond the lower limit specified in Quantity Variation clause, then the Security Deposit shall be re adjusted in proportion.
- iii) In case of reduction, the reduced Contract value shall be certified by BHEL Construction Manager after ascertaining / freezing of BOQ / Drawings from the Design / Engineering Centre. The reduced Security Deposit value can only be considered after taking into account the adequacy of the securities held by BHEL to meet the liabilities of the contractor for the contract, and the

performance of the contract in general. **In such cases, the revised value of Security Deposit shall be worked out only after execution of not less than the lower limit of the revised scope of work/contract value as per quantity variation clause, and as certified by Construction Manager. This reduction in value of Security Deposit shall not entitle the contractor to any amendment of Contract and shall be operated at the discretion of BHEL**

- iv) Contract value for the purpose of operating the reduced/increased value of Security Deposit due to Quantity Variation, shall be exclusive of Price Variation Clause, Over Run Compensation and Extra works done on manday rates.

1.10.6 The validity of Bank Guarantees towards Security Deposit shall be initially upto the completion period as stipulated in the Letter of Intent/Award + 3 months, and the same shall be kept valid by proper renewal till the acceptance of Final Bills of the Contractor, by BHEL.

1.10.7 BHEL reserves the right of forfeiture of Security Deposit in addition to other claims and penalties in the event of the Contractor's failure to fulfill any of the contractual obligations or in the event of termination of contract as per terms and conditions of contract. BHEL reserves the right to set off the Security Deposit against any claims of other contracts with BHEL.

1.11 RETURN OF SECURITY DEPOSIT

Security Deposit shall be refunded/Bank Guarantee(s) released to the Contractor along with the 'Final Bill' after deducting all expenses / other amounts due to BHEL under the contract / other contracts entered into with them by BHEL.

1.12 BANK GUARANTEES

Where ever Bank Guarantees are to be furnished/submitted by the contractor, the following shall be complied with

- i) Bank Guarantees shall be from Scheduled Banks / Public Financial Institutions as defined in the Companies Act.
- ii) The Bank Guarantees shall be as per prescribed formats.
- iii) It is the responsibility of the bidder to get the Bank Guarantees revalidated/extended for the required period (subject to a minimum period of six months), as per the advice of BHEL Site Engineer / Construction Manager. BHEL shall not be liable for issue of any reminders regarding expiry of the Bank Guarantees.
- iv) In case extension/further extensions of any Bank Guarantees are not required, the bidders shall ensure that the same is explicitly endorsed by the Construction Manager and submitted to the Regional HQ issuing the LOI/LOA.
- v) In case the Bank Guarantees are not extended before the expiry date, BHEL reserves the right to invoke the same by informing the concerned Bank in writing, without any advance notice/communication to the concerned bidder.
- vi) Bidders to note that any corrections to Bank Guarantees shall be done by the issuing Bank, only through an amendment in an appropriate non judicial stamp paper.
- vii) The Original Bank Guarantee shall be sent directly by the Bank to BHEL under Registered Post (Acknowledgement Due), addressed to the Subcontracting Department of the respective Region.

1.13 VALIDITY OF OFFER

The rates in the Tender shall be kept open for acceptance for a minimum period of **SIX MONTHS** from latest due date of offer submission (including extension, if any) . In case BHEL (Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd) calls for negotiations, such negotiations shall not amount to cancellation or withdrawal of the original offer which shall be binding on the tenderers.

1.14 EXECUTION OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT

The successful tenderer's responsibility under this contract commences from the date of issue of the Letter of Intent by Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited. The Tenderer shall submit an unqualified acceptance to the Letter of Intent/Award within the period stipulated therein.

The successful tenderer shall be required to execute an agreement in the prescribed form, with BHEL, within a reasonable time after the acceptance of the Letter of Intent/Award, and in any case before releasing the first running bill. The contract agreement shall be signed by a person duly authorized/empowered by the tenderer. The expenses for preparation of agreement document shall be borne by BHEL

1.15 REJECTION OF TENDER AND OTHER CONDITIONS (Revised w.e.f 09th Apr 2013)

1.15.1 The acceptance of tender will rest with BHEL which does not bind itself to accept the lowest tender or any tender and reserves to itself full rights for the following without assigning any reasons whatsoever:-

- a. To reject any or all of the tenders.
- b. To split up the work amongst two or more tenderers as per NIT
- c. To award the work in part if specified in NIT
- d. In case of either of the contingencies stated in (b) and (c) above, the time for completion as stipulated in the tender shall be applicable.

1.15.2 Conditional tenders, unsolicited tenders, tenders which are incomplete or not in the form specified or defective or have been materially altered or not in accordance with the tender conditions, specifications etc., are liable to be rejected.

1.15.3 Tenders are liable to be rejected in case of unsatisfactory performance of the tenderer with BHEL, or tenderer under suspension (hold/banning /delisted) by any unit / region / division of BHEL or tenderers who do not comply with the latest guidelines of Ministry/Commissions of Govt of India. BHEL reserves the right to reject a bidder in case it is observed that they are overloaded and may not be in a position to execute this job as per the required schedule in line with clause no. 9.0 of the 'NIT'. The decision of BHEL will be final in this regard.

1.15.4 If a tenderer who is a proprietor expires after the submission of his tender or after the acceptance of his tender, BHEL may at their discretion, cancel such tender. If a partner of a firm expires after the submission of tender or after the acceptance of the tender, BHEL may then cancel such tender at their discretion, unless the firm retains its character.

1.15.5 BHEL will not be bound by any Power of Attorney granted by changes in the composition of the firm made subsequent to the execution of the contract. They may, however, recognise such power of Attorney and changes after obtaining proper legal advice, the cost of which will be

chargeable to the contractor concerned.

- 1.15.6 If the tenderer deliberately gives wrong information in his tender, BHEL reserves the right to reject such tender at any stage or to cancel the contract if awarded and forfeit the Earnest Money/Security Deposit/any other money due.
- 1.15.7 Canvassing in any form in connection with the tenders submitted by the Tenderer shall make his offer liable to rejection.
- 1.15.8 In case the Proprietor, Partner or Director of the Company/Firm submitting the Tender, has any relative or relation employed in BHEL, the authority inviting the Tender shall be informed of the fact as per specified format, along with the Offer. Failing to do so, BHEL may, at its sole discretion, reject the tender or cancel the contract and forfeit the Earnest Money/Security Deposit.
- 1.15.9 The successful tenderer should not sub-contract part or complete work detailed in the tender specification undertaken by him without written permission of BHEL's Construction Manager/Site Incharge. The tenderer is solely responsible to BHEL for the work awarded to him.
- 1.15.10 The Tender submitted by a techno commercially qualified tenderer shall become the property of BHEL who shall be under no obligation to return the same to the bidder. However unopened price bids and late tenders shall be returned to the bidders
- 1.15.11 Unsolicited discount received after the due date and time of Bid Submission shall not be considered for evaluation. However, if the party who has submitted the unsolicited discount/rebate becomes the L-I party, then the awarded price i.e contract value shall be worked out after considering the discount so offered.
- 1.15.12 BHEL shall not be liable for any expenses incurred by the bidder in the preparation of the tender irrespective of whether the tender is accepted or not.
- 1.15.13 If the final price of successful bidder is lesser by 'more than 20%' of BHEL's estimates, 'Additional Security Deposit' will be required to be submitted by the successful bidder with value as follows:

Additional Security Deposit = 30 % of (A-B) will be calculated as below:

A = 80% of BHEL estimate

B = The final offered price of successful bidder through RA (In case of RA)

OR

Sealed paper price bid of successful bidder (in case of paper bid)

This 'Additional Security Deposit' shall have the same validity as that of the 'Security Deposit' and shall be revalidated/released in the manner as spelt out for the 'Security Deposit' as per relevant clause of GCC.

