

CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

The following terms and conditions shall form a part of the tender document.

A. EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT: -

Every tender must be accompanied by the prescribed amount of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) mentioned in NIT.

1. Mode of EMD deposit:

EMD can be submitted in any one of the following modes:

- i) Cash deposit as permissible under the extant Income Tax Act (before tender opening),
- ii) Electronic Fund Transfer credited in BHEL account (before tender opening). Details of BHEL account mentioned in tender document.
- iii) Banker's cheque/Pay order/Demand Draft, in favour of 'BHEL' and payable at New Delhi (Along with offer)
- iv) Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR) issued by schedule Banks/Public Finance Institutions as defined in the companies ACT (FDR should be in the name of the contractor, a/c BHEL
- v) In case total EMD amount is more than Rs. 2 Lakh, the amount in excess of Rs. 2 lakh may be accepted in the form of Bank Guarantee from scheduled bank. The Bank Guarantee in such cases shall be valid for at least six months.

B. No other form of EMD remittance shall be acceptable to BHEL.

1. Forfeiture of EMD

EMD by the bidder will be forfeited as per NIT conditions, if

- i) After opening the tender and within the offer validity period, the bidder revokes his tender or makes any modification in his tender which is not acceptable to BHEL.
 - ii) The contractor fails to deposit the required Security deposit or commence the work within the period as per LOI/contract.
2. EMD by the tenderer shall be withheld in case any action on the tenderer is envisaged under the provision of extant "Guidelines on Suspension of business dealing with supplier/contractors" and forfeited/ released based on the action as determined under these guidelines.
 3. In the case of unsuccessful bidders, the Earnest Money will be refunded to them within a reasonable time after award of work.
 4. EMD shall not carry any interest.
 5. EMD of successful bidder shall be retained as part of Security Deposit.
 6. Bidders may please note that "One Time EMD" provision stands deleted. Hence, bidders who have deposited Rs. 2 Lakh as 'One Time EMD' with BHEL are also required to submit the requisite amount of EMD.
 7. **No MSE benefits shall be given to MSEs bidder for WORKS CONTRACT. Please refer clause no. N (facilities provided to MSEs) for detail.**

C. SECURITY DEPOSIT: -

Security Deposit means the security provided by the Contractor towards fulfilment of any obligations in terms of the provision of the contract.

1. Upon acceptance of Tender, the successful Tenderer should deposit the required amount of Security Deposit for satisfactory completion of work. **The total amount of Security Deposit will be 5 % of the Contract Value. EMD of the successful tenderer shall be converted and adjusted towards the required amount of Security Deposit.**

2. Mode of Security deposit:

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

“Bidders agrees to submit performance security required for execution of the contract within the time period mentioned. In case of delay in submission of Performance security, enhanced performance security which would include interest (SBI rate + 6%) for the delayed period, shall be submitted by the bidder. Further, if performance security is not submitted till such time the first bill becomes due, the amount of performance security due shall be recovered as per terms defined in NIT / Contract, from the bills along with due interest”.

The balance amount to make up the required Security Deposit of 5% of the contract Value may be furnished in any of the following forms:

- i) Cash (as permissible under the extant Income Tax Act)
- ii) Local cheques of scheduled banks (subject to realization) / Pay Order / Demand Draft / Electronic Fund Transfer, in favour of BHEL.
- iii) 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 enclosed with general conditions of contract.
- iv) 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 and duly discharged on the back.
- v) Securities available from Indian 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 endorsed/hypothecated/pledged, as applicable, in favour of BHEL and duly discharged on the back).

