

GUWAHATI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

LOCAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (CIVIL WORKS)

NAME OF WORK : Renovation of gas based cremation installed at Nabagraha, Silpukhuri, Assam

NAME OF ROAD :

PERIOD OF DOWNLOADING BID DOCUMENTS : **FROM 09/06/2021 TO 16/06/2021**

DATE & TIME FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS : **16/06/2021 UP TO 1400 HOURS**

TIME & DATE OF OPENNING OF BIDS : **16/06/2021 AT 1430 HOURS**

PLACE OF OPENNING OF BIDS : GUWAHATI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, (CONFERENCE HALL)
PANBAZAAR, GUWAHATI – 781001

OFFICER INVITING BIDS : COMMISSIONER, GMC,
GUWAHATI

INVITATION FOR BID
(IFB)

**SECTION 1: INSTRUCTIONS TO
BIDDERS (ITB)**



DETAILED INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)
LOCAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

1. The Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Guwahati invites bids from registered Guwahati Municipal Corporation Contractors for the works as detailed below.
2. Prices quoted should be net inclusive of all taxes, must be in Indian Rupees and shall remain valid for 90 (Ninety) days from the closing date of bid.
3. Details may be downloaded from the official website of GMC, www.gmc.assam.gov.in, with effect from **09/06/2021 to 16/06/2021**. Hard copies of the Bid Document will not be available for sale.
4. Bid must be accompanied by a security of the amount as specified in the Bid Document payable at Guwahati and drawn in favour of the Employer. Bid security will have to be in any of the form as specified in the bidding document and shall have to be valid for at least 45 days beyond the validity of bids. Bid must also accompany a non-refundable bid document fee as specified in the bidding documents in the form of Demand Draft/Banker's Cheque on any nationalized/schedule bank payable at Guwahati in favour of the Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation. Bids received without non-refundable document fee will be rejected.
5. Bid must be delivered to the tender box of the office of the Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Panbazar, Guwahati-781001 on or before 2.00 PM on **16/06/2021** and will be opened on the same date at 2.30 PM, in presence of the bidders who wish to attend or his authorized representative. If the office happens to be closed on the date of receipt of the bids as specified, the bids will be received and opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.
6. The Undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, and to cancel the Bidding process and reject all Bids, at any time prior to the award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder.
7. The whole tendering and evaluation process will be scrutinized and finalized by the tender Evaluation Committee, GMC and the decision taken by the committee will be binding on the bids.
8. Contractors whose work under GMC has been rescinded due to any reason or blacklisted by any other department or involved in legal litigation shall not be eligible for this bidding process.
9. Other details can be seen in the detailed bid document.
10. Name of the work mentioned as follows:

Sl no	Name of work	Estimated Amount	Bid Security		Cost of Bid Document	Period of Completion
			For General	For SC/ST/OBC/UEE		
1	Renovation of gas based cremation installed at Nabagraha, Silpukhuri, Assam	41,16,400.00	82,328.00	41,164.00	1,000.00	2 Months

Sd/-
Commissioner
Guwahati Municipal Corporation
Guwahati-01

A. General

1. Scope of Bid

- 1.1 The Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Guwahati, (referred to as Employer in these documents) invites bids for the construction of works (as defined in these documents and referred to as "the works") detailed in the table given in IFB. The bidders may submit bids for any or all of the works detailed in the table given in IFB.
- 1.2 The successful bidder will be expected to complete the works by the intended completion date specified in the Contract data.

2. Source of Funds

- 2.1 The expenditure on the project will be met from "4217-01-051-2173-000-13-99".
- 2.2 Deleted

3. Eligible Bidders

- 3.1 This *Invitation for Bids* is open to Contractors registered with the GMC or reputed firm/ individual/ Company.
- 3.2 All bidders shall provide in Section 2, Forms of Bid and Qualification Information, a statement that the Bidder is not associated, nor has been associated in the past, directly or indirectly, with the Consultant or any other entity that has prepared the design, specifications, and other documents for the Project or being proposed as Project Manager for the Contract. A firm that has been engaged by the Employer to provide consulting services for the preparation or supervision of the works, and any of its affiliates, shall not be eligible to bid.
- 3.3 Government-owned enterprises in the Employer's country may only participate if they are legally and financially autonomous, operate under commercial law and are not a dependent agency of the Employer.
- 3.4 Bidders shall not be under a declaration of ineligibility for corrupt and fraudulent practices issued by any Government Department/Guwahati Municipal Corporation in accordance with sub-clause 35.1.

4. Qualification of the Bidder

- 4.1 All bidders shall provide in Section 2, Forms of Bid and Qualification Information, a preliminary description of the proposed work method and schedule, including drawings and charts, as necessary.
- 4.2 In the event that Pre-qualification of potential bidders has been undertaken, only bids from prequalified bidders will be considered for award for Contract. These qualified bidders should submit with their bids any information updating their original prequalification applications or, alternatively, confirm in their bids that the originally

submitted prequalification information remains essentially correct as of date of bid submission. The update or confirmation should be provided in Section 2.

