



**BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED**  
(A JOINT VENTURE OF HPCL & GAIL)

**BID DOCUMENT FOR**


**Engagement of agency for Meter Reading, Bill Distribution,  
Debtor's Management & Data verification for DPNG and CPNG  
segments in Vijayawada GA**

**UNDER OPEN DOMESTIC  
COMPETITIVE BIDDING**

**e- tender**

**Bid Document No.: BGL/602/2023-24**

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### REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

**BID DOCUMENT NO.: BGL/602/2023-24**

**Date: 27.01.2024**

To,

**Item : Engagement of agency for Meter Reading, Bill Distribution, Debtor's Management & Data verification for DPNG and CPNG segments in Vijayawada GA**

**Availability of documents on website :**

- i) [www.bglgas.com/tenders](http://www.bglgas.com/tenders) ->e-tender
- ii) [www.cppportal/](http://www.cppportal/)
- iii) <https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/>

**The bidders are required to submit soft copies of their bid electronically on the e-Wizard Portal (<https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/>) using valid Digital Signature Certificates**

**Pre- bid meeting : 05.02.2024 at 11 00 Hrs: Through Physical & Online mode.**  
*Bidders who are unable to attend the Physical meeting shall attend the pre-bid meeting through the below link*

**Pre-Bid meeting link :**

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

[https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting\\_YWQyYzQ5MDItZjMyNy00MTU4LTlhYzUtMWNjODdjZjQxOTU4%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2250a019e9-f51c-45f9-a5c7-3bd4fd3ee6e7%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22961e55ab-9cbb-445a-ae06-dfdee4bb9833%22%7d](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_YWQyYzQ5MDItZjMyNy00MTU4LTlhYzUtMWNjODdjZjQxOTU4%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2250a019e9-f51c-45f9-a5c7-3bd4fd3ee6e7%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22961e55ab-9cbb-445a-ae06-dfdee4bb9833%22%7d)

Meeting ID: 410 535 803 001  
 Passcode: sxzJSV

**Due Date & Time of submission of bid : 20.02.2024 at 1500 hrs. (IST)**

**Date & Time for Opening Un-Priced Bids : 20.02.2024 at 1600 hrs (IST)**

**Address :** **Bhagyanagar Gas Limited**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, TSIDC Building,  
 Parishram Bhavan, Basheer Bagh,  
 Hyderabad-500 004  
 Ph No.: 040-23236983; Fax No.: 040-23245081  
 E-mail: pradeep.yadav@bglgas.com/cnp@bglgas.com

**Contact Person :** Pradeep K Yadav, Manager (C&P)

**Validity of Offer :** Minimum **03 months** from the due date of submission of offer.

**BID SECURITY DETAILS :**

a) Bid Security Amount : **Rs. 2,14,990/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Only)**


(Sign & Seal of Bidder)

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- b) Validity : Minimum five months For Bank Guarantee or 3 Months for DD from the due date of submission of offer.
- c) Mode : Either in form of Account payee Demand Draft in favor of 'Bhagyanagar Gas Limited', payable at Hyderabad, Telangana state of India.  
Or  
In form of Bank Guarantee as detailed in tender document.  
Or  
Through Online mode to BGL account  
Or  
In form of Account payee Cheque as detailed in tender document.  
Or  
A letter of credit as detailed in tender documents.

**Note: Corrigenda, Addenda, Clarifications etc. if any to the above will be hosted only in BGL website. Bidders should regularly visit the website to keep themselves updated.**

- Note:**1) Corrigenda, Addenda etc. if any to the above will be hosted in above mentioned website(s)/ portal. Bidders should regularly visit the website to keep themselves updated.
- 2) Bidders are advised to complete the registration with e-tender portal (<https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/>) at least two working days prior to bid submission date.
- 3) In case of the days specified above happens to be a holiday in BGL, the next working day shall be implied.

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**KINDLY NOTE THAT ONLY ONLINE BID WILL  
BE CONSIDERED AGAINST THIS TENDER**

Website for Online bid Submission:

**<https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/>**

Prior uploading all the Techno-Commercial PDF Tender Documents on e-wizard portal (<https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/>), please ensure that all the documents should be Digitally Signed.

Details in Annexure- 1:

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN e-TENDERING  
SECTION IN BID DOCUMENT. (Page 9 to 11 in Vol I of II of Bid  
Document)**

**Gentlemen,**

- 1.0 Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) is a joint venture of M/s. GAIL (India) Limited and M/s. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) and operating CNG & City Gas Distribution in the states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.
- 2.0 E-tender under **Two-Bid System** are invited for **Tender for Engagement of agency for Meter Reading, Bill Distribution, Debtor's Management & Data verification for DPNG and CPNG segments in Vijayawada GA.**

Bidders are advised to complete the registration with e-tender portal (<https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/>) for the participation in e-tendering.

**3.0 EVALUATION BASIS**

Bidders must quote for all the items of 'Schedule of Rates' of this tender. Please note that Owner intends to evaluate on estimated quantity basis and finalize the tender on the basis of overall minimum cost to BGL on no deviation basis.

- 4.0 i) Bid Document calls for offers on single point "Prime Bidder" Responsibility basis. Bidders are therefore advised not to submit offers in "Consortium" or "Joint Bid". Joint bid referred herein is an offer, which seeks order to be placed on more than one party/co-bidder.
- ii) Order will be placed on the "Prime Bidder" alone who will be responsible for all contractual purposes. The status of all other vendors as may be referred/identified by the Prime Bidder in the offer, shall be that of sub-vendor/sub-supplier.

The prices once quoted by the bidder shall not be allowed for any subsequent price revision/adjustments at his own. As such, bidders are advised to ensure that their offer is on single bidder responsibility basis is complete as per scope of work/supply as specified in Bid Document.

- 6.0 The following documents in addition to uploading in the e-bid on BGL e-tendering portal, shall also be submitted in Original (in physical form) within 7 (seven) days from the bid due date provided the scanned copies of the same have been uploaded along with the e-bid within the Due Date & Time of Bid Submission:

- i) EMD/Bid Security (if applicable) / undertaking letter  
[Note: Submission of original is not applicable for online banking transaction]
- ii) Power of Attorney

- 7.0 Bidder must furnish turnover details for the last three financial years along with their bid. It may please be noted that in case performance is not satisfactory, the offer is liable to be rejected.
- 8.0 Bidder shall ensure that Bid Security, IN CASE APPLICABLE, having a validity of **5 months** from the bid due date, must accompany the offer.
- 9.0 Bids complete in all respects should reach on or before the BID DUE DATE AND TIME. Fax/Telex/Telegraphic/ E-Mail/Physical bids shall be rejected. Only bid submitted through e-wizard portal - <https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/> will be accepted.
- 10.0 Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) reserves the right to reject any or all the bids received, at its discretion without assigning any reason, whatsoever.

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- 11.0 This Request for Quotation (RFQ) is an integral and inseparable part of the enclosed Bid Document
- 12.0 **The bid opening of the un priced part and price part shall be in the presence of representative of bidder who may likely to be present in the bid opening shall be attended as per the e-tendering procedure through online mode.** However, date of opening of price part will be intimated to the bidder later on with a notice period of 2 days.
- 13.0 Bidder to confirm separately that they have not been banned from submitting offer by any Govt. / Public Sector Undertaking of India.
- 14.0 **BIDDER IS ADVISED TO QUOTE STRICTLY AS PER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF TENDER DOCUMENT AND NOT TO STIPULATE ANY DEVIATION/ EXCEPTIONS. BIDDER MAY NOTE THAT TECHNICAL OR COMMERCIAL CLARIFICATIONS NORMALLY WILL NOT BE SOUGHT FOR AFTER THE RECEIPT OF THE BIDS. BIDDERS ARE ADVISED IN THEIR OWN INTEREST TO ADHERE TO ALL THE TECHNICAL AND COMMERCIAL CONDITIONS AS PER BID DOCUMENT. HOWEVER, BGL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT ANY DEVIATION WITH APPROPRIATE COMMERCIAL LOADING IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE PROJECT.**
- 14.0 Bidder, if so desired, may seek clarification on the tender document. Any request to this effect should positively reach before 7 days of due date of submission of bid on the following address:-

Pradeep K Yadav, Manager(C&P)  
Bhagyanagar Gas Limited  
2nd Floor, TSIDC Building  
Parishram Bhavan,  
Basheer Bagh, Hyderabad  
Ph No.: 040- 23245090/ 23236983  
Fax. No.: 040- 23245081  
Email: [pradeep.yadav@bglgas.com](mailto:pradeep.yadav@bglgas.com) /dharani@bglgas.com/cnp@bglgas.com

In the event such written notice is not received at the aforementioned office within Seven (7) days from the date of issue of the bidding document to the bidder, the bidding documents received by the bidder shall be deemed to be complete in all respects. No extension of time shall be granted under any circumstances to any bidder for submission of its bid on the grounds that the bidder did not obtain a complete set of the bidding document.

BGL makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the accuracy, correctness and completeness of the information contained in the bidding document.

Please specify Bid Document Number in all your correspondence.

THIS IS NOT AN ORDER



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Yours faithfully,  
FOR AND ON BEHALF OF  
Bhagyanagar Gas Limited

(Pradeep K Yadav)  
Manager (C&P)

Enclosure: Bid Document

**ALL THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED AS PER TENDER ENQUIRY ARE  
TO BE FILED PROPERLY. NO LOOSE PAPERS OR ATTACHMENTS ARE ALLOWED  
OR ENTERTAINED**

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## **Annexure – 1**

# **INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN e-TENDERING**

### ***INSTRUCTION FOR VENDORS***

*The bidders are required to submit soft copies of their bid electronically on the e-Wizard Portal using valid Digital Signature Certificates. Below mentioned instructions are meant to guide the bidders for registration on the e-Wizard Portal, prepare their bids in accordance with the requirements and submit their bids online on the e-Wizard Portal. For more information, bidders may visit the Portal (<https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/>)*

#### ***1. REGISTRATION PROCESS ON ONLINE PORTAL***

- a) Bidders to enroll on the e-Procurement module of the portal <https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/> by clicking on the link "Bidder Enrolment".*
- b) The bidders to choose a unique username and assign a password for their accounts. Bidders are advised to register their valid email address and mobile numbers as part of the registration process. This would be used for any communication from the e-Wizard Portal.*
- c) Bidders to register upon enrolment, with their valid Digital Signature Certificate (Class III Certificates with signing and Encryption key) issued by any Certifying Authority recognized by CCA India with their profile.*
- d) Only one valid DSC should be registered by a bidder. Please note that the bidders are responsible to ensure that they do not lend their DSCs to others which may lead to misuse.*
- e) Bidder then logs in to the site through the secured log-in by entering their user ID/password and the password of the DSC / e-Token.*
- f) After registration send mail to Helpdesk: [helpdeskeuniwizarde@gmail.com](mailto:helpdeskeuniwizarde@gmail.com) for Account activation.*
- g) As per portal norms Registration Fee will be applicable.*

#### ***2. TENDER DOCUMENTS SEARCH***

- a) Various built-in options are available in the e-Wizard Portal like Department name, Tender category, Estimated value, Date, other keywords, etc. to search for a tender published on the Online Portal.*
- b) Once the bidders have selected the tenders they are interested in, they may download the required documents/tender schedules. These tenders can be moved to the respective 'Interested tenders' folder.*
- c) The bidder should make a note of the unique Tender No assigned to each tender, in case they want to obtain any clarification/help from the Helpdesk.*

#### ***3. BID PREPARATION***

- a) Bidder should take into account any corrigendum published on the tender document before submitting their bids.*
- b) Please go through the tender advertisement and the tender document carefully to understand the documents required to be submitted as part of the bid.*
- c) Please note the number of covers in which the bid documents have to be submitted, the number of documents - including the names and content of each of the document that needs to be submitted. Any deviations from these may lead to rejection of the bid.*

*d) Bidder, in advance, should get ready the bid documents to be submitted as indicated in the tender document/schedule and generally, they can be in PDF/XLSX/PNG, etc. formats.*

#### **4. BID SUBMISSION**

- a) Bidder to log into the site well in advance for bid submission so that he/she uploads the bid in time i.e. on or before the bid submission time. Bidder will be responsible for any delay due to other issues.*
- b) The bidder to digitally sign and upload the required bid documents one by one as indicated in the tender document.*
- c) Bidders to note that they should necessarily submit their financial bids in the prescribed format given by department and no other format is acceptable.*
- d) The server time (which is displayed on the bidders' dashboard) will be considered as the standard time for referencing the deadlines for submission of the bids by the bidders, the opening of bids, etc. The bidders should follow this time during bid submission.*
- e) All the documents being submitted by the bidders would be encrypted using PKI encryption techniques to ensure the secrecy of the data, which cannot be viewed by unauthorized persons until the time of bid opening.*
- f) The uploaded tender documents become readable only after the tender opening by the authorized bid openers.*
- g) Upon the successful and timely submission of bids, the portal will give a successful bid submission message & a bid summary will be displayed with the bid no. and the date & time of submission of the bid with all other relevant details.*
- h) The off-line tender shall not be accepted and no request in this regard will be entertained whatsoever.*
- i) As per portal norms Tender Processing Fee will be applicable.*

#### **5. AMENDMENT OF BID DOCUMENT**

*At any time prior to the deadline for submission of proposals, the department reserve the right to add/modify/delete any portion of this document by the issuance of a Corrigendum, which would be published on the website and will also be made available to the all the Bidder who has been issued the tender document. The Corrigendum shall be binding on all bidders and will form part of the bid documents.*

#### **6. ASSISTANCE TO BIDDERS**

- a) Any queries relating to the tender document and the terms and conditions contained therein should be addressed to the Tender Inviting Authority for a tender or the relevant contact person indicated in the tender.*
- b) Any queries relating to the process of online bid submission or queries relating to e-Wizard Portal, in general, may be directed to the 24x7 e-Wizard Helpdesk. The contact number for the helpdesk is 8448288994/86/87/89/88/81/90/92/82 011-49606060, 07903269552, 9355030608, 9055030613, 7903810198, 9355030606, 9315620706, 9355030623, 9355030628, 8800526452, 9205898228, 9122643040, 9355030604, [eprochelpdesk.01@gmail.com](mailto:eprochelpdesk.01@gmail.com), [eprochelpdesk.44@gmail.com](mailto:eprochelpdesk.44@gmail.com), [eprochelpdesk.06@gmail.com](mailto:eprochelpdesk.06@gmail.com)*
- c) The tender inviting authority has the right to cancel this e-tender or extend the due date of receipt of the bid(s).*
- d) The bid should be submitted through e-Wizard portal (<https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/>) only.*



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## **SECTION – 1**

### **BIDDERS ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

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**BEC (BIDDERS' ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA)**

**A. BEC- Technical:**

1. Bidder should experience in providing utility service for in any of the field as mentioned below:
  - a) CGD (priority), Banks, Mobile Service Providers, Credit Cards, insurance, Electricity, water, Dealers in LPG, to serve/engage customers on daily basis and any other utility,
  - b) Retail network companies having large dealers/ franchisee/ consumer base for either Meter reading, billing, billing application development and billing, collection.
2. Bidder should have executed any work/ services as mentioned above in a single contract /order of value **Rs. 5,75,000/-** incl of taxes & duties during the last 7 years reckoned from bid due date.
3. In case, bidder is executing a contract of above nature which is still running and the contract value executed till one day prior to the due date of submission of bid is equal to or more than the minimum prescribed value as mentioned above in 1 & 2, such experience will also be taken into consideration provided that the bidder has submitted satisfactory work execution certificate issued by the end user / owner / authorized consultant. For this also the minimum executed value in a single contract criterion will be as prescribed above.
4. A job executed by a bidder for its own plant /projects cannot be considered as experience for the purpose of meeting requirement of BEC of the tender. However, jobs executed for Subsidiary/ Fellow Subsidiary/ Holding Company will be considered as experience for the purpose of meeting BEC subject to submission of tax paid invoice(s) duly certified by statutory auditor of the bidder towards payments of statutory tax in support of the job executed for Subsidiary / Fellow Subsidiary / Holding Company. Such bidders to submit these documents in addition to the documents specified in the bidding documents to meet BEC.

**B. (BEC): FINANCIAL**

**B.1. Annual Turnover**

The minimum annual turnover achieved by the bidder as per their audited financial results in any one of the last three preceding financial years i.e., **2020-21, 2021-22 & 2022-23** shall be **Rs. 19.17 Lakhs**

**B.2 Net worth**

Net worth of the bidder should be positive as per audited financial results of the immediate preceding financial year

**B.3 Working Capital**

The minimum working capital of the bidder as per audited financial results of the immediate preceding financial year (i.e., **2022-23**) shall be **Rs. 3.84 Lakhs**.

Note: If the bidder's working capital is negative or inadequate, the bidder shall submit a letter from their bank (as per format F-.....) having net worth not less than Rs.100 Crores),

confirming the availability of line of credit for at least working capital requirement as stated above.

**C . Notes to Financial BEC Criteria**

a) If a bidder quotes for more than one item other than that mentioned at a) above, then the requirement of Annual Turnover and minimum working capital will be calculated on cumulative basis.

b) **Annual Turnover:** In case the tenders having the bid closing date up to 30<sup>st</sup> September of the relevant financial year, and audited financial results of the immediate 3 preceding financial years are not available, the bidder has an option to submit the audited financial results of the 3 years immediately prior to that. Wherever the closing date of the bid is after 30<sup>st</sup> September of the relevant financial year, bidder has to compulsorily submit the audited financial results for the immediate 3 preceding financial years. However, in case bidder is meeting the Annual Turnover criteria of BEC based on Audited Financial Statement of any one of the preceding 3 financial years, the same shall suffice.

c) **Net Worth/Working Capital:** In case the tenders having the bid closing date up to 30th September of the relevant financial year and audited financial results of the immediate preceding financial year is not available, in such case the audited financial results of the year immediately prior to that year will be considered as last financial year for Net worth/ Working Capital calculation. Wherever the closing date of the bid is after 30th Sept. of the relevant financial year, Bidder has to compulsorily submit the audited financial results for the immediately preceding financial year.

d) If the bidder's working capital is negative or inadequate, the bidder shall submit a letter from their bank having net worth not less than Rs.100 crores (or equivalent USD), confirming the availability of line of credit for at least working capital requirement as stated above. The line of credit letter from bank to be submitted strictly as per format.

**1. Documents required to submit / upload along with Unpriced bid for qualifying  
Technical -BEC (Bid Evaluation Criteria)**

BEC Cl. no.	Description	Documents required for qualification
<b>A</b>	<b>Technical Criteria</b>	
1	Experience	<p>1. Copy of PO/WO/LOA in the name of bidder issued by the end user/owner/authorized consultant clearly indicating Name of Work, Contract Value, Contract Duration, Date of Work Order.</p> <p>2. Completion certificate clearly mentioning the reference to Work Order/LOA/Contract/Agreement No., Order value, actual value of executed work, actual date of completion, etc. OR Proof of payment against the Work Order/LOA/Agreement submitted as mentioned at point "a)" above issued by the end user /owner/authorised consultant.</p> <p>The Completion certificate should have been issued by the end user/owner/authorized consultant.</p>



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2	Experience against execution of running ARC (Annual Running Contract)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Copy of PO/WO/LOA in the name of bidder issued by the end user/owner/authorized consultant clearly indicating Name of Work, Contract Value, Contract Duration, Date of Work Order.</li> <li>2. Copy of Execution Certificate or equivalent (against for the running contract) OR Proof of payment against the Work Order/LOA/Agreement submitted as mentioned at point "a)" above issued by the end user /owner/authorised consultant clearly mentioning the reference to Work Order/LOA/Contract/Agreement No., executed value till one day prior to due date for bid submission, which must be equal to or more than the minimum prescribed value mentioned in BEC Sl. No.1 &amp; 2.</li> </ol>
3	Jobs executed for Subsidiary/ Fellow subsidiary/ Holding company	Bidder must submit/upload: Tax paid invoice(s) duly certified by statutory auditor of the bidder towards payments of statutory tax in support of the job executed for Subsidiary / Fellow Subsidiary /Holding Company.

Note: Only documents (Work Order, Completion certificate, Execution Certificate etc.) which have been referred/ specified in the bid submitted by the bidder shall be considered in reply to queries during evaluation of Bids.

The BEC qualifying documents like registration/authorization/Certificates etc., should be valid as on bid due date. All documents in support of Technical Criteria of Bid Evaluation Criteria (BEC) furnished by the bidders shall necessarily be duly certified/ attested by Chartered Engineer and Notary Public with legible stamp.

	B	Financial Criteria	
1	B.1	Annual Turn Over	Audited Financial statements including Balance sheet, Profit & Loss Account etc. for three preceding financial years.
2	B.2	Net Worth	Audited Financial statements including Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Account etc. for immediate preceding financial year.
3	B.3	Working Capital	Audited Financial statements including Balance sheet, Profit & Loss Account etc. for immediate preceding financial year. In case of inadequate or negative working capital, Letter from the bidder's Bank (as per Format F-11) having net worth not less than Rs. 100 Crore, confirming the availability of the line of credit at least for working capital requirement as stated in BEC.

Note: (A) **Annual Turnover:** In case the tenders having the bid closing date up to 30<sup>st</sup> September of the relevant financial year, and audited financial results of the immediate 3 preceding financial years are not available, the bidder has an option to submit the audited financial results of the 3 years immediately prior to that. Wherever the closing date of the bid is after 31<sup>st</sup> September of the relevant financial year, bidder has to compulsorily submit the audited financial results for the immediate 3 preceding financial years. However, in case bidder is meeting the Annual Turnover criteria of BEC based on Audited Financial Statement of any one of the preceding 3 financial years, the same shall suffice.

**(B) Net Worth/Working Capital:** In case the tenders having the bid closing date up to 30th September of the relevant financial year and audited financial results of the immediate preceding financial year is not available, in such case the audited financial results of the year immediately prior to that year will be considered as last financial year for Net worth/ Working Capital calculation. Wherever the closing date of the bid is after 30th Sept. of the relevant financial year, Bidder has to compulsorily submit the audited financial results for the immediately preceding financial year.

## **2. AUTHENTICATION OF DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF BID EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

**All documents in support of Technical Criteria of Bid Evaluation Criteria (BEC) to be furnished by the bidders shall necessarily be: All documents in support of Technical Criteria of BEC to be furnished by the Bidder shall necessarily be duly certified / attested by Chartered Engineer and Notary Public with legible stamp.**

Note: In case bidder is qualifying based on their foreign based supporting company's credentials, authentication requirements for such documents shall be applicable as required below: Documents in support of Technical Criteria of BEC to be furnished by the Bidder shall necessarily be duly certified / attested by Chartered Engineer/Licensed Professional Engineer / EurEta Registered Engineer / EurIng or Equivalent Registered Engineer of manufacturer's country with legible stamp. Further, supporting document pertaining to technical BEC should also be certified true copies, duly signed, dated and stamped by an official, authorized for this purpose in Indian Embassy/High Commission in manufacturer's country. However, member countries of Hague Convention 1961, supporting document pertaining to technical BEC Apostille affixed by Competent Authorities designated by the government of bidder's country shall also be acceptable

**In support of Financial criteria of Bid Evaluation criteria (BEC) bidder is required to submit following:** Bidder shall submit "Details of financial capability of Bidder" in prescribed format (F--) duly signed and stamped by a Chartered Accountant. Further, copy of audited annual financial statements (for the last three financial years) shall submitted in bid shall be duly certified /attested by Notary Public with legible stamp.

Practicing Chartered Accountants shall generate Unique Document Identification Number (UDIN) for all certificates issued by them as per provisions of tender document. However, UDIN may not be required for documents being attested by Chartered Accountants in terms of provisions of tender document.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA OF A BIDDER IN CASE BID IS SUBMITTED ON THE BASIS OF TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE OF FOREIGN BASED ANOTHER COMPANY (SUPPORTING COMPANY) as under relevant clause of ITB.**

## **4. EVALUATION AND AWARD CRITERIA**

- 1) A bidder shall have to quote for all the line items of SOR.
- 2) The complete job shall be awarded maximum upto two (02) bidders in the ratio L1: L2 = 60:40. For this distribution purpose, L2 bidder shall be asked to match L1 Price. In the event of L2 bidders not agreeing to match L1 Price, then L3, L4..... and so on bidder shall be asked to match L1 Price till full quantities as in Schedule of Rates (SOR) are satisfied. In the event of none of the bidders matching L1 price, then BGL reserves the right to place the total quantity on L-1 bidder.
- 3) Bidder Quoting less than (-) 5% of the estimated value of tender shall not be considered for evaluation and the bid will be rejected.
- 4) MSE Preference as applicable.



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(To be pasted on the envelope containing EMD / Bid Security, BEC documents & Power of Attorney))

**DO NOT OPEN-THIS IS A QUOTATION**

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**DUE DATE & TIME : 20.02.2024 at 1500 HRS (IST)**

**TO**

**M/s Bhagyanagar Gas Limited  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, TSIDC Building  
Parishram Bhavan,  
Basheer Bagh, Hyderabad,  
Telangana - 500004**

**Ph No.: +91-040- 23236983  
Fax No.: +91-040- 23245081**

**Kind Attn: Pradeep K Yadav  
Manager(C&P)**

**NAME:**

**ADDRESS**



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## **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS [ITB]**

### **[A] – GENERAL**

#### **1 SCOPE OF BID**

- 1.1 The Employer as defined in the "General Conditions of Contract [GCC]", wishes to receive Bids as described in the Bidding Document/Tender document issued by Employer. Employer/Owner/BGL occurring herein under shall be considered synonymous.
- 1.2 SCOPE OF BID: The scope of work/ Services shall be as defined in the Bidding documents.
- 1.3 The successful bidder will be expected to complete the scope of Bid within the period stated in Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.4 Throughout the Bidding Documents, the terms 'Bid', 'Tender' & 'Offer' and their derivatives [Bidder/Tenderer, Bid/Tender/Offer etc.] are synonymous. Further, 'Day' means 'Calendar Day' and 'Singular' also means 'Plural'.

#### **2 ELIGIBLE BIDDERS**

- 2.1 The Bidder shall not be under a declaration of ineligibility by Employer for Corrupt/ Fraudulent/ Collusive/ Coercive practices, as defined in "Instructions to Bidders [ITB], Clause No. 39" (Action in case Corrupt/ Fraudulent/ Collusive/ Coercive Practices).
- 2.2 The Bidder is not put on 'Holiday' by BGL or Public Sector Project Management Consultant (like EIL, Mecon only due to "poor performance" or "corrupt and fraudulent practices") or banned/blacklisted by Government department/ Public Sector on due date of submission of bid. Further, neither bidder nor their allied agency/(ies) (as defined in the Procedure for Action in case of Corrupt/ Fraudulent/ Collusive/ Coercive Practices) are on banning list of BGL or the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.  
If the bidding documents were issued inadvertently/ downloaded from website, offers submitted by such bidders shall not be considered for opening/ evaluation/Award and will be returned immediately to such bidders.  
In case there is any change in status of the declaration prior to award of contract, the same has to be promptly informed to BGL by the bidder.

It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to inform BGL in case the bidder is put on 'Holiday' by BGL or Public Sector Project Management Consultant (like EIL, Mecon. only due to "poor performance" or "corrupt and fraudulent practices") or banned/blacklisted by Government department/ Public Sector on due date of submission of bid and during the course of finalization of the tender. Concealment of the facts shall tantamount to misrepresentation of facts and shall lead to action against such Bidders as per clause 39 of ITB.

- 2.3 The Bidder should not be under any liquidation court receivership or similar proceedings on due date of submission of bid.  
In case there is any change in status of the declaration prior to award of contract, the same has to be promptly informed to BGL by the bidder.  
It shall be the sole responsibility of the bidder to inform BGL in case the bidder is under any liquidation court receivership or similar proceedings on due date of submission of bid and during the course of finalization of the tender. Concealment of the facts shall

tantamount to misrepresentation of facts and shall lead to action against such Bidders as per clause no.39 of ITB.

2.4 Bidder shall not be affiliated with a firm or entity:

- (i) that has provided consulting services related to the work to the Employer during the preparatory stages of the work or of the project of which the works/services forms a part of or
- (ii) that has been hired (proposed to be hired) by the Employer as an Engineer/ Consultant for the contract.

2.5 Neither the firm/entity appointed as the Project Management Consultant (PMC) for a contract nor its affiliates/ JV'S/ Subsidiaries shall be allowed to participate in the tendering process unless it is the sole Licensor/Licensor nominated agent/ vendor.

2.6 Pursuant to qualification criteria set forth in the bidding document, the Bidder shall furnish all necessary supporting documentary evidence to establish Bidder's claim of meeting qualification criteria.

**2.7 Power of Attorney:**

Power of Attorney to be issued by the bidder in favour of the authorized employee(s), in respect of the particular tender, for purpose of signing the documents including bid, all subsequent communications, agreements, documents etc. pertaining to the tender and act and take any and all decision on behalf of the bidder (including Consortium). Any consequence resulting due to such signing shall be binding on the Bidder (including Consortium).


- (i) In case of a Single Bidder, the Power of Attorney shall be issued as per the constitution of the bidder as below:

- a. **In case of Proprietorship:** by Proprietor
- b. **In case of Partnership:** by all Partners or Managing Partner
- c. **In case of Limited Liability Partnership:** by any bidder's employee authorized in terms of Deed of LLP.
- d. **In case of Public/ Limited Company:** PoA in favour of authorized employee(s) by Board of Directors through Board Resolution or by the designated officer authorized by Board to do so. Such Board Resolution should be duly countersigned by company Secretary / MD / CMD / CEO.

- (ii) In case of a Consortium, Power of Attorney shall be issued both by Leader as well as Consortium Member(s) of the Consortium as per procedure defined herein above in favour of employee of Leader of Consortium.

**(iii) The "authorized signatory" of the Bidder holding Power of Attorney must digitally sign all uploaded files.**

**(iv) A valid e-mail Id of the Organization/Firm Bidder must possess an e-mail Id, preferably of the Organization (in case of a company)/Individual (in case of proprietorship concern)/Partner having Power of Attorney (in case of a partnership firm) to create login Id. The e-mail Id should not be changed frequently. All communication related to e-tendering including system generated mails shall be sent on this e-mail Id only. The communication to bidder is fully automated through the system and hence email-id of bidder is very important for**

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online communication with bidder during various stages of tendering process and should be preferably common e-mail Id of the Organization.

The Power of Attorney should be valid till award of contract/ order to successful bidder.

**3 BIDS FROM "JOINT VENTURE"/"CONSORTIUM" (FOR APPLICABILITY OF THIS CLAUSE REFER BIDDING DATA SHEET(BDS)) - NOT APPLICABLE.**

**4 ONE BID PER BIDDER**

4.1 A Bidder shall submit only 'one [01] Bid' in the same Bidding Process either as single entity or as a member of any consortium (wherever consortium bis is allowed). A Bidder who submits or participates in more than 'one [01] Bid' will cause all the proposals in which the Bidder has participated to be disqualified.

4.2 More than one bid means bid(s) by bidder(s) having same Proprietor/ Partners/ Limited Liability Partner in any other Bidder (s). Further, more than one bids shall also include two or more bidders having common power of attorney holder.

Failure to comply this clause during tendering process will disqualify all such bidders from process of evaluation of bids.

4.3 Alternative Bids shall not be considered.

4.4 The provisions mentioned at sl.no. (i) and (ii) shall not be applicable wherein bidders are quoting for different items / Sections/ Parts/ Groups/ SOR items of the same tender which specifies evaluation on Items/ Sections/ Parts/ Groups/ SOR items basis.

**5 COST OF BIDDING & TENDER FEE**

**5.1 COST OF BIDDING**

The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of the Bid including but not limited to Bank charges all courier charges including taxes & duties etc. incurred thereof. Further, BGL will in no case, be responsible or liable for these costs, regardless of the outcome of the bidding process.

**5.2 TENDER FEE: Not applicable**

5.2.1 Tender Fee, if applicable, will be acceptable in the form of 'crossed payee accounts only' Bank Drafts/Banker's Cheque [in favor of **Bhagyanagar Gas Limited** payable at Hyderabad]. The Tender Fee is to be submitted as per Clause No. 2.0 (F) & 4.0 of IFB . A Bid without requisite Tender Fee will be ignored straightaway.

**5.3** SMEs (Small & Micro Enterprises) are exempted from submission of Tender Fee in accordance with the provisions of Public Procurement Policy for MSE- 2012 and Clause 40 of ITB . The Government Departments/PSUs are also exempted from the payment of tender fee.

**5.4** In the event of a particular tender being cancelled, the tender fee (excluding GST thereupon, if any) will be refunded to the concerned bidders without any interest charges. No plea on interest charges in this regard shall be entertained by the Owner.

**6 SITE VISIT**

**6.1** The Bidder is advised to visit and examine the site of works and its surroundings and



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obtain for itself on its own responsibility all information that may be necessary for preparing the Bid and entering into a Contract for the required job. The costs of visiting the site shall be borne by the Bidder.

- 6.2 The Bidder or any of its personnel or agents shall be granted permission by the Employer to enter upon its premises and land for the purpose of such visits, but only upon the express conditions that the Bidder, its personnel and agents will release and indemnify the Employer and its personnel, agents from and against all liabilities in respect thereof, and will be responsible for death or injury, loss or damage to property, and any other loss, damage, costs, and expenses incurred as a result of inspection.
- 6.3 The Bidder shall not be entitled to hold any claim against BGL for non-compliance due to lack of any kind of pre-requisite information as it is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to obtain all the necessary information with regard to site, surrounding, working conditions, weather etc. on its own before submission of the bid

**[B] – BIDDING DOCUMENTS**

**7 CONTENTS OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS**

- 7.1 The contents of Bidding Documents / Tender Documents are those stated below, and should be read in conjunction with any 'Addendum / Corrigendum' issued in accordance with "ITB: Clause-9":

- Section-I : BID EVALUATION CRITERIA [BEC] & Evaluation methodology
- Section-II : Cut-out Slips
- Section-III : Instructions to Bidders [ITB]  
Annexure  
Forms & Format
- Section-IV : Agree Terms and Conditions
- Section-V : Forms & Format
- Section-VI : General Conditions of Contract [GCC]
- Section-VII: Service Requisition
- Section-VIII: Scope of Work
- Section-IX: Special Conditions of Contract [SCC]
- Section-X : Schedule of Rates

\*Request for Quotation', wherever applicable, shall also form part of the Bidding Document.

- 7.2 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms & conditions in the Bidding Documents. The "Request for Quotation [RFQ] & Invitation for Bid (IFB)" together with all its attachments thereto, shall be considered to be read, understood and accepted by the Bidders. Failure to furnish all information required by the Bidding Documents or submission of a Bid not substantially responsive to the Bidding Documents in every respect will be at Bidder's risk and may result in the rejection of his Bid.

**8 CLARIFICATION OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS**

- 8.1 A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification(s) of the Bidding Documents may notify BGL in writing or by fax or email at BGL's mailing address indicated in the

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BIDS no later than 02 (two) days prior to pre-bid meeting (in cases where pre-bid meeting is scheduled) or 05 (five) days prior to the due date of submission of bid in cases where pre-bid meeting is not held. BGL reserves the right to ignore the bidders request for clarification if received after the aforesaid period. BGL may respond in writing to the request for clarification. BGL's response including an explanation of the query, but without identifying the source of the query will be uploaded on BGL's tendering web site [<http://www.bglgas.com/> communicated to prospective bidders by e-mail/ fax.

- 8.2 Any clarification or information required by the Bidder but same not received by the Employer at clause 8.1 (refer BIDS for address) above is liable to be considered as "no clarification / information required".

**9 AMENDMENT OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS**

- 9.1 At any time prior to the 'Bid Due Date', Owner may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a prospective Bidder, modify the Bidding Documents by addenda/ corrigendum.
- 9.2 Any addendum/ corrigendum thus issued shall be integral part of the Tender Document and shall be hosted on the websites as provided at clause no. 2.0 (G) of IFB /communicated to prospective bidders by e-mail/ fax. Bidders have to take into account all such addendum/ corrigendum before submitting their Bid.
- 9.3 The Employer, if consider necessary, may extend the date of submissions of Bid in order to allow the Bidders a reasonable time to furnish their most competitive bid taking into account the amendment issued thereof.

**[C] – PREPARATION OF BIDS**

**10 LANGUAGE OF BID:**

The bid prepared by the Bidder and all correspondence, drawing(s), document(s), certificate(s) etc. relating to the Bid exchanged by Bidder and BGL shall be written in English language only. In case a document, certificate, printed literature etc. furnished by the Bidder in in a language other than English, the same should be accompanied by an English translation duly authenticated by the Chamber of Commerce of Bidders Country, in which case, for the purpose of interpretation of the Bid, the English translation shall govern.

**11. DOCUMENTS COMPRISING THE BID**

- 11.1 The bid prepared by the bidder shall comprise of the following components:

**11.2. Techno-Commercial Un Price Bids**

- 11.2.1 Techno-commercial / Un Priced bid and shall upload /contain the following components.

- i. Covering letter.
- ii. Bidder's General Details/information
- iii. Power of Attorney in favour of person (s) signing the bid that such person (s) is/are authorised to sign the bid on behalf of the bidder and any consequence resulting due to such signing shall be binding on the bidder.

- iv. Bid Form as per F-2

(Sign & Seal of Bidder)

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- v. Bid security/EMD in accordance with Clause 16 of "ITB" shall be furnished in Original in the form of Banker's Cheque /Bank Draft payable to Bhagyanagar Gas Limited at Hyderabad or Bank Guarantee
- vi. Duly attested documents in accordance with the "BID EVALUATION CRITERIA [BEC]" establishing the qualification.
- vii. Details of similar work done and Specific experience during past seven years.
- viii. Annual Turnover details as called for in qualifying requirements.
- ix. Compliance to Bid Requirement/Exception Deviation Statement as per Proposal FORM F-6.
- x. Details of PF Registration No as per the proposal FORM F-9.
- xi. Reply to Commercial Questionnaire/Agreed Terms & Conditions **Section-4.**
- xii. Letter of authority in original physical form in favour of any one of bidder's executive having authority to attend the un-priced & Priced bid opening on specified dates and venue as per FORM F-8(i, ii).
- xiii. Copies of documents defining constitution or legal status, place of registration and principal place of business of the Company.
- xiv. Bidder's declaration that they are not under any liquidation, court receiver ship or similar proceedings.
- xv. Technical details/documents as per bidding document.
- xvi. Any other information/ details required as per requirement of bidding documents.