The BHEL's estimated value shall be disclosed to successful bidder (on request) in case 'Additional Security Deposit' is applicable.

CHAPTER-2

2.1 **DEFINITION:** The following terms shall have the meaning hereby assigned to them except where the context otherwise requires

- i) BHEL shall mean Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (of the respective Power Sector Region inviting the Tender), a company registered under Indian Companies Act 1956, with its Registered Office at BHEL HOUSE, SIRI FORT, NEW DELHI – 110 049, or its Power Sector Regional Offices or its Authorised Officers or its Site Engineers or other employees authorised to deal with any matters with which these persons are concerned on its behalf.
- ii) “EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR” or ‘GROUP GENERAL MANAGER’ or “GENERAL MANAGER (Incharge)” or “GENERAL MANAGER” shall mean the Officer in Administrative charge of the respective Power Sector Region.
- iii) “COMPETENT AUTHORITY” shall mean Executive Director or Group General Manager or General Manager (Incharge) or General Manager or BHEL Officers who are empowered to act on behalf of the Executive Director or General Manager (Incharge) or General Manager of BHEL.
- iv) “ENGINEER” or “ENGINEER IN CHARGE” shall mean an Officer of BHEL as may be duly appointed and authorized by BHEL to act as “Engineer” on his behalf for the purpose of the Contract, to perform the duty set forth in this General Conditions of Contract and other Contract documents. The term also includes ‘CONSTRUCTION MANAGER’ or ‘SITE INCHARGE’ as well as Officers at Site or at the Headquarters of the respective Power Sector Regions.
- v) “SITE” shall mean the places or place at which the plants/equipments are to be erected and services are to be performed as per the specification of this Tender.
- vi) “CLIENT OF BHEL” or “CUSTOMER” shall mean the project authorities with whom BHEL has entered into a contract for supply of equipments or provision of services.
- vii) “CONTRACTOR” shall mean the successful Bidder/Tenderer who is awarded the Contract and shall include the Contractor’s successors, heirs, executors, administrators and permitted assigns.
- viii) “CONTRACT” or “CONTRACT DOCUMENT” shall mean and include the Agreement of Work Order, the accepted appendices of Rates, Schedules, Quantities if any, General Conditions of Contract, Special Conditions of Contract, Instructions to the Tenderers, Drawings, Technical Specifications, the Special Specifications if any, the Tender documents, subsequent amendments mutually agreed upon and the Letter of Intent/Acceptance issued by BHEL. Any conditions or terms stipulated by the contractor in the tender documents or subsequent letters shall not form part of the contract unless, specifically accepted in writing by BHEL in the Letter of Intent/Award and incorporated in the agreement.
- ix) “GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT” shall mean the ‘Instructions to Tenderers’ and ‘General Conditions of Contract’ pertaining to the work for which above tenders have been called for.
- x) “TENDER SPECIFICATION” or “TENDER” or “TENDER DOCUMENTS” shall mean General Conditions, Common Conditions, Special Conditions, Price Bid, Rate Schedule, Technical

	Specifications, Appendices, Annexures, Corrigendums, Amendments, Forms, procedures, Site information, etc and drawings/documents pertaining to the work for which the tenderers are required to submit their offers. Individual specification number will be assigned to each Tender Specification.
xi)	“LETTER OF INTENT” shall mean the intimation by a Letter/Fax/email to the tenderer that the tender has been accepted in accordance with provisions contained in the letter. The responsibility of the contractor commences from the date of issue of this letter and all terms and conditions of the contract are applicable from this date.
xii)	“COMPLETION TIME” shall mean the period by ‘date/month’ specified in the ‘Letter of Intent/Award’ or date mutually agreed upon for handing over of the intended scope of work, the erected equipment/plant which are found acceptable by the Engineer, being of required standard and conforming to the specifications of the Contract.
xiii)	“PLANT” shall mean and connote the entire assembly of the plant and equipments covered by the contract.
xiv)	“EQUIPMENT” shall mean equipment, machineries, materials, structural, electricals and other components of the plant covered by the contract.
xv)	“TESTS” shall mean and include such test or tests to be carried out on the part of the contractor as are prescribed in the contract or considered necessary by BHEL, in order to ascertain the quality, workmanship, performance and efficiency of the contractor or part thereof.
xvi)	“APPROVED”, “DIRECTED” or “INSTRUCTED” shall mean approved, directed or instructed by BHEL.
xvii)	“WORK or CONTRACT WORK” shall mean and include supply of all categories of labour, specified consumables, tools and tackles and Plants required for complete and satisfactory site transportation, handling, stacking, storing, erecting, testing and commissioning of the equipments to the entire satisfaction of BHEL.
xviii)	“SINGULAR AND PLURALS ETC” words carrying singular number shall also include plural and vice versa, where the context so requires. Words imparting the masculine Gender shall be taken to include the feminine Gender and words imparting persons shall include any Company or Associations or Body of Individuals, whether incorporated or not.
xix)	“HEADING” – The heading in these General Conditions are solely for the purpose of facilitating reference and shall not be deemed to be part thereof or be taken as instructions thereof or of the contract.
xx)	“MONTH” shall mean calendar month unless otherwise specified in the Tender.
xxi)	Day’ or ‘Days’ unless herein otherwise expressly defined shall mean calendar day or days of twenty four (24) hours each. A week shall mean continuous period of seven (7) days.
xxii)	“COMMISSIONING” shall mean the synchronisation testing and achieving functional operation of the Equipment with associated system after all initial adjustments, trials, cleaning, re-assembly required at site if any, have been completed and Equipment with associated system is