(NOTE: 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)

3. **Submission of Security Deposit:**

- i) At least 50 % of the required Security Deposit, including the EMD, shall be submitted before start of work. Balance of the Security Deposit can be submitted by way of deduction of 10% of the gross amount progressively from each running bills of the contractor till the total amount of the required Security Deposit is collected.
 - ii) If the value of work done at any time exceeds the contract value, the amount of Security Deposit shall be correspondingly enhanced and the additional Security Deposit shall be immediately deposited by the Contractor or it shall be recovered from payment/s due to the Contractor.
 - iii) The recoveries made from running bills (cash deduction towards balance SD amount) can be released against submission of equivalent Bank Guarantee in acceptable form, but only once, before completion of work, at the discretion of BHEL.
4. The BG shall be submitted only through the Banker. Along with the BG, the Bank shall also furnish a letter of confirmation (in the prescribed formats enclosed with general conditions of contract).

5. The validity of the Bank Guarantee furnished towards Security Deposit shall be up to three months more than the period of completion of work as stipulated in the LOI and the same will be kept valid by proper renewal till the completion of the work.
6. 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 fulfil any of the contractual obligations or in the event of termination of contract as per terms and conditions of the contract. BHEL reserves the right to set off the Security Deposit, against any claims of any other contracts with BHEL.
7. **Conditions for acceptance of bank guarantees**

Contractors are advised to obtain Bank Guarantee preferably from any of the following BHEL consortium banks

Sl. No.	Nationalised Bank		Nationalised Bank
1	Allahabad bank	19	Vijaya Bank
2	Andhra bank		Public Sector Banks
3	Bank of Baroda	20	IDBI
4	Canara Bank		Foreign bank
5	Corporation bank	21	CITI Bank N.A
6	Central bank of India	22	Deutsche Bank AG
7	Indian Bank	23	The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited
8	Indian Overseas Bank	24	Standard Chartered Bank
9	Oriental bank of Commerce	25	J P Morgan
10	Punjab National Bank		
11	Punjab & Sindh Bank		Private bank
12	State Bank of India	26	Axis Bank
13	State Bank of Hyderabad	27	The Federal Bank Limited
14	Syndicate Bank	28	HDFC
15	State Bank of Travancore	29	Kotak Mahindra Bank
16	UCO Bank	30	ICICI
17	Union Bank of India	31	Indusind Bank
18	United Bank of India	32	Yes Bank

Bank Guarantees from Banks outside BHEL's consortium shall be as below:

The Bank Guarantees of all Public sector banks can be accepted (in addition to consortium banks)

The Bank Guarantees of Co-operative banks shall not be accepted.

Bank Guarantees of other than consortium bank and public sector bank can be accepted subject to an overall exposure limit (at New Delhi) of Rs. 10 crores for banks with networth of more than Rs. 500 crores as on last balance sheet date and Rs 5 crores for banks with net worth between Rs. 350 to Rs 500 crores (A certificate and copy of latest Balance Sheet to be given by the Bank at the time of submission of Bank Guarantees).

In case of private sector banks a clause to be incorporated in the text of Bank Guarantee that it can be enforceable by being presented at any branch of the bank.

In case of foreign vendors the bank guarantees issued by foreign banks may be confirmed by our consortium bank in India.

In case of Bank Guarantees given by Non-Consortium banks (Private sector or Public sector), the Bank Guarantees are to be enforceable in New Delhi or the town/ city in which the sector office is located.

8. RETURN OF SECURITY DEPOSIT:

If the contractor duly performs and completes the work in all respects to the entire satisfaction of BHEL and presents an absolute "No demand certificate", returns properties belonging to BHEL, taken, borrowed or hired by him for carrying out the said works, and furnishes performance bond BG in the prescribed proforma, Security Deposit will be released to the contractor after deducting all costs, expenses and other amounts that are to be paid to BHEL under this contract or other contracts entered into with the contractor. It may be noted that in no case the Security Deposit shall be refunded/released prior to passing of final bill.

D. PAYMENT TERMS: -

- I. Payment shall be released on a quarterly basis at the end of each quarter. Invoices shall be raised by M/s Siemens Ltd on quarterly basis.
- II. Payment will be released within 45 days from the submission of bills complete in all respects. No interest shall be payable for delayed payment.
- III. The payment shall be made to the contractor on certification of TBG- Engineering.