**Note:** All the pages of the Bid must be signed by the "Authorized Signatory" of the Bidder.

**11.3. Priced bids -**

The Prices are to be submitted strictly as per the Schedule of Rate of the bidding documents. BGL shall not be responsible for any failure on the part of the bidder to follow the instructions. Bidders are advised NOT to mention Rebate/Discount separately, either in the SOR format or anywhere else in the offer. In case Bidder(s) intend to offer any Rebate/Discount, they should include the same in the item rate(s) itself under the "Schedule of Rates (SOR)" and indicate the discounted unit rate(s) only.

**PRICE BID** of the Bid shall be uploaded under tab "Step 3: SOR Attachment" of .....” page in the BGL E-TENDER Portal i.e., <https://petroleum.euniwizarde.com/> and shall contain Price Bid only. The Prices are to be submitted strictly in the Price Schedule/ Schedule of Rate (SOR) format of the Tender Document and only under tab "Step 3: SOR Attachment" as per instructions provided in Annexure-I (Instructions for participating in e-Tender) of Tender Document and Ready Reckoner available in Bid Document and in BGL website.

- i) Prices are to be submitted strictly as per the Schedule of Rate of the bidding documents and uploaded only in "Step 3: SOR Attachment". Submission of prices in Unpriced bid shall lead to rejection of the bid. BGL shall not be responsible for any failure on the part of the bidder to follow the instructions.
- ii) If any unconditional rebate has been offered in the quoted rate the same shall be considered in arriving at evaluated price. However no cognizance shall be taken for any conditional discount for the purpose of evaluation of the bids.
- iii) In case, it is observed that any of the bidder(s) has/have offered suo-moto Discount/Rebate after opening of unpriced bid but before opening of price bids such

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discount /rebate(s) shall not be considered for evaluation. However, in the event of the bidder emerging as the lowest evaluated bidder without considering the discount/rebate(s), then such discount/rebate(s) offered by the bidder shall be considered for Award of Work and the same will be conclusive and binding on the bidder.

- iv) In the event as a result of techno-commercial discussions or pursuant to seeking clarifications / confirmations from bidders, while evaluating the un-priced part of the bid, any of the bidders submits a sealed envelope stating that it contains revised prices, in case of manual tendering; such bidder(s) will be requested to withdraw the revised prices failing which the bid will not be considered for further evaluation.
- v) In case any bidder does not quote for any item(s) of "Schedule of Rates" and the estimated price impact is more than 10% of the quoted price, then the bid will be rejected. If such price impact of unquoted items is 10% or less of his quoted price, then the unquoted item(s) shall be loaded highest of the price quoted by the other bidders . If such bidder happens to be lowest evaluated bidder, price of unquoted items shall be considered as included in the quoted bid price.
- vi) The Prices are to be filled strictly in the Schedule of Rate of the bidding documents and provision mentioned hereinabove.
- vii) In case of bids invited under *single bid system*, a single envelope containing all documents specified at Clause 11.1.1 & 11.1.2 of ITB above form the BID. All corresponding conditions specified at Clause 11.1.1 & 11.1.2 of ITB shall become applicable in such a case.

**11.4 Bidders are requested to refer instructions for participating in e-Tendering enclosed herewith as Annexure-I, Ready Reckoner for Bidders and FAQs available in Bid Documents and e- portal. Bids submitted manually shall be rejected.**

**11.5. Bid Security:** Bidder to submit an undertaking letter as per the Format-3 in bid document.

**12 SCHEDULE OF RATES / BID PRICES**

- 12.1 Unless stated otherwise in the Bidding Documents, the Contract shall be for the whole works as described in Bidding Documents, based on the rates and prices submitted by the Bidder and accepted by the Employer. The prices quoted by the Bidders will be inclusive of all taxes except **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**.
- 12.2 Prices must be filled in format for "Schedule of Rates [SOR]" enclosed as part of Tender document. If quoted in separate typed sheets and any variation in item description, unit or quantity is noticed; the Bid is liable to be rejected.
- 12.3 Bidder shall quote for all the items of "SOR" after careful analysis of cost involved for the performance of the completed item considering all parts of the Bidding Document. In case any activity though specifically not covered in description of item under "SOR" but is required to complete the works as per Specifications, Scope of Work / Service, Standards, General Conditions of Contract ("GCC"), Special Conditions of Contract ("SCC") or any other part of Bidding Document, the prices quoted shall deemed to be inclusive of cost incurred for such activity.
- 12.4 All duties, taxes and other levies [if any] payable by the Contractor under the Contract, or for any other cause except final **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** shall be included in the rates / prices and the total bid-price submitted by the Bidder. Applicable

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rate of **GST (CGST & SGST/ UTGST or IGST)** on the contract value shall be indicated in Agreed Terms & Conditions (Format-F10) and SOR.

12.5 Prices quoted by the Bidder, shall remain firm and fixed and valid until completion of the Contract and will not be subject to variation on any account. Any new taxes & Duties, if imposed by the State/ Govt. of India after due date of bid submission but before the Contractual Delivery Date, shall be reimbursed to the contractor on submission of documentary evidence for proof of payment to State/ Govt. Authorities and after ascertaining it's applicability with respect to the contract.

12.6 The Bidder shall quote the prices in 'figures' & words. There should not be any discrepancy between the prices indicated in figures and the price indicated in words. In case of any discrepancy, the same shall be dealt as per clause no. 30 of ITB.

12.7 Further, Bidder shall also mention the **Service Accounting Codes (SAC) / Harmonized System of Nomenclature (HSN)** at the designated place in SOR.

**13 GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**

13.1 Bidders are required to submit copy of the GST Registration Certificate while submitting the bids wherever **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** is applicable.

13.2 Quoted prices should be inclusive of all taxes and duties, except **GST (CGST & SGST or IGST or UTGST)**. Please note that the responsibility of payment of **GST (CGST & SGST or IGST or UTGST)** lies with the Supplier of Goods / Services only. Supplier of Goods / Services (Service Provider) providing taxable service shall issue an Invoice/ Bill, as the case may be as per rules/ regulation of GST. Further, returns and details required to be filled under GST laws & rules should be timely filed by Supplier of Goods / Services (Service Provider) with requisite details.

Payments to Service Provider for claiming **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** amount will be made provided the above formalities are fulfilled. Further, BGL may seek copies of challan and certificate from Chartered Accountant for deposit of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** collected from Owner.

13.3 In case CBEC (Central Board of Excise and Customs)/ any equivalent Central Government agency/ State Government agency brings to the notice of BGL that the Supplier of Goods / Services (Service Provider) has not remitted the amount towards **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** collected from BGL to the government exchequer, then, that Supplier of Goods / Services (Service Provider) shall be put under Holiday list of BGL for period of six months as mentioned in Procedure for Evaluation of Performance of Vendors/ Suppliers/ Contractors/ Consultants.

13.4 In case of statutory variation in **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**, other than due to change in turnover, payable on the contract value during contract period, the Supplier of Goods / Services (Service Provider) shall submit a copy of the 'Government Notification' to evidence the rate as applicable on the Bid due date and on the date of revision.

Beyond the contract period, in case BGL is not entitled for input tax credit of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**, then any increase in the rate of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** beyond the contractual delivery period shall be to Service

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Provider's account whereas any decrease in the rate **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** shall be passed on to the Owner.

Beyond the contract period, in case BGL is entitled for input tax credit of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**, then statutory variation in applicable **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** on supply and on incidental services, shall be to BGL's account.

Claim for payment of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**/ Statutory variation, should be raised within two [02] months from the date of issue of 'Government Notification' for payment of differential (in %) **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**, otherwise claim in respect of above shall not be entertained for payment of arrears.

The base date for the purpose of applying statutory variation shall be the Bid Due Date.

13.5 Where the BGL is entitled to avail the input tax credit of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**:-

13.5.1 Owner/BGL will reimburse the **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** to the Supplier of Goods / Services (Service Provider) at actuals against submission of Invoices as per format specified in rules/ regulation of GST to enable Owner/BGL to claim input tax credit of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** paid. In case of any variation in the executed quantities, the amount on which the **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** is applicable shall be modified in same proportion. Returns and details required to be filled under GST laws & rules should be timely filed by supplier with requisite details.

13.5.2 The input tax credit of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** quoted shall be considered for evaluation of bids, as per evaluation criteria of tender document.

13.6 Where the BGL is not entitled to avail/take the full input tax credit of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**:-

13.6.1 Owner/BGL will reimburse **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** to the Supplier of Goods / Services (Service Provider) at actuals against submission of Invoices as per format specified in rules/ regulation of GST subject to the ceiling amount of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** as quoted by the bidder, subject to any statutory variations, except variations arising due to change in turnover. In case of any variation in the executed quantities (If directed and/or certified by the Engineer-In-Charge) the ceiling amount on which **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** is applicable will be modified on pro-rata basis.

13.6.2 The bids will be evaluated based on total price including applicable **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**.

13.7 BGL will prefer to deal with registered supplier of goods/ services under GST. Therefore, bidders are requested to get themselves registered under GST, if not registered yet.

However, in case any unregistered bidder is submitting their bid, their prices will be loaded with applicable **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** while evaluation of bid (if applicable as per Govt. Act/ Law in vogue). Where BGL is entitled for input credit of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)**, the same will be considered for evaluation of bid as per evaluation methodology of tender document.

13.8 In case BGL is required to pay entire/certain portion of applicable **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** and remaining portion, if any, is to be deposited by Bidder directly as per **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** laws, entire applicable

rate/amount of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** to be indicated by bidder in the SOR.

Where BGL has the obligation to discharge **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** liability under reverse charge mechanism and BGL has paid or is /liable to pay **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** to the Government on which interest or penalties becomes payable as per GST laws for any reason which is not attributable to BGL or ITC with respect to such payments is not available to BGL for any reason which is not attributable to BGL, then BGL shall be entitled to deduct/ setoff / recover such amounts against any amounts paid or payable by BGL to Contractor / Supplier.

- 13.9 Contractor shall ensure timely submission of invoice(s) as per rules/ regulations of GST with all required supporting document(s) within a period specified in Contracts/ LOA to enable BGL to avail input tax credit. Further, returns and details required to be filled under GST laws & rules should be timely filed by supplier with requisite details.

If input tax credit with respect to **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** is not available to BGL for any reason which is not attributable to BGL, then BGL shall not be obligated or liable to pay or reimburse **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** charged in the invoice(s) and shall be entitled to / deduct/ setoff /recover the such **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST UTGST)** there upon together with all penalties and interest if any, against any amounts paid or payable by BGL to Supplier of Goods / Services.

**13.10 Anti-profiteering clause**


As per Clause 171 of GST Act it is mandatory to pass on the benefit due to reduction in rate of tax or from input tax credit to the consumer by way of commensurate reduction in prices. The Supplier of Goods / Services may note the above and quote their prices accordingly.

- 13.11 In case the GST rating of vendor on the GST portal / Govt. official website is negative / black listed, then the bids may be rejected by BGL. Further, in case rating of bidder is negative / black listed after award of work for supply of goods / services, then BGL shall not be obligated or liable to pay or reimburse GST to such vendor and shall also be entitled to deduct / recover such GST along with all penalties / interest, if any, incurred by BGL.

- 13.12 **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST) is implemented w.e.f. 01.07.2017 which subsumed various indirect taxes and duties applicable before 01.07.2017. Accordingly, the provisions of General Condition of Contract relating to taxes and duties which are subsumed in GST are modified to aforesaid provisions mentioned in clause no. 12 and 13 of ITB.**

- 13.13 GST, as quoted by the bidder, shall be deemed as final and binding for the purpose of bid evaluation (applicable for tenders where bidder quotes the GST rates). In case a bidder enters "zero/blank" GST or an erroneous GST, the bid evaluation for finalizing the L1 bidder will be done considering the quoted GST rate. No request for change in GST will be entertained after submission of bids.

In cases where the successful bidder quotes a wrong GST rate, for releasing the order, the following methodology will be followed:

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- In case the actual GST rate applicable is lower than the quoted GST rate, the actual GST rate will be added to the quoted basic prices. The final cash outflow will be based on actual GST rate.
- In case the actual GST rate applicable is more than the quoted GST rate, the basic prices quoted will be reduced proportionately, keeping the final cash outflow the same as the overall quoted amount.

Based on the Total Cash Outflow calculated as above, BGL shall place orders.

### **13.13 Provision w.r.t. E- Invoicing requirement as per GST laws**

#### **(a) Provision to be included in tender for Procurement of Goods/ Works/ Services/ Consultancy Services [under clause relating to “Taxes & Duties” / “GST (CGST & SGST / UTGST or IGST” of Model ITBs]**

Supplier / Service Provider / Contractor/ Consultant (s) who is required to comply with the requirements of E-invoice for B2B transactions as per the requirement of GST Law will ensure the compliance of requirement of E-Invoicing under GST law. If the invoice issued without following this process, such invoice cannot be processed for payment by M/s. Bhagyanagar Gas Ltd. as no ITC (Input Tax Credit) is allowed on such invoices.

Therefore, all the payments to such supplier / service provider / contractor/ consultant who is liable to comply with e-invoice as per GST Laws shall be made against the proper e-invoice(s) only. Further, returns and details required to be filled under GST laws & rules against such e-invoices should be timely filed by Supplier of Goods / Services with requisite details.

If input tax credit is not available to M/s. Bhagyanagar Gas Ltd. for any reason attributable to supplier / service provider / contractor/ consultant (both for E-invoicing cases and non E-invoicing cases), then BHAGYANAGAR GAS LTD. shall not be obligated or liable to pay or reimburse GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST) claimed in the invoice(s) and shall be entitled to deduct / set off / recover such GST amount (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST) or Input Tax Credit amount together with penalties and interest, if any, by adjusting against any amounts paid or becomes payable in future to the supplier / service provider / contractor/ consultant under this contract or under any other contract.

**To ensure compliance, undertaking in requisite format is to be submitted by Supplier/Contractor/ Service Provider/Consultant as per format enclosed at Annexure-1 along with documents for release of payment.**

#### **(a) Provision to be included in Agreed Terms and Condition Format**

- Whether bidder is liable to raise E- Invoice as per GST Act
- If yes, bidder will raise E-Invoice and confirm compliance to provision of tender in this regard.

### **13.14 Provision w.r.t. TCS on Sale of Goods under section 206C(1H) of Income Tax Act (Applicable only in case of procurement of Goods)**

#### **(a) Provision to be included in tender for Procurement of Goods (as a new provision after last clause of Model ITBs)**

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As per section 206C(1H) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 inserted by Finance Act 2020, a seller (as defined under the said section), who receives any amount as consideration for sale of any goods to a buyer (as defined under the provision) of the value or aggregate of such value exceeding fifty lakh rupees in any previous year, shall levy at the time of sale, TCS for a sum equal to % as defined (Presently 0.1 per cent) of the sale consideration exceeding fifty lakh rupees (or limit as specified in the Act) and deposit the same with Government on receipt/collection of consideration from BGL.

M/s. Bhagyanagar Gas Ltd. will avail TCS credit and adjust such TCS credit against its income tax liability on the basis of TCS certificate to be issued by seller M/s. Bhagyanagar Gas Ltd.

**(a) Confirmation w.r.t. TCS in Agreed Terms and Conditions Format:**

- i. Whether bidder as a seller is liable to levy TCS on sale of goods as defined under the said provision of Income Tax.
- ii. If yes, bidder as a seller will raise proper tax invoice on sale of goods to BGL. showing TCS component.
- iii. Bidder as a seller will comply with all the statutory requirements of TCS regarding deposit of TCS with Government on receipt/collection of consideration BGL. and issue of TCS certificate to BGL. timely.
- iv. If BGL. is unable to avail the benefit of TCS Credit on such amount collected by the Supplier, for any reason attributable to Supplier, then BGL. shall be entitled to deduct / recover such amount together with penalties and interest, if any, by adjusting any amounts to be paid or becomes payable in future to the Supplier under this contract or under any other contract.

**14 BID CURRENCIES:**

Bidders must submit bid in Indian Rupees only.

**15 BID VALIDITY**

- 15.1 Bids shall be kept valid for period specified in BDS from the final Due date of submission of bid'. A Bid valid for a shorter period may be rejected by BGL as 'non-responsive'.
- 15.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to expiry of the original 'Bid Validity Period', the Employer may request the Bidders to extend the 'Period of Bid Validity' for a specified additional period. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing or by fax/email. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiture of his EMD. A Bidder agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to modify his Bid, but will be required to extend the validity of its EMD for the period of the extension and in accordance with "ITB: Clause-16" in all respects.

**16 EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT – IF NOT APPLICABLE.**

- 16.1 Bids must be accompanied with 'Earnest Money Deposit/ Bid Security' in the form of "Online Banking transaction" or 'Demand Draft' or 'Banker's Cheque' [in favour of BGL, payable at HYDERABAD or 'Bank Guarantee' or 'Letter of Credit' as per the format given in the bidding documents or [in favor of M/s Bhagyanagar GAIL Gas Limited]. Bidders shall ensure that 'Bid Security', having a validity of at least 'two [02]

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months' beyond the validity of the bid, must accompany the Bid in the format(s) made available in the Bidding Document. Bid not accompanied with 'Bid Security', or 'Bid Security' not in requisite form shall be liable for rejection. The Bid Security shall be submitted in Indian Rupees only. To enable the bidders to utilize online transaction option, Bank details of BGL is as specified in Bid Document. Bidder is required to upload the successful Transaction Details along with their e-bid. In case of online transaction, submission of EMD in original is not applicable.

- 16.2 The 'Bid Security' is required to protect BGL against the risk of Bidder's conduct, which would warrant the 'Bid Security's' forfeiture, pursuant to "ITB: Clause-16.7".
- 16.3 BGL shall not be liable to pay any Bank charges, commission or interest etc. on the amount of 'Bid Security'. In case 'Bid Security' is in the form of a 'Bank Guarantee', the same shall be from any Indian scheduled Bank or a branch of an International Bank situated in India and registered with 'Reserve Bank of India' as Scheduled Foreign Bank. However, in case of 'Bank Guarantee' from Banks other than the Nationalized Indian Banks, the Bank must be commercial Bank having net worth in excess of Rs. 100 Crores [Rupees One Hundred Crores] and a declaration to this effect should be made by such commercial Bank either in the 'Bank Guarantee' itself or separately on its letterhead. 'Earnest Money / Bid Security' shall be valid for 'two [02] months' beyond the 'Bid Validity Period' 16.4 Any Bid not secured in accordance with "ITB: Clause-16.1 & Clause-16.3" may be rejected by BGL as non-responsive.
- 16.5 Unsuccessful Bidder's 'Earnest Money Deposit/ Bid Security' will be discharged/ returned as promptly as possible, but not later than 'thirty [30] days' after finalization of tender.
- 16.6 The successful Bidder's 'Bid Security' will be discharged upon the Bidder's acknowledging the 'Award' and furnishing the 'Contract Performance Guarantee / Security Deposit' pursuant to clause 37.0 of ITB.
- 16.7 Notwithstanding anything contained herein, the 'Bid Security' may also be forfeited in any of the following cases:
  - a) If a Bidder withdraws his Bid during the 'Period of Bid Validity'
  - b) If a Bidder has indulged in corrupt/fraudulent /collusive/coercive practice
  - c) If the Bidder modifies bids during the period of bid validity (after submission date).
  - d) Violates any other condition, mentioned elsewhere in the tender document, which may lead to forfeiture of EMD.
  - e) In the case of a successful Bidder, if the Bidder fails to: i) to furnish "Contract Performance Guarantee / Security Deposit", in accordance with "ITB: Clause-37" ii) to accept 'arithmetical corrections' as per provision of the clause no. 30 of ITB.
- 16.8 Bid Security should be in favour of M/s Bhagyanagar Gas Limited and addressed to BGL. In case Bid Security is in the form of 'Bank Guarantee' or 'Letter of Credit', the same must indicate the Bid Document No. and the Services for which the Bidder is quoting. This is essential to have proper correlation at a later date. The 'Bid Security' should be in the form provided in Bid Document.
- 16.9 MSEs (Micro & Small Enterprises) are exempted from submission of EMD/ Bid Security in accordance with the provisions of PPP-2012 as stipulated in Clause 39.0 of ITB. However, Traders/Dealers/ Distributors /Stockiest /Wholesaler registered with DIC are not entitled for exemption of EMD. The Government Departments/ PSUs are also exempted from the payment of Bid Security.
- 16.10 In case of forfeiture of EMD/ Bid Security, the forfeited amount will be considered inclusive of tax and tax invoice will be issued by BGL. The forfeiture amount will be subject to final decision of BGL based on other terms and conditions of order/ Contract.

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- 16.11 EMD / Bid Bond will not be accepted in case the same has reference of 'remitter' / 'financer' other than bidder on the aforementioned financial instrument of EMD / Bid Bond submitted by the bidder and bid of such bidder will be summarily rejected.

**17 PRE-BID MEETING: through online mode / video conferencing:**

- 17.1 The Bidder(s) or his designated representative are invited to attend a "Pre-Bid Meeting" which will be held at address specified in IFB. It is expected that a bidder shall not depute more than 02 representatives for the meeting.
- 17.2 In case of pre-bid meeting through video conferencing/Online Mode, Link shall be sent to all the interested bidders by the purchaser. Instructions to bidders for Pre-bid meeting through video conferencing/ Online Mode: All bidders intending to attend pre-bid meeting must send their interest through email (at least 2 hours prior to the scheduled time of pre-bid meeting) along with details of payment of e-tender processing fee to the purchaser. E-mail received from bidders within specified timeline shall be invited through email to attend the meeting.
- 17.3 Purpose of the meeting will be to clarify issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage and give hands-on e-tendering. The Bidder must submit their queries / clarifications to BGL as in the format in bid document, as mentioned at clause no. 8.0 of ITB
- 17.4 Text of the questions raised and the responses given, together with any responses prepared after the meeting, will be uploaded on BGL e-tendering website against the Tender. Any modification of the Contents of Bidding Documents listed in "ITB: Clause-7.1", that may become necessary as a result of the Pre-Bid Meeting shall be made by the Employer exclusively through the issue of an Addendum / Corrigendum pursuant to "ITB: Clause-9", and not through the minutes of the Pre-Bid Meeting.
- 17.5 Non-attendance of the Pre-Bid Meeting will not be a cause for disqualification of Bidder.

**18 FORMAT AND SIGNING OF BID**

- 18.1 The original and all copies of the Bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink [in the case of copies, photocopies are also acceptable] and shall be signed by a person or persons duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder (as per POA). The name and position held by each person signing, must be typed or printed below the signature. All pages of the Bid except for unamended printed literature where entry(s) or amendment(s) have been made shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the Bid.
- 18.2 The Bid shall contain no alterations, omissions, or additions, unless such corrections are initialed by the person or persons signing the Bid.
- 18.3 In case of e-tendering, digitally signed documents to be uploaded as detailed in addendum to ITB.

**19 ZERO DEVIATION AND REJECTION CRITERIA**

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19.1 ZERO DEVIATION: Deviation to terms and conditions of "Bidding Documents" may lead to rejection of bid. BGL will accept bids based on terms & conditions of

"Bidding Documents" only. Bidder may note BGL will determine the substantial responsiveness of each bid to the Bidding Documents pursuant to provision contained in clause 29 of ITB. For purpose of this, a substantially responsive bid is one which conforms to all terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents without deviations or reservations.

BGL's determination of a bid's responsiveness is based on the content of the bid itself without recourse to extrinsic evidence. BGL reserves the right to raise technical and/or commercial query(s), if required, may be raised on the bidder(s). The response(s) to the same shall be in writing, and no change in the price(s) or substance of the bids shall be sought, offered or permitted. The substance of the bid includes but not limited to prices, completion, scope, technical specifications, etc. Bidders are requested to not to take any deviation/exception to the terms and conditions laid down in this "Tender Documents", and submit all requisite documents as mentioned in this "Tender Documents", failing which their offer will be liable for rejection. If a bidder does not reply to the queries in the permitted time frame then its bid shall be evaluated based on the documents available in the bid.

19.2 **REJECTION CRITERIA:** Notwithstanding the above, deviation to the following clauses of Tender document shall lead to summarily rejection of Bid:

- (a) Firm Price
- (b) Earnest Money Deposit / Bid Security
- (c) Specifications & Scope of Work
- (d) Schedule of Rates / Price Schedule / Price Basis
- (e) Duration / Period of Contract/ Completion schedule
- (f) Period of Validity of Bid
- (g) Price Reduction Schedule
- (h) Contract Performance Security
- (i) Guarantee / Defect Liability Period
- (j) Arbitration / Resolution of Dispute/Jurisdiction of Court
- (k) Force Majeure & Applicable Laws
- (l) Integrity Pact, if Applicable
- (m) Any other condition specifically mentioned in the tender document elsewhere that non-compliance of the clause lead to rejection of bid

Note: Further, it is once again reminded not to mention any condition in the Bid which is contradictory to the terms and conditions of Tender document.

**20 E-PAYMENT: Payments may be made through electronic modes via NEFT/RTGS & Cheques etc.**

**[D] – SUBMISSION OF BIDS**

**21 SUBMISSION, SEALING AND MARKING OF BIDS**

21.1 In case of e-tendering, bids shall be submitted through e-tender mode in the manner specified elsewhere in tender document. No Manual/ Hard Copy (Original) offer shall be acceptable.

21.2 However, Bidders are required to submit original Bid Security/ EMD, tender fee (as applicable), Power of Attorney and any other documents (as specified in the tender) at the address specified in Bid Document

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- 21.3 All the bids shall be addressed to the owner at address specified in IFB.
- 21.4 Bids submitted under the name of AGENT/ CONSULTANT/ REPRESENTATIVE/ RETAINER/ ASSOCIATE etc. on behalf of a bidder/ affiliate shall not be accepted.

**22 DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS**

- 22.1 In case of e-bidding, the bids must be submitted through e-tender mode not later than the date and time specified in the tender documents.
- 22.3 BGL may, in exceptional circumstances and at its discretion, extend the deadline for submission of Bids (clause 9 of ITB refers). In which case all rights and obligations of BGL and the Bidders, previously subject to the original deadline will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended. Notice for extension of due date of submission of bid will be uploaded on BGL's website/ communicated to the bidders.

**23 LATE BIDS**

- 23.1 Any bids received after the notified date and time of closing of tenders will be treated as late bids.
- 23.2 In case of e-tendering, e-tendering system of BGL shall close immediately after the due date for submission of bid and no bids can be submitted thereafter. Bidders must ensure submission of bids within the Due Date and Time of Bid Submission., e-Tendering system of BGL shall close immediately after the deadline for submission of bid and no bids can be submitted thereafter. Where the bid bond/ physical documents has been received but the bid is not submitted by the bidder in the e- tendering portal, such bid bond/ physical documents shall be returned immediately. Where the bid bond/physical documents has been received but the bid is not submitted by the bidder in the e- tendering portal, such bid bond/ physical documents shall be returned immediately.
- 23.3 Unsolicited Bids or Bis received to address other than one specifically stipulated in the tender document will not be considered for evaluation/ opening/ award if not received to the specified destination within stipulated date & time.

**24 MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS**

- 24.1 Modification and withdrawal of bids shall be as follows:-
- 24.1.1 **IN CASE OF E- TENDERING :**
- 24.1 The bidder may withdraw or modify its bid after bid submission but before the Due Date and Time of Bid Submission as per tender document.
- 24.2 The modification shall also be prepared and uploaded in accordance with the provision of the clause 22 of ITB. No bid shall be modified/ withdrawn after the Due Date and Time of Bid Submission.
- 24.3 Withdrawal/ Modification/Substitution of a bid during the interval between the Due Date and Time for Bid Submission and the expiration of the Bid Validity Period shall result in the bidder's forfeiture of his bid security pursuant to clause 16 of ITB and rejection of bid.
- 24.4 The latest bid submitted shall be considered for evaluation and all other bids shall be considered to be unconditionally withdrawn.

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- 24.5 In case after price bid opening the lowest evaluated bidder (L1) is not awarded the job for any mistake committed by him in bidding or withdrawal of bid or modification of bid or varying any term in regard thereof leading to re-tendering, BGL shall forfeit EMD paid by the bidder and such bidders shall be debarred from participation in retendering of the same job(s)/item(s). Further, such bidder will be put on holiday for a period of six months after following the due procedures in bid document.

**25 EMPLOYER'S RIGHT TO ACCEPT ANY BID AND TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS**

BGL reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, and to annul the Bidding process and reject all Bids, at any time prior to award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or Bidders or any obligations to inform the affected Bidder or Bidders of the ground for BGL's action. However, Bidder if so desire may seek the reason (in writing) for rejection of their Bid to which BGL shall respond quickly.

**[E] – BID OPENING AND EVALUATION**

**26 BID OPENING**

**26.1 *Unpriced Bid Opening :***

BGL will open bids, in the presence of bidders' designated representatives who choose to attend, at date, time and location stipulated in the bid document. The bidders' representatives, who are present shall sign a bid opening register evidencing their attendance.

**26.2 *Priced Bid Opening:***

26.2.1 BGL will open the price bids of those bidders who meet the qualification requirement and whose bids is determined to be technically and commercially responsive. Bidders selected for opening of their price bids shall be informed about the date of price bid opening. Bidders may depute their authorized representative to attend the bid opening. The bidders' representatives, who are present shall sign a register evidencing their attendance and may be required to be present on a short notice.

26.2.2 The price bids of those Bidders who were not found to be techno-commercially responsive shall not be opened in both manual tendering and e-tendering. In case of Manual Tender, the envelope containing Price Bid shall be returned unopened after opening of the price bids of techno-commercially responsive Bidders.

26.3 In case of bids invited under the single bid system, bid shall be opened on the specified due date & time.

**27 CONFIDENTIALITY**

Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation and comparison of Bids, and recommendations for the award of a Contract, shall not be disclosed to Bidder(s) or any other persons not officially concerned with such process.

**28 CONTACTING THE EMPLOYER**

28.1 From the time of Bid opening to the time of award of Contract, if any Bidder wishes to contact the Employer on any matter related to the Bid, it should do so in writing.

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Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation & recommendation for award shall not be disclosed.

- 28.2 Any effort by the Bidder to influence the Employer in the Employer's 'Bid Evaluation', 'Bid Comparison', or 'Contract Award' decisions may result in the rejection of the Bidder's Bid and action shall be initiated as per procedure in this regard.

**29 EXAMINATION OF BIDS AND DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIVENESS**

- 29.1 The owner's determination of a bid's responsiveness is based on the content of the bid only. Prior to the detailed evaluation of Bids, the Employer will determine whether each Bid:-

- (a) Meets the "Bid Evaluation Criteria" of the Bidding Documents;
- (b) Has been properly signed;
- (c) Is accompanied by the required 'Earnest Money / Bid Security';
- (d) Is substantially responsive to the requirements of the Bidding Documents; and
- (e) Provides any clarification and/or substantiation that the Employer may require to determine responsiveness pursuant to "ITB: Clause-29.2"

- 29.2 A substantially responsive Bid is one which conforms to all the terms, conditions and specifications of the Bidding Documents without material deviations or reservations or omissions for this purpose employer defines the foregoing terms below:-

- a) "Deviation" is departure from the requirement specified in the tender documents.
- b) "Reservation" is the setting of limiting conditions or withholding from complete acceptance of the requirement in the tender documents.
- c) "Omission" is the failure to submit part or all of the information or documentation required in the tender document.

- 29.3 A material deviation, reservation or omission is one that,

- a) If accepted would,
  - i) Affect in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the job as specified in tender documents.
  - ii) Limit, in any substantial way, inconsistent with the Tender Document, the Employer's rights or the tenderer's obligations under the proposed Contract.
- b) If rectified, would unfairly affect the competitive position of other bidders presenting substantially responsive bids.

- 29.4 The employer shall examine all aspects of the bid to confirm that all requirements have been met without any material deviation, reservation or omission.

- 29.5 If a Bid is not substantially responsive, it may be rejected by the Employer and may not subsequently be made responsive by correction or withdrawal of the of material deviation, reservation or omission.

**30 CORRECTION OF ERRORS**

- 30.1 Bids determined to be substantially responsive will be checked by the Employer for any arithmetic errors. Errors will be corrected by the Employer as follows:

- (i) When there is a difference between the rates in figures and words, the rate which corresponds to the amount worked out by the Contractor (by multiplying the quantity and rate) shall be taken as correct.

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- (ii) When the rate quoted by the Contractor in figures and words tallies but the amount is incorrect, the rate quoted by the contractor shall be taken as correct and not the amount and the amount will be corrected accordingly.
- (iii) When it is not possible to ascertain the correct rate, in the manner prescribed above, the rate as quoted in words shall be taken as correct and the amount will be corrected accordingly.
- (iv) If there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected
- 30.2 The amount stated in the bid will be adjusted by the Employer in accordance with the above procedure for the correction of errors. If the bidder does not accept the corrected amount of bid, its bid will be rejected, and the bid security shall be forfeited.

**31 EVALUATION AND COMPARISON OF BIDS**

Bid shall be evaluated as per evaluation criteria mentioned in Section-I of bidding documents.

In case of a tie at the lowest bid (L1) position between two or more bidders, the order/LoA will be placed on the bidder who has higher/ highest turnover in last audited financial year.

**32 COMPENSATION FOR EXTENDED STAY [FOR APPLICABILITY OF THIS CLAUSE REFER bid document]:-**

- 32.1 In the event of the time of completions of work getting delayed beyond the time schedule indicated in the bidding document plus a grace period equivalent to 1/5<sup>th</sup> of the time schedule or 2 months whichever is more, due to reasons solely attributable to Employer,

the Contractor shall be paid compensation for extended stay (ESC) to maintain necessary organizational set up and construction tools, tackles, equipment etc. at site of work.


- 32.2 The bidder is required to specify the rate for ESC on per month basis in the "PRICE PART" of his bid, which shall be considered for loading on total quoted price during price bid evaluation. The loading shall be done of a period of 1/5<sup>th</sup> of the time schedule or 1 month whichever is less. In case bidder does not indicate the rate for ESC in price part of his bid, it will be presumed that no ESC is required by the bidder and evaluation shall be carried out accordingly.

**33 PURCHASE PREFERENCE**

Purchase preference to Central government public sector Undertaking and Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) shall be allowed as per Government instructions in vogue.

**33 (A) POLICY TO PROVIDE PURCHASE PREFERENCE (LINKED WITH LOCAL CONTENT) (PP-LC)**

1. Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoP &NG) vide communication no. FP-20013/2/2017-FP-PNG dated 17.11.2020 has forwarded amended PP-LC Policy which shall continue for a further period of one-year w.e.f. 01.10.2020.
2. The major changes are relating to Definition of supplier, Margin of Purchase Preference, Eligibility of suppliers in various type of tenders, Methodology for providing Purchase Preference, applicability of PP-LC policy in various type of tenders and Powers to grant exemption and to reduce minimum local content, etc.

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3. Accordingly, the provisions mentioned in circulars referred at sl. no. 1.0 above are superseded with the provisions of this circular.
4. Policy to provide Purchase Preference (Linked with Local Content) to be included in tenders has been modified and provided at Appendix-A.

#### **Appendix-A**

### **POLICY TO PROVIDE PURCHASE PREFERENCE (LINKED WITH LOCAL CONTENT) (PP-LC)**

1. Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MoPNG) vide communication no. FP2013/2/2017-FP-PNG dated 17.11.2020 has forwarded Policy to provide Purchase Preference (linked with Local Content) in all the Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas. A copy of the policy is available on website of MoP&NG (i.e. <http://petroleum.nic.in/>).

#### **2. DEFINITIONS**

2.1 Oil and Gas Business Activity shall comprise of Upstream, Midstream and Downstream business activities.

2.2 Domestic products shall be goods and/or service (including design and engineering) produced by companies, investing and producing in India.

2.3 Local Content hereinafter abbreviated to LC means the amount of value added in India which shall, unless otherwise prescribed by the Nodal Ministry, be the total value of the item procured (excluding net domestic indirect taxes) minus the value of imported content in the item (including all customs duties) as a proportion of the total value, in percent.

2.4 Domestic Manufacturer shall be business entity or individual having business activity established under Indian law and producing products domestically.

2.5 Supplier of goods and/or provider of service shall be a business entity having capability of providing goods and/or service in accordance with the business line and qualification thereof and classified as under:

'Class-I local supplier' means a supplier or service provider, whose goods, services or works offered for procurement, has local content equal to or more than 50%, as defined under this Policy.

'Class-II local supplier' means a supplier or service provider, whose goods, services or works offered for procurement, has local content more than 20% but less than 50%, as defined under this Policy.

'Non-local supplier' means a supplier or service provider, whose goods, services or works offered for procurement, has local content less than or equal to 20%, as defined under this Policy.

2.6 Steering Committee means the committee to be constituted by MoPNG to provide effective guidance and to oversee the implementation of the Policy on a regular and continuing basis.

2.7 Verification shall be an activity to verify the accomplishment of LC by domestic manufacturers and/or suppliers of goods and/or providers of service with the data obtained or collected from respective business activities.

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2.8 Purchase preference: Where the quoted price is within the margin of purchase preference of the lowest price, other things being equal, purchase preference may be granted to the bidder concerned, at the lowest valid price bid.

2.9 Local Content (LC) in Goods shall be the use of raw materials, design and engineering towards manufacturing, fabrication and finishing of work carried out within the country.