	ready for taking into service.
xxiii)	“WRITING” shall include any manuscript type written or hand written or printed statement or electronically transmitted messages, under the signature or seal or transmittal of BHEL.
xxiv)	“TEMPORARY WORK” shall mean all temporary works for every kind required in or for the execution, completion, maintenance of the work.
xxv)	‘CONTRACT PRICE’ or ‘CONTRACT VALUE’ shall mean the sum mentioned in the LOI/LOA/Contract Agreement subject to such additions thereto or deductions there from as may be made under provisions hereinafter contained
xxvi)	“COMMENCEMENT DATE” or “START DATE” shall mean the commencement/start of work at Site as per terms defined in the Tender
xxvii)	“SHORT CLOSING” or “FORE CLOSING” of Contract shall mean the premature closing of Contract, for reasons not attributable to the contractor and mutually agreed between BHEL and the contractor
xxviii)	“TERMINATION” of Contract shall mean the premature closing of contract due to reasons as mentioned in the contract
xxix)	“DE MOBILISATION” shall mean the temporary winding up of Site establishment by Contractor leading to suspension of works temporarily for reasons not attributable to the contractor
xxx)	“RE MOBILISATION” shall mean the resumption of work with all resources required for the work after demobilization.
2.2	<p style="text-align: center;">LAW GOVERNING THE CONTRACT AND COURT JURISDICTION</p> <p>The contract shall be governed by the Law for the time being in force in the Republic of India. The Civil Court having original Civil Jurisdiction at Delhi for PSNR, at Kolkata for PSER, at Nagpur for PSWR and at Chennai for PSSR, shall alone have exclusive jurisdiction in regard to all claims in respect of the Contract. No other Civil Court shall have jurisdiction in case of any dispute, under this contract</p>
2.3	<p style="text-align: center;">ISSUE OF NOTICE</p> <p>2.3.1 <u>Service of notice on contractor</u> Any notice to be given to the Contractor under the terms of the contract shall be served by sending the same by Registered Post / Speed Post to or leaving the same at the Contractor's last known address of the principal place of business (or in the event of the contractor being a company, to or at its Registered Office). In case of change of address, the notice shall be served at changed address as notified in writing by the Contractor to BHEL. Such posting or leaving of the notice shall be deemed to be good service of such notice and the time mentioned to the condition for doing any act after notice shall be reckoned from the date so mentioned in such notice.</p> <p>2.3.2 <u>Service of notice on BHEL</u> Any notice to be given to BHEL in-charge/Region under the terms of the Contract shall be served by sending the same by post to or leaving the same at BHEL address or changed address as notified in writing by BHEL to the Contractor.</p>
2.4	<p style="text-align: center;">USE OF LAND</p> <p>No land belonging to BHEL or their Customer under temporary possession of BHEL shall be occupied by the contractor without written permission of BHEL.</p>

2.5 COMMENCEMENT OF WORK

- 2.5.1 The contractor shall commence the work as per the time indicated in the Letter of Intent from BHEL and shall proceed with the same with due expedition without delay.
- 2.5.2 If the contractor fails to start the work within stipulated time as per LOI or as intimated by BHEL, then BHEL at its sole discretion will have the right to cancel the contract. The Earnest Money and/or Security Deposit with BHEL will stand forfeited without any further reference to him without prejudice to any and all of BHEL's other rights and remedies in this regard.
- 2.5.3 All the work shall be carried out under the direction and to the satisfaction of BHEL.

2.6 MEASUREMENT OF WORK AND MODE OF PAYMENT:

- 2.6.1 All payments due to the contractors shall be made by e mode only, unless otherwise found operationally difficult for reasons to be recorded in writing.
- 2.6.2 For progress running bill payments: - The Contractor shall present detailed measurement sheets in triplicate, duly indicating all relevant details based on technical documents and connected drawings for work done during the month/period under various categories in line with terms of payment as per contract. The basis of arriving at the quantities, weights shall be relevant documents and drawings released by BHEL. These measurement sheets shall be prepared jointly with BHEL Engineers and signed by both the parties.
- 2.6.3 These measurement sheets will be checked by BHEL Engineer and quantities and percentage eligible for payment under various groups shall be decided by BHEL Engineer. The abstract of quantities and percentage so arrived at based on the terms of payment shall be entered in Measurement Book and signed by both the parties.
- 2.6.4 Based on the above quantities, contractor shall prepare the bills in prescribed format and work out the financial value. These will be entered in Measurement Book and signed by both the parties. Payment shall be made by BHEL after effecting the recoveries due from the contractor.
- 2.6.5 All recoveries due from the contractor for the month/period shall be effected in full from the corresponding running bills unless specific approval from the competent authorities is obtained to the contrary.
- 2.6.6 Measurement shall be restricted to that portion of work for which it is required to ascertain the financial liability of BHEL under this contract.
- 2.6.7 The measurement shall be taken jointly by persons duly authorized on the part of BHEL and by the Contractor.
- 2.6.8 The Contractor shall bear the expenditure involved if any, in making the measurements and testing of materials to be used/used in the work. The contractor shall, without extra charges, provide all the assistance with appliances and other things necessary for measurement.
- 2.6.9 If at any time due to any reason whatsoever, it becomes necessary to re-measure the work done in full or in part, the expenses towards such re measurements shall be borne by the contractor unless such re measurements are warranted solely for reasons not attributable to contractor.

2.6.10 Passing of bills covered by such measurements does not amount to acceptance of the completion of the work measured. Any left out work has to be completed, if pointed out at a later date by BHEL.

2.6.11 Final measurement bill shall be prepared in the final bill format prescribed for the purpose based on the certificate issued by BHEL Engineer that entire works as stipulated in tender specification has been completed in all respects to the entire satisfaction of BHEL. Contractor shall give unqualified "No Claim" Certificate. All the tools and tackles loaned to him should be returned in satisfactory condition to BHEL. The abstract of final quantities and financial values shall also be entered in the Measurement Books and signed by both parties to the contract. The Final Bill shall be prepared and paid within a reasonable time after completion of work.

2.7 RIGHTS OF BHEL

BHEL reserves the following rights in respect of this contract during the original contract period or its extensions if any, as per the provisions of the contract, without entitling the contractor for any compensation.

2.7.1 To withdraw any portion of work and/or to restrict/alter quantum of work as indicated in the contract during the progress of work and get it done through other agencies to suit BHEL's commitment to its customer or in case BHEL decides to advance the date of completion due to other emergent reasons/ BHEL's obligation to its customer.

2.7.2 To terminate the contract or get any part of the work done through other agency or deploy BHEL's own/hired/otherwise arranged resources, at the risk and cost of the contractor after due notice of a period of two weeks by BHEL, in the event of:-

- i) Contractor's continued poor progress
- ii) Withdrawal from or abandonment of the work before completion of the work
- iii) Contractor's inability to progress the work for completion as stipulated in the contract
- iv) Poor quality of work
- v) Corrupt act of Contractor
- vi) Insolvency of the Contractor
- vii) Persistent disregard to the instructions of BHEL
- viii) Assignment, transfer, sub-letting of contract without BHEL's written permission
- ix) Non fulfillment of any contractual obligations
- x) In the opinion of BHEL, the contractor is overloaded and is not in a position to execute the job as per required schedule

2.7.3 To meet the expenses including BHEL overheads on the differential cost at 5%, over and above the Liquidated damages/penalties arising out of "Risk & Cost" as explained above under SI.No. 2.7.2. BHEL shall recover the amount from any money due from Contractor, or from any money due to the Contractor including Security Deposit, or by forfeiting any T&P or material of the contractor under this contract or any other contract of BHEL or by any other means or any combination thereof

2.7.4 To terminate the contract or to restrict the quantum of work and pay for the portion of work executed in case BHEL's contract with their customer are terminated for any reason, as per mutual agreement.