E. INTEREST LIABILITY:

In case of any delay in payment due to any reason, BHEL shall not pay any interest on delayed payment. Also, no interest shall be payable by BHEL on the bank guarantee / deposit amount or balance payment or any other money which may become due owing to difference or misunderstanding or any dispute before any quasi-judicial authority between BHEL and the Supplier / Contractor.

F. Over-run Charges: - Not applicable for this contract

G. TAXES & DUTIES

1. All taxes (except GST) , duties , charges , royalties, cess and any other levies by Central/ State/local authorities for the execution of the contract shall be borne by the contractor and shall not be payable extra . Any increase of the same at any stage during execution of the contract shall be borne by the contractor. Quoted price of the same shall be inclusive of all such requirements.
2. Contractors have to make their own arrangement at their cost for completing the formalities, if required with relevant taxation authorities, for bringing their material, plant and machinery at site for the execution of the contract. Road permits / way bill if required shall be arranged by the contractor.

3. The Contractor is responsible to furnish documentary evidence towards GST Registration of the State wherein the site is located and any other documents as per GST Act which may be required from time to time by BHEL. BHEL will not be held to be responsible for any non-compliance of the Contractor in respect of GST laws as framed from time to time.
4. Goods and Service Tax (GST) will be reimbursed to the Contractor subject to the following conditions :-
 - (i) Submission of valid GST Compliant Tax Invoice as per the GST Invoice Rules
 - (ii) The Invoice raised by the Contractor should indicate the BHEL GST Registration Number.
5. The GST amount shall get reflected within prescribed time limit in the GSTN for BHEL to avail the input credit. If the GST Credit is reversed/ denied/ delayed to BHEL due to non-receipt/delayed receipt of Services and/or tax invoice or due to expiry of timeline prescribed in GST law or due to any other factor for availing such Input Tax Credit (ITC) or for any other reason arising out of the act directly attributable to the Contractor, GST amount shall be recoverable from Contractor from any dues payable to the Contractor along with any interest levied/ leviable on BHEL.
6. Statutory variation, if any, on account of GST will be payable by BHEL at actuals on submission of documentary evidence.
7. TDS under Income Tax Act/GST Act shall be deducted as per applicable rates unless Exemption certificate, if applicable, from the appropriate Authority is furnished to BHEL along with the Invoice.

8. New Taxes & duties:

If any new tax or duty is levied by the Central/State Government/ Municipality/Local Authority and becomes directly applicable on items specified in the Bill of Quantities, full reimbursement shall be made subject to submission of documentation as per statute.

H. DELAY AND EXTENSION OF TIME:

If, in the opinion of the Engineer, the work is delayed

- (i) by reason of abnormally bad weather, or
- (ii) by reason of serious loss or damage by fire, or
- (iii) by reason of civil commotion, local combination of workmen, strike or lockout, affecting any of the trades employed on the work, or
- (iv) by delay on the part of the agency or tradesman engaged by the BHEL in executing work not forming part of the contract, or
- (v) By reason of any other cause which in the absolute discretion of the Engineer is beyond the contractor's control, then in any such case, the Engineer (or higher authority) may make fair and reasonable extension in the completion dates of the individual items of work of the contract as whole. Such extension which will be communicated to the contractor by the Engineer in writing shall be final and binding on the contractor. No other claim in this respect for compensation, idle labour or otherwise howsoever is admissible. Upon the happening of any such event causing delay the contractor shall immediately give notice thereof in writing to the Engineer but shall nevertheless use constantly his best endeavour to prevent or make good the delay and shall do all that may reasonably be required to the satisfaction of the Engineer to proceed with the work.
- (vi) In case of delay in completion of work BHEL reserve the right to grant time extension under the following options depending upon the performance of the vendor:
 - a. Time extension without levy of LD in case it is found that delay is not attributable to the vendor

- b. Time extension with deduction of applicable LD in line with Liquidity Damage clause if the delay is solely attributable to the vendor.
- c. In case facts of delay is not settled, BHEL reserve the right to grant provisional time extension for delay in completion of total work or part thereof and running/ interim payments to the vendor will be released without deduction of LD subject to submission of additional Bank guarantee equivalent to maximum LD amount valid till completion of work under their scope and grant of final time extension.