2.10 Local Content(LC) in Services shall be the use of services up to the final delivery by utilizing manpower (including specialist), working appliance (including software) and supporting facilities carried out within in the country.

2.11 Local Content (LC) in EPC contracts shall be the use of materials, design and engineering comprising of manufacturing, fabrication, assembly and finishing as well as the use of services by utilizing manpower (including specialist), working appliance (including software) and supporting facility up to the final delivery, carried out within the country.

2.12 Factory overhead cost shall be indirect costs of Manpower, machine/ working appliance/facility and the whole other fabrication costs needed to produce a unit of product with the cost not chargeable directly to specified product.

2.13 Company overhead cost shall be costs related to the marketing, administration and general affairs cost of the company.

2.14 Indian Company means a company formed and registered under the Companies Act, 2013.

2.15 Foreign company means any company or body corporate incorporated outside India which— (a) has a place of business in India whether by itself or through an agent. physically or through electronic mode: and (b) conducts any business activity in India in any other manner.

**3. SCOPE**

3.1 This PP-LC policy is not applicable for goods/ services falling under the list of items reserved for exclusive purchase from Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) or Domestically manufactured Electronic Products (DMEP) under the respective policies.

3.2 In case a bidder is eligible to seek benefit under Policy to Provide Purchase Preference (Linked with Local Content) (PP-LC) as well as Public Procurement Policy for MSE 2012 (PPP-2012), then the bidder should categorically confirm its option to choose benefits against only one of the two policies i.e. either PP-LC and MSE Policy in Form-1. The option once exercised cannot be modified subsequently.

Purchase preference benefits shall be extended to the bidder based on the declared option subject to the bidder meeting the requirements contained in respective Purchase Preference Policy.

In case a MSEs bidder opts for purchase preference based on PP-LC, such bidder shall not be entitled to claim purchase preference benefit available to MSE Bidders under PPP-2012. However, the exemptions from furnishing Bidding Document fee and Bid security/EMD shall continue to be available to such MSE Bidder.

While evaluating a particular bid that bidder's option (to avail any one out of two applicable purchase preference policies, i.e., PP-LC or PPP-2012) will be considered. For price matching and distribution of quantities among bidders, the precedence shall be in the following order:-

(c) Public Procurement Policy for MSE 2012

(d) Policy to Provide Purchase Preference (Linked with Local Content) (PP-LC)

3.3 Further, this policy is not applicable for HP-HT operations for time being. The Charter Hiring of Offshore vessels shall continue to be governed by DG, Shipping Guidelines. Indian Flag Vessels shall be considered as having 100% LC.

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3.4 The prescribed local content in the Policy shall be applicable on the date of Notice Inviting Tender/ Issuance of tender.

4. MARGIN OF PURCHASE PREFERENCE: The margin of purchase preference shall be 20%.

**5. ELIGIBILITY OF 'CLASS-I LOCAL SUPPLIER'/ 'CLASS-II LOCAL SUPPLIER'/ 'NON-LOCAL SUPPLIERS' FOR DIFFERENT TYPES OF PROCUREMENT**

5.1 In respect of all goods, services or works in respect of which the Nodal Ministry/ Department under DPIIT's Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017 has communicated that there is sufficient local capacity and local competition, only 'Class-I local supplier' shall be eligible to bid. Details of such notified goods, services or works is available on <https://dipp.gov.in/public-procurements>

5.2 For all other Domestic Competitive tenders, 'Class-I local supplier' and 'Class-II local supplier' shall be eligible to bid irrespective of purchase value, but preference to be given as per PP-LC to the 'Class-I local supplier'.

5.3 Only 'Class-I local supplier' and 'Class-II local supplier' shall be eligible to bid, except when Global tender enquiry/International Competitive Bidding has been issued. In Global tender enquiry/International Competitive Bidding, 'Non-local suppliers' shall also be eligible to bid along with 'Class-I local suppliers' and 'Class-II local suppliers'.

5.4 'Class-II local supplier' and 'Non-local supplier' will not get purchase preference in any tender.

5.5 The producers of goods and/or providers of services shall be obliged to fulfil the requirements of quality and delivery time in accordance with the provisions of the respective contracts of goods and services.

5.6 If the Ministry is satisfied that Indian suppliers of an item are not allowed to participate and/or compete in procurement by any foreign government, it may, if it deems appropriate, restrict or exclude bidders from that country from eligibility for procurement of that item and/or other items relating to the Ministry.

5.7 For the purpose of para 5.6 above, a supplier or bidder shall be considered to be from a country if (i) the entity is incorporated in that country, or (ii) a majority of its shareholding or effective control of the entity is exercised from that country, or (iii) more than 50% of the value of the item being supplied has been added in that country. Indian suppliers shall mean those entities which meets any of these tests with respect to India.

**6. PURCHASE PREFERENCE- LINKED WITH LOCAL CONTENT (LC)**

6.1 In procurement of all items not covered by para 5.1, the following provisions is to be considered for LC linked Purchase Preference:

6.1.1 The manufacturers/ service providers having the capability of meeting/ exceeding the local content targets shall be eligible for purchase preference under the policy, i.e. LC manufacturers/ LC service providers respectively as described below.

6.1.2 Wherever the goods/ services are procured under this policy, eligible (technocommercially qualified) 'Class I Local supplier' shall be granted a purchase preference where the quoted price is within the margin of purchase preference of the lowest price, other things being equal, purchase preference shall be granted to the eligible (techno-commercially qualified) Class I Local supplier concerned, at the lowest valid price bid.

**6.1.3 Goods:**

**(a) If the tenders can be split (as specified in BDS)** then the order for 50% \*\* of the procured quantity would be awarded to the lowest techno commercially qualified 'Class I

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Local supplier', subject to matching with L1, if such bidders are available. The remaining will be awarded to L1. However, if L1 bidder happens to be a 'Class I Local supplier', the entire procurement value shall be awarded to such bidder.

\*\* If the tendered quantity cannot be divided exactly 50:50, the eligible Class I Local supplier will have right for quantity not less than 50% of tendered quantity.

**(b) If the tender cannot be split (as specified in BDS)** then the order shall be awarded to the eligible 'Class I Local supplier' for the entire quantity.

**6.1.4 Services/EPC Contracts :**

(a) In case tender for services/ EPC cannot be split (as specified in BDS), The entire contract would be awarded to the lowest techno-commercially qualified 'Class I Local supplier', subject to matching with L1, if such bidders are available.

(b) In case tender for services/EPC can be split (as specified in BDS), then splitting shall be allowed and specified in tender documents. Such services shall follow the procedure outlined for goods as described in goods above at para at 6.1.3 (a).

6.1.5 For para 6.1.3 and 6.1.4 above, only those 'Class I Local supplier' whose bids are within the margin of purchase preference would be allowed an opportunity to match L1 bid.

6.1.6 The procedure for award of contract/ order under the policy is at Enclosure-I.

**7. Determination of LC:** The following process shall be adopted by the bidder to determine the content of LC:

**7.1 LC of Goods**

7.1.1 LC of goods shall be computed on the basis of the cost of domestic components in goods, compared to the whole cost of product.

7.1.2 The criteria for determination of the local content cost in the goods shall be as follows:

- a) in the case of direct component (material), based on country of origin;
- b) in the case of manpower, based on INR component.

7.1.3 The calculation of LC of the combination of several kinds of goods shall be based on the ratio of the sum of the multiplication of LC of each of the goods with the acquisition price of each goods to the acquisition price of the combination of goods.

**7.2 LC of service**

7.2.1 LC of Service shall be calculated on the basis of the ratio of service cost of domestic component in service to the total cost of service.

7.2.2 The total cost of service shall be constituted of the cost spent for rendering of service, covering:

- a) cost of component (material) which is used;
- b) manpower and consultant cost: cost of working equipment/ facility; and
- c) general service cost.

7.2.3 The criteria for determination of cost of local content in the service shall be as follows

- a) in the case of material being used to help the provision of service, based on country of origin;
- b) in the case of manpower and consultant based on INR component of the services contract;
- c) in the case of working equipment/facility, based on country of origin; and
- d) in the case of general service cost, based on the criteria as mentioned in clauses a, b, and c above.
- e) Indian flag vessels in operation as on date.

**7.3 LC of the EPC Contracts:**

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7.3.1 LC of EPC contracts shall be the ratio of the whole cost of domestic components in the combination of goods and services to the whole combined cost of goods and services.

7.3.2 The whole combined cost of goods and services shall be the cost spent to produce the combination of goods and services, which is incurred on work site. LC of the combination of goods and services shall be counted in every activity of the combination work of goods and services.

7.3.3 The spent cost as mentioned in paragraph 7.3.2 shall include production cost in the calculation of LC of goods as mentioned in clause 7.1.1 and service cost in the calculation of LC of services as mentioned in clause 7.2.2.

7.4 Calculation of LC and Reporting LC shall be calculated on the basis of verifiable data. In the case of data used in the calculation of LC being not verifiable, the value of LC of the said component shall be treated as nil.

## **8. CERTIFICATION AND VERIFICATION**

8.1 Since 'Class I/Class II Local suppliers' are eligible to bid in Domestic Competitive Bidding only if they meet the local content norms, therefore whether or not they want to avail PP-LC benefit, it will still be mandatory for them to give adequate documentation as follows to establish their status as 'Class-I local supplier' or 'ClassII local supplier':

8.1.1 At bidding stage:

- a) Price Break-up:
  - The bidder shall provide the percentage of local content in the bid.
- b) The bidder shall submit an undertaking [Form -2] from the authorised signatory of bidder having the Power of Attorney alongwith the bid stating the bidder meets the mandatory minimum LC requirement and such undertaking shall become a part of the contract.
- (c) In cases of procurement for a value in excess of Rs. 10 crores, the Undertaking [Form-3] submitted by the bidder shall be supported by a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in the case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practising chartered accountant (in respect of other than companies) giving the percentage of local content.

However, in case of foreign bidder, certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of their own office or subsidiary in India giving the percentage of local content is also acceptable. In case office or subsidiary in India does not exist or Indian office/ subsidiary is not required to appoint statutory Auditors or cost auditor, certificate from practising cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant giving the percentage of local content is also acceptable.

8.1.2 After Contract Award:

- The bidder shall submit an undertaking from the authorised signatory of bidder having the power of Attorney alongwith the bid stating the bidder meets the mandatory minimum LC requirement and such undertaking shall become a part of the contract.
- In cases of procurement for a value in excess of Rs 10 crores, the undertaking submitted by the bidder shall be supported by a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practising chartered accountant (in respect of other than companies) giving the percentage of local content.

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- However, in case of foreign bidder, certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of their own office or subsidiary in India giving the percentage of local content is also acceptable. In case office or subsidiary in India does not exist or Indian office/ subsidiary is not required to appoint statutory auditor or cost auditor, certificate from practising cost accountant or practising chartered accountant giving the percentage of local content is also acceptable.

8.2 Each supplier shall provide the necessary local-content documentation to the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practising chartered accountant (in respect of other than companies), which shall review and determine that local content requirements have been met, and issue a local content certificate to that effect on behalf of bidder, stating the percentage of local content in the good or service measured. The statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practising chartered accountant (in respect of other than companies) shall keep all necessary information obtained from suppliers for measurement of Local Content confidential.

8.3 The Local Content certificate shall be submitted along with each invoice raised. However, the % of local content may vary with each invoice while maintaining the overall % of local content for the total work/purchase of the pro-rata local content requirement. In case, it is not satisfied cumulatively in the invoices raised up to that stage, the supplier shall indicate how the local content requirement would be met in the subsequent stages.

8.4 As regards cases where currency quoted by the bidder is other than Indian Rupee, exchange rate prevailing on the date of Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)/ Issuance of Tender shall be considered for the calculation of Local Content.

8.5 BGL shall also have the authority to audit as well as witness production processes to certify the achievement of the requisite local content.

## 9. Sanctions

9.1 During execution, it shall be the responsibility of the supplier/contractor to ensure fulfillment of the minimum local content specified in the bidding document failing which BGL shall impose sanction on manufacturers/ service providers. The sanctions shall be in the form of written warning, financial penalty and banning.

9.2 In the event that a manufacturer or supplier of goods and/or provider of services does not fulfill his obligation after the expiration of the period specified in such warning, the BGL shall initiate action for banning such manufacturer/supplier/service provider as per as per BGL's extant "Procedure for action in case Corrupt/Fraudulent/Collusive/Coercive Practices"

9.3 A manufacturer and/or supplier of goods and/or provider of services who has been awarded the contract after availing Purchase Preference is found to have violated the LC provisions, in the execution of the procurement contract of goods and/or services shall be subject to financial penalty an amount equal to 10% of the Contract Price. This financial penalty shall be over and above the CPBG value prescribed in the contract.

9.4 In case a manufacturer and/or supplier of goods and/or provider of services desires to change the origin of sourcing of material/services, the same may be allowed with the understanding that in case this results in non compliance to minimum local content, the penal action as above shall be applicable.

## PROCEDURE FOR AWARD OF CONTRACTS/ ORDERS.

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**A. PROCEDURE FOR AWARD OF CONTRACTS UNDER THIS POLICY SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS (SUBJECT TO QUANTITY DISTRIBUTION APPLICABLE TO MSEs AS PER PUBLIC PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR MSE 2012, REFER EXAMPLES GIVEN BELOW):**

1.1. In procurement of all items which are divisible in nature, the 'Class I local supplier' shall get purchase preference over 'Class II local supplier' as well as 'Non Local Supplier' as per following procedure:

- i. Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is 'Class I local supplier', the contract for full quantity will be awarded to L1.
- ii. If L1 bid is not a 'Class I local supplier', 50% of the order quantity shall be awarded to L1. Thereafter, lowest bidder among the 'Class I Local supplier' will be invited to match the L1 price for the remaining 50% quantity subject to the Class I local supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference. and contract for that quantity shall be awarded to such 'Class I local supplier' subject to matching the L1 price.

In case such lowest eligible 'Class I local supplier' fails to match the L1 price or accepts less than the offered quantity, the next higher 'Class I local supplier' within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price for remaining quantity and so on, and contract shall be awarded accordingly. In case some quantity is still left uncovered on Class I local suppliers, then such balance quantity may also be ordered on the L1 bidder.

1.2. In the procurement of all items which are not divisible in nature and in procurement of services where the bid is evaluated on price alone, the 'Class I local supplier' shall get purchase preference over 'Class-II local supplier' as well as 'Non-local supplier', as per following procedure:

- i. Among all qualified bids, the lowest bid will be termed as L1. If L1 is 'Class-I local supplier', the contract will be awarded to L1.
- ii. If L1 is not 'Class-I local supplier', the lowest bidder among the 'Class-I local supplier', will be invited to match the L1 price subject to Class-I local supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference, and the contract shall be awarded to such 'Class-I local supplier' subject to matching the L1 price.
- iii. In case such lowest eligible 'Class-I local supplier' fails to match the L1 price, the 'Class-I local supplier' with the next higher bid within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price and so on and contract shall be awarded accordingly. In case none of the 'Class-I local supplier' within the margin of purchase preference matches the L1 price, the contract may be awarded to the L1 bidder.

**B. Example to deal Various situations in case a bidder is eligible to seek benefit under Policy for Provide Purchase Preference (linked with local content (PP-LC) as well as Public Procurement Policy for MSE 2012 (PPP for MSE 2012):**

(I) Non divisible item

L1 bidder is non MSE, non Class-II local supplier as per PP-LC

L2 bidder is Class-I Local supplier as per PP-LC (prices within 20%)

L3 bidder is MSE bidder (prices within 15%) MSE bidder shall be given preference to match the L1 price. If bidder matches the L1 price, order shall be placed on him, otherwise, option for matching the L1 price shall be given to L2 bidder (PP-LC).

(II) Divisible item-Case 1

L1 bidder is non MSE, non Local supplier/ Class-II local supplier as per PP-LC



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L2 bidder is Class-I Local supplier as per PP-LC (within 20%)

L3 bidder is MSE bidder (within 15%) MSE bidder shall be given preference to match the L1 price. If bidder matches the L1 price, order shall be placed on him for the quantity specified in the bidding document for MSEs (i.e. 25% of the tendered quantity). For 50% of tendered quantity option for matching the L1 price shall be given to L2 bidder (Class-I Local supplier as per PP-LC). Balance quantity (i.e. 25% of the tendered quantity) shall be awarded to original L1 bidder.

(III) Divisible item-Case 2

L1 bidder is non MSE, Non Local supplier/ Class-II as per PP-LC

L2 bidder is Class-I Local supplier as per PP-LC (within 20%)

L3 bidder is MSE bidder (within 15%) L4 bidder is MSE bidder (within 15%) MSE bidders shall be given preference to match the L1 price. If bidders matched the L1 price, order shall be placed on each of them for 12.5% of the tendered quantity. In case L3 or L4 bidder refuses, the order shall be placed on remaining MSE bidder who matches the L1 prices for 25% of the quantity. For 50% of tendered quantity option for matching the L1 price shall be given to L2 bidder (Class-I Local supplier as per PP-LC). Balance quantity (i.e. 25% of the tendered quantity) shall be awarded to original L1 bidder.

(IV) In case L1 bidder is a MSE bidder, the entire goods/ jobs shall be awarded to him without resorting to purchase preference to Class-I Local supplier as per PP-LC.

(V) In case L1 bidder is a Class 1 Local supplier as per PP-LC, purchase preference shall only be resorted to MSE bidder as per PPP 2012.



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**FORM-1**

**UNDERTAKING FOR APPLICABILITY OF POLICY (APPLICABLE FOR CLASSI LOCAL  
SUPPLIER ONLY)**

To,

M/s Bhagyanagar Gas Limited

SUB:

TENDER NO:

Dear Sir

We, M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Bidder) hereby confirm that following purchase preference to be considered:-

Description	Preference
Purchase Preference under Public Procurement Policy for MSE	
Policy to Provide Purchase Preference (linked with local content)	

Note:

- (i) Please indicate your preference against only one policy.
- (ii) The above preference shall be extended only after submission of requisite documents (as mentioned in the tender documents).
- (iii) In case a bidder is eligible to seek benefit under PP-LC policy as well as PPP for MSE 2012, then the bidder should categorically seek benefits against only one of the two policies i.e. either PP-LC and MSE policy.
- (iv) In case a MSEs bidder opts for purchase preference based on PP-LC, he shall not be entitled to claim purchase preference benefit available to MSE Bidders under PPP for MSE 2012. However, the exemptions from furnishing Bidding Document fee and Bid security/EMD shall continue to be available to MSE Bidders
- (v) The option once exercised cannot be modified subsequently.
- (vi) In case a MSE bidder is opting the PP-LC policy and emerges other than L1 bidder, then only Purchase Preference as per PPP-MSE policy is not applicable.

Place:


[Signature of Authorized Signatory of Bidder]

Date:

Name:

Designation:

Seal:

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**FORM-2**

SELF CERTIFICATION BY BIDDER WHO CLASS-I /CLASS-II LOCAL SUPPLIER TOWARDS  
MANDATORY MINIMUM LOCAL CONTENT

To,

M/s Bhagyanagar Gas Limited

SUB:

TENDER NO:

Dear Sir

We, M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Bidder) confirm that as per the definition of mentioned in PP-LC Policy we are:

Class-I Local supplier [ ]

Class-II Local Supplier [ ]

(Bidder is to tick appropriate option (✓ or X) above).

[  
It is further confirm that M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Bidder)/ )/ M/s ..... (Name of Manufacturer, in case bidder is a supplier quoting on behalf of manufacturer) (strikethrough which is not applicable) meet the mandatory minimum Local content requirement of .....% specified for Class-I Local supplier/ Class-II Local supplier (strikethrough which is not applicable) under Policy to Provide Purchase Preference (linked with local content).

We further confirm that in case we fail to meet the minimum local content, the same shall be treated false information and BGL will take action as per provision of tender document.

Place:


[Signature of Authorized Signatory of Bidder]

Date:

Name:

Designation:

Seal:

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**FORM-3**

CERTIFICATE BY STATUTORY AUDITOR/COST AUDITOR/ CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT OF  
 BIDDER WHO CLASS-I /CLASS-II LOCAL SUPPLIER TOWARDS MANDATORY MINIMUM  
 LOCAL CONTENT

To,  
 M/s BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED

SUB:  
 TENDER NO:

Dear Sir

1. We \_\_\_\_\_ the statutory auditor/ cost auditor/chartered accountant (not an employee of the company) of M/s. \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of the bidder) hereby certify that as per definition specified in PP-LC policy, M/s. \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of the bidder) is

Class-I Local supplier [ ]

Class-II Local Supplier [ ]

(Bidder is to tick appropriate option (✓ or X) above).

2. It is further confirm that M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Bidder)/ M/s ..... (Name of Manufacturer, in case bidder is a supplier quoting on behalf of manufacturer) (strikethrough which is not applicable) meet the mandatory minimum Local content requirement of .....% specified for Class-I Local supplier/ Class-II Local supplier (strikethrough which is not applicable) under Policy to Provide Purchase Preference (linked with local content) quoted vide offer No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ against tender No. \_\_\_\_\_ by M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of the bidder)."

Name of Audit Firm:  
 Date:

[Signature of Authorized Signatory]  
 Name:  
 Designation:  
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 Membership no.

Note:

- (i) This certificate it to be furnished by the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in the case of companies) or from a practicing cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant (in respect of suppliers other than companies)
- (ii) The above format is indicative, the statutory auditor/ cost auditor/ cost accountant can modify the format without changing the intent of certification. (Circular no. BGL/ND/C&P/CORP/PP-LC/2021-22/52 dated 18.02.2022)

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The provisions to be included in (i) tenders on International Competitive Bidding basis (ICB) and (ii) tenders on Domestic Competitive Bidding basis having estimated value of Rs. 1 Crore and above.

Further, it shall be ensured that procurement is not split for the purpose of avoiding the provisions of this policy.

5. It is mentioned at Para 4.4 (a) of amended PP-LC Policy of MoP&NG that in respect of all goods, services or works in respect of which the Nodal Ministry/ Department under DPIIT's Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017 has communicated that there is sufficient local capacity and local competition, only 'Class-I local supplier' shall be eligible to bid. Details of such notified goods, services or works is available on <https://dipp.gov.in/public-procurements>.

6. Tenders floated for Works Contracts shall be covered under the provisions contained for EPC contracts.

7. In case a bidder is eligible to seek benefit under Policy to Provide Purchase Preference (Linked with Local Content) (PP-LC) as well as Public Procurement Policy for MSE 2012 (PPP-2012), then the bidder should categorically confirm its option to choose benefits against only one of the two policies i.e. either PP-LC and MSE Policy in Form-1. The option once exercised cannot be modified subsequently.

Purchase preference benefits shall be extended to the bidder based on the declared option subject to the bidder meeting the requirements contained in respective Purchase Preference Policy.

In case a MSEs bidder opts for purchase preference based on PPLC, such bidder shall not be entitled to claim purchase preference benefit available to MSE Bidders under PPP-2012. However, the exemptions from furnishing Bidding Document fee and Bid security/EMD shall continue to be available to such MSE Bidder.

While evaluating a particular bid that bidder's option (to avail any one out of two applicable purchase preference policies, i.e., PP-LC or PPP-2012) will be considered. For price matching and distribution of quantities among bidders, the precedence shall be in the following order:-

- (a) Public Procurement Policy for MSE 2012
- (b) Policy to Provide Purchase Preference (Linked with Local Content) (PP-LC)

8. This PP-LC policy is not applicable for goods/ services falling under the list of items reserved for exclusive purchase from Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) and Domestically manufactured Electronic Products (DMEP) under the respective policies.

Further, this policy is not applicable for HP-HT operations for time being. The Charter Hiring of Offshore vessels shall continue to be governed by DG, Shipping Guidelines. Indian Flag Vessels shall be considered as having 100% LC.

9. Clause no. 11 of amended PP-LC circulated by MoP&NG stipulates the following:

10. Powers to grant exemption and to reduce minimum local content: Wherever proper justification exists, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas may by written order, for reasons to be recorded in writing,

- a. Reduce the minimum local content below the prescribed level; or
- b. Reduce the margin of purchase preference below 20%; or



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- c. Exempt any particular item or supplying entities from the operation of this Order or any part of the Order

Accordingly, wherever required, proposal for exemption/ reduction in minimum local content recording detailed justification is to be forwarded by work center to Corporate C&P Department for onward submission to MoP&NG after approval of concerned Director.

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**[F] – AWARD OF CONTRACT**

**34 AWARD**

Subject to "ITB: Clause-29", BGL will award the Contract to the successful Bidder whose Bid has been determined to be substantially responsive and has been determined as the lowest provided that bidder, is determined to be qualified to satisfactorily perform the Contract.

**35 NOTIFICATION OF AWARD / FAX OF ACCEPTANCE**

35.1 Prior to the expiry of 'Period of Bid Validity', Notification of Award for acceptance of the Bid will be intimated to the successful Bidder by BGL either by Fax / E - mail /Letter or like means defined as the "Fax of Acceptance (FOA)". The Contract shall enter into force on the date of FOA and the same shall be binding on BGL and successful Bidder (i.e. Contractor/Service Provider). The Notification of Award/FOA will constitute the formation of a Contract. The detailed Letter of Acceptance shall be issued thereafter incorporating terms & conditions of Tender Document, Corrigendum, Clarification(s), Bid and agreed variation(s)/acceptable deviation(s), if any. BGL may choose to issue Notification of Award in form of detailed Letter of Acceptance without issuing FOA and in such case the Contract shall enter into force on the date of detailed Letter of Acceptance only.

35.2 Contract period shall commence from the date of "Notification of Award" or as mentioned in the Notification of Award. The "Notification of Award" will constitute the formation of a Contract, until the Contract has been effected pursuant to signing of Contract as per "ITB: Clause-37".

Upon the successful Bidder's / Contractor's furnishing of 'Contract Performance Security / Security Deposit', pursuant to "ITB: Clause-38", BGL will promptly discharge his 'Earnest Money / Bid Security', pursuant to "ITB: Clause-16"

**36 SIGNING OF AGREEMENT**

36.1 BGL will award the Contract to the successful Bidder, who, within 'fifteen [15] days' of receipt of the same, shall sign and return the acknowledged copy to BGL.

36.2 The successful Bidder/Contractor shall be required to execute an 'Agreement' in the proforma given in this Bidding Document on a 'non-judicial stamp paper' of appropriate value [cost of the 'stamp-paper' shall be borne by the successful Bidder/Contractor] and of 'state' specified in bid document only, within 'fifteen [15] days' of receipt of the "Fax of Acceptance [FOA]" of the Tender by the successful Bidder/Contractor failure on the part of the successful Bidder/Contractor to sign the 'Agreement' within the above stipulated period, shall constitute sufficient grounds for forfeiture of EMD/Security Deposit.

**37 CONTRACT PERFORMANCE SECURITY / SECURITY DEPOSIT**

37.1 Within 30 days of the receipt of the notification of award/ Fax of Acceptance from BGL, the successful bidder shall furnish the Contract Performance Security (CPS) in accordance with of General Conditions of the Contract. The CPS shall be in the form of either Banker's Cheque or Demand Draft or Bank Guarantee or Letter of Credit and shall be in the currency of the Contract. However, CPS shall not be applicable in cases

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wherein the individual order/contract value as specified in Notification of Award is less than INR 5 Lakh (exclusive of GST).

- 37.2 The contract performance security shall be for an amount equal to specified in bid document towards faithful performance of the contractual obligations and performance of equipment. For the purpose of CPS, Contract/order value shall be exclusive of **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** to be reimbursed by the Owner.

Bank Guarantee towards CPS shall be from any Indian scheduled bank or a branch of an International bank situated in India and registered with Reserve bank of India as scheduled foreign bank in case of Indian bidder as well as foreign bidder. However, in case of bank guarantees from banks other than the Nationalized Indian banks, the bank must be a commercial bank having net worth in excess of Rs 100 crores and a declaration to this effect should be made by such commercial bank either in the Bank Guarantee itself or separately on its letterhead. This bank guarantee shall be valid for a period as three months beyond the DLP specified in bid document.

- 37.3 Failure of the successful bidder to comply with the requirements of this article shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the EMD.

- 37.4 The CPS has to cover the entire contract value including extra works/services also. As long as the CPS submitted at the time of award take cares the extra works/ services executed and total executed value are within the awarded contract price, there is no need for additional CPS. As soon as the total executed value is likely to burst the ceiling of awarded contract price, the contractor should furnish additional CPS.

- 37.5 Further, the bidder can submit CPBG online through issuing bank to BGL directly as per Ministry of Finance (MOF) Department of financial service direction vide letter ref number F.No.7/112/2011-BOA dated 17<sup>th</sup> July 2012. In such cases confirmation will not be sought from issuing banker by BGL.

"In addition to existing specified form (i.e.Demand Draft (DD)/ Banker's Cheque/ Bank Guarantee/ Letter of Credit) mentioned in tender documents for submission of Security Deposit/ Contract Performance Guarantee, the successful bidder can also submit the Security Deposit/ Contract Performance Guarantee through online banking transaction i.e. IMPS/NEFT/RTGS etc.

For this purpose, the details of **Bhagyanagar Gas Limited** Bank Account is as under:

**Account Holder's Name: *M/S Bhagyanagar Gas Ltd***

**Account Number: *000805017218***

**IFSC Code: *ICIC00000008***

**Other details: *Khairatabad, Hyderabad***

While remitting, the bidder must indicate **"Security Deposit/ Contract Performance Guarantee against FOA/LOA/PO no. \_\_\_\_\_ (Contractor/ vendor to specify the FOA/LOA/PO no.)"** under remarks column of respective bank portal. The contractor/ vendor shall be required to submit the successful transaction details to the concerned C&P officer(s) immediately and necessarily within 30 days from the date of Fax of Acceptance.

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**“CPBG/Security Deposit will not be accepted in case the same has reference of ‘remitter’ / ‘financer’ other than bidder on the aforementioned financial instrument of CPBG/Security Deposit submitted by the Supplier/ contractor/ Service Provider.**

**38 PROCEDURE FOR ACTION IN CASE CORRUPT/ FRAUDULENT/COLLUSIVE/ COERCIVE PRACTICES**

38.1 Procedure for action in case Corrupt/ Fraudulent/Collusive/Coercive Practices is enclosed at Annexure-I.

**38.2 NON-APPLICABILITY OF ARBITRATION CLAUSE IN CASE OF BANNING OF VENDORS/ SUPPLIERS / CONTRACTORS/BIDDERS/ CONSULTANTS INDULGED IN FRAUDULENT/ COERCIVE PRACTICES**

Notwithstanding anything contained contrary in GCC and other "CONTRACT DOCUMENTS", in case it is found that the Vendors/ Suppliers / Contractors/Bidders/ Consultants indulged in fraudulent/ coercive practices at the time of bidding, during execution of the contract etc., and/or on other grounds as mentioned in BGL's "Procedure for action in case Corrupt/ Fraudulent/ Collusive/ Coercive Practices" (Annexure-I), the contractor/bidder shall be banned (in terms of aforesaid procedure) from the date of issuance of such order by Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) to such Vendors/ Suppliers / Contractors/Bidders/ Consultants.

The Vendor/ Supplier / Contractor/ Bidder/Consultant understands and agrees that in such cases where Vendor/ Supplier / Contractor/ Bidder/Consultant has been banned (in terms of aforesaid procedure) from the date of issuance of such order by Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL), such decision of Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) shall be final and binding on such Vendor/ Supplier / Contractor/ Bidder/Consultant and the 'Arbitration clause' in the GCC and other "CONTRACT DOCUMENTS" shall not be applicable for any consequential issue /dispute arising in the matter.

**39 PUBLIC PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES**

39.1 Following provision has been incorporated in tender for MSEs, in line with notification of Government of India, vide Gazette of India proclaiming the Public Procurement Policy on procurement of goods, works and services from Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs)

- i) Issue of tender document to MSEs free of cost.
- ii) Exemption to MSEs from payment of EMD/Bid Security.
- iii) In Tender Document participating Micro and Small Enterprises quoting price within the price band of 'L1 + 15%' shall also be allowed to supply a portion of requirement by bringing down their prices to L1 price in a situation where L1 price is from someone other than a micro and small enterprise and such micro and small enterprises shall be allowed to supply upto 25% of the total tendered value. In case of more than one such MSE(s), the supply shall be shared proportionately (to tendered quantity). Further, out of above 25%, 4% shall be from MSEs owned by SC/ST entrepreneurs. Further, 3% shall be reserved for MSEs owned by women within above 25% reservation. The respective quota(s) shall be transferred to other MSEs in case of non-availability of MSEs owned by SC/ST entrepreneurs/ MSEs owned by Women.



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Further, the definition of MSEs owned by Women shall be as per the definition for MSEs owned by SC/ST entrepreneurs.


This quota is to be transferred to other MSEs in case of non-availability of MSEs owned by SC/ST entrepreneurs. The quoted prices against various items shall remain valid in case of splitting of quantities of the items above.

In case tendered item is non-splitable or non-dividable (specified in Bid Data Sheet), MSE quoting price within price band L1 (other than MSE) + 15% , may be awarded for full/ complete supply of total tendered value subject to matching of L1 price.

39.2 The MSE(s) owned by SC/ST Entrepreneurs shall mean:-

- a) In case of proprietary MSE, Proprietor(s) shall be SC/ST.
- b) In case of partnership MSE, the SC/ST partners shall be holding atleast 51% share in the unit
- c) In case of private Limited Companies, at least 51% share is held by SC/ST. If the MSE is owned by SC/ST Entrepreneurs, the bidder shall furnish appropriate documentary evidence in this regard.

39.3 In case bidder is a Micro or Small Enterprise under the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006, the bidder shall submit the following :

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- a. Documentary evidence that the bidder is a Micro or Small Enterprises registered with District Industries Centers or Khadi and Village Industries National Small Industries Corporation or Directorate of Handicrafts and Handloom or any other body specified by Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises or UDHYAM certificate
  - b) If the MSE is owned by SC/ST Entrepreneurs, the bidder shall furnish appropriate documentary evidence in this regard.  
The above documents submitted by the bidder shall be duly certified by the Chartered Accountant (not being an employee or a Director or not having any interest in the bidder's company/firm) and notary public with legible stamp.  
If the bidder does not provide the above confirmation or appropriate document or any evidence, then it will be presumed that they do not qualify for any preference admissible in the Public Procurement Policy (PPP) 2012.
- 39.4 If against an order placed by BGL, successful bidder(s) (other than Micro/Small Enterprise) is procuring material/services from their sub-vendor who is a Micro or Small Enterprise registered with District Industries Centers or Khadi and Village Industries Commission or Khadi and Village Industries Board or Coir Board or National Small Industries Corporation or Directorate of Handicrafts and Handloom or any other body specified by Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises with prior consent in writing of the purchasing authority/Engineer-in-charge, the details like Name, Registration No., Address, Contact No. details of material & value of procurement made, etc. of such Enterprises shall be furnished by the successful bidder at the time of submission of invoice/Bill.
- 39.5 The benefit of policy are not extended to the traders/ dealers/ Distributors/ Stockiest/ Wholesalers.
- 40 AHR ITEMS:**  
In item rate contract where the quoted rates for the items exceed 50% of the estimate rates, such items will be considered as Abnormally High Rates (AHR) items and payment of AHR items beyond the SOR stipulated quantities shall be made at the lowest amongst the following rates:
- I) Rates as per SOR, quoted by the Contractor/Bidder.
  - II) Rate of the item, which shall be derived as follows:
    - a. Based on rates of Machine and labour as available from the contract (which includes contractor's supervision, profit, overheads and other expenses).
    - b. In case rates are not available in the contract, rates will be calculated based on prevailing market rates of machine, material and labour plus 15% to cover contractor's supervision profit, overhead & other expenses.
- 41 VENDOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**  
Shall be as stipulated Annexure II to ITB herewith.
- 42 INCOME TAX & CORPORATE TAX**
- 42.1 Income tax deduction shall be made from all payments made to the contractor as per the rules and regulations in force and in accordance with the Income Tax Act prevailing from time to time.

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- 42.2 Corporate Tax liability, if any, shall be to the contractor's account.
- 42.3 TDS, wherever applicable, shall be deducted as per applicable act/law/rule.
- 42.4 **MENTIONING OF PAN NO. IN INVOICE/BILL**  
As per CBDT Notification No. 95/2015 dated 30.12.2015, mentioning of PAN no. is mandatory for procurement of goods / services/works/consultancy services exceeding Rs. 2 Lacs per transaction.
- Accordingly, supplier/ contractor/ service provider/ consultant should mention their PAN no. in their invoice/ bill for any transaction exceeding Rs. 2 lakhs. As provided in the notification, in case supplier/ contractor/ service provider/ consultant do not have PAN no., they have to submit declaration in Form 60 along with invoice/ bill for each transaction.
- Payment of supplier/ contractor / service provider/ consultant shall be processed only after fulfilment of above requirement
43. **SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES BETWEEN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT AND ANOTHER AND ONE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISE AND ONE PUBLIC ENTERPRISE AND ANOTHER**  
In the event of any dispute or difference relating to the interpretation and application of the provisions of the contracts, such dispute or difference shall be referred by either party for Arbitration to the sole Arbitrator in the Department of Public Enterprises to be nominated by the Secretary to the Government of India in-charge of the Department of Public Enterprises. The Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 shall not be applicable to arbitrator under this clause. The award of the Arbitrator shall be binding upon the parties to the dispute, provided, however, any party aggrieved by such award may make a further reference for setting aside or revision of the award to the Law Secretary, Department of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Law & Justice, Government of India. Upon such reference the dispute shall be decided by the Law Secretary or the Special Secretary / Additional Secretary, when so authorized by the Law Secretary, whose decision shall bind the Parties finally and conclusively. The parties to the dispute will share equally the cost of arbitration as intimated by the Arbitrator.
- 44 **DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADDENDUM TO PROVISION REGARDING APPLICABLE LAWS AND SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES OF GCC)**
- 44.1 Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) has framed the Conciliation Rules 2010 in conformity with supplementary to Part – III of the Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 for speedier, cost effective and amicable settlement of disputes through conciliation. Unless otherwise specified, the matters where decision of the Engineer-in-Charge is deemed to be final and binding as provided in the Agreement and the issues/disputes which cannot be mutually resolved within a reasonable time, all disputes shall be settled in accordance with the Conciliation Rules 2010.
- 44.2 Any dispute(s)/difference(s)/issue(s) of any kind whatsoever between/amongst the Parties arising under/out of/in connection with this contract shall be settled in accordance with the aforesaid rules.
- 44.3 In case of any dispute(s)/difference(s)/issue(s), a Party shall notify the other Party(ies) in writing about such a dispute(s) / difference(s) / issue(s) between / amongst the Parties and that such a Party wishes to refer the dispute(s)/ difference(s)/ issue(s) to Conciliation. Such Invitation for Conciliation shall contain sufficient information as to

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the dispute(s)/ difference(s)/ issue(s) to enable the other Party(ies) to be fully informed as to the nature of the dispute(s)/ difference(s)/ issue(s), the amount of monetary claim, if any, and apparent cause(s) of action.