2.7.5 To effect recovery from any amounts due to the contractor under this or any other contract or in

any other form, the moneys BHEL is statutorily forced to pay to anybody, due to contractor's failure to fulfill any of his obligations. BHEL shall levy overheads of 5% on all such payments along with interest as defined elsewhere in the GCC.

2.7.6 While every endeavour will be made by BHEL to this end, they cannot guarantee uninterrupted work due to conditions beyond their control. The Contractor will not be normally entitled for any compensation/extra payment on this account unless otherwise specified elsewhere in the contract.

2.7.7 In case the execution of works comes to a complete halt or reaches a stage wherein worthwhile works cannot be executed and there is no possibility of commencement of work for a period of not less than two months, due to reasons not attributable to the contractor and other than Force Majeure conditions, BHEL may consider permitting the contractor to de mobilize forthwith and re mobilize at an agreed future date. Cost of such demobilization/remobilization shall be mutually agreed. ORC in such cases shall not be applicable for the period between the period of demobilization and re mobilisation. The duration of contract/time extension shall accordingly get modified suitably. In case of any conflict, BHEL decision in this regard shall be final and binding on the contractor.

2.7.8 In the unforeseen event of inordinate delay in receipt of materials, drawings, fronts, etc, due to which inordinate discontinuity of work is anticipated, BHEL at its discretion may consider contractor's request to short close the contract in following cases:

- a) The balance works (including but not limited to Trial Operation, PG Test, etc) are minor vis a vis the scope of work envisaged as per the contract.
- b) There has been no significant work in past 6 months OR no significant work is expected in next 6 months (example in Hydro projects or in projects where work has stopped due to reasons beyond the control of BHEL)
- c) The balance works cannot be done within a reasonable period of time as they are dependent on unit shutdown or on other facilities of customer or any other reasons not attributable to the contractor

At the point of requesting for short closure, contractor shall establish that he has completed all works possible of completion and he is not able to proceed with the balance works due to constraints beyond his control. In such a case, the estimated value of the unexecuted portion of work (or estimated value of services to be provided for carrying out milestone/stage payments like Trial Operation/PG Test, etc) as mutually agreed, shall however be reduced from the final contract value.

2.7.9 **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES/PENALTY**

If the contractor fails to maintain the required progress of work which results in delay in the completion of the work as per the contractual completion period, BHEL shall have the right to impose Liquidated Damage/Penalty at the rate of 0.5% of the contract value, per week of delay or part thereof subject to a maximum of 10% of the contract value. For this purpose, the period of delay shall be the delay attributable to the Contractor for the completion of work as per contract. Contract Value for this purpose, shall be the final executed value exclusive of ORC, Extra Works executed on Manday rate basis, Supplementary/Additional Items and PVC.

2.8 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONTRACTOR IN RESPECT OF LOCAL LAWS, EMPLOYMENT OF WORKERS ETC (Revised w.e.f 09th Apr 2013).

The following are the responsibilities of the contractor in respect of observance of local laws, employment of personnel, payment of taxes etc. The subcontractor shall fully indemnify BHEL against any claims of whatsoever nature arising due to the failure of the contractor in discharging any of his responsibilities hereunder:

- 2.8.1 As far as possible, Unskilled Workers shall be engaged from the local areas in which the work is being executed.
- 2.8.2 The contractor at all times during the continuance of this contract shall, in all his dealings with local labour for the time being employed on or in connection with the work, have due regard to all local festivals and religious and other customs.
- 2.8.3 The contractor shall comply with all applicable State and Central Laws, Statutory Rules, Regulations, Notifications etc. such as Payment of Wages Act, Minimum Wages Act, Workmen Compensation Act, Employer's Liability Act, Industrial Disputes Act, Employers Provident Act, Employees State Insurance Scheme, Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act 1970, Payment of Bonus & Gratuity Act, Building and Other Construction workers (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1996, The Building and Other Construction Workers' welfare Cess Act, 1996 and other Acts, Rules and Regulations for labour/workers as applicable and may be enacted by the State Government & Central Government during the tenure of the Contract and having force or jurisdiction at Site. The Contractor shall also comply with provisions of and give all such notices to the local Governing Body, Police and other relevant Authorities as may be required by the Law.
- 2.8.4 The contractor shall obtain independent License under the Contract Labour (Regulations and Abolition) Act, 1970 for engaging contract labour as required from the concerned Authorities based on the certificate (Form-V) issued by the Principal Employer/Customer.
- 2.8.5 The contractor shall pay and bear all taxes, fees, license charges, deposits, duties, tolls, royalties, commission or other charges which may be leviable on account of his operations in executing the contract.
- 2.8.6 While BHEL would pay the inspection fees and Registration fees of Boiler/Electrical Inspectorate, all other arrangements for site visits periodically by the Inspectorate to site, Inspection certificate etc. will have to be made by contractor. However, BHEL will not make any payment to the Inspectorate in connection with contractor's Welders/Electricians qualification tests etc.
- 2.8.7 Contractor shall be responsible for provision of Health and Sanitary arrangements (more particularly described in Contract Labour Regulation & Abolition Act), Safety precautions etc. as may be required for safe and satisfactory execution of contract.
- 2.8.8 The contractor shall be responsible for proper accommodation including adequate medical facilities for personnel employed by him.
- 2.8.9 The contractor shall be responsible for the proper behavior and observance of all regulations by the staff employed by him.