4.3 If the Employer has not undertaken prequalification of potential bidders, all bidders shall include the following information and documents with their bids in Section 2:

- a) Copies of original documents defining the constitution or legal status, place of registration, and principal place of business; written power of attorney of the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder;
- b) Proof of registration with GMC with copy of photo ID proof (photocopy of driving license/PAN Card/bank passbook with photograph etc.)
- c) Copy of up to date Trade License issued by Guwahati Municipal Corporation.
- d) Affidavit in Original.
- e) Total monetary value of civil construction work performed during each of the last three years.; *(Not mandatory for works up to Rs 10 Lakhs)*
- f) Experience in works of a similar nature and size for each of the last three years, and details of works under way or contractually committed; and clients who may be contacted for further information on those contracts; *(Not mandatory for works up to Rs 10 Lakhs)*
- g) Major items of construction equipment proposed to carry out the Contract;
- h) Qualifications and experience of key site management and technical personnel proposed for the Contract;
- i) Deleted.
- j) Evidence of access to line(s) of credit and availability of other financial Resources facilities (25% of Contract value), certified by the Bankers *(Not more than 3 months old)*;
- k) Undertaking that the bidder will be able to invest a minimum cash of 25% of contract value of work, during implementation of the work.
- l) Authority to seek references from the Bidder's bankers;
- m) Information regarding any litigation pending in any court of law or arbitration resulting from contracts executed by the Bidder in the last five years or currently under execution. The information shall include the names of the parties concerned, the disputed amount, cause of litigation, and matter in dispute;
- n) The proposed methodology and program of construction including Environmental Management Plan backed with equipment, materials and manpower planning and deployment, duly supported with broad calculations and quality control procedures proposed to be adopted, justifying their capability of execution and completion of the work as per technical specifications within the stipulated period of completion as per milestones. *(Not mandatory for works up to Rs 10 Lakhs)*
- o) Contractor must have to submit their Annual Return documents (Income Tax) for the last three years. *(Not mandatory for works up to Rs 10 Lakhs)*

4.4 A. To qualify for award of the contract, each bidder in its name should have in the last three years *i.e.* 2017-16, 2016-15, 2015-14:

- a) Deleted.
- b) satisfactorily completed (not less than 50% of contract value), as a prime contractor, (or as subcontractor duly certified by the employer) at least **one similar work** of value not less than 80% of the estimated package value; (*Not applicable for works of value up to Rs 10.00 Lakhs*)
- c) Deleted.

4.4 B. Each bidder should further demonstrate:

- a) Availability of the following key and critical equipment for this work: (Not applicable for works up to Rs 10.00 Lakhs. However, availability of machineries would be preferred.).

Based on the studies, carried out by the Engineer the minimum suggested major equipment to attain the completion of works in accordance with the prescribed construction schedule are shown in the above list.

The bidders should, however, undertake their own studies and furnish with their bid, a detailed construction planning and methodology supported with layout and necessary drawings and calculations (detailed) as stated in clause 4.3 (m) above to allow the employer to review their proposals. The numbers, types and capacities of each plant/equipment shall be shown in the proposals along with the cycle time for each operation for the given production capacity to match the requirements.

- b) Availability for this work of a Project Manager/Supervisor with no less than five/three years' experience in construction of similar civil engineering works and other key personnel with adequate experience.

- c) Liquid assets and/or availability of credit facilities of no less than 25% of package value.

(Credit lines/letter of credit/certificates from Banks for meeting the funds requirement etc.)

- 4.4** To qualify for a package of contracts made up of this and other contracts for which bids are invited in the IFB, the bidder must demonstrate having experience and resources sufficient to meet the aggregate of the qualifying criteria for all the contracts in question.
- 4.5** Bidders who meet the minimum qualification criteria will be qualified only if their available bid capacity is more than the total bid value. The available bid capacity will be calculated as under: *(Not mandatory for works up to Rs 10 Lakhs)*

$$\text{Assessed Available Bid capacity} = (A * N * 2 - B)$$

Where

A = Maximum value of civil engineering works executed in any one year during the last three/five years (updated to 2016-17 price level) taking into account the completed as well as works in progress.

N = Number of years prescribed for completion of the works for which bids are invited.

B = Value, at 2016-17 price level, of existing commitments and on-going works to be completed during the period of completion of the works for which bids are invited.

Note: i) *The statements showing the value of existing commitments and on-going works as well as the stipulated period of completion remaining for each of the works listed should be countersigned by the Engineer in charge, not below the rank of an Executive Engineer or equivalent.*

ii) *Updating factors for updating work value of single Road Project executed during last five years:*

<u>Year before</u>	<u>Multiplying Factor</u>
One	1.1
Two	1.21
Three	1.33
Four	1.46
Five	1.61

- 4.6** Even though the bidders meet the above qualifying criteria, they are subject to be disqualified if they have:
- made misleading or false representations in the forms, statements and attachments submitted in proof of the qualification requirements; and/or
 - Record of poor performance such as abandoning the works, not properly completing the contract, inordinate delays in completion, litigation history, or financial failures etc.; and/or
 - participated in the previous bidding for the same work and had quoted unreasonably high bid prices and could not furnish rational justification to the employer.

- has not duly filled up the formats given in Qualification Information [1.3.1, 1.3.2, 1.4A&B]

4.7 In case, the qualification information is not duly filled as per the prescribed formats, the bid shall be summarily rejected.