- 44.4 Conciliation proceedings commence when the other Party(ies) accept(s) the invitation to conciliate and confirmed in writing. If the other Party (ies) reject(s) the invitation, there will be no conciliation proceedings.
- 44.5 If the Party initiating conciliation does not receive a reply within thirty days from the date on which he/she sends the invitation, or within such other period of time as specified in the invitation, he/she may elect to treat this as a rejection of the invitation to conciliate. If he/she so elects, he/she shall inform the other Party(ies) accordingly.
- 44.6 Where Invitation for Conciliation has been furnished, the Parties shall attempt to settle such dispute(s) amicably under Part-III of the Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 and Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) Conciliation Rules, 2010. It would be only after exhausting the option of Conciliation as an Alternate Dispute Resolution Mechanism that the Parties hereto shall go for Arbitration. For the purpose of this clause, the option of 'Conciliation' shall be deemed to have been exhausted, even in case of rejection of 'Conciliation' by any of the Parties.
- 44.7 The cost of Conciliation proceedings including but not limited to fees for Conciliator(s), Airfare, Local Transport, Accommodation, cost towards conference facility etc. shall be borne by the Parties equally.
- 44.8 The Parties shall freeze claim(s) of interest, if any, and shall not claim the same during the pendency of Conciliation proceedings. The Settlement Agreement, as and when reached/agreed upon, shall be signed between the Parties and Conciliation proceedings shall stand terminated on the date of the Settlement Agreement.
- 45 **PROMOTION OF PAYMENT THROUGH CARDS AND DIGITAL MEANS: Not Applicable.**
- 46 **CONTRACTOR TO ENGAGE CONTRACT MANPOWER BELONGING TO SCHEDULED CASTES AND WEAKER SECTIONS OF THE SOCIETY**  
While engaging the contractual manpower, Contractors are required to make efforts to provide opportunity of employment to the people belonging to Scheduled Castes and weaker sections of the society also in order to have a fair representation of these sections.
47. **PROVISION FOR STARTUPS: (AS DEFINED IN GAZETTE NOTIFICATION NO.D.I.-33004/99 DATED 18.02.2016 AND 23.05.2017 OF MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME) – : NOT APPLICABLE**
48. **UNIQUE DOCUMENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER BY PRACTICING CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS:**  
Practicing Chartered Accountants shall generate Unique Document Identification Number (UDIN) for all certificates issued by them as per provisions of Tender Document.  
  
However, UDIN may not be required for documents being attested by Chartered Accountants in terms of provisions of Tender Document.

**49. PROVISION REGARDING INVOICE FOR REDUCED VALUE OR CREDIT NOTE TOWARDS PRS**

As mentioned in GCC, PRS is the reduction in the consideration / contract value for the goods / services covered under this contract. In case of delay in supply/ execution of contract, supplier/ contractor/ service provider should raise invoice for reduced value as per Price Reduction Schedule Clause (PRS clause). If supplier/ contractor/ service provider has raised the invoice for full value, then supplier/ contractor/ service provider should issue Credit Note towards the applicable PRS amount with applicable taxes.

In such cases if supplier/ contractor/ service provider fails to submit the invoice with reduced value or does not issue credit note as mentioned above, BGL will release the payment to supplier/ contractor/ service provider after giving effect of the PRS clause with corresponding reduction of taxes charged on vendor's invoice, to avoid delay in delivery/collection of material."

In case any financial implication arises on BGL due to issuance of invoice without reduction in price or non-issuance of Credit Note, the same shall be to the account of supplier/ contractor/ service provider. BGL shall be entitled to deduct / setoff/recover such GST amount (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST) together with penalties and interest, if any, against any amounts paid or becomes payable by BGL in future to the Supplier/Contractor under this contract or under any other contract.

**50. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA IN CASE BID IS SUBMITTED ON THE BASIS OF TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE OF FOREIGN BASED ANOTHER COMPANY (SUPPORTING COMPANY) WHICH HOLDS MORE THAN FIFTY PERCENT OF THE PAID-UP SHARE CAPITAL OF THE BIDDER COMPANY OR VICE VERSA:**

Offers of those bidders (not under Consortium arrangement) who themselves do not meet the technical experience criteria as stipulated in BEC and are quoting based on the experience of foreign based another company (supporting company) can also be considered. In such case the supporting company should hold more than fifty percent of the paid up share capital of the bidding company or vice versa.

However, the supporting company should on its own meet the technical experience as stipulated in the BEC and should not rely on any other company or through any other agreement like technical collaboration agreement.

In that case as the bidding company is dependent upon the technical experience of another company with a view to ensure your commitment and involvement of the companies involved for successful execution of the contract, the participating bidder should enclose the following agreement/ guarantees/ undertakings along with the techno-commercial bid.

- i) An agreement (as per format enclosed at format F-22) between the bidder and the supporting company.
- ii) Guarantee (as per format enclosed at format F-23) by the supporting company to BGL for fulfilling the obligation under the Agreement.
- iii) Undertaking by supporting company to provide a performance bank guarantee (as per format and instructions enclosed at format F-24) equivalent to 50% of the value of the PBG which is to be submitted by the bidding company, in case of being the successful bidder.



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In case where foreign based supporting company does not have permanent establishment in India as per Indian Income Tax Act, the bidding company can furnish performance bank guarantee for an amount, which is sum of PBG amount to be submitted by the bidder and additional PBG amount required to be submitted by the supporting company subject to the condition that supporting company have 100% paid up equity share capital of the bidder either directly or through intermediate subsidiaries or vice versa.

In such case bidding company shall furnish an undertaking that their foreign based supporting company is not having any permanent establishment in India in terms of Income Tax Act of India.

- iv) Undertaking from the supporting company to the effect that in addition to invoking the PBG submitted by the bidding company, the PBG provided by supporting company shall be invoked by BGL due to non-performance of the bidding company.

Note:

In case supporting company fails to submit Bank Guarantee as per (iii) above, EMD/SD submitted by the bidder shall be forfeited.

- ANNEXURE-I to ITB: PROCEDURE FOR ACTION IN CASE CORRUPT/FRAUDULENT/COLLUSIVE/COERCIVE PRACTICES
- ANNEXURE-II to ITB: VENDOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PROCEDURE

**Appendix-A1**

**FORMAT OF AGREEMENT TO BE EXECUTED BETWEEN BIDDER AND THEIR FOREIGN BASED SUPPORTING COMPANY ON INDIAN STAMP PAPER OF REQUISITE VALUE DULY NOTARIZED.**

This agreement made this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ month \_\_\_\_ year by and between M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Fill in Bidder's full name, constitution and registered office address) \_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter referred to as bidder on the first part and M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Fill in full name, constitution and registered office address company which hold more than fifty percent of the paid-up share capital of the bidding company or vice versa) hereinafter referred to as "Supporting Company" of the second part.

Whereas

M/s. BHAGYANAGAR Gas Limited (hereinafter referred to as BHAGYANAGAR Gas) has invited offers vide their tender No. \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ and M/s. \_\_\_\_\_ (Bidder) intends to bid against the said tender and desires to have technical support of M/s \_\_\_\_\_ [Supporting Company]

And whereas Supporting Company represents that they have gone through and understood the requirements of the subject tender and are capable and committed to provide the services as required by the bidder for the successful execution of the contract, if awarded to the bidder.

Now, it is hereby agreed to by and between the parties as follows:

- a) M/s. \_\_\_\_\_ (Bidder) will submit an offer to BHAGYANAGAR Gas for the full scope of work as envisaged in the tender document as the main bidder and liaise BHAGYANAGAR Gas directly for any clarifications etc. in this context.
- b) M/s. \_\_\_\_\_ [Supporting Company] undertakes to provide technical support and expertise, expert manpower and project management including financial support, if so required, to the bidder to discharge its obligations as per the Scope of Work of the tender / Contract for which offer has been made by the bidder and accepted by BHAGYANAGAR Gas.
- c) The Bidder/ Supporting Company holds more than 50% paid-up equity capital of the Supporting Company/ Bidder.
- d) This agreement will remain valid till the validity of bidder's offer to BHAGYANAGAR Gas including extension if any and till satisfactory performance of the contract, the same is awarded by BHAGYANAGAR Gas to the bidder.
- e) Supporting Company undertakes that this agreement shall remain enforceable even if their stake in Bidder is diminished during the execution of works under the contract between the Bidder and BHAGYANAGAR Gas.
- f) The bidder shall have the overall responsibility of satisfactory execution of the contract awarded by BHAGYANAGAR Gas, however without prejudice to any rights that BHAGYANAGAR Gas might have against the Supporting Company.
- g) It is further agreed that bidder and Supporting Company shall be jointly and severally responsible to BHAGYANAGAR Gas for the performance of works during the contract



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period and for the satisfactory execution of the contract, and for all the consequences for non-performance thereof.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have executed this agreement on the date mentioned above.

For and on behalf of  
(Bidder)  
M/s.

For and on behalf of  
(Supporting Company)  
M/s.

Witness:

- 1)
- 2)

Witness:

- 1)
- 2)

**Appendix-A2**

**GUARANTEE BY THE FOREIGN BASED SUPPORTING COMPANY/ GUARANTOR**

THIS DEED OF GUARANTEE executed at .....this..... day of ..... by M/s ..... (mention complete name) a company duly established and existing under the laws of ..... (insert country), having its Registered Office at ..... hereinafter called “the Guarantor and/ or the Supporting Company” which expression shall, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context thereof, be deemed to include its successors and permitted assignees.

**FOR**

M/s ..... (bidder) a company duly established and existing under the laws of ..... (insert country), having its Registered Office at ..... hereinafter called the “Bidder” which expression shall, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context thereof, be deemed to include its successors and permitted assignees.

**TOWARDS**

M/s BHAGYANAGAR Gas Limited, a company duly registered under the law of India having its Registered Office at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, TSIDC Building, Parishram Bhavan, Basheer Bagh, Hyderabad – 500004, India, and having Purchase center at ..... hereinafter called “BHAGYANAGAR Gas” which expression shall unless excluded by or repugnant to the context thereof, be deemed to include its successor and assignees.

WHEREAS BHAGYANAGAR Gas has invited tender number ..... for ..... on ....., and the bidder has submitted its bid number..... in response to the above mentioned tender invited by BHAGYANAGAR Gas.

AND WHEREAS the bidder/ Guarantor Company holds more than 50% paid up equity capital of the Supporting Company/ Bidder.

AND WHEREAS one of the condition for acceptance of Bidder's bid against said tender is that in case the bidder is seeking to qualify upon the technical credentials of its Guarantor Company, then the bidder shall arrange a guarantee from its Guarantor Company guaranteeing due and satisfactory performance of the work covered under the said tender including any change therein as may be deemed appropriate by the BHAGYANAGAR Gas at any stage.

The Guarantor represents that they have gone through and understood the requirement of the above said tender and are capable of and committed to provide technical and such other supports as may be required by the Bidder for successful execution of the same.

The Bidder and the Guarantor have entered into an agreement dated ..... as per which the Guarantor shall be providing technical, financial and such other supports as may be necessary for performance of the work under the tender, if the contract is awarded to the Bidder.

Accordingly, at the request of the Bidder and in consideration of and as a requirement for the BHAGYANAGAR Gas to enter into agreement(s) with the Bidder, the Guarantor hereby guarantees and undertakes that upon award of Contract to Bidder against bid number ....., made by the Bidder under tender number.....

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1. The Guarantor unconditionally agrees that in case of non-performance by the Bidder of any of its obligations in any respect, the Guarantor shall, immediately on receipt of notice of demand by the BHAGYANAGAR Gas, take up the job without any demur or objection, in continuation and without loss of time and without any cost to the BHAGYANAGAR Gas and duly perform the obligations of the Bidder to the satisfaction of the BHAGYANAGAR Gas.
2. The Guarantor agrees that the Guarantee contained herein shall remain valid till the satisfactory execution and completion of the work (including discharge of the warranty obligations) awarded to the Bidder.
3. The Guarantor shall be jointly and severally responsible to BHAGYANAGAR Gas for satisfactory performance of works during contract period and for the satisfactory execution of the contract, and for all consequences for non-performance thereof.
4. The liability of the Guarantor, under the Guarantee, is limited of the Bidder for non-performance under the contract entered between BHAGYANAGAR Gas and the Bidder. This will, however, be in addition to the forfeiture of the Performance and Advance Guarantees furnished by the Bidder.
5. The Guarantor agrees to execute a Corporate Guarantee in favour of BHAGYANAGAR Gas, guaranteeing the performance of obligations by the Bidder, in case the Contract is awarded to the Bidder by BHAGYANAGAR Gas.
6. The Guarantor represents that this Guarantee has been issued after due observance of the appropriate laws in force in India. The Guarantor hereby undertakes that the Guarantor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect all the governmental and other approvals and consents that are necessary and do all other acts and things necessary or desirable in connection therewith or for the due performance of the Guarantor's obligations towards BHAGYANAGAR Gas.
7. Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this contract, including any question regarding its existence, validity or termination, shall be referred to and finally resolved by arbitration. It is further agreed that Claims by and against the Guarantor, the Bidder and BHAGYANAGAR Gas under the different contract to be entered pursuant to their relationship can be brought under a single reference and there shall be no bar on the consolidation of such proceedings before the same arbitral tribunal. The governing law shall be the laws of India and seat of arbitration shall be Hyderabad, India. The language of arbitration shall be English.
8. The Guarantor hereby declares and represents that this Guarantee has been given without any undue influence or coercion, and that the Guarantor has fully understood the implications of the same.
9. In case of award of contract to the bidder, the Guarantor shall provide Performance Bank Security to BHAGYANAGAR Gas, equivalent to 50% of the value of Performance Bank Security to be submitted by the bidding company, in the prescribed format within 15 days from the date of Fax of Acceptance, as guarantee for performance by the bidder/contractor. The Guarantor hereby expressly agrees that if in the opinion of BHAGYANAGAR Gas, the Bidder / Contractor has failed to perform its obligations under the contract in any manner, BHAGYANAGAR Gas shall have unfettered right to invoke the said Bank guarantee. The guarantor hereby agrees that decision of BHAGYANAGAR Gas about performance of the bidder / contractor shall be final and

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shall not be questioned by the Guarantor. Guarantor shall have no objection to invocation of the Performance Bank Guarantee submitted by the Guarantor.

OR

(applicable, subject to meeting the conditions stipulated in BEC in respect of additional Performance Bank Security)

In case of award of contract to the bidder, the bidder on behalf of the Guarantor shall provide additional Performance Bank Security to BHAGYANAGAR Gas, equivalent to 50% of the value of Performance bank Security to be submitted by the bidding company, in the prescribed format within 15 days from the date of Fax of Acceptance, as guarantee for performance by the bidder/contractor. The Guarantor hereby expressly agrees that if in the opinion of BHAGYANAGAR Gas, the Bidder / Contractor has failed to perform its obligations under the contract in any manner, BHAGYANAGAR Gas shall have unfettered right to invoke the said Bank guarantee. The Guarantor hereby agrees that decision of BHAGYANAGAR Gas about performance of the bidder / contractor shall be final and shall not be questioned by the Guarantor. Guarantor shall have no objection to invocation of the Performance Bank Security submitted by the Bidder on behalf The Guarantor represents and confirms that the Guarantor has the legal capacity, power and authority to issue this Guarantee and that giving of this Guarantee and the performance and observations of the obligations hereunder do not contravene any existing laws.

(Strike through the clause whichever is not applicable)

10. The Guarantor represents and confirms that the Guarantor has the legal capacity, power and authority to issue this Guarantee and that giving of this Guarantee and the performance and observations of the obligations hereunder do not contravene any existing laws.

For & on behalf of (Supporting Company)

M/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Designation \_\_\_\_\_  
Official seal \_\_\_\_\_

Witness:

1. Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_
2. Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FURNISHING GUARANTEE**

The official(s) executing the guarantee should affix full signature(s) on each page.

1. Resolution passed by Board of Directors of the guarantor company authorizing the signatory(ies) to execute the guarantee, duly certified by Company Secretary should be furnished along with Guarantee.



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**Appendix-A2A**

**CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY COMPANY SECRETARY OF THE GUARANTOR  
COMPANY**

“Obligations contained in deed of guarantee No. \_\_\_\_\_ furnished against tender No. \_\_\_\_\_  
are enforceable against the Guarantor Company and the same do not, in any way, contravene  
any law of the country of which the Guarantor Company is the subject.”

The above certificate should be enclosed along with the Guarantee.

**Appendix-A3**

**PROFORMA OF "BANK GUARANTEE" TOWARDS PERFORMANCE SECURITY BY  
FOREIGN BASED SUPPORTING COMPANY OF THE BIDDING COMPANY**

**CONTRACT PERFORMANCE SECURITY / SECURITY DEPOSIT**

**(ON NON-JUDICIAL STAMP PAPER OF APPROPRIATE VALUE)**

To,

M/s BHAGYANAGAR Gas Limited

**Dear Sir(s),**

M/s. \_\_\_\_\_ having  
registered office at \_\_\_\_\_ (herein after called the "CONTRACTOR/  
SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER" which expression shall wherever the context so require  
include its successors and assignees) have been placed/ awarded the job/work of  
\_\_\_\_\_ vide PO/LOA /FOA No.  
\_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ (herein after called CONTRACT/ ORDER)  
for BHAGYANAGAR Gas Limited having registered office at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, APIDC Building,  
Parishram Bhavan, Basheer Bagh, Hyderabad – 500004 (herein after called the  
"BHAGYANAGAR Gas" which expression shall wherever the context so require include its  
successors and assignees).

Further, M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of the Supporting company) having its registered/head office  
at \_\_\_\_\_ based on whose experience/technical strength, the  
CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER has qualified for award of contract  
(hereinafter referred to as the 'SUPPORTING COMPANY') which expression shall, unless  
repugnant to the context or meaning thereof include all its successors, administrators, executors  
and assignees) has agreed to provide complete technical and other support to the  
CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER for successful completion of the  
contract/order as mentioned above, entered between BHAGYANAGAR Gas and the  
CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER and BHAGYANAGAR Gas having agreed  
that the 'SUPPORTING COMPANY' shall furnish to BHAGYANAGAR Gas a performance  
guarantee for Indian Rupees/US\$ ..... towards providing complete financial and other support  
to the CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER for successful completion of the  
contract/order as mentioned above.

The said M/s. \_\_\_\_\_ (Supporting Company) has  
approached us and at their request and in consideration of the premises we having our office at  
\_\_\_\_\_ have agreed to give such guarantee as hereinafter mentioned.

2. We (name of the bank) \_\_\_\_\_ registered under the laws of  
\_\_\_\_\_ having head/registered office at \_\_\_\_\_  
(hereinafter referred to as "the Bank", which expression shall, unless repugnant to the  
context or meaning thereof, include all its successors, administrators, executors and

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permitted assignees) do hereby guarantee and undertake to pay immediately on first demand in writing any/all moneys to the extent of Indian Rs./US\$ (in figures) \_\_\_\_\_ (Indian Rupees/US Dollars (in words) \_\_\_\_\_) without any demur, reservation, contest or protest and/or without any reference to the 'SUPPORTING COMPANY'. Any such demand made by BHAGYANAGAR Gas on the Bank by serving a written notice shall be conclusive and binding, without any proof, on the bank as regards the amount due and payable, notwithstanding any dispute(s) pending before any Court, Tribunal, Arbitrator or any other authority and/or any other matter or thing whatsoever, as liability under these presents being absolute and unequivocal. We agree that the guarantee herein contained shall be irrevocable and shall continue to be enforceable until it is discharged by BHAGYANAGAR Gas in writing. This guarantee shall not be determined, discharged or affected by the liquidation, winding up, dissolution or insolvency of the 'SUPPORTING COMPANY' and shall remain valid, binding and operative against the bank.

3. The Bank also agrees that BHAGYANAGAR Gas at its option shall be entitled to enforce this Guarantee against the Bank as a principal debtor, in the first instance, without proceeding against the 'SUPPORTING COMPANY' and notwithstanding any security or other guarantee that BHAGYANAGAR Gas may have in relation to the 'SUPPORTING COMPANY's liabilities.
4. The Bank further agrees that BHAGYANAGAR Gas shall have the fullest liberty without our consent and without affecting in any manner our obligations hereunder to vary any of the terms and conditions of the said CONTRACT/ORDER or to extend time of performance by the said CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER from time to time or to postpone for any time or from time to time exercise of any of the powers vested in BHAGYANAGAR Gas against the said CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER and to forbear or enforce any of the terms and conditions relating to the said agreement and we shall not be relieved from our liability by reason of any such variation, or extension being granted to the said CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER/SERVICE PROVIDER or for any forbearance, act or omission on the part of BHAGYANAGAR Gas or any indulgence by BHAGYANAGAR Gas to the said CONTRACTOR(s) or any such matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would, but for this provision, have effect of so relieving us.
5. The Bank further agrees that the Guarantee herein contained shall remain in full force during the period that is taken for the performance of the CONTRACT/ORDER and all dues of BHAGYANAGAR Gas under or by virtue of this CONTRACT/ORDER have been fully paid and its claim satisfied or discharged or till BHAGYANAGAR Gas discharges this guarantee in writing, whichever is earlier.
6. This Guarantee shall not be discharged by any change in our constitution, in the Constitution of BHAGYANAGAR Gas or that of the 'SUPPORTING COMPANY'.
7. The Bank confirms that this guarantee has been issued with observance of appropriate laws of the country of issue.
8. The Bank also agrees that this guarantee shall be governed and construed in accordance with Indian Laws and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of Indian Courts of the place from where the purchase CONTRACT/ORDER has been placed.

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9. Notwithstanding anything contained hereinabove, our liability under this Guarantee is limited to Indian Rs./US\$ (in figures) \_\_\_\_\_ (Indian Rupees/US Dollars (in words) \_\_\_\_\_ only) and our guarantee shall remain in force until (indicate the date of expiry of bank guarantee) \_\_\_\_\_.
8. We have power to issue this guarantee in your favor under Memorandum and Articles of Association and the undersigned has full power to do under the Power of Attorney, dated \_\_\_\_\_ granted to him by the Bank.

Yours faithfully,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bank by its Constituted Attorney

Signature of a person duly  
Authorized to sign on behalf of the Bank

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FURNISHING "CONTRACT PERFORMANCE SECURITY /  
SECURITY DEPOSIT" BY "BANK GUARANTEE"**

1. The Bank Guarantee by successful Bidder(s) will be given on non-judicial stamp paper as per 'stamp duty' applicable. The non-judicial stamp paper should be in name of the issuing bank. In the case of a foreign bank, the said Bank Guarantee to be issued by its correspondent bank in India on requisite non-judicial stamp paper and place of Bid to be considered as Hyderabad.
2. The Bank Guarantee by Bidders will be given from the bank as specified in Tender.
3. A letter from the issuing bank of the requisite Bank Guarantee confirming that said Bank Guarantee and all future communication relating to the Bank Guarantee
4. If a Bank Guarantee is issued by a commercial bank, then a letter to Purchaser and copy to Consultant (if applicable) confirming its net worth is more than Rs. 100,00,00,000.00 [Rupees One Hundred Crores] or it's equivalent in foreign currency along with documentary evidence.

**51. GUIDELINES REGARDING PROVISIONS FOR PROCUREMENT FROM A  
BIDDER WHICH SHARES A LAND BORDER WITH INDIA**

1. Order (Public Procurement No. 1) dated 23.07.2020, Order (Public Procurement No. 2) dated 23.07.2020 and Order (Public Procurement No. 3) dated 24.07.2020, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India refers. The same are available at website <https://doe.gov.in/procurement-policy-divisions>.
2. Any bidder from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to bid in this tender only if the bidder is registered with the Competent Authority. For details of competent authority refer to Annexure I of Order (Public Procurement No. 1) dated 23.07.2020.


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Further the above will not apply to bidders from those countries (even if sharing a land border with India) to which the Government of India has extended lines of credit or in which the Government of India is engaged in development projects. Updated lists of countries to which lines of credit have been extended or in which development projects are undertaken are given in the website of the Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India.

3. "Bidder" (including the term 'tenderer', 'consultant' 'vendor' or 'service provider' in certain contexts) for purpose of this provision means any person or firm or company, including any member of a consortium or joint venture (that is an association of several persons, or firms or companies), every artificial juridical person not falling in any of the descriptions of bidders stated hereinbefore, including any agency, branch or office controlled by such person, participating in a procurement process.
4. "Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India" for the purpose of this:
  - a. An entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
  - b. A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
  - c. An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
  - d. An entity whose beneficial owner is situated in such a country; or
  - e. An Indian (or other) agent of such an entity; or
  - f. A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or
  - g. A consortium or joint venture where any member of the consortium or joint venture falls under any of the above.
5. "Beneficial owner" for the purpose of above (4) will be as under:
  - i) In case of a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person(s), has a controlling ownership interest or who exercises control through other means.  
 Explanation—
    - a) "Controlling ownership interest" means ownership of, or entitlement to, more than twenty five per cent of shares or capital or profits of the company;
    - b) "Control" shall include the right to appoint the majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions, including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholders agreements or voting agreements;
  - ii) In case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s) who,
  - iii) whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership;
  - iv) In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals;
  - v) Where no natural person is identified under (i) or (ii) or (iii) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official;

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- vi) In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification of the author of the trust, the trustee, the beneficiaries with fifteen percent or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.
6. "Agent" for the purpose of this Order is a person employed to do any act for another, or to represent another in dealings with third persons
7. SUBMISSION OF CERTIFICATE IN BIDS:  
Bidder shall submit a certificate in this regard as Form-I.  
If such certificate given by a bidder whose bid is accepted is found to be false, this would be a ground for immediate rejection of the bid/termination and further action as per "Procedure for Action in case of Corrupt/Fraudulent/ Collusive / Coercive Practices" of tender document.
8. The registration, wherever applicable, should be valid at the time of submission of bids and at the time of acceptance of bids. In respect of supply otherwise than by tender, registration should be valid at the time of placement of order. If the bidder was validly registered at the time of acceptance / placement of order, registration shall not be a relevant consideration during contract execution.
9. PROVISION TO BE IN WORKS CONTRACTS, INCLUDING TURNKEY CONTRACTS:  
The successful bidder shall not be allowed to sub-contract works to any contractor from a country which shares a land border with India unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority. The definition of "contractor from a country which shares a land border with India" shall be as in Para 4 herein above. A Certificate to this regard is to be submitted by bidder is placed at Form-II.
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**Form-I**

**UNDERTAKING ON LETTERHEAD**

To,

M/s BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED

\_\_\_\_\_

SUB:

TENDER NO:

Dear Sir,


We have read the clause regarding Provisions for Procurement from a Bidder which shares a land border with India, we certify that, bidder M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (*Name of Bidder*) is :

- (i) Not from such a country [ ]
- (ii) If from such a country, has been registered [ ]  
with the Competent Authority.  
(Evidence of valid registration by the  
Competent Authority shall be attached)

*(Bidder is to tick appropriate option (✓ or X) above).*

We hereby certify that bidder M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (*Name of Bidder*) fulfills all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered against the tender.

Place: [Signature of Authorized Signatory of Bidder]  
Date: Name:  
Designation:  
Seal:

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**Form-II**

**CERTIFICATE FOR TENDERS FOR WORKS INVOLVING POSSIBILITY OF SUB-CONTRACTING**

To,

M/s BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED

SUB:

TENDER NO:

Dear Sir

We have read the clause regarding Provisions for Procurement from a Bidder of a country which shares a land border with India and on sub-contracting to contractors from such countries; we certify that, bidder M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (*Name of Bidder*) is:

(i) not from such a country ☐

(ii) if from such a country, has been registered ☐  
with the Competent Authority.

(Evidence of valid registration by the  
Competent Authority shall be attached)

*(Bidder is to tick appropriate option (✓ or X) above).*

We further certify that bidder M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (**Name of Bidder**) will not sub-contract any work to a contractor from such countries unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority.

We hereby certify that bidder M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (**Name of Bidder**) fulfills all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered.

Place: [Signature of Authorized Signatory of Bidder]  
Date: Name:  
Designation:  
Seal:

**Annexure-I o ITB**

**PROCEDURE FOR ACTION IN CASE  
CORRUPT/FRAUDULENT/COLLUSIVE/COERCIVE PRACTICES**

**A Definitions:**

- A.1 “Corrupt Practice” means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, anything of value to improperly influence the actions in selection process or in contract execution.  
“Corrupt Practice” also includes any omission for misrepresentation that may mislead or attempt to mislead so that financial or other benefit may be obtained or an obligation avoided.
- A2 “Fraudulent Practice” means and include any act or omission committed by a agency or with his connivance or by his agent by misrepresenting/ submitting false documents and/ or false information or concealment of facts or to deceive in order to influence a selection process or during execution of contract/ order.
- A3 “Collusive Practice amongst bidders (prior to or after bid submission)” means a scheme or arrangement designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the Employer of the benefits of free and open competition.
- A.4 “Coercive practice” means impairing or harming or threatening to impair or harm directly or indirectly, any agency or its property to influence the improperly actions of an agency, obstruction of any investigation or auditing of a procurement process.
- A.5 “Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant/Bidder” is herein after referred as “Agency”
- A.6 “Appellate Authority” shall mean Committee of Directors consisting of Director (Finance) and Director (BD) for works centers under Director (Projects). For all other cases committee of Directors shall consist of Director (Finance) & Director (Projects).
- A.7 “Competent Authority” shall mean the authority, who is competent to take final decision for Suspension of business dealing with an Agency/ (ies) and Banning of business dealings with Agency/ (ies) and shall be the “Director” concerned.
- A.8 “Allied Agency” shall mean all the concerns within the sphere of effective influence of banned/ suspended agencies. In determining this, the following factors may be taken into consideration:
- (a) Whether the management is common;
  - (b) Majority interest in the management is held by the partners or directors of banned/ suspended firm.
  - (c) substantial or majority shares are owned by banned/ suspended agency and by virtue of this it has a controlling voice.
- A.9 “Investigating Agency” shall mean any department or unit of BGL investigating into the conduct of Agency/ party and shall include the Vigilance Department of the BGL, Central

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Bureau of Investigation, State Police or any other agency set up by the Central or state government having power to investigate.

**B Actions against bidder(s) indulging in corrupt /fraudulent/ collusive/ coercive practice**

**B.1 Irregularities noticed during the evaluation of the bids :**

If it is observed during bidding process/ bids evaluation stage that a bidder has indulged in corrupt/fraudulent /collusive/coercive practice, the bid of such Bidder (s) shall be rejected and its Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) shall be forfeited.

Further, such agency shall be banned for future business with BGL for a period specified in para B 2.2 below from the date of issue of banning order.

**B.2 Irregularities noticed after award of contract**

**(i) During execution of contract:**

If an agency, is found to have indulged in corrupt/fraudulent/ collusive/coercive practices, during execution of contract, the agency shall be banned for future business with BGL for a period specified in para B 2.2 below from the date of issue of banning order.

The concerned order (s)/ contract(s) where corrupt/fraudulent/collusive practices is observed, shall be suspended with immediate effect by Engineer-in-Charge (EIC)/ Employer whereby the supply/ work/ service and payment etc. will be suspended. The action shall be initiated for putting the agency on banning.

After conclusion of process, the order (s)/ contract (s) where it is concluded that such irregularities have been committed shall be terminated and Contract cum Performance Bank Guarantee (CPBG)/ Contract Performance Security(CPS) submitted by agency against such order (s)/ contract (s) shall also be forfeited. The amount that may have become due to the contractor on account of work already executed by him shall be payable to the contractor and this amount shall be subject to adjustment against any amounts due from the contractor under the terms of the contract.

No risk and cost provision will be enforced in such cases.

**(ii) After execution of contract and during Defect liability period (DLP)/ Warranty/Guarantee Period:**

If an agency is found to have indulged in corrupt/fraudulent/ collusive/coercive practices, after execution of contract and during DLP/ Warranty/Guarantee Period, the agency shall be banned for future business with BGL for a period specified in para B 2.2 below from the date of issue of banning order.

Further, the Contract cum Performance Bank Guarantee (CPBG)/ Contract Performance Security (CPS) submitted by agency against such order (s)/ contract (s) shall be forfeited.

**(iii) After expiry of Defect liability period (DLP)/ Warranty/ Guarantee Period**

If an agency is found to have indulged in corrupt/ fraudulent/ collusive/ coercive practices, after expiry of Defect liability period (DLP)/ Warranty/ Guarantee Period, the agency shall be banned for future business with BGL for a period specified in para B 2.2 below from the date of issue of banning order.

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**B.2.2 Period of Banning**

The period of banning of agencies indulged in Corrupt/ Fraudulent/ Collusive/ Coercive Practices shall be as under and to be reckoned from the date of banning order:

S. No.	Description	Period of banning from the date of issuance of Banning order
1	Misrepresentation/ False information other than pertaining to BEC of tender but having impact on the selection process.  For example, if an agency confirms not being in holiday/ banning list of PSUs/ Govt. Dept., liquidation, bankruptcy & etc. and subsequently it is found otherwise, such acts shall be considered in this category.	02 years
2	Corrupt/ Fraudulent (pertaining to BEC of tender) / Collusive/ Coercive Practices	03 years
2.1	If an agency again commits Corrupt/ Fraudulent (pertaining to BEC of tender) /Collusive/ Coercive Practices in subsequent cases after their banning, such situation of repeated offense to be dealt with more severity and following shall be the period of banning: (v) Repeated once	7 years (in addition to the period already served)
	(vi) Repeated twice or more	15 years (in addition to the period already served)
3	Indulged in unauthorized disposal of materials provided by BGL	7 years
4	If act of vendor/ contractor is a threat to the National Security	15 years
5	Corrupt/Fraudulent/Collusive/Coercive Practices during execution of contract/order	2 Years

**C Effect of banning on other ongoing contracts/ tenders**

- C.1 If an agency is put on Banning, such agency should not be considered in ongoing tenders/future tenders.
- C.2 However, if such an agency is already executing other order (s)/ contract (s) where no corrupt/fraudulent/ collusive/coercive practice is found, the agency should be allowed to continue till its completion without any further increase in scope except those incidental to original scope mentioned in the contract.
- C.3 If an agency is put on the Banning List during tendering and no irregularity is found in the case under process:

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- C.3.1 after issue of the enquiry /bid/tender but before opening of Technical bid, the bid submitted by the agency shall be ignored.
- C.3.2 after opening Technical bid but before opening the Price bid, the Price bid of the agency shall not be opened and BG/EMD submitted by the agency shall be returned to the agency.
- C.3.3 after opening of price, BG/EMD made by the agency shall be returned; the offer of the agency shall be ignored & will not be further evaluated. If the agency is put on banning list for fraud/ mis-appropriation of facts committed in the same tender/other tender where errant agency emerges as the lowest (L1), then such tender shall also be cancelled and re-invited.

**D. Procedure for Suspension of Bidder**

**D.1 Initiation of Suspension**

Action for suspension business dealing with any agency/(ies) shall be initiated by Corporate C&P Department when

- (i) Vigilance Department based on the fact of the case gathered during investigation by them recommend for specific immediate action against the agency.
- (ii) Vigilance Department based on the input from Investigating agency, forward for specific immediate action against the agency.
- (iii) Non performance of Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant leading to termination of Contract/ Order.

**D.2 Suspension Procedure:**

- D.2.1 The order of suspension would operate initially for a period not more than six months and is to be communicated to the agency and also to Vigilance Department. Period of suspension can be extended with the approval of the Competent Authority by one month at a time with a ceiling of six months pending a conclusive decision to put the agency on banning list.
- D.2.2 During the period of suspension, no new business dealing may be held with the agency.
- D.2.3 Period of suspension shall be accounted for in the final order passed for banning of business with the agency.
- D.2.4 The decision regarding suspension of business dealings should also be communicated to the agency.
- D.2.5 If a prima-facie, case is made out that the agency is guilty on the grounds which can result in banning of business dealings, proposal for issuance of suspension order and show cause notice shall be put up to the Competent Authority. The suspension order and show cause notice must include that (i) the agency is put on suspension list and (ii) why action should not be taken for banning the agency for future business from BGL.

The competent authority to approve the suspension will be same as that for according approval for banning.

**D 3 Effect of Suspension of business:**

Effect of suspension on other on-going/future tenders will be as under:

- D.3.1 No enquiry/bid/tender shall be entertained from an agency as long as the name of agency appears in the Suspension List.