- 2.8.10 The contractor shall ensure that no damage is caused to any person/property of other parties working at site. If any such damage is caused, it is responsibility of the contractor to make good the losses or compensate for the same.
- 2.8.11 All the properties/equipments/components of BHEL/their Client loaned with or without deposit to the contractor in connection with the contract shall remain properties of BHEL/their Client.
- 2.8.12 The contractor shall use such properties for the purpose of execution of this contract. All such properties/equipments/components shall be deemed to be in good condition when received by the contractor unless he notifies within 48 hours to the contrary. The contractor shall return them in good condition as and when required by BHEL/their Client. In case of non-return, loss, damage, repairs etc, the cost thereof as may be fixed by BHEL Engineer will be recovered from the contractor
- 2.8.13 In case the contractor is required to undertake any work outside the scope of this contract, the rates payable shall be those mutually agreed upon if the item rates are not mentioned in existing contract
- 2.8.14 Any delay in completion of works/or non achievement of periodical targets due to the reasons attributable to the contractor, the same may have to be compensated by the contractor either by increasing manpower and resources or by working extra hours and/or by working more than one shift. All these are to be carried out by the contractor at no extra cost.
- 2.8.15 The contractor shall arrange, coordinate his work in such a manner as to cause no hindrance to other agencies working in the same premises.
- 2.8.16 All safety rules and codes applied by the Client/BHEL at site shall be observed by the contractor without exception. The contractor shall be responsible for the safety of the equipment/material and works to be performed by him and shall maintain all light, fencing guards, slings etc. or other protection necessary for the purpose. Contractor shall also take such additional precautions as may be indicated from time to time by the Engineer with a view to prevent pilferage, accidents, fire hazards. Due precautions shall be taken against fire hazards and atmospheric conditions. Suitable number of Clerical staff, watch and ward, store keepers to take care of equipment/materials and construction tools and tackles shall be posted at site by the contractor till the completion of work under this contract.
- The contractor shall arrange for such safety devices as are necessary for such type of work and carry out the requisite site tests of handling equipment, lifting tools, tackles etc. as per prescribed standards and practices.
- Contractor has to ensure the implementation of Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) requirements as per directions given by BHEL/Customer. The contractor has to assist in HSE audit by BHEL/Customer and submit compliance Report. The contractor has to generate and submit record/reports as per HSE plan/activities as per instruction of BHEL/Customer
- 2.8.17 The contractor will be directly responsible for payment of wages to his workmen. A pay roll sheet giving all the payments given to the workers and duly signed by the contractor's representative should be furnished to BHEL site for record purpose, if so called for.
- 2.8.18 In case of any class of work for which there is no such specification as laid down in the contract,

- such work shall be carried out in accordance with the instructions and requirements of the Engineer.
- 2.8.19 Also, no idle charges will be admissible in the event of any stoppage caused in the work resulting in contractor's labour and Tools & Plants being rendered idle due to any reason at any time.
- 2.8.20 The contractor shall take all reasonable care to protect the materials and work till such time the plant/equipment has been taken over by BHEL or their Client whichever is earlier.
- 2.8.21 The contractor shall not stop the work or abandon the site for whatsoever reason of dispute, excepting force majeure conditions. All such problems/disputes shall be separately discussed and settled without affecting the progress of work. Such stoppage or abandonment shall be treated as breach of contract and dealt with accordingly
- 2.8.22 The contractor shall keep the area of work clean and shall remove the debris etc. while executing day-to-day work. Upon completion of work, the contractor shall remove from the vicinity of work, all scrap, packing materials, rubbish, unused and other materials and deposit them in places specified by the Engineer. The contractor will also demolish all the hutments, sheds, offices, etc. constructed and used by him and shall clean the debris. In the event of his failure to do so, the same will be arranged to be done by the Engineer and the expenses recovered from the contractor.
- 2.8.23 The contractor shall execute the work in the most substantial and workman like manner in the stipulated time. Accuracy of work and timely execution shall be the essence of this contract. The contractor shall be responsible to ensure that the quality, assembly and workmanship conform to the dimensions and clearance given in the drawings and/ or as per the instructions of the Engineer.
- 2.8.24 The Contractor to note that some of BHEL's T&Ps/MMDs may not be insured. The Contractor will take necessary precautions and due care to protect the same while in his custody from any damage/ loss till the same is handed over back to BHEL. In case the damage / loss is due to carelessness/ negligence on the part of the contractor, the Contractor is liable to get them repair/ replaced immediately and in case of his failure to do so within a reasonable time, BHEL will reserve the right to recover the loss from the contractor.

2.9 **PROGRESS MONITORING, MONTHLY REVIEW AND PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**
VOID

2.10 **TIME OF COMPLETION**
VOID

2.11 **EXTENSION OF TIME FOR COMPLETION**
VOID

2.12 **OVERRUN COMPENSATION**
VOID

2.13 **INTEREST BEARING RECOVERABLE ADVANCES**
VOID

2.14 **QUANTITY VARIATION**
VOID

2.15 **EXTRA WORKS**
VOID

2.16 **SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS**
VOID

2.17 **PRICE VARIATION COMPENSATION**
VOID

2.18 **INSURANCE**

2.18.1 BHEL/their customer shall arrange for insuring the materials/properties of BHEL/customer covering the risks during transit, storage, erection and commissioning.

2.18.2 It is the sole responsibility of the contractor to insure his materials, equipments, workmen, etc. against accidents and injury while at work and to pay compensation, if any, to workmen as per Workmen's compensation Act. The work will be carried out in a protected area and all the rules and regulations of the client /BHEL in the area of project which are in force from time to time will have to be followed by the contractor.

2.18.3 If due to negligence and or non-observation of safety and other precautions by the contractors, any accident/injury occurs to the property / manpower belong to third party, the contractor shall have to pay necessary compensation and other expense, if so decided by the appropriate authorities.

2.18.4 The contractor will take necessary precautions and due care to protect the material, while in his custody from any damage/ loss due to theft or otherwise till the same is taken over by BHEL or customer. For lodging / processing of insurance claim the contractor will submit necessary documents. BHEL will recover the loss including the deductible franchise from the contractor, in case the damage / loss is due to carelessness / negligence on the part of the contractor. In case of any theft of material under contractor's custody, matter shall be reported to police by the contractor immediately and copy of FIR and subsequently police investigation report shall be submitted to BHEL for taking up with insurance. However this will not relieve the contractor of his contractual obligation for the material in his custody.

2.19 **STRIKES & LOCKOUT**

2.19.1 The contractor will be fully responsible for all disputes and other issues connected with his labour. In the event of the contractor's labour resorting to strike or the Contractor resorting to lockout and if the strike or lockout declared is not settled within a period of one month, BHEL shall have the right to get the work executed through any other agencies and the cost so incurred by BHEL shall be deducted from the Contractor's bills.

2.19.2 For all purposes whatsoever, the employees of the contractor shall not be deemed to be in the employment of BHEL

2.20 **FORCE MAJEURE**

The following shall amount to Force Majeure:-

- 2.20.1 Acts of God, act of any Government, War, Sabotage, Riots, Civil commotion, Police action, Revolution, Flood, Fire, Cyclones, Earth quake and Epidemic and other similar causes over which the contractor has no control.
- 2.20.2 If the contractor suffers delay in the due execution of the contractual obligation due to delays caused by force majeure as defined above, the agreed time of completion of the job covered by this contract or the obligations of the contractor shall be extended by a period of time equal to period of delay, provided that on the occurrence of any such contingency, the contractor immediately reports to BHEL in writing the causes of delay and the contractor shall not be eligible for any compensation.