5. One Bid per Bidder

5.1 Each bidder shall submit only one bid for one contract. A bidder who submits or participates in more than one Bid (other than as a subcontractor or in cases of alternatives that have been permitted or requested) will cause all the proposals with the Bidder's participation to be disqualified.

5.2 No bidder will be allotted works of more than 2 (Two) groups, even if he is found eligible in selection criterion in other aspects.

6. Cost of Bidding

6.1 The bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of his Bid and the Employer will in no case be responsible and liable for those costs.

7. Site visit

7.1 The Bidder, at the Bidder's own responsibility and risk is encouraged to visit and examine the Site of Works and its surroundings and obtain all information that may be necessary for preparing the Bid and entering into a contract for construction of the Works. The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the Bidder's own expense.

B. Bidding Documents

8. Content of Bidding Documents

8.1 The set of bidding documents comprises the documents listed in the table below and addenda issued in accordance with Clause 10:

1. Invitation for Bids
2. Bidding Documents comprising:
 - i. Section 1: Instructions to Bidders
 - ii. Section 2: Forms of Bid and Qualification Information
 - iii. Section 3: Conditions of Contract
 - iv. Section 4: Contract Data
 - v. Section 5: Technical Specifications
 - vi. Section 6: Forms of Securities

8.2 Deleted.

9. Clarification of Bidding Documents

9.1 A prospective bidder requiring any clarification of the bidding documents may notify the Employer in writing at the Employer's address indicated in the invitation to bid.

The Employer will respond to any request for clarification which he received earlier than 15 days prior to the deadline for submission of bids. Copies of the Employer's response will be forwarded to all purchasers of the bidding documents, including a description of the enquiry but without identifying its source.

9.2 Pre-bid meeting

9.2.1 Deleted

9.2.2 Deleted

9.2.3 Deleted

9.2.4 Deleted

9.2.5 Deleted

10. Amendment of Bidding Documents

10.1 Before the deadline for submission of bids, the Employer may modify the bidding documents by issuing addenda.

10.2 Any addendum thus issued shall be part of the bidding documents and shall be communicated in writing to all the purchasers of the bidding documents. Prospective bidders shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum in writing to the Employer.

10.3 To give prospective bidders reasonable time in which to take an addendum into account in preparing their bids, the Employer shall extend as necessary the deadline for submission of bids, in accordance with Sub-Clause 20.2 below.

C. Preparation of Bids

11. Language of the Bid

11.1 All documents relating to the bid shall be in the English language.

12. Documents comprising the Bid

12.1 The bid submitted by the bidder shall comprise the following:

(a) The Bid (in the format indicated in Section 2).

(b) Bid Security;

(d) Qualification Information Form, non refundable bid document fee, Documents; and any other materials required to be completed and submitted by bidders in accordance with these instructions. The documents listed under Sections 2, 4 and 7 of Sub-Clause 8.1 shall be filled in without exception.

12.2 Bidders bidding for this contract together with other contracts stated in the IFB to form a package will so indicate in the bid together with any discounts offered for the award of more than one contract.

13. Bid Prices

13.1 The contract shall be for the whole works as described in Sub-Clause 1.1 based on the price on the Form of Bid submitted by the Bidder.

- 13.2 The Bidder must quote his bid price in Section-2 (Contractor's Bid Form) both in figure and words, which is to be duly signed by the bidder. A Bid without any mention of bid price in the Contractor's Bid Form shall be treated as **Non-Responsive** and shall not be considered for evaluation.
- 13.3 All duties, taxes, and other levies payable by the contractor under the contract, or for any other cause shall be included in the rates, prices and total Bid Price submitted by the Bidder.
- 13.4 The rates and prices quoted by the bidder are subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract in accordance with the provisions of Clause 43 of the Conditions of Contract.
- 13.5 Abnormally low or high rates shall not be taken into consideration and shall be summarily rejected without assigning any reason thereof. Discounts offered after filling up the rates of the items shall not be taken into consideration and rates inserted against each item shall prevail.*
- 13.6 No working estimates for any works will be entertained from this office.*

14. Currencies of Bid and Payment

- 14.1 The unit rates and the prices shall be quoted by the bidder entirely in Indian Rupees.

15. Bid Validity

- 15.1 Bids shall remain valid for a period not less than **Ninety days** after the deadline date for bid submission specified in Clause 20. A bid valid for a shorter period **shall be rejected by the Employer as non-responsive**.
- 15.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to expiry of the original time limit, the Employer may request that the bidders may extend the period of validity for a specified additional period. The request and the bidders' responses shall be made in writing or by cable. A bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting his bid security. A bidder agreeing to the request will not be required or permitted to modify his bid except as provided in 15.3 hereinafter, but will be required to extend the validity of his bid security for a period of the extension, and in compliance with Clause 16 in all respects.
- 15.3 In the case of contracts in which the Contract Price is fixed (not subject to price adjustment), in the event that the purchaser requests and the Bidder agrees to an extension of the validity period, the contract price, if the Bidder is selected for award shall be the bid price corrected as follows :

The price shall be increased by the factor 0.12% for each week or part of a week that has elapsed from the expiration of the initial bid validity to the date of issue of letter of acceptance to the successful Bidder.

- 15.4 Bid evaluation will be based on the bid prices without taking into consideration the above correction.