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- D.3.2 If an agency is put on the Suspension List during tendering:
- D.3.2.1 after issue of the enquiry /bid/tender but before opening of Technical bid, the bid submitted by the agency shall be ignored.
- D.3.2.2 after opening Technical bid but before opening the Price bid, the Price bid of the agency shall not be opened and BG/EMD submitted by the agency shall be returned to the agency.
- D.3.2.3 after opening of price, BG/EMD made by the agency shall be returned; the offer of the agency shall be ignored & will not be further evaluated. If the agency is put on Suspension list for fraud/ mis-appropriation of facts conducted in the same tender/other tender where errant agency emerges as the lowest (L1), then such tender shall also be cancelled and re-invited.
- D.3.3 The existing contract (s)/ order (s) under execution shall continue.
- D.3.4 Tenders invited for procurement of goods, works and services shall have provision that the bidder shall submit a undertaking to the effect that (i) neither the bidder themselves nor their allied agency/(ies) are on banning list of BGL or the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas and (ii) bidder is not banned by any Government department/ Public Sector.

**F. Appeal against the Decision of the Competent Authority:**

- F.1 The agency may file an appeal against the order of the Competent Authority for putting the agency on banning list. The appeal shall be filed to Appellate Authority. Such an appeal shall be preferred within one month from the of receipt of banning order.
- F.2 Appellate Authority would consider the appeal and pass appropriate order which shall be communicated to the party as well as the Competent Authority.
- F.3 Appeal process may be completed within 45 days of filing of appeal with the Appellate Authority.
- G. Wherever there is contradiction with respect to terms of 'Integrity pact' , GCC and 'Procedure for action in case of Corrupt/Fraudulent/ Collusive/Coercive Practice', the provisions of 'Procedure for action in case of Corrupt/Fraudulent/ Collusive/Coercive Practice' shall prevail.

**5.0 REVIEW & RESTORATION OF PARITES PUT ON HOLIDAY**

- 5.1 An order for Holiday passed for a certain specified period shall deemed to have been automatically revoked on the expiry of that specified period and it will not be necessary to issue a specific formal order of revocation.

Further, in case Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant is put on holiday due to quality, and new order is placed on bidder after restoration of Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant, such order will be properly monitored during execution stage by the concerned site.

**6.0 EFFECT OF HOLIDAY**

- 6.1 If a Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant is put on Holiday, such Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant should not be considered in ongoing tenders/future tenders.
- 6.2 However, if such Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant is already executing any other order/ contract and their performance is satisfactory in terms of the relevant

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contract, should be allowed to continue till its completion without any further increase in scope except those incidental to original scope mentioned in the contract. In such a case CPBG will not be forfeited and payment will be made as per provisions of concerned contract. However, this would be without prejudice to other terms and conditions of the contract.

6.3. Effect on other ongoing tendering:

6.3.1 after issue of the enquiry /bid/tender but before opening of Technical bid, the bid submitted by the party shall be ignored.

6.3.2 after opening Technical bid but before opening the Price bid, the Price bid of the party shall not be opened and BG/EMD submitted by the party shall be returned to the party.

6.3.3 after opening of price, BG/EMD made by the party shall be returned; the offer of the party shall be ignored & will not be further evaluated. If errant party emerges as the lowest (L1), then such tender shall also be cancelled and re-invited.

7.0 While putting the Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant on holiday as per the procedure, the holding company, subsidiary, joint venture, sister concerns, group division of the errant Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant shall not be considered for putting on holiday list.

Any bidder, put on holiday, will not be allowed to bid through consortium route also in new tender during the period of holiday.

8.0 If an unsuccessful bidder makes any vexatious, frivolous or malicious complaint against the tender process with the intention of delaying or defeating any procurement or causing loss to BGL or any other bidder, such bidder will be put on holiday for a period of six months, if such complaint is proved to be vexatious, frivolous or malicious, after following the due procedure.

**9. APPEAL AGAINST THE DECISION OF THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY:**

(a) The party may file an appeal against the order of the Competent Authority for putting the party on Holiday list. The appeal shall be filed to Appellate Authority. Such an appeal shall be preferred within one month from the date of receipt of Holiday order.

(b) Appellate Authority would consider the appeal and pass appropriate order which shall be communicated to the party as well as the Competent Authority.

(c) Appeal process may be completed within 45 days of filing of appeal with the Appellate Authority.

(d) "Appellate Authority" shall mean Committee of Directors.

**10. ERRANT BIDDER**

In case after price bid opening the lowest evaluated bidder (L1) is not awarded the job for any mistake committed by him in bidding or withdrawal of bid or modification of bid or varying any term in regard thereof leading to re-tendering, BGL shall forfeit EMD paid

by the bidder and such bidders shall be debarred from participation in re-tendering of the same job(s)/item(s).

Further, such bidder will be put on Watch list (Yellow card) for a period of three years after following the due procedure. However, during the period in watch list such vendor will be allowed to participate in all other tenders and to execute other ongoing order/contract (s) or new contract/ order(s). holiday for a period of six months after following the due procedure.

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In case of subsequent instances of default in other tender (s) during aforesaid watch list period, the action shall be initiated as per provision of sl. no.2 of para A of Clause no. 5.1(v) and 5.3 (v).

The Yellow card will be automatically revoked after a period of three years unless the same is converted into Red Card.

In case CBEC (Central Board of Excise and Customs)/ any equivalent Central Government agency/ State Government agency brings to the notice of BGL that the Supplier of Goods / Services (Service Provider) has not remitted the amount towards **GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)** collected from BGL to the government exchequer, , then party will be put on holiday for a period of six months after following the due procedure.

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ANNEXURE-II TO ITB

**PROCEDURE FOR EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE OF VENDORS/ SUPPLIERS/  
CONTRACTORS/ CONSULTANTS**

**1.0 GENERAL**

A system for evaluation of Vendors/ Suppliers/Contractors/ Consultants and their performance is a key process and important to support an effective purchasing & contracting function of an organization. Performance of all participating Vendors/ Suppliers/Contractors/ Consultants need to be closely monitored to ensure timely receipt of supplies from a Vendor, completion of an assignment by a Consultant or complete execution of order by a contractor within scheduled completion period. For timely execution of projects and meeting the operation & maintenance requirement of operating plants, it is necessary to monitor the execution of order or contracts right from the award stage to completion stage and take corrective measures in time.

**2.0 OBJECTIVE**

The objective of Evaluation of Performance aims to recognize, and develop reliable Vendors/ Suppliers/ Contractors/ Consultants so that they consistently meet or exceed expectations and requirements.

The purpose of this procedure is to put in place a system to monitor performance of Vendors/ Suppliers/ Contractors/ Consultants associated with BGL in Projects and in O&M so as to ensure timely completion of various projects, timely receipt of supplies including completion of works & services for operation and maintenance of operating plants and quality standards in all respects.

**3.0 METHODOLOGY**

i) Preparation of Performance Rating Data Sheet

Performance rating data Sheet for each and every Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant for all orders/Contracts with a value of Rs. 50 Lakhs and above is recommended to be drawn up. Further, Performance rating data sheet for orders/Contracts of Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant who are on watch list/holiday list/ banning list shall be prepared irrespective of order/ contract value. These data sheets are to be separately prepared for orders/ contracts related to Projects and O&M within 30 days after execution of Order/ Contract. Format, Parameters, Process, responsibility for preparation of Performance Rating Data Sheet are separately mentioned.

ii) Measurement of Performance

Based on the parameters defined in Data Sheet, Performance of concerned Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant would be computed and graded accordingly. The measurement of the performance of the Party would be its ability to achieve the minimum scoring of 60% points in the given parameters.

iii) Initiation of Measures:

Depending upon the Grading of Performance, corrective measures would be initiated by taking up the matter with concerned Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant.

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Response of Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant would be considered before deciding further course of action.

iv) Implementation of Corrective Measures:

Based on the response of Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant, concerned Engineer-in-Charge for the Projects and/or OIC in case of O&M would recommend for continuation or discontinuation of such party from the business of BGL.

- v) Orders/contracts placed on Proprietary/OEM basis for O&M will be evaluated and, if required, corrective action will be taken for improvement in future.

**4.0 EXCLUSIONS**

The following would be excluded from the scope of evaluation of performance of Vendors/ Suppliers/Contractors/ Consultants:

- Orders/Contracts below the value of Rs. 50 Lakhs if Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant is not on watch list/ holiday list/ banning list.
- One time Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant.
- Orders for Misc./Administrative items/ Non stock Non valued items.

However, concerned Engineer-in-Charge /OICs will continue to monitor such cases so as to minimize the impact on Projects/O&M plants due to non performance of Vendors/ Suppliers/Contractors/ Consultants in all such cases.

**5.0 PROCESS OF EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE OF VENDORS/ SUPPLIERS/ CONTRACTORS/ CONSULTANTS**

**5.1 FOR PROJECTS**

- Evaluation of performance of Vendors/ Suppliers/Contractors/ Consultants in case of PROJECTS shall be done immediately with commissioning of any Project.
- On commissioning of any Project, EIC (Engineer-in-charge)/ Project-in-charge shall prepare a Performance Rating Data Sheet (Format at Annexure-1) for all Orders and Contracts.
- Depending upon the Performance Rating, following action need to be initiated by Engineer-in-charge/Project-in-charge:

Sl.No.	Performance Rating	Action
1	POOR	Seek explanation for Poor performance
2	FAIR	Seek explanation for Fair performance
3	GOOD	Letter to the concerned for improving performance in future
4	VERY GOOD	No further action

- Reply from concerned Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant shall be examined. In case of satisfactory reply, Performance Rating data Sheet to be closed with a letter to the concerned for improving performance in future.
- A) Where performance rating is "POOR" (as per Performance Rating Carried out after execution of Order/ Contract and where no reply/ unsatisfactory/ reply is received from party against the letter seeking the explanation from Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant along with sharing the performance rating).

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Recommend such defaulting Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant for the following action:

1. Poor Performance on account of Quality (if marks Obtained against Quality parameter is less than 20):
    - a) **First Instance: Holiday (Red Card) for Two Years.**
    - b) **Subsequent instance (s) in other ongoing order(s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant: Holiday (Red Card) for Three years.**
  2. Poor Performance on account of other than Quality (if marks obtained against Quality parameter is less than 20):
    - a) **First such instance: Advisory notice (Yellow Card) shall be issued and Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant shall be put on watch list for a period of Three (3) years.**
    - b) **Second such instance in other ongoing order(s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ Contact (s) on such Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant: Putting on Holiday (Red Card) for a period of One Year.**
    - c) **Subsequent instances (more than two) in other ongoing order (s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant: Putting on Holiday for a period of Three Years.**
- B) Where Poor/ Non-performance leading to termination of contract or Offloading of contract due to Poor Performance attributable to Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant (under clause no. 32(C) of GCC-works, Clause no. 28.3.1 of GCC-Goods, Second para of clause no. 2.17.3 of GCC-Services and clause no. 3.16.1 of GCC- Consultancy)

a) **First Instance: Advisory notice (Yellow Card)** shall be issued and Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant shall be put on watch list for a period of Three (3) Years.

Further such vendor will not be allowed to participate in the re-tender of the same supply/work/services of that location which has terminated/ offloaded. Moreover, it will be ensured that all other action as per provision of contract including forfeiture of Contract Performance Security (CPS) etc. are undertaken.

However, such vendor will be allowed to participate in all other tenders and to execute other ongoing order/contract(s) or new contract/ order(s).

The Yellow card will be automatically revoked after a period a three years unless the same is converted into Red Card due to subsequent instances of poor/ non-performance in other ongoing order(s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant.

- b) **Second instances** in other ongoing orders(s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant: **Holiday (Red Card)** for period of one year and they shall also to be considered for Suspension.
- c) **Subsequent instances (more than two)** in other ongoing order(s)/ contract (s) or new order(s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant. **Holiday (Red Card) for period of Three Years and they shall also to be considered for Suspension.**

A provision in SAP will be made for flagging **(Yellow Card and Red Card)** of such Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant so as to track their performance. List of such Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/Consultant shall also be uploaded on the BGL intranet.



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Further, the bidder status regarding Yellow card should be mentioned in the **TCR/Proposal for Price Bid Opening** so that delivery/ execution may be closely monitored by the concerned.

The methodology for processing of above cases of "POOR" (as per Performance Rating) or Poor/Non-Performance leading to termination of contract or Offloading of contract due to poor performance attributable to Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant shall be as under:

- i) Within 7 days of issuance of termination letter by EIC (after due approval as per DoP) or no reply/receipt of non satisfactory reply to explanation letter for "Poor" Performance Rating, EIC/CIC (for works/ service/consultancy contract) or Project Manager/ Concerned C&P department (for Purchase Orders) will forward the brief of case along with termination letter/copy of correspondence (for case of Poor Performance Rating) to Corporate C&P through their OIC/HoD at Corporate Office.

However, before terminating any contract/ order, the EIC/CIC shall refer the matter to Site Committee' for their deliberation.

- ii) On receipt of above details, for the case of "First Instance", Corporate C&P Department will issue Advisory notice (as per standard proforma duly vetted by Corporate Law Department) to Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant for putting them on watch list for a period of Three (3) years.

The Copy of Advisory notice will also be sent to all OICs/HoDs at Corporate Office for instructing EICs to closely monitor the performance of such Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant in other ongoing/ new orders/ Contracts placed on them.

Simultaneously, Vendor SAP will also be advised for "Yellow" flagging such vendor in SAP.

- iii) For the case of "Subsequent Instances" in other ongoing other ongoing order (s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contract (s) on such Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant, the matter will be deliberated by the site level committee and recommendations to be forwarded to Corporate C&P for further deliberation by a Corporate Level Committee consisting of following:
  - i) HOD (C&P)- Corporate Office
  - ii) CFO
  - iii) CGM level officer of concerned department

All other subsequent process of committee recommendation for issuance of Show Cause Notice (SCN) cum suspension order, vetting of same etc. will be as per extant procedure.

On receipt of reply to SCN, Corporate C&P Department will forward the same to concerned OIC/HoD at Corporate Office for point wise reply to issues brought out by Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant in their reply to show cause notice.

On receipt of recommendation from site committee through OIC/HoD at Corporate Office, the matter will once again be deliberated by the aforesaid Corporate Level Committee. All other subsequent process of committee recommendation for keeping the Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant on Holiday or otherwise, vetting of speaking order, approval. etc. will be as per extant procedure.

## **5.2 FOR CONSULTANCY JOBS**

Monitoring and Evaluation of consultancy jobs will be carried out in the same way as described in para 3.1 for Projects.

5.3 **FOR OPERATION & MAINTENANCE**

- i) Evaluation of performance of Vendors/ Suppliers/Contractors/ Consultants in case of Operation and Maintenance shall be done immediately after execution of order/ contract.
- ii) After execution of orders a Performance Rating Data Sheet (Format at Annexure-2) shall be prepared for Orders by Site C&P and for Contracts/Services by respective Engineer-In-Charge.
- iii) Depending upon Performance Rating, following action need to be initiated by Site C&P:

Sl. No.	Performance Rating	Action
1	<b>POOR</b>	Seek explanation for Poor performance
2.	<b>FAIR</b>	Seek explanation for Fair performance
3	<b>GOOD</b>	Letter to the concerned for improving performance in future.
4	<b>VERY GOOD</b>	No further action

- iv) Reply from concerned Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant shall be examined. In case of satisfactory reply, Performance Rating data Sheet to be closed with a letter to the concerned for improving performance in future.
- v) A) Where performance rating is "POOR" (as per Performance Rating Carried out after execution of Order/ Contract and where no reply/ unsatisfactory/ reply is received from party against the letter seeking the explanation from Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant along with sharing the performance rating).

Recommend such defaulting Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant for the following action:

3. Poor Performance on account of Quality (if marks Obtained against Quality parameter is less than 20):
  - c) **First Instance: Holiday (Red Card) for Two Years.**
  - d) **Subsequent instance (s) in other ongoing order(s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant: Holiday (Red Card) for Three years.**
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  - d) **First such instance: Advisory notice (Yellow Card) shall be issued and Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant shall be put on watch list for a period of Three (3) years.**
  - e) **Second such instance in other ongoing order(s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ Contact (s) on such Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant: Putting on Holiday (Red Card) for a period of One Year.**
  - f) **Subsequent instances (more than two) in other ongoing order (s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant: Putting on Holiday for a period of Three Years.**

- B) Where Poor/ Non-performance leading to termination of contract or Offloading of contract due to Poor Performance attributable to Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant (under clause no. 32(C) of GCC-works, Clause no. 28.3.1 of GCC-Goods, Second para of clause no. 2.17.3 of GCC-Services and clause no. 3.16.1 of GCC- Consultancy)

- a) **First Instance: Advisory notice (Yellow Card) shall be issued and Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant shall be put on watch list for a period of Three (3) Years.**

Further such vendor will not be allowed to participate in the re-tender of the same supply/work/services of that location which has terminated/ offloaded. Moreover, it will be

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ensured that all other action as per provision of contract including forfeiture of Contract Performance Security (CPS) etc. are undertaken.

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The Yellow card will be automatically revoked after a period a three years unless the same is converted into Red Card due to subsequent instances of poor/ non-performance in other ongoing order(s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant.

**d) Second instances** in other ongoing orders(s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/ Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant: **Holiday (Red Card)** for period of one year and they shall also to be considered for Suspension.

**e) Subsequent instances (more than two)** in other ongoing order(s)/ contract (s) or new order(s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/Supplier/ Contractor/ Consultant. **Holiday (Red Card) for period of Three Years and they shall also to be considered for Suspension.**

A provision in SAP will be made for flagging **(Yellow Card and Red Card)** of such Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant so as to track their performance. List of such Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/Consultant shall also be uploaded on the BGL intranet.

Further, the bidder status regarding Yellow card should be mentioned in the **TCR/Proposal for Price Bid Opening** so that delivery/ execution may be closely monitored by the concerned.

The methodology for processing of above cases of "POOR" (as per Performance Rating) or Poor/Non-Performance leading to termination of contract or Offloading of contract due to poor performance attributable to Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant shall be as under:

- iv) Within 7 days of issuance of termination letter by EIC (after due approval as per DoP) or no reply/receipt of non satisfactory reply to explanation letter for "Poor" Performance Rating, EIC/CIC (for works/ service/consultancy contract) or Project Manager/ Concerned C&P department (for Purchase Orders) will forward the brief of case along with termination letter/copy of correspondence (for case of Poor Performance Rating) to Corporate C&P through their OIC/HoD at Corporate Office.


However, before terminating any contract/ order, the EIC/CIC shall refer the matter to Site Committee' for their deliberation.

- v) On receipt of above details, for the case of "First Instance", Corporate C&P Department will issue Advisory notice (as per standard proforma duly vetted by Corporate Law Department) to Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant for putting them on watch list for a period of Three (3) years.

The Copy of Advisory notice will also be sent to all OICs/HoDs at Corporate Office for instructing EICs to closely monitor the performance of such Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant in other ongoing/ new orders/ Contracts placed on them.

Simultaneously, Vendor SAP will also be advised for "Yellow" flagging such vendor in SAP.

- vi) For the case of "Subsequent Instances" in other ongoing other ongoing order (s)/ contract (s) or new order (s)/ contact (s) on such Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant, the matter will be deliberated by the site

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On receipt of recommendation from site committee through OIC/HoD at Corporate Office, the matter will once again be deliberated by the aforesaid Corporate Level Committee. All other subsequent process of committee recommendation for keeping the Vendor/Supplier/Contractor/Consultant on Holiday or otherwise, vetting of speaking order, approval. etc. will be as per extant procedure.

## **5.0 REVIEW & RESTORATION OF PARITES PUT ON HOLIDAY**

- 5.1 An order for Holiday passed for a certain specified period shall deemed to have been automatically revoked on the expiry of that specified period and it will not be necessary to issue a specific formal order of revocation.

Further, in case Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant is put on holiday due to quality, and new order is placed on bidder after restoration of Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant, such order will be properly monitored during execution stage by the concerned site.

## **6.0 EFFECT OF HOLIDAY**

- 6.1 If a Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant is put on Holiday, such Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant should not be considered in ongoing tenders/future tenders.
- 6.2 However, if such Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant is already executing any other order/ contract and their performance is satisfactory in terms of the relevant contract, should be allowed to Effect on other ongoing tendering:
- 6.3.1 after issue of the enquiry /bid/tender but before opening of Technical bid, the bid submitted by the party shall be ignored.
- 6.3.2 after opening Technical bid but before opening the Price bid, the Price bid of the party shall not be opened and BG/EMD submitted by the party shall be returned to the party.
- 6.3.3 after opening of price, BG/EMD made by the party shall be returned; the offer of the party shall be ignored & will not be further evaluated. If errant party emerges as the lowest (L1), then such tender shall also be cancelled and re-invited.
- 7.0 While putting the Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant on holiday as per the procedure, the holding company, subsidiary, joint venture, sister concerns, group division of the errant Vendor/ Supplier/Contractor/ Consultant shall not be considered for putting on holiday list.

Any bidder, put on holiday, will not be allowed to bid through consortium route also in new tender during the period of holiday.

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- 8.0 If an unsuccessful bidder makes any vexatious, frivolous or malicious complaint against the tender process with the intention of delaying or defeating any procurement or causing loss to BGL or any other bidder, such bidder will be put on holiday for a period of six months, if such complaint is proved to be vexatious, frivolous or malicious, after following the due procedure.

**9. APPEAL AGAINST THE DECISION OF THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY:**

- (d) The party may file an appeal against the order of the Competent Authority for putting the party on Holiday list. The appeal shall be filed to Appellate Authority. Such an appeal shall be preferred within one month from the date of receipt of Holiday order.
- (e) Appellate Authority would consider the appeal and pass appropriate order which shall be communicated to the party as well as the Competent Authority.
- (f) Appeal process may be completed within 45 days of filing of appeal with the Appellate Authority.
- (g) "Appellate Authority" shall mean Committee of Directors.



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## **SECTION -4**

### **AGREED TERMS AND CONDITIONS**



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Sl.	DESCRIPTION	BIDDER'S CONFIRMATION
1	Bidder's name (further correspondences will be done in this name)	
	Bidder's address	
	Phone No/ Mob. No.	
	E-mail ID	
	Name & designation of the person signing the bid (attach power of attorney with ID Proof)	
2.	Please confirm the currency of quoted prices is in Indian Rupees.	
3.	Confirm quoted prices will remain firm and fixed till complete execution of the order.	
4	Rate of applicable GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)	CGST: ..... % Plus SGST/UTGST...% Total: .....% Or IGST:..... %
4.1	Whether in the instant tender services/works are covered in reverse charge rule of GST (CGST & SGST/UTGST or IGST)	Yes/ No In case of Yes, please specify <b>GST (CGST &amp; SGST/UTGST or IGST)</b> payable by: BGL:.....% Bidder:.....%
4.2	Service Accounting Codes (SAC)/Harmonized System of Nomenclature (HSN) code	
4.3	We hereby confirm that the quoted prices is in compliance with the Section 171 of CGST Act/ SGST Act as mentioned as clause no. 13.10 of ITB	CONFIRMED
5.	i) Confirm acceptance of relevant Terms of Payment specified in the Bid Document. ii) In case of delay, the bills shall be submitted after deducting the price reduction due to delay.	
6.	Confirm that Contract Performance Security will be furnished as per Bid Document.	CONFIRMED
7.	Confirm that Contract Performance Security shall be from any Indian scheduled bank or a branch of an International bank situated in India and registered with Reserve bank of India as scheduled foreign bank. However, in case of bank guarantees from banks other than the Nationalised Indian banks, the bank must be a commercial bank having net worth in excess of Rs 100 crores and a declaration to this effect shall be made by such commercial bank either in the Bank Guarantee itself or separately on its letterhead.	CONFIRMED
8.	Confirm compliance to Completion Schedule as specified in Bid document. Confirm contract period shall be reckoned from the date of Fax of Acceptance.	CONFIRMED
9.	Confirm acceptance of Price Reduction Schedule for delay in completion schedule specified in Bid document.	CONFIRMED
10.	a) Confirm acceptance of all terms and conditions of Bid Document (all sections). b) Confirm that printed terms and conditions of bidder are not applicable.	CONFIRMED
11.	Confirm your offer is valid for period specified in BDS from Final/Extended due date of opening of Techno-commercial Bids.	CONFIRMED



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Sl.	DESCRIPTION	BIDDER'S CONFIRMATION
12	Confirm that scanned copy of the EMD/Bid Bond has been submitted thru e-tender portal and the original BG/DD has been sent thru courier [Note: Submission of original is not applicable for online banking transaction].	CONFIRMED
13.	Please furnish EMD/Bid Security details : (if applicable) a) EMD/ Bid Security No. & date b) Value c) Validity	
14.	Confirm acceptance to all provisions of ITB read in conjunction with Bid Data Sheet (BDS).	CONFIRMED
15.	Confirm that Annual Reports for the last three financial years are furnished along with the Un-priced Bid.	CONFIRMED
16.	Confirm the none of Directors of bidder is a relative of any Director of Owner or the bidder is a firm in which any Director of Owner/ BGL or his relative is not a partner.	CONFIRMED
17.	All correspondence must be in ENGLISH language only.	CONFIRMED
18.	Owner reserves the right to make any change in the terms & conditions of the TENDER/BIDDING DOCUMENT and to reject any or all bids.	CONFIRMED
19.	Confirm that all Bank charges associated with Bidder's Bank shall be borne by Bidder.	CONFIRMED
20.	Confirm that, in case of contradiction between the confirmations provided in this format and terms & conditions mentioned elsewhere in the offer, the confirmations given in this format shall prevail.	CONFIRMED
21	Confirm that no Price disclosing files have been attached with unpriced/technical bid. * In case price disclosing files are attached in techno-commercial unpriced bid area, bid will be summarily rejected as per clause 19.0 of ITB.	CONFIRMED
22	Confirm that any correction in documents submitted in the Un-priced part has been initialed and with digital signatures of the authorized person.	CONFIRMED
23	Please confirm whether you are MSME and if so then you have submitted Documentary evidence that you are a Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.	

Bidder confirms that in case of conflicting version of various terms and conditions at different places in his offer, the confirmation furnishes at above shall be dealt as final.

**Bidder Signature**  
**Name**  
**Designation**  
**Seal**



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## **SECTION -5**

# **PROPOSAL FORMS & FORMATS**

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**FORM F-1**

**BIDDER'S GENERAL INFORMATION**

To  
**Bhagyanagar Gas Limited**  
 Parisrama Bhavan  
 TSIDC Building, Basheer Bagh  
 Hyderabad – 500 004

1-1 Bidder Name : .....

1-2 Number of Years in Operation (Date of Incorporation).....

1-3 Address of Registered Office : .....

City..... District.....

State..... PIN/ZIP .....

1-4 Operation Address : .....

If different from above: .....

City..... District.....

State..... PIN/ZIP .....

1-5 Telephone Number : .....

(Country Code) (Area Code) (Telephone Number)

1-6 E-mail address: : .....

1-7 Website: : .....

1-8 Fax Number: : .....

(Country Code) (Area Code) (Telephone Number)

1-9 ISO Certification, if any {If yes, please furnish details}

1-10 Bid Currency : .....

1-11 Port of shipment : .....

1-12 Whether Supplier / Manufacturer : .....

Dealer/Trader/Contractor

1-13 Type of Material Supplies : : .....

1-14 Banker's Name : : .....

1-15 Branch : : .....

1-16 Branch Code : : .....

1-17 Bank account number : : .....

**ONLY FOR INDIAN BIDDERS**  
 (Sign & Seal of Bidder)



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1-18 GST No. : .....  
1-19 PAN No. : .....  
1-20 SSI or MSME No : .....  
1-21 Type of Entity : Corporate/ Non-Corporate (As per  
CGST/SGST/UTGST Act). (In case of Non-  
Corporate Entity, bidder will submit  
documentary evidence for same).

(SIGNATURE OF BIDDER WITH SEAL)

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**FORM F-2**

**BID FORM**

To  
Bhagyanagar Gas Limited  
Parisrama Bhavan  
TSIDC Building, Basheer Bagh  
Hyderabad – 500 004

Dear Sir,

Having examined the Bid document the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we, the undersigned, offer to provide supply / works / services in conformity with the terms and conditions of bid document.

We undertake, if our bid is accepted, to complete entire work as specified in the tender document within the completion schedule specified therein. If our bid is accepted we will obtain the guarantee of a Bank/DD as mentioned in bid document of order value **(excluding Taxes & Duties)** for the due Performance of the Contract.

We agree to abide by this bid for a period of 03 (Three) months from the date fixed for bid opening under Instructions to Bidders and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period.

Until a formal contract is prepared and executed, this bid, together with your written acceptance thereof in your notification of award, shall constitute a binding Contract between us.

We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any bid, you may receive.

Dated ..... Day of ..... 2023.

Signature of Authorized Signatory


Name: .....

Date:

Designation

Place:

Seal:

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**FORM F-3**

**Bid Security Form**

Ref :  
Date

Bank Guarantee no:

To  
Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL)  
Parishram Bhavan, TSIDC Building,  
Basheer Bagh Hyderabad – 500 004

Dear Sir,

Whereas..... (hereinafter called "the Bidder") has submitted his bid dated ..... for the supply of (hereinafter called "the Bid") against Bid Document No..... KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that WE (BANK) ..... of ..... having our registered office at ..... (herein after called "the Bank") are bound unto Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (hereinafter called "the OWNER") in the sum of (Refer ..... for which payment will and truly to be made to the said OWNER, the BANK binds itself, its successors and assigns by these presents. Sealed with the Common Seal of the said BANK this ..... day of ..... 20....

THE CONDITIONS of this obligation are:


1. If the Bidder withdraws his bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Form; or
2. If the Bidder, having been notified of the acceptance of his bid by the OWNER during the period of bid validity;
  - a. fails or refuses to execute the Contract, if required or
  - b. fails or refuses to furnish the Performance Security in accordance with the Instructions to Bidder or
  - c. fails to accept as arithmetical corrections of his bid as per the provision of Instructions to Bidders of bid document.

We undertake to pay to the OWNER up to the above amount upon receipt of its first written demand, without the OWNER having to substantiate its demand, provided that in its demand the OWNER will note that the amount claimed by it is due to it owing to the occurrence of one or both of the two above-stated conditions specifying the occurred condition or conditions.

This Guarantee will remain in force up to and including a period of two (2) months after the bid validity, and any demand in respect thereof should reach the BANK not later than the above date.

(Signature of the Witness)  
Name of Witness  
Address of Witness

(Signature of the BANK)  
Date:

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**FORM F-4**

**PROFORMA OF BANK GUARANTEE  
FOR CONTRACT PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE  
(ON NON-JUDICIAL PAPER OF APPROPRIATE VALUE)**

Bhagyanagar Gas Limited  
Parisrama Bhavan  
TSIDC Building, Basheer Bagh  
Hyderabad – 500 004

Dear Sirs,


M/s..... having registered office at  
..... (hereinafter called the "CONTRACTOR" which  
expression shall wherever the context so require include its successors and assignees) have been  
awarded the work of..... for Bhagyanagar Gas  
Limited, Hyderabad.

The Contract conditions provide that the CONTRACTOR shall pay a sum of Rs.....  
(Rupees ..... only) as Initial/full Contract Performance  
Guarantee in the form therein mentioned. The form of payment of Contract Performance  
Guarantee includes guarantee executed by Nationalised Bank, undertaking full responsibility to  
indemnify Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (hereinafter called "OWNER" which expression shall  
wherever the context so require, include its successors and assignees) in case of default.

The said ..... has approached the BANK (hereinafter called  
"BANK", which expression shall wherever the context so require include its successors and  
assignees) and at their request and in consideration of the premises, we, having our office at  
..... have agreed to give such guarantee as hereinafter  
mentioned.

1. We ..... hereby undertake to give the irrevocable and  
unconditional guarantee with you that if default shall be made by  
M/s. .... in performing any of the terms and  
conditions of the Contract or in payment of any money payable to Bhagyanagar Gas  
Limited. We shall on first demand without demur, reservation, contest, recourse or  
protest and/or without reference to the CONTRACTOR pay to OWNER in such manner  
as OWNER may direct the said amount of Rupees .....  
only or such portion thereof not exceeding the said sum as OWNER may from time to  
time require.
2. OWNER will have the full liberty without reference to us and without affecting this  
guarantee to postpone for any time or from time to time the exercise of any of the  
powers and rights conferred on OWNER under the contract with the said  
CONTRACTOR and to enforce or to forbear from enforcing any powers or rights or by  
reason of time being given to the said CONTRACTOR and such postponement or  
forbearance would not have the effect of releasing the BANK from its obligation under  
this DEBT.

3. Your right to recover the said sum of Rs. .... (Rupees  
..... only) from BANK in manner aforesaid will not be  
affected or suspended by reason of the fact that any dispute or disputes have been raised by  
the said M/s..... and/or that any dispute or disputes are  
pending before any officer, tribunal or court and any demand made by OWNER in the  
BANK shall be conclusive and binding. The BANK shall not be released of its obligations  
under these presents by any exercise by OWNER of its liberty with reference to matters  
aforesaid or any of their or by reason or any other acts of omission or commission on the  
part of OWNER or any other indulgence shown by OWNER or by any other matter or thing  
whatsoever which under law would, but for this provision, have the effect of releasing the  
BANK.
4. The guarantee herein contained shall not be determined or affected by the liquidation or  
winding up, dissolution or change of constitution or insolvency of the CONTRACTOR but  
shall in all respects and for all purposes be binding and operative until payment of all  
money due to OWNER in respect of such liabilities is paid.
5. This guarantee shall be irrevocable and shall remain valid  
upto..... (This date should be 90 (Ninety) days after the  
expiry of defect liability period) in accordance with the terms of contract which period is  
deemed to complete on..... The BANK undertakes not to  
revoke this guarantee during its currency without previous consent of OWNER and further  
agrees that the Guarantee contained shall continue to be enforceable till the OWNER  
discharges this guarantee. However, if for any reason, the CONTRACTOR is unable to  
complete the work within the period stipulated in the contract and in case of extension of  
the date of completion resulting in extension of defect liability period or the  
CONTRACTOR fails to perform the work fully, the BANK hereby agrees to further extend  
this guarantee at the instance of the CONTRACTOR till such time as may be determined  
by the OWNER.  
  
If any further extension of this guarantee is required, the same shall be extended to such  
required period on receiving instructions from M/s..... on  
whose behalf this guarantee is issued.
6. The BANK also agrees that OWNER at its option shall be entitled to enforce this  
guarantee against the surety, as a principal debtor in the first instance without proceeding  
against CONTRACTOR and not withstanding any security or other guarantee that OWNER  
may have in relation to the CONTRACTOR's liabilities.
7. The amount under Bank Guarantee is payable forthwith without any delay by bank upon the  
written demand raised by M/s. BGL. Any dispute arising out of or in relation to the said  
Bank Guarantees shall be subject to the jurisdiction of Hyderabad Courts.
8. Therefore, we hereby affirm that we are guarantors and responsible to you on behalf of the  
Contractor up to a total amount of (amount of guarantees in words and figures) and we  
undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand declaring the Contractor to be in  
default under the contract and without caveat or argument, any sum or sums within the limits

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of (amount of guarantee) as aforesaid, without your needing to prove or show grounds or reasons for your demand or the sum specified therein.

This guarantee is valid until the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_ .

9. We have power to issue this guarantee in your favour under memorandum and Article of Association and the undersigned has full powers to do so under the Power of Attorney / Resolution of the Board of Directors dated \_\_\_\_\_ accorded to him by the bank.

Yours faithfully,  
(Signature of a person duly  
authorised to sign on behalf  
of the Bank)

Place:


WITNESS:

1..... (Signature)  
..... (Printed Name)

2..... (Designation)  
..... (Common Seal)

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR FURNISHING CONTRACT PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE

1. The Bank Guarantee by successful bidder(s) will be given on non-judicial stamp paper as per stamp duty applicable. The non-judicial stamp paper should be in name of the issuing bank. In case of foreign bank, the said bank guarantee to be issued by its correspondent bank in India on requisite non-judicial stamp paper and place of bid to be considered as Hyderabad.
2. The bank guarantee by bidders will be given from bank as specified in tender.
3. A letter (preferably digitally signed secured e-mail) from the issuing bank of the requisite Bank Guarantee confirming that said bank guarantee and future communication relating to the Bank Guarantee may be forwarded to Employer.
4. Bidder must indicate the full postal address of the Bank along with the Bank's E-mail / Fax / Phone from where the Bank Guarantee has been issued.
5. If a bank guarantee is issued by a commercial bank, then a letter to Owner confirming its net worth is more than Rs. 1,000,000,000/- (Rupees one hundred Crores). or its equivalent in foreign currency along with a documentary evidence.
- 12 Bidder can submit CPBG on line through issuing bank to GAIL Gas Limited directly as per Ministry of Finance (MOF) Department of financial service direction vide letter ref number F.No.7/112/2011-BOA dated 17th July 2012. In such cases confirmation will not be sought from issuing banker by Bhayanagar Gas Limited.

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**FORM F-5**

**PROFORMA FOR CONTRACT AGREEMENT**

LOA/WO No. BGL /

dated -----

Contract Agreement for the work of ----- of BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED. made on ----- between (Name and Address)-----, hereinafter called the “CONTRACTOR” (which term shall unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context include its successors and permitted assignees) of the one part and BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED hereinafter called the “EMPLOYER” (which term shall, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context include its successors and assignees) of the other part.

**WHEREAS**

- A. The EMPLOYER being desirous of having provided and executed certain work mentioned, enumerated or referred to in the Tender Documents including Letter Inviting Tender, General Tender Notice, General Conditions of Contract, Special Conditions of Contract, Specifications, Drawings, Plans, Time Schedule of completion of jobs, Schedule of Rates, Agreed Variations, other documents has called for Tender.
- B. The CONTRACTOR has inspected the SITE and surroundings of WORK specified in the Tender Documents and has satisfied himself by careful examination before submitting his tender as to the nature of the surface, strata, soil, sub-soil and ground, the form and nature of site and local conditions, the quantities, nature and magnitude of the work, the availability of labour and materials necessary for the execution of work, the means of access to SITE, the supply of power and water thereto and the accommodation he may require and has made local and independent enquiries and obtained complete information as to the matters and thing referred to, or implied in the tender documents or having any connection therewith and has considered the nature and extent of all probable and possible situations, delays, hindrances or interferences to or with the execution and completion of the work to be carried out under the CONTRACT, and has examined and considered all other matters, conditions and things and probable and possible contingencies, and generally all matters incidental thereto and ancillary thereof affecting the execution and completion of the WORK and which might have influenced him in making his tender.
- C. The Tender Documents including the Notice Letter Inviting Tender, General Conditions of Contract, Special Conditions of Contract, Schedule of Rates, General Obligations, SPECIFICATIONS, DRAWINGS, PLANS, Time Schedule for completion of Jobs, Letter of Acceptance of Tender and any statement of agreed variations with its enclosures copies of which are hereto annexed form part of this CONTRACT though separately set out herein and are included in the expression “CONTRACT” wherever herein used.