2.21 **ARBITRATION & RECONCILIATION**

- 2.21.1 In case amicable settlement is not reached in the event of any dispute or difference arising out of the execution of the Contract or the respective rights and liabilities of the parties or in relation to interpretation of any provision by the Contractor in any manner touching upon the Contract, such dispute or difference shall (except as to any matters, the decision of which is specifically provided for therein) be referred to the sole arbitration of the arbitrator appointed by BHEL/In charge(Region).

The award of the Arbitrator shall be binding upon the parties to the dispute

Subject as aforesaid, the provisions of Arbitration and Reconciliation Act 1996 (India) or statutory modifications or re enactments thereof and the rules made there under and for the time being in force shall apply to the arbitration proceedings under this clause. The venue of the arbitration shall be the place from which the contract is issued or such other place as the Arbitrator at his discretion may determine

- 2.21.2 In case of Contract with Public Sector Enterprise (PSE) or a Government Department, the following shall be applicable :

In the event of any dispute or difference relating to the interpretation and application of the provisions of the Contract, such dispute or difference shall be referred to by either party to the arbitration of one of the arbitrators in the department of public enterprises. The award of the arbitrator shall be binding upon the parties to the dispute, provided, however, any party aggrieved by such award may make further reference for setting aside or revision of the award to the Law Secretary, Department of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India. Upon such reference the dispute shall be decided by the Law Secretary or the Special Secretary or Additional Secretary when so authorized by the Law Secretary, whose decision shall bind the parties hereto finally and conclusively.

- 2.21.3 The cost of arbitration shall be borne equally by the parties.

- 2.21.4 Work under the contract shall be continued during the arbitration proceedings

2.22 RETENTION AMOUNT

VOID

2.23 PAYMENTS

Payments to Contractors are made in any one of the following forms

2.23.1 Running Account Bills (RA Bills)

- i) These are for interim payments when the contracts are in progress. The bills for such interim payments are to be prepared by Contractor in prescribed formats (RA Bill forms).
- ii) Payments shall be made according to the extent of work done as per measurements taken up to the end of the calendar month and in line with the terms of payments described in the Tender documents
- iii) Recoveries on account of electricity, water, statutory deductions, etc are made as per terms of contract
- iv) Full rates for the work done shall be allowed only if the quantum of work has been done as per the specifications stipulated in the contract. If the work is not executed as per the stipulated specifications, BHEL may ask the contractor to re do the work according to the required specifications, without any extra cost. However, where this is not considered necessary 'OR' where the part work is done due to factors like non-availability of material to be supplied by BHEL 'OR' non availability of fronts 'OR' non availability of drawings, fraction payment against full rate, as is considered reasonable, may be allowed with due regard for the work remaining to be done. BHEL decision in this regard will be final and binding on the contractor.
- v) In order to facilitate part payment, BHEL Site Engineer at his discretion may further split the contracted rates/percentages to suit site conditions, cash flow requirements according to the progress of work

2.23.2 Final Bill

'Final Bill' is used for final payment on closing of Running Account for works or for single payment after completion of works. 'Final Bill' shall be submitted as per prescribed format after completion of works as per scope and upon material reconciliation, along with the following.

- i) 'No Claim Certificate' by contractor
- ii) Clearance certificates where ever applicable viz Clearance Certificates from Customer, various Statutory Authorities like Labour department, PF Authorities, Commercial Tax Department, etc
- iii) Indemnity bond as per prescribed format

BHEL shall settle the final bills after deducting all liabilities of Contractor to BHEL

2.24 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR WORKMANSHIP

VOID

2.25 CLOSING OF CONTRACTS

The Contract shall be considered completed and closed upon completion of all contractual obligations and settlement of Final Bill or completion of Guarantee period whichever is later. Upon closing of Contract, BHEL shall issue a completion certificate as per standard format, based on specific request of Contractor.

2.26 REVERSE AUCTION:

BHEL reserves the right to go for Reverse Auction for Price Bid Opening by BHEL appointed service provider, instead of opening the submitted sealed price bid in the conventional way. The

Business Rules for Reverse Auction shall be as per BHEL guidelines issued from time to time.

2.27 SUSPENSION OF BUSINESS DEALINGS

BHEL reserves the right to take action against Contractors who either fail to perform or Tenderers/Contractor who indulge in malpractices, by suspending business dealings with them in line with BHEL guidelines issued from time to time.

2.28 OTHER ISSUES

2.28.1 Value of Non judicial Stamp Paper for Bank Guarantees and for Contract Agreement shall be not less than Rs 100/- unless otherwise required under relevant statutes.

2.28.2 In case of any conflict between the General Conditions of Contract and Special Conditions of Contract, provisions contained in the Special Conditions of Contract shall prevail.

2.28.3 Unless otherwise specified in NIT, offers from consortium/JVs shall not be considered.

2.28.4 BHEL may not insist for signing of Contract Agreements in respect of low value and short time period contracts like providing services for Hot water flushing, Chemical Cleaning, Transportation, etc

CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Form No: F-10 (Rev 00)

BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS LIMITED

(A Government of India Undertaking)

Power Sector – Region

.....

.....

CONTRACT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT NO. _____

NAME OF WORK	
NAME OF THE CONTRACTOR WITH FULL ADDRESS	
VALUE OF WORK AWARDED	
LETTER OF INTENT NO.	
TIME ALLOTTED FOR COMPLETING THE WORK (DATE OF COMPLETION)	

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR

(SIGNATURE OF BHEL OFFICER)

CONTRACT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT MADE THIS _____ DAY OF _____ between BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS LIMITED (A Government of India Enterprise) a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, having its Registered Office at BHEL House, Siri Fort New Delhi- 110049 (herein after called BHEL) of the ONE PART.

AND

M/S _____ (hereinafter called the `Contractor') of the SECOND PART.

WHEREAS M/s -----state that they have acquired and possess extensive experience in the field of -----

And Whereas in response to an Invitation to Tender No. ----- issued by BHEL for execution of ----- the contractor submitted their offer No.-----dated -----And whereas BHEL has accepted the offer of the Contractor on terms and conditions specified in the Letter of Intent No.-----dated -----read with the references cited therein.

THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES AND it is hereby agreed by and between the parties as follows:

1. That the contractor shall execute the work of -----and more particularly described in Tender Specification No -----including Drawings and Specifications (hereinafter called the said works) in accordance with and subject to terms and conditions contained in these presents, instructions to Tenderers, General Conditions of Contract, Special Conditions, Annexures, Letter of Intent dated -----and such other instructions, Drawings, Specifications given to him from time to time by BHEL.
2. The Contractor is required to furnish to BHEL Security deposit in the form of cash/ approved securities/ Bank Guarantee valid upto ----- for a sum of Rs.----- --- towards satisfactory performance and completion of the Contract.
3. The Contractor has furnished a Bank Guarantee bearing no.-----dated ---- for a sum of Rs.-----executed by ----- in favour of BHEL towards Security Deposit valid upto -----

OR

The Contractor has furnished to BHEL an initial Security Deposit of Rs.----- -in the form of cash / approved Securities/ B.G No.----- dated ----- for Rs.-----executed by ----- in favour of BHEL valid upto ----- and has agreed for recovery of the balance security deposit by BHEL @ 10% of the value of work done from each running bill till the entire Security Deposit is recovered.