16. Bid Security

- 16.1 The Bidder shall furnish, as part of his Bid, a Bid security in the amount as shown in column 4 of the table of IFB for this particular work. This bid security shall be in favour of the Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Panbazaar, Guwahati – 781001, and may be in one of the following forms:

- TDR/FDR pledged in favour of the Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Panbazaar, Guwahati – 781001, payable at Guwahati.

- 16.2 TDR/FDR issued as surety for the bid shall be valid for at least 45 days beyond the validity of bids.
- 16.3 Any bid not accompanied by an acceptable Bid Security and not secured as indicated in Sub-Clauses 16.1 and 16.2 above shall be rejected by the Employer as non-responsive.
- 16.4 The Bid Security of unsuccessful bidders will be returned within 28 days of the end of the bid validity period specified in Sub-Clause 15.1.
- 16.5 The Bid Security of the successful bidder will be discharged when the bidder has signed the Agreement and furnished the required Performance Security.
- 16.6 The Bid Security may be forfeited
- (a) if the Bidder withdraws the Bid after Bid opening during the period of Bid validity;
 - (b) if the Bidder does not accept the correction of the Bid Price, pursuant to Clause 27; or
 - (c) In the case of a successful Bidder, if the Bidder fails within the specified time limit to
 - (i) Sign the Agreement; or
 - (ii) Furnish the required Performance Security.

17. Alternative Proposals by Bidders

- 17.1 Bidders shall submit offers that comply with the requirements of the bidding documents, including the basic technical design as indicated in the drawing and specifications. Alternatives will not be considered.

18. Format and Signing of Bid

- 18.1** The Bidder shall prepare one original and one copy of the documents comprising the bid as described in Clause 12 of these *Instructions to Bidders*, bound with the volume containing the Form of Bid, and clearly marked "**ORIGINAL**" and "**COPY**" as appropriate. In the event of discrepancy between them, the original shall prevail. *All documents to be submitted should be in proper format & done by at least spiral binding.*
- 18.2** The original and copy of the Bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed (in **Blue Ink** only) by a person or persons duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder, pursuant to Sub-Clauses 4.3. All pages of the bid where entries or amendments have been made shall be initialled by the person or persons signing the bid. *Each and every signature must be dated. Full Name of the bidder shall be mentioned at least in the Contractor's Bid Form.*
- 18.3** The Bid shall contain no alterations or additions, except those to comply with instructions issued by the Employer, or as necessary to correct errors made by the bidder, in which case such corrections shall be initialled by the person or persons signing the bid.

- 18.4** The Bidder shall furnish information as described in the Form of Bid on commissions or gratuities, if any, paid or to be paid to agents relating to this Bid, and to contract execution if the Bidder is awarded the contract.

D. Submission of Bids

19. Sealing and Marking of Bids

- 19.1 The Bidder shall seal the original and copy of the Bid in separate envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as "**ORIGINAL**" and "**COPY**". These envelopes (called as inner envelopes) shall then be put inside one outer envelope.

- 19.2 The **inner and outer** envelopes shall

- a) be addressed to the Employer at the following address:

The Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Panbazaar, Guwahati – 781001, and

- b) Bear the following identification:

- Bid for _____;

-Package No. _____

- Bid Reference No. _____

- DO NOT OPEN BEFORE _____

- 19.3 In addition to the identification required in Sub-Clause 19.2, the inner envelopes shall indicate the name and address of the bidder to enable the bid to be returned unopened in case it is declared late, pursuant to Clause 21. If the inner envelopes are not marked as per Clause 19.2 above, the bids shall not be opened.

- 19.4 If the outer envelope is not sealed and marked as above, the Employer will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid.

20. Deadline for Submission of the Bids

- 20.1 Bids must be received by the Employer at the address specified above no later than the Date & time specified in the NIT. In the event of the specified date for the submission of bids declared a holiday for the Employer, the Bids will be received up to the appointed time on the next working day.

- 20.2 The Employer may extend the deadline for submission of bids by issuing amendment in accordance with Clause 10, in which case all rights and obligations of the Employer and the bidders previously subject to the original deadline will then be subject to the new deadline.

21. Late Bids

- 21.1 Any Bid received by the Employer after the deadline prescribed in Clause 20 will be returned unopened to the bidder.

22. Modification and Withdrawal of Bids

- 22.1 Bidders may withdraw their bids by giving notice in writing before the deadline prescribed in Clause 20.
- 22.2 Each Bidder's withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked, and delivered in accordance with Clause 18 & 19, with the outer and inner envelopes additionally marked "**WITHDRAWAL**", as appropriate.
- 22.3 **Deleted**
- 22.4 Withdrawal of a Bid between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the original period of bid validity specified in Clause 15.1 above or as extended pursuant to Clause 15.2 may result in the forfeiture of the Bid security pursuant to Clause 16.
- 22.5 Deleted.