**AND WHEREAS**

The EMPLOYER accepted the Tender of the CONTRACTOR for the provision and the execution of the said WORK at the rates stated in the schedule of quantities of the work and

(Sign & Seal of Bidder)

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finally approved by EMPLOYER (hereinafter called the "Schedule of Rates") upon the terms and subject to the conditions of CONTRACT.

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH AND IT IS HEREBY AGREED AND DECLARED AS FOLLOWS:-

1. In consideration of the payment to be made to the CONTRACTOR for the WORK to be executed by him, the CONTRACTOR hereby covenants with EMPLOYER that the CONTRACTOR shall and will duly provide, execute and complete the said work and shall do and perform all other acts and things in the CONTRACT mentioned or described or which are to be implied there from or may be reasonably necessary for the completion of the said WORK and at the said times and in the manner and subject to the terms and conditions or stipulations mentioned in the contract.
2. In consideration of the due provision execution and completion of the said WORK, EMPLOYER does hereby agree with the CONTRACTOR that the EMPLOYER will pay to the CONTRACTOR the respective amounts for the WORK actually done by him and approved by the EMPLOYER at the Schedule of Rates and such other sum payable to the CONTRACTOR under provision of CONTRACT, such payment to be made at such time in such manner as provided for in the CONTRACT.

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3. In consideration of the due provision, execution and completion of the said WORK the CONTRACTOR does hereby agree to pay such sums as may be due to the EMPLOYER for the services rendered by the EMPLOYER to the CONTRACTOR, such as power supply, water supply and others as set for in the said CONTRACT and such other sums as may become payable to the EMPLOYER towards the controlled items of consumable materials or towards loss, damage to the EMPLOYER'S equipment, materials construction plant and machinery, such payments to be made at such time and in such manner as is provided in the CONTRACT. It is specifically and distinctly understood and agreed between the EMPLOYER and the CONTRACTOR that the CONTRACTOR shall have no right, title or interest in the SITE made available by the EMPLOYER for execution of the works or in the building, structures or work executed on the said SITE by the CONTRACTOR or in the goods, articles, materials etc., brought on the said SITE (unless the same specifically belongs to the CONTRACTOR) and the CONTRACTOR shall not have or deemed to have any lien whatsoever charge for unpaid bills will not be entitled to assume or retain possession or control of the SITE or structures and the EMPLOYER shall have an absolute and unfettered right to take full possession of SITE and to remove the CONTRACTOR, their servants, agents and materials belonging to the CONTRACTOR and lying on the SITE.

The CONTRACTOR shall be allowed to enter upon the SITE for execution of the WORK only as a licensee simpliciter and shall not have any claim, right, title or interest in the SITE or the structures erected thereon and the EMPLOYER shall be entitled to terminate such license at any time without assigning any reason.

The materials including sand, gravel, stone, loose, earth, rock etc., dug up or excavated from the said SITE shall, unless otherwise expressly agreed under this CONTRACT, exclusively belong to the EMPLOYER and the CONTRACTOR shall have no right to claim over the same and such excavation and materials should be disposed off on account of the EMPLOYER according to the instruction in writing issued from time to time by the ENGINEER-IN-CHARGE.

In Witness whereof the parties have executed these presents in the day and the year first above written.



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Signed and Delivered for and on  
on behalf of EMPLOYER.  
BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED

\_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed and Delivered for and  
on behalf of the CONTRACTORS.  
(NAME OF THE CONTRACTOR)

\_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

**IN PRESENCE OF TWO WITNESSES**

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**FORM F-6**

**EXCEPTION AND DEVIATION STATEMENT**

NAME OF WORK :

BID DOCUMENT NO. :

Bidder may stipulate exceptions and deviations to Bid Document, if considered unavoidable as per the following format:

SL.NO.	CLAUSE NO.	PAGE NO. OF TENDER DOCUMENT	DEVIATION	REASONS FOR DEVIATION

Any exceptions/deviations brought out by us elsewhere in our Offer shall not be considered as valid and should be ignored by the Owner / Consultant.


NAME OF BIDDER:.....

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:.....  
& SEAL

Note 1: Bidder is advised not to stipulated deviation to Bid Document until & unless it becomes unavailable. Deviation may lead to rejection of bid and stipulation on 'Bid Rejection Criteria' given in 'Instruction to Bidder' of bid document should be read carefully.

Note 2: All Techno-Commercial exceptions/deviations taken by Tenderer to the stipulations of the Tender Document shall be brought out here (and not in the other parts of offer Document or price offer).

Note 3: Even in case of "No Deviation" this format is to be filled in a 'No Deviation' & submitted along with the offer

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**FORM F-7**

**DECLARATION**


Bhagyanagar Gas Limited  
Parisrama Bhavan  
TSIDC Building, Basheer Bagh  
Hyderabad – 500 004

Dear Sir(s),

1. We confirm and declare that we are not under any liquidation, court receiver ship or similar proceedings.
2. Further we confirm and declare that we have not been put on Holiday by BGL/GAIL/HPCL or not have banned or delisted by any Government or Quasi-Government agencies or Public Sector Undertaking. If you have been banned delisted then this fact must be clearly stated.

SIGNATURE OF THE BIDDER:.....

NAME OF THE BIDDER:.....

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**FORM F-8 (i)**

**LETTER OF AUTHORITY**

**PROFORMA FOR LETTER OF AUTHORITY FOR ATTENDING THE UN-PRICE  
BID OPENING AND PRICE BID OPENING**

No.

Date:

Bhagyanagar Gas Limited  
Parisrama Bhavan  
TSIDC Building, Basheer Bagh  
Hyderabad – 500 004

Dear Sir,

We \_\_\_\_\_ hereby authorize following representative(s) to attend un-priced bid opening and price bid opening and for any other correspondence and communication against above Bidding Document:

Name & Designation \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Designation \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

We confirm that we shall be bound by all commitments made by aforementioned authorized representatives.


Yours faithfully,

Signature

Name & Designation  
For and on behalf of

***Note: This letter of authority should be on the letterhead of the bidder and should be signed by a person competent and having the power of attorney to bind the bidder.***

***Not more than two persons are permitted to attend techno –commercial un-priced and price bid opening.***

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**FORM F-8(ii)**

**LETTER OF AUTHORITY**

**PROFORMA of Letter of Authority for Bid  
Negotiations and Signing the Agreement**

No.

Date:

**Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL)**  
Parishram Bhavan,  
TSIDC Building,  
Basheer Bagh,  
Hyderabad – 500 004

Attn:

Sub: Tender No.

Dear Sirs,

We.....do hereby confirm that (name and address) of Mr. Messers (name and address) is/are authorised to represent us for bid negotiations and to conclude the Agreement on our behalf with you against your above cited tender for.....

We confirm that we shall be bound by all and whatsoever our representatives shall commit.

Yours faithfully


Signature

Signature of Mr.  
Is attested

Name and Designation  
for & on behalf of BIDDER

Note:

This letter of Authority should be on the letterhead of the Bidders and should be signed by a person competent and having the power of attorney (power of attorney shall be annexed) to bind the bidder.

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**FORM F-9**

**DETAILS OF P.F. REGISTRATION**

Bhagyanagar Gas Limited  
Parisrama Bhavan  
TSIDC Building, Basheer Bagh  
Hyderabad – 500 004

Dear Sir(s),

We confirm that the following PF account is under operation and shall be used for all PF related activities for the labour engaged by us for the work (awarded to us).

PF REGISTRATION NO. :

DISTRICT & STATE:

SIGNATURE OF THE BIDDER:.....

NAME OF THE BIDDER:.....



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**FORM F-10**

**FINANCIAL SITUATION**

**FORMAT FOR CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT CERTIFICATE FOR FINANCIAL**

**CAPABILITY OF THE BIDDER**

We have verified the Annual Accounts and other relevant records of M/s.....  
..... (Name of the bidder) and certify the following:-

**A. ANNUAL TURNOVER OF LAST 3 YEARS**


Year	Amount (Currency)
Year 1:	
Year 2:	
Year 3:	

**B. FINANCIAL DATA FOR LAST AUDITED FINANCIAL YEAR**

Description	Year :
	Amount (Currency)
1. Current Assets	
2. Current Liability	
3. Working Capital (Current Assets-Current Liability)	
4. Net worth (Paid up share capital and Free Reserves & Surplus)	

Name of Audit Firm/:  
Chartered Accountant  
Date:

[Signature of Authorized Signatory]  
Name:  
Designation:  
Seal:  
Membership No.:

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**FORM-11**

**FORMAT FOR CERTIFICATION FROM BANK IF THE BIDDER'S WORKING  
CAPITAL IS INADEQUATE**  
(To be provided on Bank's letter head)

Date:

Bidder's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tender No.: \_\_\_\_\_

To  
M/s Bhagyanagar Gas Ltd  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, TSIDC Building,  
Parisrama Bhavan, Basheer bagh,  
Hyderabad – 500004

Dear Sir,  
Certified that M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of the bidder with detailed address) is an existing customer of our Bank whose SB/Current Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ . It is confirmed that against Tender No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ 2021 for “\_\_\_\_\_” (job description as per tender document), M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of the Bank with address) confirms availability of line of credit to M/s \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of the Bidder) for at least an amount of Rs./ USD \_\_\_\_\_ (i.e minimum working capital requirement as per BEC, Vol I. of II)

It is also confirmed that the net worth of the Bank is more than INR 1(one) Billion [Rs.100Crores].


Yours Truly,

For \_\_\_\_\_

(Authorized Signatory) Name  
of the Signatory:  
Designation:  
Registration No.

Stamp of Bank

Signature of Bidder Name  
of Bidder:  
Designation:  
Seal:

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## FORM-12

### INTEGRITY PACT

#### INTRODUCTION:

M/s Bhagyanagar Gas Ltd (BGL) as one of its endeavour to maintain and foster most ethical and corruption free business environment, have decided to adopt the Integrity Pact to ensure that all activities and transactions between the Company (BGL) and its Counterparties (Bidders, Contractors, Vendors, Suppliers, Service Providers/Consultants etc.) are handled in a fair and transparent manner, completely free of corruption.

Considering the above, the details mentioned at attached Annexure-1 are applicable as stated in Instruction to Bidders of Bid Document in addition to the existing stipulation regarding Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices.

The attached copy of the Integrity Pact at Annexure- 2 shall be included in the Bid submitted by the bidder In case a bidder does not sign the Integrity Pact, his bid shall be liable for rejection.

#### ANNEXURE-1

**Bidder is required to sign the Integrity Pact with BGL as per format & terms and conditions enclosed with tender. In case a bidder does not sign the Integrity Pact, his bid shall be liable for rejection.**

#### **I. COMMITMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE "COUNTERPARTY"**

- a) The Counterparty, directly or indirectly (through agent, consultant, advisor, etc.), shall not pay any bribe/ influence or give undue/ unlawful benefit to anyone to gain undue advantage in dealing with BGL.
- b) The Counterparty will not engage in collusion of any kind including price fixation etc. with other Counterparts.
- c) The counterparty will not pass BGL's confidential information to any third party unless specifically authorized by BGL in writing.
- d) The Counterparties shall promote and observe best ethical practices within their respective organizations.
- e) The Counterparty shall inform the Vigilance Authorities of BGL:
  - i) If it received any demand, directly or indirectly, for a bribe/ favour or any illegal gratification/ payment / benefit;
  - ii) If it comes to know of any unethical or illegal payment / benefit;
  - iii) If it makes any payment to any BGL associate.
- f) The Counterparty shall not make any false or misleading allegations against BGL or its associates.

#### **II. VIOLATIONS & CONSEQUENCES:**

- a) If a Counterparty commits a violation of its Commitments and Obligations under the Integrity Pact Programme during bidding process, their entire Earnest Money Deposit/ Bid Security, would be forfeited and in addition, they may be blacklisted from the GAIL/ BGL/HPCL business in future.
- b) In case of violation of the Integrity pact by Counterparty after award of the Contract, BGL shall be entitled to terminate the Contract. BGL would forfeit the security deposits, encash the bank guarantee (s) and other payments payable to Counterparty in such cases,



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- c) BGL may ban/ blacklist/ put on holiday and exclude the Counterparty from future dealings until BGL is satisfied that the Counterparty shall not commit any such violation in future.
- d) In addition to above, BGL reserves its right to initiate criminal proceedings against the violating Counterparty, if the allegations by Counterparty are found frivolous, untrue and misleading and may also impose exemplary cost for the same.


**INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL MONITORS (IEMS)**

Presently the panel consisting of the following Independent External Monitors (IEMs) have been appointed by BGL, in terms of Integrity Pact(IP) which forms part of BGL Tenders / Contracts.

Dr. Gopal Dhawan, email id: [gdhawangeologist@gmail.com](mailto:gdhawangeologist@gmail.com)

Shri. Mukesh Vij, email id: [mukeshvijr@gmail.com](mailto:mukeshvijr@gmail.com)

This panel is authorised to examine / consider all references made to it under this tender. The bidder(s) , in case of any dispute(s) / complaint(s) pertaining to this tender may raise the issue either with the designated tender issuing officer or Nodal Officer (presently -----)- Email -----) in GAIL or directly with the IEMs on the panel or IEM c/o Vigilance Officer ,Bhagyanagar Gas Ltd, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Parisrama Bhavan, TSIDC Building, Basheerbagh,Hyderabad –4

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## ANNEXURE-2

### INTEGRITY PACT (To be executed on plain paper)

**Between M/s Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) (here-in-after referred to as “Principal”).**

**AND**

**(here-in-after referred to as “The Bidder/ Contractor”).**

**(Principal and the Bidder / Contractor are here-in-after are referred to individually as “Party” or collectively as “Parties”).**

#### **PREAMBLE**

The principal intends to award under laid down organizational procedures, contract/s for -----

The principal values full compliance with all relevant laws and regulations, and the principles of economic use of resources, and of fairness and transparency in its relations with its Bidder/s and Contractor/s.

#### **Section 1 – Commitments of the Principal**

1. The Principal commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption and to observe the following Principles in this regard:-
  - i) No employee of the principal, either in person or through family members, including relatives, will in connection with the tender for or the execution of a contract, demand or accept a promise for or accept for him/herself or for a third person, any material or immaterial benefit to which he/she is not legally entitled.
  - ii) The principal shall, during the tender process treat all Bidders with equity. The principal undertakes and ensures that before and during the tender process shall provide and share the same information to all Bidders and will not provide to any Bidder confidential / additional information through which one particular Bidder could take an advantage in relation to the tender process or the contract execution.
  - iii) The principal will exclude from the process all known prejudiced persons.
2. If the Principal obtains information on the conduct of any of its employees which is a criminal offence under the Anti-Corruption Laws of India, or if there be a substantive suspicion in this regard, the principal will inform its Vigilance Office and in addition can initiate disciplinary actions.

#### **Section 2 – Commitments and Undertakings by the Bidder/Contractor**

1. The Bidder / Contractor commits and undertakes to take all measures necessary to prevent malpractices & corruption. He commits himself to observe the following principles during his participation in the tender process and during the contract execution:
  - i) The Bidder / Contractor undertakes not to, directly or through any other person or firm offer, promise or give or influence to any employee of the Principal associated with the tender process or the execution of the contract or to any other person on their behalf any material or immaterial benefit to which he / she is not legally entitled in order to obtain in exchange any advantage of any kind whatsoever during the tender process or during the execution of the contract.
  - ii) The Bidder / Contractor undertakes not to enter into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal with other Bidders. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contracts, submission or non-submission of bids or any other action to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelization in the bidding process.

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- iii) The Bidder / Contractor undertakes not to commit any offence under the relevant Anticorruption Laws of India. Further, the Bidder / Contractor will not use improperly any information or document provided by the Principal as part of the business relationship regarding plans, technical proposals and business details, including information contained or transmitted electronically for the purposes of competition or personal gain and will not pass the information so acquired on to others.
  - iv) The Bidder / Contractor will, when presenting his bid undertakes to disclose any and all payments made, is committed to or intends to make to agents, brokers or any other intermediaries in connection with the award of the contract.
2. The Bidder / Contractor will not instigate and allure third persons / parties to commit offences outlined above or be an accessory to such offences.

**Section 3 – Disqualification from tender process and exclusion from future contracts**

If the Bidder, before the award of contract, has committed a transgression through a violation of any provisions of Section 2 or in any other form so as to put his reliability or credibility as Bidder into question, the Principal shall be entitled to disqualify, put on holiday or blacklist the Bidder including from the future tender process or to terminate the contract, if already signed, on that ground.

1. If the Bidder / Contractor has committed a transgression through a violation of any provisions of Section 2 so as to put his reliability or credibility into question, the Principal shall be entitled to exclude including blacklist and put on holiday the Bidder / Contractor from entering into any GAIL/ BGL /HPCL future contract tender processes. The imposition and duration of the exclusion will be determined by the severity of the transgression. The severity will be determined by the Principal taking into consideration the full facts and circumstances of each case particularly taking into account the number of transgressions, the position of the transgressors within the company hierarchy of the Bidder and the amount of the damage. The exclusion may be imposed for a minimum period of 6 months and maximum of three years.
2. A transgression is considered to have occurred if the Principal after due consideration of the available evidence, concludes that no reasonable doubt is possible.
3. The Bidder with its free consent and without any influence agrees and undertakes to respect and uphold the Principal's absolute rights to resort to and impose such exclusion and further accepts and undertakes not to challenge or question such exclusion on any ground, including the lack of any hearing before the decision to resort to such exclusion is taken. This undertaking is given freely and after obtaining independent legal advice.
4. Subject to the full satisfaction of the Principal, the exclusion of the Bidder / Contractor could be revoked by Principal prematurely if the bidder / contractor can prove that he has restored / recouped the damage caused by him and has installed a suitable corruption prevention system in his organization.

**Section 4 – Forfeiture of EMD / Security Deposits**

1. If the Principal has disqualified the Bidder from the tender process prior to the award in terms of Section 3, and during the execution of the contract, the Principal shall forfeit earnest money deposit / bid security money, encash the bank guarantee including due payments in addition to blacklisting or putting on holiday the bidder and terminating the contract.
2. If the Principal has terminated the contract according to Section 3, or if the Principal is entitled to terminate the contract according to Section 3, the Principal shall be entitled to demand and recover

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from the Contractor liquidated damages equivalent to Earnest Money Deposit / Security Deposit / Performance Bank Guarantee.

3. The bidder agrees and undertakes to pay the said amounts without protest or demur subject only to condition that if the Bidder / Contractor can prove and establish that the exclusion of the Bidder from the tender process or the termination of the contract after the contract award has caused no damage or less damage than the amount of the liquidated damages, the Bidder / Contractor shall compensate the Principal only to the extent of the damage in the amount proved.

**Section 5 – Previous transgression**

1. The Bidder swears on oath that no previous transgression has occurred during the last three years with any other Company in any country conforming to the TI approach or including with any other Public Sector Enterprise / Undertaking in India that could justify his exclusion from the tender process.
2. If the Bidder makes incorrect statement on this subject, he shall be disqualified from the tender process or the contract, if already awarded, could be liable to be terminated on this ground.

**Section 6 – Equal treatment to all Bidders / Contractors / Subcontractors**

1. The Bidder / Contractor undertakes to demand from all its sub-contractors, if any, an undertaking and commitment in conformity with this Integrity Pact, and to submit it to the Principal before signing of the contract.
2. The Principal will enter into agreements with similar conditions, as stipulated herein, with all Bidders, Contractors and Subcontractors.
3. The Principal shall disqualify from the tender process all Bidders who do not sign this Pact or violate any of its provisions.

**Section 7 – Criminal charges against violating Bidders /  
Contractors / Sub-contractors**

If the Principal obtains knowledge of conduct of a Bidder, Contractor or Subcontractor, or of an employee or a representative or an associate of a Bidder, Contractor or Subcontractor which constitutes corruption, or if the Principal has substantive suspicion in this regard, the Principal will inform the Vigilance Office / Department for initiating appropriate action for above.

**Section 8 –Independent External Monitor / Monitors**

1. The Principal appoints competent and credible Independent External Monitor for this Pact after approval by Central Vigilance Commission. The task of the Monitor is to review independently and objectively, whether and to what extent the parties comply with the obligations under this agreement.
2. The Monitor is not subject to instructions by the representatives of the parties and performs his/her functions neutrally and independently. The Monitor would have access to all Contract documents, whenever required. It will be obligatory for him/ her to treat the information and documents of the Bidders/ Contractors as confidential. He/she reports to the C&MD, BGL.
3. The Bidder (s)/ Contractor (s) accepts that the Monitor has the right to access without restriction to all Project documentation of the Principal including that provided by the Contractor. The Contractor will also grant the Monitor, upon his/her request and demonstration of a valid interest, unrestricted and unconditional access to their project documentation. The same is applicable to Sub-contractors.
4. The Principal will provide to the Monitor sufficient information about all meetings among the parties related to the Project provided such meetings could have an impact on the contractual relations between the Principal and the Contractor. The parties offer to the Monitor the option to participate in such meetings.

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5. As soon as the Monitor notices, or believes to notice, a violation of this agreement, he/she will so inform the Management of the Principal and request the Management to discontinue or to take corrective action, or to take other relevant action. The monitor can in this regard submit non-binding recommendations. Beyond this, the Monitor has no right to demand from the parties that they act in a specific manner, refrain from action or tolerate action.

6. The Monitor will submit a written report to the C&MD/MD, BGL within 10 days as far as possible from the date of reference or intimation to him by the 'Principal' and, should the occasion arise, submit proposals for correcting problematic situations..

7. If the Monitor has reported to the C&MD/MD, BGL, a substantiated suspicion of an offence under relevant IPC/PC Act, and the C&MD, BGL has not, within reasonable time, taken visible action to proceed against such offence or reported it to the Chief Vigilance Officer, the Monitor may also transmit this information directly to the Central Vigilance Commissioner.

8. The word 'Monitor' would include both singular and plural.

9. In case of any complaints referred under IP Program, the role of IEMs is advisory and would not be legally binding and it is restricted to resolving the issues raised by an intending bidder regarding any aspect of the tender which allegedly restricts competition or bias towards some bidder.

**Section 9 – Pact Duration**

The provisions of this Pact shall come into effect from the date of signing of this Pact by the both parties. It expires for the Contractor 12 months after the last payment under the respective contract, and for all other Bidders 6 months after the contract has been awarded.

If any claim is made / lodged by either party during this time, the same shall be binding and continue to be valid despite the lapse of this pact as specified above, unless it is discharged/determined by the Chairperson of the Principal.

**Section 10 – Miscellaneous provisions**

1. This agreement is subject to Indian Law. Place of performance and jurisdiction is Hyderabad. The Arbitration clause provided in main tender document / contract shall not be applicable for any issue / dispute arising under Integrity Pact.
2. Changes and supplements as well as termination notices, if any, need to be made in writing. Side agreements have not been made.
3. If the Contractor / Bidder is a partnership concern or a consortium, this agreement must be signed by all partners or consortium members.
4. In case any or several of the provisions of this agreement turn out to be void, the remainder of this pact shall remain valid. The parties to this pact however, shall strive to come to an agreement to their original intentions in such a case

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----- (Name & Designation)  
For the Principal

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(Name & Designation)  
For the Bidder/Contractor

Place -----

Witness 1: -----

Date -----

Witness 2: -----

Note:

*Please ensure complete name of bidder's organization is filled at Page 1 and witnesses' name with due signature are done prior to submitting with offer.*



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**CHECK LIST**

Bidders are requested to duly fill in the checklist. This checklist gives only certain important items to facilitate the bidder to make sure that the necessary data/information as called for in the bid document has been submitted by them along with their offer. This, however, does not relieve the bidder of his responsibilities to make sure that his offer is otherwise complete in all respects

**Please ensure compliance and tick (✓) against following points:**

S. No.	DESCRIPTION	CHECK BOX	REFERENCE PAGE NO. OF THE BID SUBMITTED
1	Digitally Signing (in case of e-bidding)/ Signing and Stamping (in case of manual bidding) on each sheet of offer, original bidding document including SCC, ITB, GCC ,SOR drawings, addendum (if any)		
2	Confirm that the following details have been submitted in the Un-priced part of the bid		❖
I	Covering Letter, Letter of Submission		
II	Signed and stamped original copy of bidding document along with drawings and addendum (if any)		
III	Power of Attorney in the name of person signing the bid.		
IV	Copies of documents defining constitution or legal status, place of registration and principal place of business of the company		
V	Bidders declaration that regarding, Holiday/ Banning, liquidation court receivership or similar proceedings (Form-F-7)		
VI	Details and documentary proof required against qualification criteria along with complete documents as mentioned in Bidder Evaluation Criteria (BEC)		
VII	Confirm submission of document along with techno-commercial bid as per bid requirement		❖
VIII	Confirm submission of Agreed Terms & conditions (ATC-Section-4) document along with techno-commercial bid as per bid requirement		
IX	Confirm submission of filled Exemption -Deviation statement (Form-6) document along with techno-commercial bid as per bid requirement		
X	Confirm submission of filled Integrity Pact (Format-12) document along with techno-commercial bid as per bid requirement		
3	Confirm that all forms duly filled in are enclosed with the bid duly signed by authorised person(s) including Form- F-1 & F-2.		



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4	Confirm that the price part as per Price Schedule format submitted with Bidding Document/ uploaded in case of e-bid.		❖
5	Confirm that annual reports for last three financial years & duly filled in Form 10& (F-11-if required) are enclosed in the offer for financial assessment (where financial criteria of BQC is applicable).		

S N	DESCRIPTION	CHECK LIST	YES/ NA	NO
1	TENDER FEE	Nil		
	DD	DD No. _____ dated _____ for Rs. in favour of BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED payable at Hyderabad	NA	NO
2	EMD	INR ...		
A	DD	DD No. _____ dated _____ drawn on _____ (bank) For Rs. in favour of BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED payable at Hyderabad	NA	NO
B	BG	BG VALIDITY BEYOND 1 ONE MONTH FROM BID VALIDITY PERIOD OF 150 DAYS.	NA	NO
C	NSIC/DIC CERTIFICATE/ UDHYAM ADHAR	<b>Duly signed &amp; stamped by bidder</b> as MENTIONED IN CLAUSE NO.40 OF ITB	Yes/ NA	NO
2	BID VALIDITY UPTO THREE MONTHS FORM BID DUE DATE	ACCEPTED	Yes	NO
3	Copy of <b>WORK ORDER</b> (WO)/LOA and completion/ execution certificate as stipulated in BQC	The Work Order/ LOA & completion/ execution certificate mentioning required details as per the BEC.	Yes	NO
4	<b>FINANCIAL CRITERIA IN CASE OF SINGLE BIDDER AS STIPULATED IN BQC</b>			
i	Financial Documents – Turn Over	Submitted audited Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement of any of the three (3) preceding Financial Year(s), along with un-price bid.	Yes	NO
ii	Balance Sheet/s & Profit & Loss Statements as stipulated in BQC	Audited & Attestations as required	Yes	NO



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iii	Details of financial capability of bidder prescribed <b>Format, F-10 as stipulated in BQC</b>	Duly signed and stamped by a <b>Chartered Accountant</b> with Membership Number	Yes	NO
5	Tender Document Submitted	Submitted Unedited & Duly signed along with bid document	Yes	NO
6	SOR (BLANK without price) mentioning word <b>"QUOTED/ NOT QUOTED"</b> in each item rate column	Submitted Unedited & Duly signed along with bid document	Yes	NO
7	FORMS & FORMATS ATTACHED TO TENDER	duly filled information as applicable, signed, stamped & submitted all	Yes	NO
8	<b>Non-submission of the attested copies as specified above/ in tender document of the requisite certificates/ documents shall render the bid non-responsive and shall be liable for rejection.</b>		<b>[AGREED &amp; CONFIRMED]</b>	



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## **SECTION – I DEFINITIONS & INTERPRETATIONS**

### **1.1 Definition of Terms:**

In this Contract (as defined here-in-after), save where the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them:

"Approved" means approval in writing including subsequent written confirmation of previous verbal approval(s).

The "Bid /Tender/Offer" means the proposal along with required supporting documents submitted by the Bidder/Service Provider for consideration by the Employer.

The 'Bidder/Tenderer' means the person(s) / Firm / company /Corporation /Organization/entity, who participated in the Tender.

"Completion Certificate" means the certificate to be issued by the Engineer In-charge (EIC) when the Services have been completed entirely in accordance with Contract.

"Completion Date" means the date of actual completion of the services by the Service Provider as certified by the Employer.

"Contract" means an agreement between Employer and the Service Provider/Supplier for execution of the Service(s) as per Contract Documents and its subsequent amendment(s), if any in writing thereto.

"Contract Documents" means collectively the Tender Documents, Designs, Drawings, Scope of Services, Specifications, Schedule of Rates (SOR), Letter of Acceptance and agreed variations if any, and such other documents constituting the tender and acceptance thereof.

"Day" means a calendar day of 24 hours from midnight to midnight irrespective of the number of hours serviced in that day.

"Demobilization" means removal of all equipment, machinery, manpower from the site after completion of the services with the due permission of EIC.

"Drawings" means and include all Engineering sketches, general arrangements/ layout drawings, sectional plans, all elevations, etc. related to the Contract together with modification and revision thereto.

The "Employer/Service Receiver/Company/Owner" means BHAGYANAGAR GAS LIMITED (BGL), a public limited company, incorporated under the Company's Act 1956 and having its Registered office at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor TSIDC Building, Parisrama

Bhavan, Basheer Bagh, Hyderabad-04 and includes its successors, assigns and Site(s)/work center(s).

The "Engineer-In-Charge" (EIC) means the person designated from time to time by Employer and shall include those who are expressly authorized by him to act for and on his behalf for operation/execution of this Contract for Services.

"Equipment/Materials/Goods" means and include all equipment, machinery, stores, goods which are required under the Contract for satisfactory performance of Services by the Service Provider.

"Fax of Acceptance" means intimation regarding notification of award by the Employer to the successful Bidder/Service Provider through a Fax/ Letter conveying that the Tender/Bid/Offer has been accepted in accordance with the provisions contained therein.

"Guarantee/Warranty/ Defect Liability Period (DLP)" means the period and other conditions governing the warranty/guarantee/defect liability period of the services as provided in the Contract.

"Metric System": All technical documents are given in the metric system and all service should be carried out according to the metric system. All documents concerning the service shall also be maintained in the metric system.

"Mobilization" means stabilizing adequate infrastructure at designated Site comprising of Equipment, aids, tools, tackles, instruments, Goods & Materials, experienced manpower, supported with supervising personal in order to provide services as per the provision of Contract document.

"Negligence" means any act or failure to act (whether sole, joint or concurrent) by a person or an entity which was intended to cause, or which was reckless disregard of or wanton indifference to, avoidable and harmful consequences such person or entity knew, or should

have known, would result from such act or failure to act. Notwithstanding the foregoing, negligence shall not include any action taken in good faith for the safeguard of life or property.

The "Service(s)" means and include all services and activities/jobs to be performed by the Service Provider in pursuant to and in accordance with Contract or part thereof as the case may be and shall include all extra, additional, altered or substituted services and approvals from any agency/third party & license(s)/permissions from statutory authorities (if any), as required for purpose of the Contract.



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The "Service Provider" means Bidder/Tenderer whose tender has been accepted by the Employer and includes the Service Provider's legal representative(s), his successor(s) and permitted assign(s).

"Service Provider's/ Bidder's Representative" means such person(s) duly authorized by the Bidder/Service Provider in writing to the Employer as having authority to act for and on behalf the Bidder /Service Provider in matters affecting the Services and to provide the requisite services to Employer.

"Site" means the place(s) provided by the Employer where the Services are to be carried out/executed and any other place(s) as may be specifically designated in the Contract as forming part of the site.

"Specifications" means and include detailed description, statements to technical data, performance characteristics, and standards (Indian as well as International) as applicable and as specified in the Contract.

The "Sub-Service Provider" means any person / firm / Organization / company /entity (other than the Service Provider) and it's legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns named in the Contract as a Sub-Service Provider for a part of the Services or to whom a part of the Services has been sub-Contracted with the written prior consent of the Employer.

"Value of Contract" or "Total Contract Price" means the sum accepted or the sum calculated in accordance with the prices accepted in the Contract as payable to the Service Provider for the entire execution and full completion of the service, including Amendment(s) to Contract, if any.

"Week" means a period of any consecutive seven Days.

"Willful Misconduct" means intentional disregard of good and prudent standards of performance or proper conduct under the Contract with knowledge that it is likely to result in any injury to any person or loss or damage of property.

"Working Day" means any Day which is not declared by the Employer to be holiday or off-day.

**1.2 INTERPRETATIONS & PRIORITY OF  
CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

1.2.1 The documents forming the Contract are to be read together and interpreted as mutually explanatory of one another. If there is a direct inconsistency in specific obligation(s), then for the purposes of interpretation, and unless otherwise provided in the Contract, the priority of the Contract Documents shall be in accordance with following sequence:


- i) The Contract Agreement
- ii) Detailed Letter of Acceptance along with its enclosures
- iii) Fax of Acceptance
- iv) Scope of Works/ Job Specifications (specific to particular job only, wherever provided)
- v) Drawings
- vi) Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)
- vii) Technical Specifications (wherever applicable)
- viii) Instructions to Bidders (ITB)
- ix) General Conditions of Contract (GCC)
- x) Other Documents

Works shown in the Drawing but not mentioned in the Specifications or described in the Specifications without being shown in the Drawings shall nevertheless be deemed to be included in the same manner as if they had been specifically shown upon the Drawings and described in the Specifications.

Any amendment/change order issued by Employer upon signing of formal Contract shall take precedence over respective clauses of the formal Contract and its annexures.

The higher priority interpretation shall be adopted only to the extent required to deal with an inconsistency. Specific term(s) agreed take priority over general statement(s) and terms in Contract Document created at a later date govern over terms in earlier Contract Document. Subject to foregoing, the terms of the groups of documents set out above have equal importance within their group.

1.2.2 Headings and Marginal Notes: All headings and marginal notes to the clauses of these General Conditions of Contract or to the Specifications or to any other Tender Document are solely for the purpose of giving a concise indication and not a summary of the contents thereof, and they shall never be deemed to be part thereof or be used in the interpretation thereof the Contract.

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- 1.2.3 Singular and Plural: In Contract Documents unless otherwise stated specifically, the singular shall include the plural and vice versa wherever the context so requires.

- 1.2.4 Gender: Where the context so requires, words imparting the masculine gender shall also include the feminine gender and the neuter gender and vice versa.

- 1.2.5 Severability: Should any provision of this Contract be found to be invalid, illegal or otherwise not enforceable by any court of law, such finding shall not affect the remaining provision(s)/clause(s) hereto and they shall remain binding on the parties hereto.

### 1.3 SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT:

- 1.3.1 Special Conditions of Contract consisting of scope of services, specification of Services & items etc. shall be read in conjunction with the General Conditions of Contract, and any other documents forming part of this Contract wherever the context so requires.

- 1.3.2 Notwithstanding the sub-division of the documents into these separate sections and volumes every part of each section/volume shall be deemed to be supplementary to and complementary of every other part and shall be read with and into the Contract so far as it may be practicable to do so.

- 1.3.3 Where any portion of the General Condition of Contract is repugnant to or at variance with any provisions of the Special Conditions of Contract, unless a different intention appears the provisions of the Special Conditions of Contract shall be deemed to over-ride the provisions of the General Conditions of Contract and shall to the extent of such repugnancy, or variations, prevail.

- 1.3.4 Wherever it is mentioned in the Specifications that the Service Provider shall perform certain Service or provide certain facilities, it is understood that the Service Provider shall do so at his cost and the Value of Contract shall be deemed to have included cost of such performance and provisions, so mentioned.

- 1.3.5 The materials, design and services shall satisfy the relevant Standards, the Job Specifications contained herein and Codes referred to. Where the job specification stipulate requirements in addition to those contained in the standard codes and specifications, these additional requirements shall also be satisfied.

## SECTION – II

### 2.0 GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS & OBLIGATIONS

#### 2.1 FORMATION OF CONTRACT:

- 2.1.1 Employer will be the sole judge in the matter of award of Contract and the decision of Employer shall be final and binding.

- 2.1.2 The acceptance of tender will be intimated to the successful Bidder by the Employer either by Fax / E - mail /Letter or like means defined as Fax of Acceptance (FOA).

- 2.1.3 The Contract shall come into force on the date of FOA and the same shall be binding on Employer and Service Provider.

#### 2.2 SIGNING OF AGREEMENT:

- 2.2.1 The successful Tenderer/Service Provider shall be required to execute an Agreement within 15 days of the FOA in the format attached/enclosed with Tender Document. In the event of failure on the part of the Service Provider to sign the Agreement within the aforesaid stipulated period, the Earnest Money Deposit or initial Security Deposit/Performance Security Deposit (as available, preferably the later) will be forfeited and Employer may consider the Contract as terminated..

#### 2.3 ADDENDA/CORRIGENDA:

- 2.3.1 Addenda/ Corrigenda to the Tender Documents incorporating modification(s) and clarification(s) to the Tender Document issued prior to the due date of bid submission shall become integral part of the Contract.