During provisional time extension period ORC/ PVC shall not be payable to the contractor. The Final Delay analysis shall be prepared on completion of the work. In case of delay is not attributable to contractor as per final delay analysis the ORC/ PVC shall be released along with the final bill without any interest charges attributable to BHEL.

In case of delay attributable to contractor, LD shall be deducted for that period in line with clause "Compensation/ LD/ Penalty for delay in execution" of conditions of contract and balance ORC/ PVC (if any) shall be released along with the final bill without any interest charges attributable to BHEL.

PVC/ ORC shall be governed by respective clauses in the NIT.

I. LD / PENALTY FOR DELAY IN EXECUTION:

For delay in start of Work: If the has not been started within specified time period, penalty shall be levied at 0.5% per week, subject to maximum of 10% of the total work order value.

J. VALIDITY OF OFFER

The offer shall be kept open for acceptance for a minimum period of four months from the date of opening of tenders. In case BHEL calls for negotiations, such negotiations shall not amount to cancellation or withdrawal of the original offer which shall be binding on the tenderer.

K. FORCE MAJEURE CONDITION:

The following shall amount to force majeure conditions:

Acts of God, Act of any Government, war, sabotage, riots, civil commotion, Police action, revolution, flood, fire cyclone, earthquake, epidemic and other similar causes over which the vendor has no control.

If the vendor suffers delay in the due execution of the contract, due to delays caused by force majeure conditions, as defined above, the agreed time of completion of the work covered by this contract may be extended by a reasonable period of time in consultation and after agreement of BHEL's clients/owner, provided that on the occurrence of any such contingency, the Vendor immediately reports to BHEL in writing the causes of delay. The Vendor shall not be eligible for any compensation on this account.

L. RIGHTS OF BHEL

This contract is for 3-year Annual Maintenance Contract of PSSE Software (4 Licenses) of BHEL-TBG. However, BHEL reserves the rights to renew the AMC Contract with M/s Siemens on yearly basis.

M. LAW GOVERNING THE CONTRACT AND COURT JURISDICTION:

The Contract shall be governed by the Law for the time being enforced in the Republic of India. The Civil Court at Delhi having ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction shall alone have exclusive jurisdiction in regard to all claims in respect of this contract.

N. ARBITRATION: -

Except as provide elsewhere in this Contract, in case amicable settlement is not reached between the Parties, in respect of any dispute or difference; arising out of the formation, breach, termination, validity or execution of the contract; or, the respective rights and liabilities of the Parties; or, in relation to interpretation of any provision of the contract; or, in relation to interpretation of any provision of the Contract; or, in any manner touching upon the contract, then, either Party may, by a notice in writing to the other Party refer such dispute or difference to the sole arbitration of an arbitrator appointed by Head of the BHEL Unit/Region/Division issuing the Contract.

The Arbitrator shall pass a reasoned award and the award of the Arbitrator shall be final and binding upon the Parties.

Subject as aforesaid, the provisions of Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 (India) or statutory modifications or re-enactments thereof and the rules made thereunder and for the time being in force shall apply to the arbitration proceedings under this clause. The seat of arbitration shall be New Delhi.

The cost of arbitration shall be borne as per the award of the Arbitrator.

Subject to the arbitration in terms of clause L above, the court at New Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction over nay matter arising out of or in connection with this Contract.

Notwithstanding the existence or any dispute or differences and/or reference for the arbitration, the Contractor shall proceed with and continue without hindrance the performance of its obligations under this contract with due diligence and expedition in a professional manner except where the contract has been terminated by either Party in terms of this contract.