E. Bid Opening and Evaluation

23. Bid Opening

- 23.1 The Employer will open all the Bids received (except those received late), including modifications made pursuant to Clause 22, in the presence of the Bidders or their representatives who choose to attend at specified period. In the event of the specified date of Bid opening being declared a holiday for the Employer, the Bids will be opened at the appointed time and location on the next working day.
- 23.2 Envelopes marked "**WITHDRAWAL**" shall be opened and read out first. Bids for which an acceptable notice of withdrawal has been submitted pursuant to Clause 22 shall not be opened.
- 23.3 The Bidders' names, the Bid prices, the total amount of each Bid and of any alternative Bid (if alternatives have been requested or permitted), any discounts, Bid modifications and withdrawals, the presence or absence of Bid security, and such other details as the Employer may consider appropriate, will be announced by the Employer at the opening. No bid shall be rejected at bid opening except for the late bids pursuant to Clause 21. Bids [and modifications] sent pursuant to Clause 22 that are not opened and read out at bid opening will not be considered for further evaluation regardless of the circumstances. Late and withdrawn bids will be returned un-opened to bidders.
- 23.4 The Employer shall prepare minutes of the Bid opening, including the information disclosed to those present in accordance with Sub-Clause 23.3.

24. Process to Be Confidential

- 24.1 Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation, and comparison of Bids and recommendations for the award of a contract shall not be disclosed to Bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until the award to the successful Bidder has been announced. Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Employer's processing of Bids or award decisions may result in the rejection of his Bid.

25. Clarification of Bids

- 25.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation, and comparison of Bids, the Employer may, at his discretion, ask any Bidder for clarification of his Bid, including breakdowns of

the unit rates. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing or by cable, but no change in the price or substance of the Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted except as required to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by the Employer in the evaluation of the Bids in accordance with Clause 28.

- 25.2 Subject to sub-clause 25.1, no Bidder shall contact the Employer on any matter relating to its bid from the time of the bid opening to the time the contract is awarded. If the Bidder wishes to bring additional information to the notice of the Employer, it should do so in writing.
- 25.3 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 Bidders' bid.

26. Examination of Bids and Determination of Responsiveness

- 26.1 Prior to the detailed evaluation of Bids, the Employer will determine whether each Bid (a) meets the eligibility criteria defined in Clause 3; (b) has been properly signed; (c) is accompanied by the required securities and; (d) is substantially responsive to the requirements of the Bidding documents.
- 26.2 A substantially responsive Bid is one which conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the Bidding documents, without material deviation or reservation. A material deviation or reservation is one (a) which affects in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the Works; (b) which limits in any substantial way, inconsistent with the Bidding documents, the Employer's rights or the Bidder's obligations under the Contract; or (c) whose rectification would affect unfairly the competitive position of other Bidders presenting substantially responsive Bids.
- 26.3 If a Bid is not substantially responsive, it will be rejected by the Employer, and may not subsequently be made responsive by correction or withdrawal of the non-conforming deviation or reservation.

27. Correction of Errors Deleted

28. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids

- 28.1 The Employer will evaluate and compare only the Bids determined to be substantially responsive in accordance with Clause 26.
- 28.2 In evaluating the Bids, the Employer will determine for each Bid the evaluated Bid Price by adjusting the Bid Price as follows:
- a) Deleted.
 - b) making an appropriate adjustments for any other acceptable variations, deviations; and
 - c) Deleted.
 - d) Basis for evaluation of financial bids will be the latest APWD Schedule of rates current in the state.

- 28.3 The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any variation, deviation, or alternative offer. Variations, deviations, and alternative offers and other factors which are in excess of the requirements of the Bidding documents or otherwise result in unsolicited benefits for the Employer shall not be taken into account in Bid evaluation.
- 28.4 The estimated effect of the price adjustment conditions under Clause 47 of the *Conditions of Contract*, during the period of implementation of the Contract, will not be taken into account in Bid evaluation.
- 28.5 If the Bid of the successful Bidder is seriously unbalanced in relation to the Engineer's estimate of the cost of work to be performed under the contract, the Employer may require the Bidder to produce detailed price analyses for any or all items of the Bill of Quantities, to demonstrate the internal consistency of those prices with the construction methods and schedule proposed. After evaluation of the price analyses, the Employer may require that the amount of the performance security set forth in Clause 32 be increased at the expense of the successful Bidder to a level sufficient to protect the Employer against financial loss in the event of default of the successful Bidder under the Contract.

F. Award of Contract

29. Award Criteria

- 29.1 Subject to Clause 30, the Employer will award the Contract to the Bidder whose Bid has been determined to be substantially responsive to the Bidding documents and who has offered the lowest evaluated Bid Price, provided that such Bidder has been determined to be (a) eligible in accordance with the provisions of Clause 3, and (b) qualified in accordance with the provisions of Clause 4.
- 29.2 If, pursuant to Clause 12.2 this contract is being let along with other contracts, the lowest evaluated Bid Price will be determined when evaluating this contract in conjunction with other contracts to be awarded concurrently, taking into account any discounts offered by the bidders for the award of more than one contract.

30. Employer's Right to accept any Bid and to reject any or all Bids

- 30.1 Notwithstanding Clause 31, the Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid, and to cancel the Bidding process and reject all Bids, at any time prior to the award of Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or Bidders or any obligation to inform the affected Bidder or Bidders of the grounds for the Employer's action.

31. Notification of Award and Signing of Agreement

- 31.1 The Bidder whose Bid has been accepted will be notified of the award by the Employer prior to expiration of the Bid validity period by cable, telex or facsimile confirmed by registered letter. This letter (hereinafter and in the *Conditions of Contract* called the "Letter of Acceptance") will state the sum that the Employer will pay the Contractor in consideration of the execution, completion, and maintenance of the Works by the Contractor as prescribed by the Contract (hereinafter and in the Contract called the "Contract Price").