#### 2.4 LIABILITY OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA:

- 2.4.1 It is expressly understood and agreed by and between Bidder /Service Provider and Employer that Employer is entering into this agreement solely on its own behalf and not on behalf of any other person or entity. In particular, it is expressly understood and agreed that the Government of India is not a party to this agreement and has no liabilities, obligations or rights hereunder. It is expressly understood and agreed that Employer is an independent legal entity with power and authority to enter into Contracts solely on its own behalf under the applicable Laws of India and general principles of Contract Law. The



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Bidder/Service Provider expressly agrees, (ii) acknowledges and understands that Employer is not an agent, representative or delegate of the Government of India. It is further understood and agreed that the Government of India is not and shall not be liable for any acts, omissions, commissions, breaches or other wrongs arising out of the Contract. Accordingly, Bidder/Service Provider hereby expressly waives, releases and foregoes any and all actions or claims, including cross claims, impleader claims or counter claims against the Government of India arising out of this Contract and covenants not to sue to Government of India as to any manner, claim, cause of action or thing whatsoever arising of or under this agreement/Contract.

**2.5 SITE VISIT:**

2.5.1 The Bidder/Service Provider shall be deemed to have visited the Site(s)/work centre(s) and familiarized itself while submitting the Tender. Non-familiarity with the Site conditions by the Bidder/ Service Provider will not be considered a reason either for extra claim(s) or for any delay in performance or any other claim in this regard.

**2.6 ACTION IN CASE OF CORRUPT/ FRAUDULENT/ COLLUSIVE/ COERCIVE PRACTICES AND POOR PERFORMANCE:**

The Bidder(s)/Service Provider(s) are required to abide by the following documents:

- (i) The procedure for action in case of Corrupt/ Fraudulent/ Collusive/ Coercive Practices containing provisions for putting a Bidder/Service Provider on suspension and/or banning list (as the case may be) if such an agency has indulged in Corrupt/ Fraudulent/ Collusive/ Coercive Practices.

The Procedure is enclosed as Appendix 1 to this GCC.

Further, Bidder(s)/Service Provider(s) accepts and certifies that they would adhere to the Fraud Prevention Policy of BGL and shall not indulge themselves or allow others (working in BGL) to indulge in fraudulent activities and that they would immediately apprise the Owner/BGL/Organization(s) of the fraud/ suspected fraud as soon as it comes to their notice. The Fraud Prevention Policy document is available on BGL's website ([www.bglgas.com](http://www.bglgas.com)).

The procedure for evaluation of performance of Service Provider containing provisions for putting a Service Provider on suspension and/or holiday list (as the case may be).

The Procedure is enclosed as Appendix 2 to this GCC.

**RETIRED GOVERNMENT OR EMPLOYER'S OFFICERS:**

2.7.1 No Employee/Officer employed in Engineering or Administrative duties in an Engineering Department of the States/ Central Government or of the Employer is allowed to service as a Service Provider for a period of one year after his retirement /resignation /severance from Government Service or from the employment of the Employer without the previous permission of the Employer. The Contract, if awarded, is liable to be terminated if either the Service Provider or any of his employees is found at any time to be such a person, who has not obtained the permission of the State/Central Government or of the Employer as aforesaid before submission of tender, or engagement in the Service Provider's service as the case may be.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**


2.8.1 During the currency of Contract and after its termination, the Service Provider and its affiliates, shall be disqualified from providing any goods, works or services for any project resulting from or closely related to the Services.

**ABNORMAL RATES:**

2.9.1 The Tenderer is expected to quote rate for each item after careful analysis of cost involved for the performance of the completed item considering all specifications and Conditions of Contract. In case, it is noticed that the rates quoted by the Tenderer for any item are unusually higher or unusually lower, it will be sufficient cause for the rejection of the tender/bid unless the Employer is convinced about the reasonableness after scrutiny of the analysis for such rate(s) to be furnished by the Tenderer (on demand).

2.9.2 In case of Abnormally High Rated (AHR) item(s), the same shall be dealt as per AHR clause in the SCC (as applicable).

**2.10 GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF SERVICE PROVIDER:**

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Service Provider shall, in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of this Contract:

2.10.1 perform the services in accordance with the Scope of Services /Specifications and Activity Schedule of the Tender Document and carry out its obligations with all due diligence and efficiency, in accordance with generally accepted professional techniques and practices and shall observe sound management practices and employ appropriate advance technology and safe methods. When completed, the job/services shall be fit for the purpose for which the services are intended as specifically defined in the Contract.

2.10.2 provide all labour as required to provide the Service unless otherwise provided in the Scope of Services or Special Conditions of the Contract.

2.10.3 perform all other obligations, jobs / services which are required by the terms of this Contract or which reasonably can be implied from such terms as being necessary for providing necessary service as per the Contract. be deemed to have satisfied himself before submitting his bid as to the correctness and sufficiency of its bid for the services required and of the rates and prices quoted, which rates and prices shall, except insofar as otherwise provided, cover all its obligations under the Contract.

2.10.5 give or provide all necessary supervision during the performance of the services and as long thereafter within the warranty period/DLP as Employer may consider necessary for the proper fulfilling of Service Provider's obligations under the Contract.

2.10.6 not disrupt the Services of the Employer being carried out by the Service Provider / and shall provide access for carrying out job/services to:

- Employer's personnel(s), and /or
- any other Contractor(s) / Service Provider(s) employed by Employer, and /or
- personnel of public authority(ies)/third party(ies)

Further, the Service Provider shall execute the job carefully without causing damage to the existing facility(ies) and facility(ies) of third party(ies) and in case of such happening shall immediately bring to the notice of EIC..

Further, the coordination and inspection of the day-to-day job under the Contract shall be the responsibility of the Engineer-in-Charge (EIC). The

EIC or his authorised representative including any statutory authority shall at all reasonable times, have full power and authority to access and inspect the Services wherever in progress either on the Site or at the Service Provider's premises/workshops and the Service Provider shall afford or procure every facility and assistance to carry out such inspection. Such Inspection shall not release the Service Provider from any obligation under the Contract.

## 2.11 SERVICE PROVIDER'S REPRESENTATIVE & PERSONNEL:

2.11.1 Service Provider shall appoint a person ("*Service Provider's Representative*") who shall be responsible for and authorized to represent it at all times during the progress of the Service and to receive and to act on any request made by Employer in the performance of the Service pursuant to the terms of this Contract.

2.11.2 Service Provider's Representative shall have full authority to represent and bind the Service Provider in relation to any matter concerning the Service Provider's performance of the services under the Contract and Employer shall be entitled to rely on all the decisions of the Service Provider's Representative as if they were the decisions of the Service Provider.

2.11.3 Service Provider's Representative shall supervise, coordinate and ensure the quality of all aspects of his obligations under this Contract. Service Provider shall not change its Representative without the prior approval of Employer.

2.11.4 Service Provider's Representative shall liaise with Employer for the proper coordination and timely completion of the Services and on any matter pertaining to the same.

2.11.5 Service Provider's Representative shall extend full cooperation to Employer's representatives/inspector in the manner required by them for supervision /inspection/ observation of equipment, material, procedures, performance, reports and records pertaining to Services.

2.11.6 Service Provider's Representative shall have complete charge of his personnel engaged in the performance of the Service and to ensure compliance of rules and regulations and safety practice.



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2.11.7 If the Service Provider's Representative is found not acceptable to the EIC, the Service Provider shall, as soon as practicable, having regard to the requirement of replacing him, after receiving notice of such withdrawal, remove the representative and shall not thereafter employ him again on the Services in any capacity and shall replace him by another representative acceptable to the EIC.

**2.12 SERVICE PROVIDER'S EMPLOYEES / PERSONNEL:**

The Service Provider in connection with performing the Services and remedying of any defects, shall provide:

- (a) only such skilled and experienced personnel(s) in their respective areas; and
- (b) such skilled, semi-skilled and un-skilled labour as is necessary for the proper and timely fulfilling of the Service Provider's obligations under the Contract.

The Service Provider shall provide skilled / qualified /experienced personnel, if specified in the SCC /Scope of Work.

While engaging the contractual manpower, Service Provider is required to make effort to provide opportunity of employment to the people belonging to Scheduled Castes and weaker sections of society also in order to have a fair representation of these sections.

**2.13 CONTRACT PERFORMANCE SECURITY (CPS):**

2.13.1 The Service Provider shall provide Contract Performance Security (CPS) to the Employer, within 30 days from the date of notification of award (i.e. FOA/Letter of Acceptance) or the date specified in the notification of award whichever is earlier, for an amount mentioned therein. The CPS shall be returned/refunded three months after Contract completion period and Defects Liability Period (DLP), if any. All costs associated with CPS shall be borne by the Service Provider. No charges or interest shall be payable by the Employer even if the CPS is in the form of a Demand Draft.

2.13.2 The Service Provider shall furnish the CPS in the form of a Demand Draft or a Bank Guarantee or an irrevocable Letter of Credit from any Indian scheduled bank or a branch of an International bank situated in India and registered with Reserve Bank

of India as scheduled foreign bank. However, for other than the Nationalized Indian Banks, the banks whose BGs are furnished, must be commercial banks having net worth in excess of Rs. 100 crores and a declaration to this effect should be made by such commercial bank either in the bank guarantee itself or separately on a letter head. The bank guarantee or the Letter of Credit shall be submitted in the prescribed format.

2.13.3 If the Service Provider or their employees /agents / representatives or Sub-Service Provider (if authorized by Employer) shall damage, break, deface or destroy any property /equipment belonging to the Employer or third party(ies) during the execution of this Contract, the same shall be made good by the Service Provider at his own expenses and in default thereof, the EIC may cause the same to be made good by other agencies and recover expenses plus 15% overhead from the Service Provider. The decision of EIC in this matter shall be final and binding on the Service Provider.

2.13.4 All compensation, claim or other sums of money payable by the Service Provider to the Employer under terms of this Contract may be deducted from or paid by the encashment of a sufficient part of his Contract Performance Security or from any sums which may be due or may become due to the Service Provider by the Employer on any account whatsoever and in the event of his CPS being reduced by reasons of any such deductions or sale of aforesaid, the Service Provider shall within ten days thereafter make good in form of bank draft(s)/BG/LC (as the case may be) as aforesaid any sum or sums which may have been deducted from or realised by encashment of his CPS, or any part thereof. The Service Provider shall pay to the Employer on demand without protest any balance remaining due. In this regard no interest shall be payable by the Employer to Service Provider for such sum deposited as CPS.

2.13.5 The CPS deposit shall cover the entire Contract value including extra jobs/ services. As long as the CPS submitted at the time of award take cares the extra jobs/ services executed and total executed value are within the awarded Contract price, there is no need for additional CPS . As soon as the total executed value is likely to exceed the ceiling of awarded Contract Value, the Service Provider should furnish additional CPS through DD or submit amendment to existing BG/LC to effect the enhancement of CPS.




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- 2.13.6 Failure of the successful bidder to comply with the requirements of Clause 2.13 shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award, the forfeiture of CPS and any other actions or remedies available to the Employer.
- 2.14 **FAILURE BY THE SERVICE PROVIDER TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT:**
- 2.14.1 If the Service Provider refuses or fails to provide the Service or any part thereof with such diligence as will ensure its performance within the time specified in the Contract or extension thereof or fails to perform any of his obligation under the Contract or in any manner commits a breach of any of the provisions of the Contract it shall be open to the Employer at its option by written notice to the Service Provider:
- a) TO DETERMINE THE CONTRACT in which event the Contract shall stand terminated and shall cease to be in force and effect on and from the date appointed by the Employer on that behalf, whereupon the Service Provider shall stop forthwith any of the Service then in progress, except such Service as the Employer may, in writing, require to be done to safeguard any property or work or installations from damage, and the Employer, for its part, may take over the Service remaining unfinished by the Service Provider and complete the same through another service provider or by other means, at the risk and cost of the Service Provider, and any of his sureties if any, shall be liable to the Employer for any excess cost occasioned by such service having to be so taken over and obtained by the Employer over and above the cost at the rates specified in the schedule of quantities and rate/prices.
- b) WITHOUT DETERMINING THE Contract to take over the Service of the Service Provider or any part thereof and complete the same through other service provider or by other means at the risk and cost of the Service Provider. The Service Provider and any of his sureties are liable to the Employer for any excess cost over and above the cost at the rates specified in the Schedule of Quantities/ rates, occasioned by such services having been taken over and completed by the Employer.
- 2.14.2 In such events of Clause 2.14.1(a) or (b) above, the following shall be applicable:-
- a) The whole or part of the Contract Performance Security furnished by the Service Provider is liable to be forfeited without prejudice to the right of the Employer to recover from the Service Provider the excess cost referred to in the sub-clause aforesaid. The Employer shall also have the right of taking possession and utilising in completing the services or any part thereof, such as materials, equipment and plants available at service site belonging to the Service Provider as may be necessary and the Service Provider shall not be entitled for any compensation for use or damage to such materials, equipment and plant.
- b) The amount that may have become due to the Service Provider on account of service already executed by him shall not be payable to him until after the expiry of Six (6) calendar months reckoned from the date of termination of Contract or from the taking over of the Service or part thereof by the Employer as the case may be, during which period the responsibility for faulty material or workmanship in respect of such service shall, under the Contract, rest exclusively with the Service Provider. This amount shall be subject to deduction of any amounts due from the Contract to the Employer under the terms of the Contract authorised or required to be reserved or retained by the Employer.
- 2.14.3 Before taking any action as per Clause 2.14.1(a) or (b) if in the judgment of the Employer, the default or defaults committed by the Service Provider is/are curable and can be cured by the Service Provider if an opportunity given to him, then the Employer may issue Notice in writing calling the Service Provider to cure the default within such time specified in the Notice.
- 2.14.4 The Employer shall also have the right to proceed or take action as per 2.14.1(a) or (b) above, in the event that the Service Provider becomes bankrupt, insolvent, compounds with his creditors, assigns the Contract in favour of his creditors or any other person(s) or being a company or a corporation goes into voluntary liquidation, provided that in the said

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events it shall not be necessary for the Employer to give any prior notice to the Service Provider.

- 2.14.5 Termination of the Contract as provided for in sub-clause 2.14.1(a) above shall not prejudice or affect their rights of the Employer which may have accrued upto the date of such termination.

**2.15 SERVICE PROVIDER REMAINS LIABLE TO PAY COMPENSATION IF ACTION NOT TAKEN UNDER CLAUSE 2.14**

- 2.15.1 If in any case in which any of the powers conferred upon the Employer by clause 2.14 thereof shall have become exercisable and the same had not been exercised, the non-exercise thereof shall not constitute a waiver of any of the conditions hereof and such powers shall notwithstanding be exercisable in the event of any further case of default by the Service Provider for which by any clause or clauses hereof he is declared liable to pay compensation amounting to the whole of his Contract Performance Security, and the liability of the Service Provider for past and future compensation shall remain unaffected. In the event of the Employer putting in force the power under above sub-clause 2.14 (a) or 2.14 (b) vested in him under the preceding clause he may, if he so desired, take possession of all or any tools and plants, materials and stores at the site thereof belonging to the Service Provider or procured by him and intended to be used for the execution of the Service or any part thereof paying or allowing for the same in account at the Contract rates or in case of these not being applicable, at current market rates to be certified by the EIC whose certificate thereof shall be final, otherwise the EIC may give notice in writing to the Service Provider or Service Provider's Representatives requiring him to remove such tools, plant, materials or stores from the premises (within a time to be specified in such notice).

Failure of any action by the Service Provider for removal of material/tools/plant/store etc. within the period mentioned in notice of EIC, the Employer shall also be entitled to recover handling and storage charges @5% of the estimated value of material/tools/plant/store for each month or part of a month without relieving the Service Provider from any other related liability. In the event of the Service Provider's failure to remove the same within a period of 6 months or as decided by the EIC, the EIC may take action for removal through auction or private sale on behalf of the Service Provider and at his risk in all respects. The Service Provider shall be liable to pay the Employer the

handling & storage charges per month or a part of the month from the date of serving the notice by the EIC to the date of removal of the materials by the Employer plus overhead charges @ 15% of sale value of such materials. In case of negative or zero sale value, the overhead charges shall be applicable on the handling & storage charges. The decision of EIC w.r.t. such removal and the amount of the proceeds shall be final and binding on the Service Provider.

**2.16 CHANGE IN CONSTITUTION:**

- 2.16.1 Where the Service Provider is a partnership firm, the prior approval of the Employer shall be obtained in writing, before any change is made in the constitution of the firm. Where the Service Provider is an individual or a Hindu undivided family business concern, such approval as aforesaid shall, likewise be obtained before such Service Provider enters into any agreement with other parties, where under, the reconstituted firm would have the right to carry out the service hereby undertaken by the Service Provider. In either case if prior approval as aforesaid is not obtained, the Contract shall be deemed to have been allotted in contravention of clause 2.23 hereof.

**2.17 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT:**

**2.17.1 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT FOR DEATH**

If the Service Provider is an individual or a proprietary concern and the individual or the proprietor dies or if the Service Provider is a partnership concern and one of the partner dies then unless, the Employer is satisfied that the legal representative of the individual or the proprietary concern or the surviving partners are capable of carrying out and completing Contract, the Employer is entitled to cancel the Contract for the uncompleted part without being in any way liable for any compensation payment to the estate of the deceased Service Provider and/or to the surviving partners of the Service Provider's firm on account of the cancellation of Contract. The decision of the Employer/EIC in such assessment shall be final & binding on the parties. In the event of such cancellation, the Employer shall not hold the estate of the deceased Service Provider and/or the surviving partners of Service Provider's firm liable for any damages for non-completion of the Contract.

**2.17.2 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT IN CASE OF LIQUIDATION / BANKRUPTCY, ETC.**



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If the Service Provider shall dissolve or become bankrupt or insolvent or cause or suffer any receiver to be appointed of his business of any assets thereof compound with his Creditors, or being a corporation commence to be wound up, not being a member's voluntary winding up for the purpose of amalgamation or reconstruction, or carry on its business under a Receiver for the benefits of its Creditors any of them, Employer shall be at liberty to terminate the Contract forthwith upon coming to know of the happening of any such event as aforesaid by notice in writing to the Service Provider or to give the Receiver or Liquidator or other person, the option of carrying out the Contract subject to his providing a guarantee up to an amount to be agreed upon by the Employer for due and faithful performance of the Contract.

**2.17.3 TERMINATION OF CONTRACT FOR CORRUPT / FRAUDULENT / COLLUSIVE / COERCIVE PRACTICES AND NON-PERFORMANCE**

If the Bidder/Service Provider is found to have indulged in Corrupt/ Fraudulent /Collusive/Coercive practices, the Contract shall be terminated and the Bidder/ Service Provider shall be banned for future business with BGL. The detailed procedure for banning including suspension in this regard may be referred as enclosed as Appendix 1.

Due to non-performance of the Service Provider leading to termination of the Contract, the Service Provider initially shall be put on suspension list and thereafter on holiday list of Employer for a period mentioned in the detailed procedure, to be reckoned from the date of communication by Owner/Employer. The detailed procedure for evaluation of performance in this regard may be referred as enclosed as Appendix 2.

**2.17.4 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE**

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Contract, the Employer may, by 30 (Thirty) days written notice, terminate the Contract in whole or in part. In addition to the payment mentioned at clause 2.18, the Service Provider shall be compensated for de-mobilization and other costs incurred at mutually negotiated terms.

In case of such termination, the obligation of the Employer to pay, shall be limited to the extent of work/job completed by the Service Provider as per

provision of the Contract upto the date of termination, subject to the Service Provider complying with other terms of the Contract.

Notwithstanding the termination of the Contract, the parties shall continue to be bound by the provisions of this Contract that reasonably require some action or forbearance after such termination.

**2.18 AMOUNT PAYABLE IN CASE OF TERMINATION:**

2.18.1 In all cases of termination herein set forth, the obligation of the Employer to pay, shall be limited to the extent of service rendered by Service Provider as per provision of the Contract upto the date of termination, subject to the Service Provider complying with other terms of the Contract. Notwithstanding the termination of the Contract, the parties shall continue to be bound by the provisions of this Contract that reasonably require some action or forbearance after such termination.

**2.19 MEMBERS OF THE EMPLOYER NOT INDIVIDUALLY LIABLE:**


2.19.1 No Director, or official or employee of the Employer shall in any way be personally bound or liable for the acts or obligations of the Employer under the Contract or answerable for any default or omission in the observance or performance of any of the acts, matters or things which are herein contained.

**2.20 EMPLOYER NOT BOUND BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIONS:**

2.20.1 The Service Provider shall not be entitled to any increase on the scheduled rates or any other right or claim whatsoever by reason of any representation, explanation statement or alleged representation, promise or guarantees given or alleged to have been given to him by any person.

**2.21 FORCE MAJEURE:**

2.21.1 In the event of either party being rendered unable by Force Majeure to perform any obligations required to be performed by them under the Contract the relative obligation of the party affected by such Force Majeure shall upon notification to the other party be suspended for the period during which Force Majeures event lasts. The cost and loss sustained by the either party shall be borne by the respective parties.

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The term "Force Majeures" as employed herein shall include:

- (a) act of terrorism;
- (b) riot, war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection of military or usurped power;
- (c) ionising radiation or contamination, radio activity from any nuclear fuel or from any nuclear waste from the combustion of nuclear fuel, radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive assembly or nuclear component;
- (d) epidemics, earthquakes, flood, fire, hurricanes, typhoons or other physical natural disaster, but excluding weather conditions regardless of severity; and
- (e) freight embargoes, strikes at national or state-wide level or industrial disputes at a national or state-wide level in any country where Works/Services are performed, and which affect an essential portion of the Works/Services but excluding any industrial dispute which is specific to the performance of the Works/Services or the Contract.

For the avoidance of doubt, inclement weather, third party breach, delay in supply of materials (other than due to a nationwide transporters' strike) or commercial hardship shall not constitute a Force Majeure event.

#### 2.21.2 Notification of Force Majeure

The affected party shall notify within 10 (ten) days of becoming aware of or the date it ought to have become aware of the occurrence of an event of Force Majeure giving full particulars of the event of Force Majeure and the reasons for the event of Force Majeure preventing the affected party from, or delaying the affected party in performing its obligations under the Contract.

#### 2.21.3 Right of either party to terminate

If an event of Force Majeure occurs and its effect continues for a period of 180 (one hundred eighty) days or more in a continuous period of 365 (three hundred sixty five) days after notice has been given under this clause, either party may terminate the Contract by issuing a written notice of 30 (thirty) days to the other party.

Further, the Service Provider shall with all reasonable diligence remove from the Site all the

Service Provider's equipment and shall give similar facilities to his Sub Service Provider to do so.

#### 2.21.4 Payment in case of termination due to Force Majeure

The Contract Price attributable to the Works/Services performed till the date of the commencement of the relevant event of Force Majeure with effective recovery/ retention shall be payable to Service Provider.

The Service Provider has no entitlement and Employer has no liability for:

- a) any costs, losses, expenses, damages or the payment of any part of the Total Contract Price during an event of Force Majeure; and
- b) any delay costs in any way incurred by the Service Provider due to an event of Force Majeure.


#### 2.21.5 Time for performance of the relative obligation suspended by the Force Majeureshall then stand extended by the period for which such cause lasts.

#### 2.21.6 Outbreak of War:

If during the currency of the Contract there shall be an out break of war whether declared or not, in that part of the World which whether financially or otherwise materially affect the execution of the Work, the Service Provider shall unless and until the Contract is terminated under the provisions in this clause continue to use his best endeavour to complete the execution of the Work/Services, provided always that the Employer shall be entitled, at any time after such out break of war to terminate or re-negotiate the Contract by giving notice in writing to the Service Provider and upon such notice being given the Contract shall, save as to the rights of the parties under this clause and to the operation of the clauses entitled settlement of Disputes and Arbitration hereof, be terminated but without prejudice to the right of either party in respect of any antecedent breach thereof.

#### 2.22 PRICE REDUCTION SCHEDULE:

2.22.1 Time is the essence of the Contract. In case the Service Provider fails to mobilize / deploy the required manpower and the complete equipments so as to commence the Services within Mobilisation Period and complete the Services within the stipulated period, then, unless such failure is due to Force Majeure as defined in Clause 2.21 herein above or due to Employer's defaults, the total Value of Contract shall be reduced by ½ (half) % of the

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total Value of Contract per complete week of delay or part thereof subject to a maximum of 5 (five) % of the total Value of Contract, by way of reduction in price for delay and not as penalty.

The Employer shall be at liberty to adjust or deduct the said amount from amount due to the Service Provider / it's Contract Performance Security payable on demand.

The decision of the EIC with respect to applicability of Price Reduction Schedule shall be final and binding on the Service Provider.

2.22.2 The parties agree that this is a genuine pre-estimate of the loss/damage which will be suffered by the Employer on account of delay on the part of the Service Provider and the said amount will be adjusted for the amount payable to the Service Provider, without there being any proof of the actual loss or damages having been caused by such delay/breach.

2.22.3 The Price Reduction will be calculated on the basis of total Value of Contract / executed Value of Contract (as the case may be) excluding taxes and duties where such taxes and duties have been shown separately in the Contract.

2.22.4 As mentioned above, in case of delay in execution of Contract, Service Provider will raise invoice for reduced value as per Price Reduction Clause. If Service Provider has raised the invoice for full value, then Service Provider will issue Credit Note towards the applicable Price Reduction Schedule amount.

In case Service Provider fails to submit the invoice for reduced value or does not issue credit note as mentioned above, BGL will release the payment to Service Provider after effecting the Price Reduction Schedule clause.

In the event any financial implication arises on BGL due to issuance of invoice without reduction in price or non-issuance of Credit Note, the same shall be to the account of Service Provider.

## 2.23 ASSIGNMENT/SUBLET:

2.23.1 The Service Provider shall not, save with previous written consent of the Engineer-in-charge, sublet, transfer or assign the Contract or any part thereof or interest therein or benefit or advantage thereof in any manner whatsoever. Provided, nevertheless, that any such consent shall not relieve the Service

Provider from any obligation, duty or responsibility under the Contract.

2.23.2 The basic scope of Services cannot be sublet. However, on specific request of the Service Provider and subject to written consent of Employer, the Service Provider may sublet allied/incidental jobs related to the Services. Such consent shall not relieve the Service Provider from any obligation, duty or responsibility under the Contract and Service Provider shall be fully responsible for the Services hereunder and the execution and performance of the Contract.

2.23.3 Sub-letting of whole Contract is prohibited. An undertaking to this effect will be given by Service Provider along with each invoice/ bill.

## 2.24 LIENS:

2.24.1 If, at any time there should be evidence of any lien or claim for which the Employer might have become liable and which is chargeable to the Service Provider, the Employer shall have the right to retain out of any payment then due or thereafter to become due an amount sufficient to completely indemnify the Employer against such lien or claim and if such lien or claim be valid, the Employer may pay and discharge the same and deduct the amount so paid from any money which may be or may become due and payable to the Service Provider. If any lien or claim remain unsettled after all payments are made, the Service Provider shall refund or pay to the Employer all money that the latter may be compelled to pay in discharging such lien or claim including all costs and reasonable expenses.

2.24.2 The Employer shall have lien on all materials, equipments including those brought by the Service Provider for the purpose of providing service.

2.24.3 The final payment shall not become due until the Service Provider delivers to the EIC a complete release or waiver of all liens arising or which may arise out of his agreement or receipt in full or certification by the Service Provider in a form approved by EIC that all invoices for labour, materials, services have been paid in lien thereof and if required by the EIC in any case an affidavit that so far as the Service Provider has knowledge or information the releases and receipts include all the labour and material for which a lien could be filled.

2.24.4 Service Provider will indemnify and hold the Employer harmless, for a period of two years after the issue of Completion/Execution Certificate, from



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all liens and other encumbrances against the Employer on account of debts or claims alleged to be due from the Service Provider or his Sub-Service Provider to any person and on behalf of Employer, the Service Provider will defend at his own expense, any claim or litigation brought against the Employer or the Service Provider including Sub-Service Provider in connection therewith. Service Provider shall defend or contest at his own expense, any fresh claim or litigation against the Employer by any person including his Sub-Service Provider, till its satisfactory settlement even after the expiry of two years from the date of issue of Completion/Execution Certificate.

**2.25 DELAYS BY EMPLOYER OR HIS  
AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE:**

- 2.25.1 In case the Service Provider's performance is delayed due to any act or omission on the part of the Employer or his authorized Representative, then the Service Provider shall be given due extension of time for the completion of the Service, to the extent such omission on the part of the Employer has caused delay in the Service Provider's performance of his Services.
- 2.25.2 No adjustment in Contract Price shall be allowed for reasons of such delays and extensions granted except as provided in Tender Document, where the Employer reserves the right to seek indulgence of Service Provider to maintain the agreed Time Schedule of Completion. In such an event the Service Provider shall be obliged to provide Service for additional time beyond stipulated time including Off-days / Holidays or by enhancing resources to achieve the completion date/interim targets.

**2.26 NO WAIVER OF RIGHTS:**

- 2.26.1 None of the terms and conditions of this Contract shall be deemed waived by either party unless such waiver is executed in writing by the duly authorized representative of both the parties.

**2.27 CERTIFICATE NOT TO AFFECT RIGHT OF  
EMPLOYER AND LIABILITY OF SERVICE  
PROVIDER:**

- 2.27.1 No interim payment certificate(s) issued by the EIC of the Employer, nor any sum paid on account by the Employer, nor any extension of time for execution of the service granted by Employer shall affect or prejudice the rights of the Employer against the Service Provider or relieve the Service Provider of his obligations for the due performance

of the Contract, or be interpreted as approval of the Service done and no certificate shall create liability for the Employer to pay for alterations, amendments, variations or additional services not ordered, in writing, by Employer or discharge the liability of the Service Provider for the payment of damages whether due, ascertained, or certified or not or any sum against the payment of which he is bound to indemnify the Employer.

**LANGUAGE AND MEASURES:**

All documents pertaining to the Contract including Specifications, Schedules, Notices, Correspondence, operating and maintenance Instructions or any other writing shall be written in English/Hindi language. The Metric System of measurement shall be used in the Contract unless otherwise specified.

**RELEASE OF INFORMATION:**

The Service Provider shall not communicate or use in advertising, publicity, sales releases or in any other medium, photographs, or other reproduction of the Service under this Contract or description of the site dimensions, quantity, quality or other information concerning the Service unless prior written permission has been obtained from the Employer.

**COMPLETION PERIOD, CONTRACT  
PERIOD AND COMPLETION OF  
CONTRACT:**

The Completion Period of Service and Contract Period shall be as mentioned in Special Conditions of Contract.

- 2.30.2 Unless terminated under the provisions of any other relevant clause, this Contract shall be deemed to have been completed at the expiration of the Defect Liability Period as provided for under the Contract.

**2.31 INDEPENDENT CAPACITY**

- 2.31.1 The parties intend that an independent Service Provider relationship will be created by this Contract. The Service Provider and his/her employees or agents performing under this Contract are not employees or agents of the Employer. The Service Provider will neither hold himself/herself out as nor claim to be an officer or employee of the Employer by reasons hereof, nor will the Service Provider make any claim of right, privilege or benefit that would accrue to such employee under



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law. Conduct and control of work will be solely with the Service Provider.

**2.32 NOTICE**

2.32.1 TO THE SERVICE PROVIDER: Any notice to be given to the Service Provider or his duly authorised representative at the job Site under the terms of the Contract may be served by the Employer by facsimile / e-mail or through registered post/Courier at the address/contact information furnished by the Service Provider. Proof of issue of any such notice could be conclusive of the Service Provider having been duly informed of all contents therein.

2.32.2 TO THE EMPLOYER: Any notice to be given to the EIC of the Employer under the terms of the Contract may be served by the Service Provider, by facsimile / e-mail or delivering the same through registered post /Courier at the concerned site office.

2.32.3 Either party may change a nominated address to another address in the country where the Services are being provided by prior notice to the other party, with a copy to EIC and the EIC may do so by prior notice to both the parties. The decision of EIC in this regard shall be final and binding on the parties.

**2.33 CONFIDENTIALITY:**

The Service Provider, it's Sub-Service Provider and their personnel shall not, either during the term or within two (2) years after the expiration of this Contract, disclose any proprietary or confidential information related to Service/project, this Contract, or Employer's business or operations without the prior written consent of the Employer.

**2.34 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT:**

The Service Provider shall retain the copy right and other intellectual property rights in the Service Provider's document and other design documents made by (or on behalf of) the Service Provider.

Subject to the confidentiality obligations, by signing the Contract, within the Contract Price, the Service Provider shall be deemed to give to the Employer a non-terminable, transferable, non-exclusive and royalty-free right to copy, use and communicate the Service Provider's documents for the operation, maintenance, repair of the Service and Statutory purposes, but not for any other purpose. Such documents of the Service Provider shall not be used, copied or communicated to a

third party by or on behalf of the Employer for the purposes other than those permitted, without the Service Provider's Consent.

**SECTION - III**

**3.0 PERFORMANCE OF SERVICE**

**3.1 EXECUTION OF SERVICES:**


3.1.1 All Services shall be provided in strict conformity with the provisions of the Contract Documents and with such explanatory detailed specification and instruction as may be furnished from time to time to the Service Provider by EIC. The Service Provider shall undertake to perform all Services under this Contract with all reasonable skill, diligence and care in accordance with sound industry practice or international / national standards, wherever applicable (as the case may be) to the satisfaction of the Employer and accept full responsibility for the satisfactory quality of such services as performed by them.

**3.2 CHANGES IN SERVICES:**


3.2.1 During the performance of the Services, EIC / Employer may make a change in the Services within the general scope of this Contract including, but not limited to, changes in methodology and minor additions to or deletions from the Services and Service Provider shall render the service as changed. Changes of this nature will be affected by a written order (i.e. Amendment) by the Employer. The time of completion of the said job may be extended for the part of the particular job at the discretion of Engineer-In-Charge, for only such alterations or substitutions of the Services, as he may consider just and reasonable.

3.2.2 If any change result in an increase in compensation payable to Service Provider or in terms of a credit to be passed on to Employer, Service Provider shall submit to EIC an estimate of the amount of such compensation or credit in a form prescribed by Employer. Such estimates shall be based on the rates shown in the Schedule of Rates. Upon review of Service Provider's estimate, Employer shall establish and set forth in the written order the amount of the compensation or credit for the change or a basis for determining a reasonable compensation or credit for the change.

**3.3 ACTION AND COMPENSATION IN CASE OF POOR SERVICE:**

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- 3.3.1 If it shall appear to the EIC that any service has been rendered with unsound, imperfect or unskilled way, or with materials /manpower of any inferior description, or that any materials / manpower provided by the Service Provider for the execution of the Service are unsound, or of a quality inferior to that Contracted for, or otherwise not in accordance with the Contract, the Service Provider shall on demand in writing from the EIC or his authorized representative specifying the Service, materials or manpower complained of notwithstanding that the same may have been inadvertently passed, certified and paid for, forthwith rectify the service so specified and at his own cost and in the event of failure to do so within the period specified by the EIC in his demand aforesaid, the Service Provider shall be liable to pay compensation at the rate of 1 % (One percent) of the estimated cost of the whole Service, for every week limited to a maximum of 10% (ten percent) of the value of the whole Service, in event of his failure to do so the EIC may on expiry of notice period rectify/re-execute the Service as the case may be at the risk and expense in all respects of the Service Provider or may terminate the contract due to non-performance. The decision of the EIC as to any question arising under this clause shall be final and conclusive.
- 3.4 SUSPENSION OF SERVICES:**
- 3.4.1 Subject to the provisions of sub-para 3.4.2 of this clause, the Service Provider shall, if ordered in writing by the EIC, temporarily suspend the Services or any part thereof for such written order and not proceed with the Service therein ordered to be suspended until, he shall have received a written order to proceed therewith. The Service Provider shall not be entitled to claim compensation for any loss or damage sustained by him by reason of temporary suspension of the Services aforesaid. An extension of time for completion, corresponding with the delay caused by any such suspension of the Services as aforesaid will be granted to the Service Provider should he apply for the same provided that the suspension was not consequent to any default or failure on the part of the Service Provider.
- 3.4.2 In case of suspensions of entire Service, ordered in writing by EIC, for a period of more than two months, the Service Provider shall have the option to terminate the Contract.
- 3.5 DEFECTS LIABILITY PERIOD:**
- 3.5.1 The Service Provider unless otherwise specified elsewhere in the tender document shall guarantee the installation/Service for a period of 12 months from the date of completion of Service mentioned in the Completion Certificate issued by the EIC. Any damage or defect that may arise or lie undiscovered at the time of issue of Completion Certificate, connected in any way with the equipment or materials supplied by him or in the workmanship, shall be rectified or replaced by the Service Provider at his own expense as deemed necessary by the EIC. In case of default, the EIC may carry out such services by other service provider(s) and deduct actual cost incurred towards labour, supervision and materials consumables or otherwise plus 15% towards overheads from any sums that may then be or at any time thereafter, become due to the Service Provider or from his Contract Performance Security, or the proceeds of sale thereof or a sufficient part on thereof. The decision of EIC in this regard shall be final and binding.
- 3.5.2 If the Service Provider feels that any variation in Service or in quality of materials or proportions would be beneficial or necessary to fulfill the guarantees called for, he shall bring this to the notice of the EIC in writing. If during the period of liability any portion of the Service/Equipment, is found defective and is rectified/ replaced, the period of liability of 12 months for such equipment/ portion of Service shall be operative from the date such rectification/ replacement are carried out and Contract Performance Guarantee shall be furnished separately for the extended period of liability for that portion of Service/ Equipment only. However, in no such case extension will exceed 24 months from the date of initial DLP. Notwithstanding the above provisions the supplier's, guarantees/warranties for the replaced/rectified Equipment/Service shall also be passed on to the Employer.
- 3.6 COMPLETION CERTIFICATE:**
- 3.6.1 APPLICATION FOR COMPLETION CERTIFICATE: When the Service Provider fulfills his obligation under the Contract he shall be eligible to apply for Completion Certificate. The EIC shall normally issue to the Service Provider the Completion Certificate within one month after receiving any application thereof from the Service Provider after verifying from the completion documents and satisfying himself that the Service has been rendered in accordance with and as set out in the Contract Documents. The Service Provider,

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after obtaining the Completion Certificate, is eligible to present the final bill for the Service executed by him under the terms of Contract.