OR

The contractor has furnished to BHEL an initial Security Deposit of Rs.-----(Rs.----- vide Bank draft No.-----dated -----and by adjusting EMD of Rs.-----submitted vide Bank draft No.----- dt.-----) and has agreed for recovery of balance Security Deposit by BHEL @ 10% of the value of work done from each running bill till the entire security deposit is recovered.

-
4. The Contractor hereby agrees to extend the validity of the Bank Guarantee for such further period or periods as may be required by BHEL and if the Contractor fails to obtain such extension(s) from the Bank, the Contractor, shall pay forthwith or accept recovery of Rs.----- from the bills in one installment and the contractor further agrees that failure to extend the validity of the Bank Guarantee or failure to pay the aforesaid amount in the manner specified above shall constitute breach of contract. In addition to above, BHEL shall be entitled to take such action as deemed fit and proper for recovering the said sum of Rs.-----

OR

In case the contractor furnishes the bank guarantee at a later date the contractor hereby agrees to extend the validity of bank guarantee for such further period or periods as may be required by BHEL and if the contractor fails to obtain such extension(s) from the bank, the contractor shall pay forthwith or accept recovery of the amount of bank guarantee given in lieu of security deposit from the bills in one installment and the contractor further agrees that failure to extend the validity of bank guarantee or failure to pay the aforesaid amount in the manner specified above shall constitute breach of contract. In addition to above, BHEL shall be entitled to take such action as deemed fit and proper for recovering the said sum.

5. That in consideration of the payments to be made to the Contractor by BHEL in accordance with this Agreement the Contractor hereby covenants and undertakes with BHEL that they shall execute, construct, complete the works in conformity, in all respects, with the terms and conditions specified in this Agreement and the documents governing the same.
6. That the Contractor shall be deemed to have carefully examined this Agreement and the documents governing the same and also to have satisfied himself as to the nature and character of the Works to be executed by him.
7. That the Contractor shall carry out and complete the execution of the said works to the entire satisfaction of the Engineer or such other officer authorised by BHEL, within the agreed time schedule, the time of completion being the essence of the Contract.
8. That BHEL shall, after proper scrutiny of the bills submitted by the Contractor, pay to him during the progress of the said works such sum as determined by BHEL in accordance with this Agreement.
9. That this Agreement shall be deemed to have come into force from ----- the date on which the letter of intent has been issued to the Contractor.
10. That whenever under this contract or otherwise, any sum of money shall be recoverable from or payable by the Contractor, the same may be deducted in the manner as set out in the General Conditions of Contract or other conditions governing this Agreement.
11. That all charges on account of Octroi, Terminal and other taxes including sales tax or other duties on material obtained for execution of the said works shall be borne and paid by the Contractor.
12. That BHEL shall be entitled to deduct from the Contractor's running bills or otherwise Income Tax under Section 194 (C) of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Form No: F-10 (Rev 00)

-
13. That BHEL shall be further entitled to recover from the running bills of the Contractor or otherwise such sum as may be determined by BHEL from time to time in respect of consumables supplied by BHEL, hire charges for tools and plants issued (Where applicable) and any other dues owed by the Contractor.
 14. That it is hereby agreed by and between the parties that non- exercise, forbearance or omission of any of the powers conferred on BHEL and /or any of its authorities will not in any manner constitute waiver of the conditions hereto contained in these presents and the liability of the Contractor with respect to compensation payable to BHEL or Contractor's obligations shall remain unaffected.
 15. It is clearly understood by and between the parties that in the event of any conflict between the Letter of Intent and other documents governing this Agreement, the provisions in the Letter of Intent shall prevail.
 16. The following documents
 1. Invitation to Tender No-----
and the documents specified therein.
 2. Contractor's Offer No-----
dated-----.
 3. _____
 4. _____
 5. _____
 6. Letter of Intent No_____ dated_____.
 7. _____

shall also form part of and govern this Agreement.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the parties hereto have respectively set their signatures in the presence of

WITNESS

- 1.
- 2.

(CONTRACTOR)
(to be signed by a person holding
a valid Power of Attorney)

WITNESS

- 1.
- 2.

(For and on behalf of BHEL)

BANK GUARANTEE FOR SECURITY DEPOSIT

B.G. NO.

Date

This deed of Guarantee made this ----- day of -----two thousand -
 ---- by <Name and Address of Bank> hereinafter called the "The Guarantor" (which
 expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof be deemed to
 include its successors and assigns) in favour of M/s Bharat Heavy Electrical Limited (A
 Govt. of India Undertaking) a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956,
 having its registered office at BHEL House, Siri Fort, Asiad, New Delhi – 110049 through
 its unit at Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, Power Sector Western Region, Shree Mohini
 Complex, 345 Kingsway, Nagpur 440 001 hereinafter called "The Company" (which
 expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof be deemed to
 include its successors and assigns)

WHEREAS < Contractor's Name and Address> (hereinafter referred to as the
 Contractor) have entered into a contract arising out of Letter of Intent no. < LOI REF &
 Date > (hereinafter referred to as "the contract") for < Name of Work > with the
 company.

AND WHEREAS the contract inter-alia provides that the contractor shall furnish
 to the company a sum of Rs.----- (Rupees-----)
 towards security deposit for due and faithful performance of the contract in the form and
 manner specified therein.

AND WHEREAS the contractor has approached the Guarantor and in
 consideration of the arrangement arrived at between the contractor and the Guarantor,
 the Guarantor has agreed to give the Guarantee as hereinafter mentioned in favour of
 the company.

The Guarantor do hereby guarantee to the company the due and faithful
 performance, observance or discharge of the Contract by the contractor and further
 unconditionally and irrevocably undertake to pay to the Company without demur and
 merely on a demand, to the extent of Rs.----- (Rupees-----)
 against any claim by the company on them for any loss, damage, costs, charges and
 expenses caused to or suffered by the company by reasons of the contractor making
 any default in the performance, observance or discharge of the terms, conditions,
 stipulations or undertakings or any of them as contained in the contract.

The decision of the company whether any default has occurred or has been
 committed by the contractor in the performance, observance or discharge of any of the
 terms, conditions, stipulations or undertakings or any one of them as contained in the
 contract and / or as to the extent of loss, damage, costs, charges and expenses caused
 to or suffered by the company by reason of the contractor making any default in the
 performance, observance or discharge of any of the terms, conditions, stipulations or
 undertakings or any one of them shall be conclusive and binding on the Guarantor
 irrespective of the fact whether the contractor admits or denies the default or questions

BANK GUARANTEE FOR SECURITY DEPOSIT

the correctness of any demand made by the company in any Court, Tribunal or Arbitration proceedings or before any other Authority.