- 31.2 The notification of award will constitute the formation of the Contract, subject only to the furnishing of a performance security in accordance with the provisions of Clause 32.
- 31.3 The Agreement will incorporate all agreements between the Employer and the successful Bidder. It will be kept ready for signature of the successful bidder in the office of employer within 14 days following the notification of award along with the Letter of Acceptance.
- 31.4 Upon the furnishing by the successful Bidder of the Performance Security, the Employer will promptly notify the other Bidders that their Bids have been unsuccessful.

32. Performance Security

- 32.1 Within 7 days of receipt of the Letter of Acceptance, the successful Bidder shall deliver to the Employer a Performance Security in any of the forms given below for an amount equivalent to 2% of the Contract price plus additional security for unbalanced Bids in accordance with Clause 28.5 of ITB and Clause 47 of Conditions of Contract:
- A bank guarantee in the form given in Section 7; or
 - TDR/FDR pledged in favour of the Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Panbazaar, Guwahati – 781001, payable at Guwahati.
- 32.2 The additional performance security for unbalanced Bids shall be 20% of the difference of cost of the unbalanced items rounding off to the nearest thousand.
- 32.3 If the performance security is provided by the successful Bidder in the form of a Bank Guarantee, it shall be issued at the Bidder's option, by a Nationalized/Scheduled Indian bank located in India and acceptable to the Employer.
- 32.4 Failure of the successful bidder to comply with the requirements of sub-clause 32.1 shall constitute a breach of contract, cause for annulment of the award, forfeiture of the bid security and any such other remedy the Employer may take under the contract, and the Employer shall resort to awarding the contract to the next ranked bidder.

33. Advance Payments and Security

- 33.1 Deleted.

34. Adjudicator

- 34.1 The Employer may propose to appoint Adjudicator under the Contract, at a daily retainer fee to be announced plus daily allowances and reimbursable expenses. The Bidder shall bear part or full expenses for the adjudicator in case of a dispute requiring the appointment of the adjudicator.

35. Fraud and Corruption:

- 35.1 It is the Guwahati Municipal Corporation's policy to require that bidders, suppliers, contractors and their agents (whether declared or not), sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers or suppliers, and any personnel thereof, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of contracts. In pursuance of this policy, the GMC:

(a) Defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:

(i) “Corrupt practice” is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;

(ii) “Fraudulent practice” is any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;

(iii) “Collusive practice” is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including influencing improperly the actions of another party;

(iv) “Coercive practice” is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;

(v) “Obstructive practice” is deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation,

(vi) The Employer shall reject a proposal for award if it determines that the bidder recommended for award, or any of its personnel, or its agents, or its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/or their employees, has, directly or indirectly, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;

(vii) The Employer shall sanction a firm or individual, at any time, by publicly declaring such firm or individual ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time: (i) to be awarded contract; and (ii) to be a nominated⁷ sub-contractor, consultant, supplier or services provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded contract;

35.2 Furthermore, Bidders shall be aware of the provision stated in sub-clause 28.2 and sub clause 57 of the Conditions of Contract.

SECTION 2: FORMS OF BID, QUALIFICATION INFORMATION AND LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE

Table of Forms:

- **CONTRACTOR'S BID**
- **QUALIFICATION INFORMATION**
- **LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE**
- **NOTICE TO PROCEED WITH THE
WORK**
- **AGREEMENT FORM**

Contractor's Bid

Description of the Works: _____

To,

The Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Panbazaar, Guwahati-781001.

Dear Sir,

Having examined the bidding documents including addendum, we offer to execute the Works described above in accordance with the Conditions of Contract, Specifications, and Drawings accompanying this Bid for the Contract Price of Rs _____
[in figures](Rupees _____) *[in letters].*

This Bid and your written acceptance of it shall constitute a binding contract between us. We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any Bid you receive.

We hereby certify that we have taken steps to ensure that no person acting for us or on our behalf will engage in bribery.

We also undertake that, in competing for (and, if the award is made to us, in executing) the above contract, we will strictly observe the laws against fraud and corruption in force in India namely "Prevention of Corruption Act 1988".

We undertake, if our tender is accepted, to commence the Works as soon as is reasonably possible after the receipt of notice to commence, and to complete the whole of the Works comprised in the Contract within the time stated in the Appendix to Conditions of Contract.

We agree to abide by this tender, and it shall remain binding upon us.

We hereby confirm that this Bid complies with the Eligibility, Bid Validity and Bid Security required by the Bidding documents.

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

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signature:

Full Name & Title of Signatory:

Full Name of Bidder: (In Capitals only) _____

*Phone / Mobile No.:

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(*Mandatory)

Address:

Qualification Information

The information to be filled in by the Bidder in the following pages will be used for purposes of post qualification as provided for in Clause 4 of the Instructions to Bidders. This information will not be incorporated in the Contract.