Completion of jobs/services for issuance of completion certificate shall constitute completion of jobs/ services as per provisions of LOA/Contract duly accepted and certified by EIC.

**3.6.2 COMPLETION CERTIFICATE:** Within one month from receipt of application from Service Provider after the completion of the Service in all respects as specified above at clause no. 3.6.1, the Service Provider shall be furnished with a certificate by the EIC of such completion, but no certificate shall be given nor shall the Service be deemed to have been rendered until all scaffolding, Equipment(s) & machine(s), surplus materials and rubbish brought for/ generated during execution of service is cleared off the Site completely. EIC's certification about completion of service in all aspects shall be binding and conclusive.

**3.6.3 COMPLETION CERTIFICATE DOCUMENTS:** For the purpose of Completion, the following documents will be deemed to form the completion documents:

- i) The technical documents according to which the Service was carried out.
- ii) Material appropriation, Statement for the materials issued by the Employer for the Service and list of surplus materials returned to the Employer's store duly supported by necessary documents

**3.6.4 EXECUTION CERTIFICATE:** Execution Certificate against Rate/ Maintenance contract shall be issued by EIC against written request from Service Provider.

**3.7 FINAL DECISION & FINAL CERTIFICATE:**

**3.7.1** Upon expiry of the period of liability and subject to the Engineer-in-Charge being satisfied that the Service Provider has in all respect duly made-up any shortfall and performed all his obligations under the Contract, the Engineer-in- Charge shall (without prejudice to the rights of the Employer to retain the provisions of relevant Clause hereof) otherwise give a certificate herein referred to as the Final Certificate to that effect. The Service Provider shall not be considered to have fulfilled the whole of his obligations under Contract until Final Certificate shall have been given by the Engineer-In- Charge.

### **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

**3.8.1** Notwithstanding anything contrary contained herein, the aggregate total liability of Service Provider to Employer under the Contract shall not exceed the Total Contract Value, except that this clause shall not limit the liability of the Service Provider for following:

- (a) In the event of breach of any Applicable Law;
- (b) In the event of fraud, willful misconduct or illegal or unlawful acts, or gross Negligence of the Service Provider or any person acting on behalf of the Service Provider; or
- (c) In the event of acts or omissions of the Service Provider which are contrary to the most elementary rules of diligence which a conscientious Service Provider would have followed in similar circumstances; or
- (d) In the event of any claim or loss or damage arising out of infringement of Intellectual Property; or
- (e) For any damage to any third party, including death or injury of any third party caused by the Service Provider or any person or firm acting on behalf of the Service Provider in executing the Works/Services.


However, neither party shall be liable to the other Party for any indirect nor consequential loss or damage like loss of use, loss of profit, loss of production or business interruption which is connected with any claim arising under the Contract.

### **3.9 INDEMNITY:**

**3.9.1** If any action is brought before a Court, Tribunal or any other Authority against the Employer or an officer or agent of the Employer, for the failure, omission or neglect on the part of the Service Provider to perform any acts, matters, covenants or things under the Contract, or damage or injury caused by the alleged omission or negligence on the part of the Service Provider, his agents, representatives or his Sub- Service Provider's, or in connection with any claim based on lawful demands of Sub-Service Provider's servicemen suppliers or employees, the Service Provider, shall in such cases indemnify and keep the Employer and/or their representatives harmless from all losses, damages, expenses or decrees arising out of such action.

### **SECTION – IV**

### **4.0 PAYMENT, INSURANCE AND TAXES**

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#### **4.1 DEDUCTION FROM THE CONTRACT PRICE:**

- 4.1.1 All costs, damages or expenses which Employer may have paid or incurred, which under the provisions of the Contract, the Service Provider is liable to pay to the Employer. All such claims shall be claimed by the Employer from the Service Provider regularly as and when they fall due. Such claims shall be paid by the Service Provider within 15 (fifteen) days of the receipt of the corresponding bills/ claims and if not paid by the Service Provider within the said period, the Employer may, then, deduct the amount from any immediate moneys due to the Service Provider like R.A Bills, Final Bills, Contract Performance Security or any payment becoming due to the Service Provider under the Contract or may be recovered by actions of law or otherwise, if the Service Provider fails to satisfy the Employer of such claims.

#### **4.2 SCHEDULE OF RATES AND PAYMENTS:**

##### **4.2.1 SERVICE PROVIDER'S REMUNERATION:**

The price to be paid by the Employer to Service Provider for the whole of the Service to be done and for the performance of all the obligations undertaken by the Service Provider under the Contract Documents shall be ascertained by the application of the respective Schedule of Rates (the inclusive nature of which is more particularly defined by way of application but not of limitation, with the succeeding sub-clause of this clause) and payment to be made accordingly for the Services actually executed and approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. The sum so ascertained shall (except only as and to the extent expressly provided herein) constitute the sole and inclusive remuneration of the Service Provider under the Contract and no further or other payment whatsoever shall be or become due or payable to the Service Provider under the Contract.

##### **4.2.2 SCHEDULE OF RATES TO BE INCLUSIVE:**

The prices/rates quoted by the Service Provider shall remain firm till the issue of Final Certificate and shall not be subject to escalation. Schedule of Rates shall be deemed to include and cover all costs, expenses and liabilities of every description and all risks of every kind to be taken in rendering the services to the Employer by the Service Provider. The Service Provider shall be deemed to have known the nature, scope, magnitude and the

extent of the service though the Contract Document may not fully and precisely furnish/specify them. The Tenderer shall deemed to include the requisite services as may be required to complete the Services properly including remedying of any defect therein.

##### **4.2.3 SCHEDULE OF RATES TO COVER CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENTS, MATERIALS, LABOUR ETC.:**


Without in any way limiting the provisions of the preceding sub-clause the Schedule of Rates shall be deemed to include and cover the cost of all construction equipment, temporary work (except as provided for herein), pumps, materials, labour, insurance, fuel, consumables, stores & appliances and such other items / equipments / materials as required for carrying out the services by the Service Provider and all other matters in connection with each item in the Schedule of Rates and the execution of the Service or any portion thereof finished, complete in every respect and maintained as shown or described in the Contract Documents or as may be ordered in writing during the continuance of the Contract.

##### **4.2.4 SCHEDULE OF RATES TO COVER ROYALTIES, RENTS AND CLAIMS:**

The Schedule of Rates (i.e., Value of Contract) shall be deemed to include and cover the cost of all royalties and fees for the articles and processes, protected by letters, patent or otherwise incorporated in or used in connection with the Service, also all royalties, rents and other payments in connection with obtaining materials of whatsoever kind for the Service and shall include an indemnity to the Employer which the Service Provider hereby gives against all actions, proceedings, claims, damages, costs and expenses arising from the incorporation in or use in the Service of any such articles, processes or materials, octroi or other municipal or local Board Charges, if levied on materials, equipment or machineries to be brought to site for use for Services shall be borne by the Service Provider.

##### **4.2.5 SCHEDULE OF RATES TO COVER TAXES AND DUTIES:**

No exemption or reduction of Customs Duties, GST, Works Contract Tax or any port dues, transport charges, stamp duties or Central or State Government or local Body or Municipal Taxes or duties, taxes or charges (from or of any other body),

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entry tax, whatsoever, will be granted or obtained, all of which expenses shall be deemed to be included in and covered by the Schedule of Rates, unless mentioned specifically elsewhere in the Tender Document. The Service Provider shall also obtain and pay for all permits/licenses or other privileges necessary to complete the Service.

#### 4.2.6 SCHEDULE OF RATES TO COVER RISKS OF DELAY:

The Schedule of Rates shall be deemed to include and cover the risk of all possibilities of delay and interference with the Service Provider's conduct/performance of Services which occurs from any causes including orders of the Employer in the exercise of his power and on account of extension of time granted due to various reasons and for all other possible or probable causes of delay.

#### 4.2.7 SCHEDULE OF RATES CANNOT BE ALTERED:

For Service under unit rate basis, no alteration will be allowed in the Schedule of Rates by reason of services or any part of them being modified, altered, extended, diminished or committed. The Schedule of Rates are fully inclusive of rates which have been fixed by the Service Provider and agreed to by the Employer and cannot be altered. For lumpsum Contracts, the payment will be made according to the Service actually carried out, for which purpose an item wise, or work wise Schedule of Rates shall be furnished, suitable for evaluating the value of Service provided and preparing running account bill. Payment for any additional Service which is not covered in the Schedule of Rates shall only be released on issuance of Amendment to LOA/Contract by the Employer.

### 4.3 PROCEDURE FOR BILLING OF SERVICES:

#### 4.3.1 BILLING PROCEDURE:

Following procedures shall be adopted for billing of services executed by the Service Provider.

- 4.3.1.1 The Bill(s) complete in all respect with details and enclosure(s) is to be submitted by Service Provider in line with terms of the Contract. Employer shall make all endeavour to release payments of undisputed amount of the bills submitted within 15 (Fifteen) days from the date of certification by the Engineer-in-Charge.

- 4.3.1.2 **COMPUTERISED BILLING SYSTEM:**  
Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) has introduced

Computerised Billing System whereby whenever the Bill(s) are submitted in BGL by a Service Provider, a receipt number is usually generated. The Service Provider may also know the status of the Bill through BGL's website.

#### 4.3.2 MODE OF MEASUREMENT:

The payment shall be made based on the mode of measurement as specified in the Contract. Otherwise, the mode of measurement shall be adopted as per latest Indian Standard Specifications.

### NOTICE OF CLAIMS FOR ADDITIONAL PAYMENTS:

- 4.4.1 Should the Service Provider consider that he is entitled to any extra payment for any extra/additional Job(s)/Service(s) or material change in original Specifications carried out by him in respect of job, he shall forthwith give notice in writing to the Engineer-in-Charge that he claims extra payment. Such notice shall be given to the Engineer-in-Charge upon which Service Provider bases such claims and such notice shall contain full particulars of the nature of such claim with full details of amount claimed. Irrespective of any provision in the Contract to the contrary, the Service Provider must intimate his intention to lodge claim on the Employer within 10 (ten) days of the commencement of happening of the event and quantify the claim within 30 (thirty) days, failing which the Service Provider will lose his right to claim any compensation/reimbursement/damages etc.. Failure on the part of Service Provider to put forward any claim without the necessary particulars as above within the time above specified shall be an absolute waiver thereof. No omission by Employer to reject any such claim and no delay in dealing therewith shall be waiver by Employer of any of these rights in respect thereof.

- 4.4.2 Engineer-in-Charge shall review such claims within a reasonable period of time and cause to discharge these in a manner considered appropriate after due deliberations thereon. However, Service Provider shall be obliged to carry on with the Jobs/services during the period in which his claims are under consideration by the Employer, irrespective of the outcome of such claims, where additional payments for Services considered extra are justifiable in accordance with the Contract provisions, Employer shall arrange to release the same in the same manner as for normal job payments. Such of the



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extra services so admitted by Employer shall be governed by all the terms, conditions, stipulations and specifications as are applicable for the Contract. The rates for extra services shall generally be the unit rates provided for in the Contract. In the event unit rates for extra services so executed are not available as per Contract, payments may either be released on day work basis for which daily/hourly rates for workmen and hourly rates for equipment rental shall apply, or on the unit rate for Services executed shall be derived by interpolation/extrapolation of unit rates already existing in the Contract. In all the matters pertaining to applicability of rate and admittance of otherwise of an extra service claim(s) of Service Provider, the decision of Engineer-in-Charge shall be final and binding on the Service Provider.

**4.5 INSURANCE:**

4.5.1 Service Provider shall, at his own expense, arrange appropriate insurance to cover all risks assumed by the Service Provider under this Contract in respect of its personnel deputed under this Contract as well as Service Provider's equipment, tools and any other belongings of the Service Provider or their personnel during the entire period of their engagement in connection with this Contract. Employer will have no liability on this account. The Personnel covered must be covered to meet the liability under Employee Compensation Act.

4.5.2 The provisions of this Clause shall in no way limit the liability of the Service Provider under the Contract.

4.5.3 If the Service Provider neglects, fails, or refuses to obtain or maintain insurances required to be effected, or fails to provide certification etc., the Employer has the right to procure and maintain policies at Service Provider's expense plus administrative cost of 10% of the amount of Insurance premium.

**4.5.4 INSURANCE TYPES:**

Service Provider shall at all time during the currency of the Contract provide, pay for and maintain the following insurance amongst others:

- a. Employee Compensation and Employer's common law liability insurance covering liability to employees of the Service Provider under the laws of their place or employment or place or injury, arising out of injury sustained in connection with any

of the services. This insurance will be extended where submitted by law, to indemnify the Employer against any statutory liability which it may incur towards injured employees of the Service Provider. A proof of the same should be submitted to EIC for liability in line with Employees Compensation Act.

- b. General Public Liability Insurance covering liabilities including contractual liability for bodily injury, including death of persons, and liabilities for damage of property. This insurance must cover all operations of Service Provider required to fulfill the provisions under this Contract.

- c. Service Provider's Equipment/Materials/Goods used for execution of the work hereunder shall have an insurance cover with a suitable limit (as per international standards).

- d. Automobile Public Liability Insurance covering owned, non-owned and hired automobiles used in the performance of the work hereunder, with bodily injury limits and property damage limits as governed by Indian Insurance regulations.

- e. Public Liability Insurance as required under Public Liability Insurance Act 1991.


Service Provider shall obtain additional insurance or revise the limits of existing insurance as per Employer's request in which case additional cost shall be to Service Provider's account.

Further, the Service Provider shall ensure the adequacy of Insurance at all time in accordance with the nature of the Service(s), terms of the Contract and Statutory requirements.

**4.5.5 CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE:**

Before commencing performance of the services, Service Provider shall on request furnish EIC/Employer with certificates of insurance indicating:

- i) type and amounts of insurance as required herein;
- ii) insurance company or companies carrying the aforesaid coverage;
- iii) effective and expiry dates of policies;

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- iv) that the Employer may give advance notice for any material change in the policy. waiver of subrogation endorsement has been attached to all policies; and
- v) the territorial limits of all policies.
- 4.5.7 If any of the above policies expire or are cancelled during the terms of the service, and Service Provider fails for any reason to renew such policies, the Employer may replace same and recover the charges towards premium plus administrative charges from Service Provider. Should there be a lapse in any insurance required to be carried out by the Service Provider hereunder for any reason, losses & penalty, if any resulting there from shall be to the sole account of the Service Provider.
- 4.5.8 Service Provider shall require all its Sub-Service Providers to provide such foregoing insurance cover as the Service Provider is obligated to provide under the Contract.
- 4.5.9 **WAIVER OF SUBROGATION:** All insurance policies of the Service Provider with respect to the operations conducted hereunder, shall be endorsed by the underwriter in accordance with the following policy wording:“ The insurers hereby waive their rights of subrogation against any individual, Employer, affiliates or assignees for whom or with whom the assured may be operating to the extent of the Contractual indemnities undertaken by the Service Provider”.
- 4.5.10 Deductible: That portion of any loss not covered by insurance provided for in this article solely by reason of deductible provision in such insurance policies shall be to the account of the Service Provider.
- 4.6 **TAXES AND DUTIES:**
- 4.6.1 The Service Provider, unless specified otherwise elsewhere in the Contract agrees to and does hereby accept full and exclusive liability for the payment of any and all Taxes, Duties, including GST now or hereafter imposed, increased, modified from time to time in respect of Services and materials and all contributions and taxes for unemployment compensation, insurance and old age pensions or annuities now or hereafter imposed by any Central or State Government authorities which are imposed with respect to or covered by the wages, salaries, or other compensations paid to the persons employed by the Service Provider and the Service Provider shall be responsible for the compliance of all Sub-Service Providers, with all applicable Central, State, Municipal and local law and regulation and requirement of any Central, State or local Government agency or authority. Service Provider further agrees to defend, indemnify and hold Employer harmless from any liability or penalty which may be imposed by the Central, State or Local authorities by reason or any violation by Service Provider or Sub- Sub-Service Provider of such laws, suits or proceedings that may be brought against the Employer arising under, growing out of, or by reason of the service provided for by this Contract, by third parties, or by Central or State Government authority or any administrative subdivision thereof. Tax deductions will be made as per the rules and regulations in force in accordance with acts prevailing from time to time.
- 4.6.2 Service Provider shall ensure timely submission of correct invoice(s) with all required supporting document(s) as per Contract within a period specified in Contracts to enable Employer to avail Input Tax Credit.
- If Input Tax credit with respect to GST is not available to Employer for any reason which is not attributable to Employer, then Employer shall not be obligated or liable to pay or reimburse GST charged in the invoice(s) and shall be entitled to / deduct/ setoff /recover the such GST together with all penalties and interest if any, against any amounts paid or payable by Employer to Service Provider.
- 4.6.3 Where Employer has the obligation to discharge tax liability under reverse charge mechanism and Employer has paid or is /liable to pay GST to the Government on which interest or penalties becomes payable as per rules (as amended from time to time) for any reason which is not attributable to Employer or Input Tax credit with respect to such payments is not available to Employer for any reason which is not attributable to Employer, then Employer shall be entitled to deduct/ setoff / recover such amounts against any amounts paid or payable by Employer to Service Provider.
- 4.7 **INCOME TAX:**
- 4.7.1 Income Tax deduction shall be made from all payments of the Service Provider as per rules and regulation in force in accordance with the Income Tax Act prevailing from time to time. As per the provisions of the income Tax Act, 1961, Permanent Account No. (PAN) is compulsorily required to be mentioned in Tax Deduction at Source (TDS) certificate issued to the payee. Therefore, the bidder



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must submit the details of PAN / the copy of application filed for allotment of PAN (if PAN no. not available) to EIC immediately on receipt of FOA/Contract Document, failing which, TDS will be applied as per applicable law and TDS certificate will not be issued. Therefore, in case the Service Provider does not furnish PAN, EMPLOYER shall deduct at source as provided in the Income Tax Act 1961, or in the relevant Finance Act, or as directed in the orders u/s 195(3) or 197 or 195(2), as the case may be, or at such higher rate as may be required by Section 206AA of Income Tax Act 1961, from time to time.

- 4.7.2 In case of foreign bidder, the Service Provider must apply through the local embassy / consulate of India for obtaining PAN card. In case, foreign Service Provider don't have the PAN, then amount will be deducted and deposited as per law and TDS certificate will also not be provided. Further, such Service Provider shall comply all other provisions mentioned elsewhere in the Tender Document related to making remittances to non-residents including Permanent Establishment, Tax Residency Certificate (TRC) if non-resident desire to avail benefits available under Double Tax Avoidance Agreement (DTAA), Withholding Tax etc., as per Income Tax Act, 1961 (as amended from time to time).

**4.8 STATUTORY VARIATIONS:**

- 4.8.1 All duties, taxes (except where otherwise expressly provided in the Contract) as may be levied / imposed in consequences of execution of the Jobs/Services or in relation thereto or in connection therewith as per the Acts, Laws, Rules, Regulations in force on the due date of submission of Bid for this Contract shall be to Service Provider's account. Any increase / decrease in such duties, taxes after the due date of submission of bid but within the Contractual completion date as stipulated in the Contract will be to the account of Employer subject to submission of documentary proof to the satisfaction of Employer.
- 4.8.2 Any increase in the duties and taxes after the Contractual completion period will be to the Service Provider's account, where delay in completion /mobilization period is attributable to the Service Provider and the taxes & duties are not cenvatable (i.e. Input Tax Credit (ITC) not available). In case of applicability of ITC / cenvatable taxes & duties, payment shall be made as per the prevailing rates during the currency of the Contract. However, any benefit of decrease in

duties and taxes after the Contractual completion will be passed on to the Employer.

4.8.3 In the event of introduction of any new legislation or any change or amendment or enforcement of any Act or Law, rules or regulations of Government of India or State Government(s) or Public Body which becomes effective after the due date of submission of Bid for this Contract but within the Contractual completion period (including extended period allowed due to reasons attributed to Employer) and which results in increased cost of the jobs/services under the Contract through increased liability of taxes, (other than personnel and Corporate taxes), duties, the Service Provider shall be indemnified for any such increased cost by the Employer subject to the production of documentary proof to the satisfaction of the Employer to the extent which directly is attributable to such introduction of new legislation or change or amendment as mentioned above and adjudication by the competent authority & the courts wherever levy of such taxes / duties are disputed by Employer.

4.8.4 Similarly, in the event of introduction of new legislation or any change or amendment or enforcement of any Act or Law, rules or regulations of Government of India or State Government(s) or Public Body which becomes effective after the due date of submission of Bid for this Contract and which results in any decrease in the cost of the services/ jobs through reduced liability of taxes, (other than personnel and Corporate taxes) duties, the Service Provider shall pass on the benefits of such reduced cost, taxes or duties to the Employer, to the extent which is directly attributable to such introduction of new legislation or change or amendment as mentioned above.

**DAMAGES TO PROPERTY, ANY PERSON AND THIRD PARTY**

- i) Service Provider shall be responsible for making good to the satisfaction of the Employer any loss or any damage to structures and properties belonging to the Employer or being executed or procured or being procured by the Employer or of other agencies within in the premises of the Employer, if such loss or damage is due to fault and/or the Negligence or Willful Misconduct or omission of the Service Provider, his employees, agents, representatives or Sub-Service Providers.
- ii) The Service Provider shall take sufficient care in moving his equipments and



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materials from one place to another so that they do not cause any damage to any person or to the property of the Employer or any third party including overhead and underground cables and in the event of any damage resulting to the property of the Employer or of a third party during the movement of the aforesaid equipment or materials the cost of such damages including eventual loss of production, operation or services in any plant or establishment as estimated by the Employer or ascertained or demanded by the third party shall be borne by the Service Provider. Third party liability risk shall be Rupees One lakh for single accident and limited to Rupees Ten lakhs.

- iii) The Service Provider shall indemnify and keep the Employer harmless of all claims for damages to property other than Employer's property arising under or by reason of this agreement, if such claims result from the fault and/or Negligence or Willful Misconduct or omission of the Service Provider, his employees, agents, representative of Sub-Service Provider.

**SECTION – V**

**5.0 LAWS, HEALTH, SAFETY &  
ENVIRONMENT**

**5.1 LABOUR LAWS:**

- i) No labour below the age of 18 (eighteen) years shall be employed on the Job.
- ii) The Service Provider shall not pay less than what is provided under law to labourers engaged by him on the Job.
- iii) The Service Provider shall at his expense comply with all labour laws and keep the Employer indemnified in respect thereof.
- iv) The Service Provider shall pay equal wages for men and women in accordance with applicable labour laws.
- v) If the Service Provider is covered under the Contract labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, he shall obtain a license from licensing authority (i.e. office of the labour commissioner) by payment of necessary prescribed fee and the deposit, if

any, before starting the Job under the Contract. Such fee/deposit shall be borne by the Service Provider.

- vi) The Service Provider shall employ labour in sufficient numbers either directly or through Sub- Service Provider's to maintain the required rate of progress and of quality to ensure workmanship of the degree specified in the Contract while also ensuring that workman is not stressed due to long hour of working and to the satisfaction of the EIC.

- vii) The Service Provider shall furnish to the EIC the distribution return of the number and description, by trades of the service people employed on the services. The Service Provider shall also submit on the 4th and 19th of every month to the EIC a true statement showing in respect of the second half of the preceding month and the first half of the current month (1) the accidents that occurred during the said fortnight showing the circumstances under which they happened and the extent of damage and injury caused by them and (2) the number of female workers who have been allowed Maternity Benefit as provided in the Maternity Benefit Act 1961 on Rules made thereunder and the amount paid to them.

- viii) The Service Provider shall comply with the provisions of the payment of Wage Act 1936, Employee Provident Fund Act 1952, Minimum Wages Act 1948. Employers Liability Act 1938. Servicemen's Compensation Act 1923, Industrial Disputes Act 1947, the Maternity Benefit Act 1961 and Contract Labour Regulation and Abolition Act 1970, Employment of Children Act 1938 or any modifications thereof or any other law relating thereto and rules made thereunder from time to time.

- ix) The EIC shall on a report having been made by an Inspecting Officer as defined in Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act 1970 have the power to deduct from the money due to the Service Provider any sum required or estimated to be required for making good the loss suffered by a worker or workers by reason of non- fulfilment of the Conditions of the



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Contract for the benefit of workers, non-payment of wages or of deductions made from his or their wages which are not justified by the terms of the Contract or non-observance of the said regulations.

- x) The Service Provider shall indemnify the Employer against any payments to be made under and for the observance of the provisions of the aforesaid Acts without prejudice to his right to obtain indemnity from his Sub-Service Provider's. In the event of the Service Provider committing a default or breach of any of the provisions of the aforesaid Acts as amended from time to time, of furnishing any information or submitting or filling and Form/ Register/ Slip under the provisions of these Acts which is materially incorrect then on the report of the inspecting Officers, the Service Provider shall without prejudice to any other liability pay to the Employer a sum not exceeding Rs.10000.00 as Liquidated Damages for every default, breach or furnishing, making, submitting, filling materially incorrect statement as may be fixed by the EIC and in the event of the Service Provider's default continuing in this respect, the Liquidated Damages may be enhanced to Rs.5000.00 per day for each day of default subject to a maximum of one percent of the estimated cost of the Services put to the Contract. The EIC shall deduct such amount from bills or Contract Performance Security of the Service Provider and credit the same to the Welfare Fund constitute under these acts. The decision of the EIC in this respect shall be final and binding.

**5.2 SAFETY REGULATIONS:**

- i) In respect of all labour, directly employed in the Service for the performance of Service Provider's part of this agreement, the Service Provider shall at his own expense arrange for all the safety provisions as per safety codes of C.P.W.D., Indian Standards Institution. The Electricity Act, The Mines Act and such other acts as applicable.
- ii) The Service Provider shall observe and abide by all fire and safety regulations of the Employer. Before starting service, Service Provider shall consult with

Employer's safety Engineers or EIC and must make good to the satisfaction of the Employer any loss or damage due to fire to any portion of the service done or to be done under this agreement or to any of the Employer's existing property.

**FIRST AID AND INDUSTRIAL INJURIES:**

- i) Service Provider shall maintain first aid facilities for its employees and those of its Sub-Service Provider.
- ii) Service Provider shall make outside arrangements for ambulance service and for the treatment of industrial injuries. Names of those providing these services shall be furnished to Employer prior to start and their telephone numbers shall be prominently posted in Service Provider's field office.
- iii) All critical industrial injuries shall be reported promptly to Employer, and a copy of Service Provider's report covering each personal injury requiring the attention of a physician shall be furnished to the Employer.

**GENERAL RULES:**

- Smoking within the battery area, tank farm, dock limits or any such area identified by EIC or mentioned in SCC or any guideline, is strictly prohibited. Violators of the no smoking rules shall be discharged immediately after imposing the applicable penalty(ies). Decision of EIC in the matter shall be final and binding on the Service Provider.

**5.5 CARE IN HANDLING INFLAMMABLE GAS:**

- The Service Provider has to ensure all precautionary measures and exercise utmost care in handling the inflammable gas cylinder/inflammable liquids/paints etc. as required under the law and/or as advised by the fire Authorities of the Employer.

**PRESERVATION OF PLACE:**

- The Service Provider shall take requisite precautions and use his best endeavors to prevent any riotous or unlawful behavior by or amongst his worker / personnel employed for the services and for the preservation of peace and protection of the inhabitants and security of property in the



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neighborhood of the Site. In the event of the Employer requiring the maintenance of a Special Police Force at or in the vicinity of the site during the tenure of services, the expenses thereof shall be borne by the Service Provider and if paid by the Employer shall be recoverable from the Service Provider.

**5.7 ENVIRONMENT:**

- 5.7.1 Employer acknowledges their commitment to conduct their respective operations in a manner which not only complies with all relevant environmental protection and pollution control legislation but also such operations do not cause environmental damage or pollution and in a manner which acknowledges other cultural and associated considerations. In recognition of this commitment, the Service Provider shall perform the services in such a way as to avoid or minimize environmental damage or pollution and fully recognize the special aspects of the environment as communicated by Employer or as applicable. Service Provider shall comply with, and the Service Provider shall ensure compliance with all applicable environmental protection and pollution control legislation as it relates to the services.
- 5.7.2 In the furtherance of any laws, regulations and rules promulgated by the Government of India, Service Provider shall:
- Employ good international oil & gas industry practices, including as required, advanced techniques, practices and methods of operation for the prevention of environmental damage in conducting the job;
  - Take necessary and adequate steps to prevent environmental damage and, where some adverse impact on the environment is unavoidable, minimize such damage and the consequential effects thereof of property and people; and
  - Adhere to the guidelines, limitations or restrictions, if any, imposed by the environmental clearance as applicable.
- 5.7.3 If during the Service Provider's performance of the services, the Employer is of the opinion that the Service Provider is either not conducting the services in strict compliance with this Contract or is conducting the services in such a way as to endanger the environment or in such a way as to risk being in breach of any environmental

protection or pollution control legislation, then the Employer shall notify the Service Provider in writing of the conduct involved and the Service Provider shall initiate corrective action to the reasonable satisfaction of the Employer within twenty four (24) hours of the conduct so notified or as decided by EIC. Employer may, require Service Provider to discontinue the Service in whole or in part until Service Provider has taken such action.

5.7.4 The Service Provider shall notify the Employer as soon as reasonably practicable of any spillage or potential spillage of petroleum or any act of pollution or potentially polluting event. For each and any such event the Service Provider shall record the relevant information on the incident report form and shall deliver the completed form to the Employer forthwith.


5.7.5 After completion of the entire job as per this Contract and prior to Demobilization, Service Provider shall at its expense satisfactorily dispose off all rubbish, remove all temporary work, equipment and materials belonging to Service Provider and return to Employer warehouse all surplus spares and salvageable Employer supplied materials. Further, the Service Provider can take away the brought out Service Provider supplied surplus Material (i.e. Materials brought by the Service Provider for work/Services at site under Contract, not used by them for work/Services and leftover at the Site) subject to prior written consent of the EIC. The payment made, if any, towards such surplus Material will be recovered from the payment of Service Provider.

Service Provider shall leave the premises in a neat and safe condition. Service Provider shall be required to leave all, sites and surrounding area as it existed at the commencement of Contract.

5.7.6 Service Provider shall:

Ensure that the pertinent completed environmental impact studies including the Rapid Environmental Impact Assessment carried out by Employer are made available to its Personnel and to its Sub-Service Providers to develop adequate and proper awareness of the measures and methods of environmental protection to be used in carrying out the job;

Ensure and maintain at his own cost all lights, guards, fencing, warning signs and watching, when and where necessary or required by the EIC, for the

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protection of the Services or for the safety and convenience of the public or others.

Ensure that the Contracts entered into between Service Provider and its Sub Service Providers (if allowed) relating to the Services shall include the provisions stipulated herein;

- be responsible for the removal from the Site or for otherwise making safe in accordance with applicable Indian laws and directives any materials generated or released by Service Provider during its activities at the Site which are toxic or similarly hazardous to the health or safety of persons or to the environment;
- be liable for and shall indemnify, protect, defend and hold harmless Employer from and against any and all demands, claims, suits and causes of action and any and all liability, costs, expenses, settlements and judgments incurred in connection therewith (including court costs and attorney's fees incurred by Employer) arising out of such toxic or hazardous materials for which the Service Provider is responsible pursuant to this Clause.

## SECTION – VI

### 6.0 DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND ARBITRATION:

#### 6.1 DISPUTE RESOLUTION:

- 6.1.1 Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) has framed the Conciliation Rules 2010 in conformity with supplementary to Part – III of the Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 for speedier, cost effective and amicable settlement of disputes through conciliation. A copy of the said rules made available on BGL's web site [www.bglgas.com](http://www.bglgas.com) for reference. Unless otherwise specified, the matters where decision of the Engineer-in-Charge is deemed to be final and binding as provided in the Contract and the issues/disputes which cannot be mutually resolved within a reasonable time, all disputes shall be settled in accordance with the Conciliation Rules 2010.
- 6.1.2 Any dispute(s)/difference(s)/issue(s) of any kind whatsoever between/amongst the Parties arising under/out of/in connection with this Contract shall be settled in accordance with the aforesaid rules.
- 6.1.3 In case of any dispute(s)/difference(s)/issue(s), a Party shall notify the other Party (ies) in writing

about such a dispute(s) / difference(s) / issue(s) between / amongst the Parties and that such a Party wishes to refer the dispute(s)/ difference(s)/issue(s) to Conciliation. Such Invitation for Conciliation shall contain sufficient information as to the dispute(s)/difference(s)/issue(s) to enable the other Party (ies) to be fully informed as to the nature of the dispute(s)/ difference(s) /issue(s), the amount of monetary claim, if any, and apparent cause(s) of action.

6.1.4 Conciliation proceedings commence when the other Party(ies) accept(s) the invitation to conciliate and confirmed in writing. If the other Party (ies) reject(s) the invitation, there will be no conciliation proceedings.


6.1.5 If the Party initiating conciliation does not receive a reply within thirty days from the date on which he/she sends the invitation, or within such other period of time as specified in the invitation, he/she may elect to treat this as a rejection of the invitation to conciliate. If he/she so elects, he/she shall inform the other Party(ies) accordingly.

6.1.6 Where Invitation for Conciliation has been furnished, the Parties shall attempt to settle such dispute(s) amicably under Part-III of the Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 and Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) Conciliation Rules, 2010. It would be only after exhausting the option of Conciliation as an Alternate Dispute Resolution Mechanism that the Parties hereto shall go for Arbitration in terms of clause no. 6.2. For the purpose of this clause, the option of 'Conciliation' shall be deemed to have been exhausted, even in case of rejection of 'Conciliation' by any of the Parties.

6.1.7 The cost of Conciliation proceedings including but not limited to fees for Conciliator(s), Airfare, Local Transport, Accommodation, cost towards conference facility etc. shall be borne by the Parties in equal share.

6.1.8 The Parties shall freeze claim(s) of interest, if any, and shall not claim the same during the pendency of Conciliation proceedings. The Settlement Agreement, as and when reached/agreed upon, shall be signed between the Parties and Conciliation proceedings shall stand terminated on the date of the Settlement Agreement.

#### 6.2 ARBITRATION:

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6.2.1 If the issues/disputes which cannot be resolved through dispute resolution mechanism pursuant to clause no. 6.1, all disputes such shall be referred to arbitration by Sole Arbitrator. The Employer shall suggest a panel of three independent and distinguished persons to the /Service Provider to select any one among them to act as the Sole Arbitrator. In the event of failure of the other parties to select the Sole Arbitrator within 30 days from the receipt of the communication suggesting the panel of arbitrators, the right of selection of the sole arbitrator by the other party shall stand forfeited and the Employer shall have discretion to proceed with the appointment of the Sole Arbitrator. The decision of Employer on the appointment of the sole arbitrator shall be final and binding on the parties. The award of sole arbitrator shall be final and binding on the parties and unless directed/awarded otherwise by the sole arbitrator, the cost of arbitration proceedings shall be shared equally by the parties. The Arbitration proceedings shall be in English language and seat/venue shall be New Delhi, India. Subject to the above, the provisions of Indian Arbitration & Conciliation Act 1996 and the Rules and amendment thereof shall be applicable. All matter relating to this Contract are subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the court situated in the state of Delhi.

Contractor may please note that the Arbitration & Conciliation Act 1996 was enacted by the Indian Parliament and is based on United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL model law), which were prepared after extensive consultation with Arbitral Institutions and centers of International Commercial Arbitration. The United Nations General Assembly vide resolution 31/98 adopted the UNCITRAL Arbitration rules on 15 December 1976.

Notwithstanding anything contained contrary in GCC and other Contract Documents, in case it is found that the Bidder/Service Provider indulged in fraudulent/ coercive practices at the time of bidding or during execution of the contract as mentioned in "Procedure for action in case of Corrupt/ Fraudulent/ Collusive /Coersive Practices", the Service Provider / Bidder shall be banned (in terms of aforesaid procedure) from the date of issuance of such order for banning.

The Bidder/Service Provider understands and agrees that in such cases of banning, the decision of Employer shall be final and binding on such Bidder/Service Provider and the Arbitration Clause

mentioned in the GCC and other Contract Documents shall not be applicable for any issue /dispute arising in the matter.

6.2.2 SETTLEMENT OF COMMERCIAL DISPUTES BETWEEN PUBLIC SECTOR ENTERPRISE(S) INTER SE AND PUBLIC SECTOR ENTERPRISE(S) AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT (S) THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE MECHANISM FOR RESOLUTION OF CPSEs DISPUTES (AMRCD) IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES:

In the event of any dispute or difference relating to the interpretation and application of the provisions of commercial contract(s) between Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) inter se and also between CPSEs and Government Departments / Organizations (excluding disputes concerning Railways, Income Tax, Customs & Excise Departments), such dispute or difference shall be taken up by either party for resolution through AMRCD as mentioned in DPE OM No. 4(1)/2013-DPE (GM) / FTS-1835 dated 22.05.2018.

### 6.3 JURISDICTION:

6.3.1 The Contract shall be governed by and constructed according to the laws in force in India. The Service Provider hereby submits to the jurisdiction of the Courts situated at New Delhi/Delhi only for the purposes of disputes, actions and proceedings arising out of the Contract and it is agreed that the Courts at New Delhi/Delhi only will have the exclusive jurisdiction to hear and decide such disputes, actions and proceedings.

### 6.4 CONTINUANCE OF THE CONTRACT:

Notwithstanding the fact that settlement of dispute(s) (if any) may be pending, the parties hereto shall continue to be governed by and perform the Services in accordance with the provisions under this Contract.