The company shall have the fullest liberty without affecting in any way the liability of the Guarantor under this Guarantee, from time to time to vary any of the terms and conditions of the contract or extend time of performance by the contractor or to postpone for any time and from time to time any of the powers exercisable by it against the contractor and either enforce or forebear from enforcing any of the terms and conditions governing the contract or securities available to the company and the Guarantor shall not be released from its liability under these presents by any exercise by the company of the liberty with reference to the matters aforesaid or by reasons of time being given to the contractor or any other forbearance, act or commission on the part of the company or any indulgence by the company to the contractor or any other matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would, but for this provision have the effect of so releasing the Guarantor from its liability under this guarantee.

The Guarantor further agrees that the Guarantee herein contained shall remain in full force and effect during the period that would be taken for the performance of the contract and its claim satisfied or discharged and till the company certifies that the terms and conditions of the contract have been fully and properly carried out by the contractor and accordingly discharges this Guarantee, subject however, that the company shall have no claim under this Guarantee after ----- i.e. (the present date of validity of Bank Guarantee unless the date of validity of this Bank Guarantee is further extended from time to time, as the case may be) unless a notice of the claim under this Guarantee has been served on the Guarantor before the expiry of the said period in which case the same shall be enforceable against the Guarantor notwithstanding the fact that the same is enforced after the expiry of the said period.

The Guarantor undertakes not to revoke this Guarantee during the period it is in force except with the previous consent of the Company in writing and agrees that any liquidation or winding up or insolvency or dissolution or any change in the constitution of the contractor or the Guarantor shall not discharge the Guarantor's liability hereunder.

It shall not be necessary for the company to proceed against the contractor before proceeding against the Guarantor and the Guarantee herein contained shall be enforceable against them notwithstanding any security which the Company may have obtained or obtain from the Contractor shall at the time when proceedings are taken against the Guarantor hereunder be outstanding or unrealized.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein before, our liability under the Guarantee is restricted to Rs.----- (Rupees-----). Our guarantee shall remain in force until -----, i.e. (the present date of validity of Bank Guarantee unless the date of validity of this Bank Guarantee is further extended from time to time) unless a claim or demand under this guarantee is made against us on or before ----- we shall be discharged from our liabilities under this Guarantee thereafter.

Any claim or dispute arising under the terms of this documents shall only be enforced or settled in the courts of at Nagpur only.

The Guarantor hereby declares that it has power to execute this guarantee and the executant has full powers to do so on behalf of the Guarantor.

BANK GUARANTEE FOR SECURITY DEPOSIT

IN WITNESS whereof the ----- (Bank) has hereunto set and subscribed its hand the day, month and year first, above written.

(Name of the Bank)

Signed for and on behalf of the Bank
(Designation of the Authorized Person Signing

the Guarantee)

(Signatory No.-----)

DATED:

SEAL

=====

Notes :

1. The BG shall be executed on non-judicial stamp papers of adequate value procured in the name of the Bank in the State where the Bank is located.
2. The BG is required to be sent by the executing Bank directly to BHEL at the address where tender is submitted / accepted under sealed cover.

FORM for EXTENSION OF VALIDITY OF BANK GUARANTEE

1. To be typed on non judicial Stamp Papers of value as applicable in the State of India from where the BG has been issued or the State of India where the BG shall be operated
2. The non judicial stamp papers shall be purchased in the name of the Party on whose behalf the BG is being issued or the BG issuing Bank

 BANK GUARANTEE No:
 Date:.....

To

(Write Designation and Address of Officer of BHEL inviting the Tender)

Dear Sir

Sub : Validity of Bank Guarantee No:..... Dated for
 Rs in favour of yourself, expiry date,
 on account of M/s in respect of Contract
 Number....., (herein after called the Original bank Guarantee)

At the request of M/s....., we Bank, having
 its branch Office at and having Head office at
, do hereby extend our liability under the above mentioned Bank Guarantee
 number..... dated for a further period ofMonths/years from
 to expire on

Except as provided above, all other terms and conditions of the Original Bank Guarantee No
 Dated..... shall remain unaltered and binding on us.

Kindly treat this extension as an integral part of the original Bank Guarantee to which it would be
 attached.

Yours faithfully

Signature.....
 Name & Designation.....
 Power of Attorney/Signing Power No
 Seal of Bank

REFUND OF SECURITY DEPOSIT

To,

The Construction Manager
BHEL Site Office

Dear Sir,

Sub : **Refund of Security Deposit**

Ref : Contract No:

Work:.....

I/We have submitted Final Bill in respect of the above Contract/Work vide our letter no:..... dated In line with Tender conditions (GCC clause no 1.11), kindly arrange to release/refund the Security Deposit along with Final Bill payments.

The details of Security Deposit are as below:

1. Cash Portion :
2. BG Portion :

Thanking You

Date: _____

Authorised representative of Contractor

To be filled up by BHEL

1. Security Deposit to be refunded:
 - a. Cash Portion:
 - b. BG Portion :
2. Less
 - a. Amount spent by BHEL on behalf of Contractor:
 - b. Payments made by BHEL on behalf of Contractor:
 - c. Other recoveries for Services etc
 - d. Any other recoveries
 - e. Total of 'a' to 'd':
3. Net Amount to be released (1-2) :
4. Certified that
 - a. The payment recommended for release is in order and there are no demands other than those included in the claim outstanding from the Contractor
 - b. Contract Guarantee period of Months commenced wef :_____
 - c. All objections raised so far have been settled
 - d. A note for refund of Security Deposit has been made in the Measurement Book

Signature of BHEL Engineer

Date:-----

Construction Manager

POWER OF ATTORNEY for SUBMISSION OF TENDER/SIGNING CONTRACT AGREEMENT

(To be typed on non judicial Stamp Papers of appropriate value as applicable and Notarised)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I/We do hereby make, nominate, constitute and appoint Mr , whose signature given below herewith to be true and lawful Attorney of M/s..... hereinafter called 'Company', for submitting Tender/entering into Contract and inter alia, sign, execute all papers and to do necessary lawful acts on behalf of Company with M/s Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd, Power Sector _____ Region, _____, in connection with
.....
.....vide Tender Specification No :
_____, dated _____.

And the Company do hereby agree to ratify and confirm all acts, deeds, things or proceedings as may be lawfully done by the said attorney and by or on behalf of the company and in the name of the company, by virtue of the powers conferred herein and the same shall be binding on the company and shall have full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the common seal of the company has been hereunto affixed in the manner hereinafter appearing on the document.

Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____

Director/CMD/Partner/Proprietor

Signature of Mr.....(Attorney)

Attested by: Director/CMD/Partner/Proprietor

Witness

Notary Public