1. For Individual Bidders

1.1 Constitution or legal status of Bidder *[Attach copy]*

Place of registration: _____

Principal place of business: _____

Power of attorney of signatory of Bid *[Attach]*

1.2 Total value of Civil Engineering construction work executed and payments received in the last three years. **** (Attach certificates from Engineer-in-charge not below the rank of Executive Engineer)**

2014- 2015 _____

2015- 2016 _____

2016- 2017 _____

1.3.1 Work performed as prime contractor (in the same name) on works of a similar nature over the last three/five years i.e. 2014-2015 to 2016-2017

Name of Work	Name of Employer**	Description of Work	Contract No.	Value of Contract (\$/Rs/L)	Date of Issue of Work Order	Stipulated period of Completion	Actual Date of Completion	Remark

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1.3.2 Quantities of work executed as prime contractor (in the same name and style) in the last three years: **

Year	Name of Work	Name of Employer*	Quantity of Work Performed (Cum)@			Remarks
			Earthwork in excavation, embankment & sub-grade for road construction	Granular Base with WBM	Plain/Reinforced Cement Concrete (PCC/RCC)	
2014- 2015						
2015- 2016						
2016- 2017						

*Attach certificate(s) from the Engineer(s)-in-Charge

@The item of work for which data is requested should tally with that specified in ITB clause 4.4A(c).

** Immediately preceding the financial year in which bids are received.

1.4 Information on Bid Capacity (works for which bids have been submitted and works which are yet to be completed) as on the date of this bid.

(A) Existing commitments and on-going works:

Name of Work	Place	Contract No & Date	Name & Address of Employer	Value of Contract (Rs in L)	Stipulated period of completion	Value of work estimated to be completed (Rs in L)	Anticipated Date of completion

* Attach certificate(s) from the Engineer(s)-in-Charge.
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(B) Works for which bids already submitted:

Name of work	Place	Name & Address of Employer	Estimated Value of Works (Rs in L)	Stipulated period of completion	Date when decision is expected	Remarks, if any

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(Use separate sheet in landscape orientation)

- 1.5** The following items of Contractor's Equipment are essential for carrying out the Works. The Bidder should list all the information requested below. Refer also to Sub Clause 4.3 (e) of the Instructions to Bidders.
- 1.6** Qualifications and experience of key personnel proposed for administration and execution of the Contract. Attach biographical data. Refer also to Sub Clause 4.3 (g) and 4.4 (B) (b) of instructions to Bidders and Sub Clause 9.1 of the Conditions of Contract. At least one Project Manager and one Technical Person (Graduate Engineer with three years experience/Diploma Engineer with five years experience) for contracts of value more than Rs 50.00 Lakhs would be required. For contracts worth less than Rs 50.00 Lakhs, one Diploma Engineer and one Supervisor with 5 – 10 years experience in construction works would be required.
- 1.7** Deleted.

1.8 Evidence of access to financial resources to meet the qualification requirements: cash in hand, lines of credit, etc. List them below and attach copies of support documents *[sample format attached]*.

1.9. Name, address, and telephone, telex, and fax numbers of the Bidders' bankers who may provide references if contacted by the Employer.

1.10 Statement of compliance under the requirements of Sub Clause 3.2 of the instructions to Bidders.

1.11 Proposed work method and schedule. The Bidder should attach descriptions, drawings and charts as necessary to comply with the requirements of the Bidding documents. [Refer ITB Clause 4.1 and 4.3 (m)].

**SAMPLE FORMAT FOR EVIDENCE OF ACCESS TO OR AVAILABILITY OF
CREDIT
FACILITIES -* CLAUSE 4.4 [B] [c] OF ITB**

BANK CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that M/s. is a reputed company with a good financial standing.

If the contract for the work, namely
_____ ; Package No.

_____ is awarded to the above firm, we shall be able to provide overdraft/credit facilities to the extent of Rs. to meet their working capital requirements for executing the above contract.

___ Sd. ___
Name of Bank
Senior Bank
Manager
Address of the Bank

Letter of Acceptance
(Letterhead paper of the Employer)

To: _____ [date]

[name and address of the Contractor]

Dear Sirs,

This is to notify you that your Bid dated _____ for execution of the _____
_____ [name of the contract and identification number, as given in the Instructions to Bidders] for the Contract Price of Rupees _____
(_____) [amount in words and figures], as corrected and modified in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders is hereby accepted by our Agency.

You are hereby requested to furnish Performance Security, plus additional security for unbalanced bids in terms of ITB clause 28.5, in the form detailed in Para 32.1 of ITB for an amount of Rs. _____ within 7 days of the receipt of this letter of acceptance valid up to 28 days from the date of expiry of Defects Liability Period i.e. up toand sign the contract, failing which action as stated in Para 32.4 of ITB will be taken.

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signature
Name and Title of Signatory
Name of Agency

Issue of Notice to proceed with the work
(Letterhead of the Employer)

_____ (date)

To

_____ (name and address of the Contractor)

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to your furnishing the requisite security as stipulated in ITB clause 32 and signing of the contract agreement for the construction of _____ @ a Bid Price of Rs. _____, you are hereby instructed to proceed with the execution of the said works in accordance with the contract documents.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature, name and
title of signatory
authorized to sign on
behalf of Employer)

Agreement Form Agreement

This agreement, made the _____ day of _____ 20 _____,
between _____

_____ [name and address of Employer](hereinafter called “the Employer”) of the one part and

_____ [name and address of contractor](hereinafter called “the Contractor”) of the other part.

Whereas the Employer is desirous that the Contractor execute

_____ [name and identification number of Contract] (hereinafter called “the Works”) and the Employer has accepted the Bid by the Contractor for the execution and completion of such Works and the remedying of any defects therein, at a contract price of Rs.....

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH as follows:

1. In this Agreement, words and expression shall have the same meanings as are respectively assigned to them in the Conditions of Contract hereinafter referred to, and they shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this Agreement.
2. In consideration of the payments to be made by the Employer to the Contractor as hereinafter mentioned, the Contractor hereby covenants with the Employer to execute and complete the Works and remedy any defects therein in conformity in all aspects with the provisions of the Contract.
3. The Employer hereby covenants to pay the Contractor in consideration of the execution and completion of the Works and the remedying the defects wherein the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the Contract at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Contract.
4. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this Agreement, viz.:
 - i) Letter of Acceptance;
 - ii) Notice to proceed with the works;
 - iii) Contractor’s Bid;
 - iv) Contract Data;
 - v) Conditions of contract (including Special Conditions of Contract);
 - vi) Specifications;
 - vii) Drawings ; and
 - viii) Any other document listed in the Contract Data as forming part of the contract.

In witness whereof the parties thereto have caused this Agreement to be executed the day and year first before written.

The Common Seal of _____

was hereunto affixed in the presence of:

Signed, Sealed and Delivered by the said _____ in

the presence of:

Binding Signature of Employer _____

Binding Signature of Contractor _____

SECTION 3: CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

Conditions of Contract

A. General

1. Definitions

- 1.1 Terms which are defined in the Contract Data are not also defined in the Conditions of Contract but keep their defined meanings. Capital initials are used to identify defined terms.

Bill of Quantities means the priced and completed **Bill of Quantities** forming part of the Bid.

Compensation Events are those defined in Clause 44 hereunder.

The **Completion Date** is the date of completion of the Works as certified by the Engineer in accordance with Sub Clause 55.1.

The **Contract** is the contract between the Employer and the Contractor to execute, complete and maintain the Works. It consists of the documents listed in Clause 2.3 below.

The **Contract Data** defines the documents and other information which comprise the Contract.

The **Contractor** is a person or corporate body whose Bid to carry out the Works has been accepted by the Employer.

The **Contractor's Bid** is the completed Bidding document submitted by the Contractor to the Employer.

The **Contract Price** is the price stated in the Letter of Acceptance and thereafter as adjusted in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

Days are calendar days; **months** are calendar months.

A **Defect** is any part of the Works not completed in accordance with the Contract.

The **Defects Liability Period** is the period named in the Contract Data and calculated from the Completion Date.

The **Employer** is the party who will employ the Contractor to carry out the Works.

The **Engineer** is the person named in the Contract Data (or any other competent person appointed and notified to the contractor to act in replacement of the Engineer) who is responsible for supervising the execution of the works and administering the Contract.

Equipment is the Contractor's machinery and vehicles brought temporarily to the Site to construct the Works.

The **Initial Contract Price** is the Contract Price listed in the Employer's Letter of Acceptance.

The **Intended Completion Date** is the date on which it is intended that the Contractor shall complete the Works. The Intended Completion Date is specified in the Contract

Data. The Intended Completion Date may be revised only by the Engineer by issuing an extension of time.

Materials are all supplies, including consumables, used by the contractor for incorporation in the Works.

Plant is any integral part of the Works which is to have a mechanical, electrical, electronic or chemical or biological function.

The **Site** is the area defined as such in the Contract Data.

Site Investigation Reports are those which were included in the Bidding documents and are factual interpretative reports about the surface and sub-surface conditions at the site.

Specification means the Specification of the Works included in the Contract and any modification or addition made or approved by the Engineer.

The **Start Date** is given in the Contract Data. It is the date when the Contractor shall commence execution of the works. It does not necessarily coincide with any of the Site Possession Dates.

A **Subcontractor** is a person or corporate body who has a Contract with the Contractor to carry out a part of the work in the Contract which includes work on the Site.

Temporary Works are works designed, constructed, installed, and removed by the Contractor which are needed for construction or installation of the Works.

A **Variation** is an instruction given by the Engineer which varies the Works.

The **Works** are what the Contract requires the Contractor to construct, install, and turn over to the Employer, as defined in the Contract Data.

2. Interpretation

- 2.1 In interpreting these Conditions of Contract, singular also means plural, male also means female or neuter, and the other way around. Headings have no significance. Words have their normal meaning under the language of the Contract unless specifically defined. The Engineer will provide instructions clarifying queries about the Conditions of Contract.
- 2.2 If sectional completion is specified in the Contract Data, references in the Conditions of Contract to the Works, the Completion Date, and the Intended Completion Date apply to any Section of the Works (other than references to the Completion Date and Intended Completion date for the whole of the Works).
- 2.3 The documents forming the Contract shall be interpreted in the following order of priority:
 - (1) Agreement
 - (2) Letter of Acceptance, notice to proceed with the works
 - (3) Contractor's Bid
 - (4) Contract Data
 - (5) Conditions of Contract including Special Conditions of Contract

- (6) Specifications
- (7) Drawings and
- (8) Any other document listed in the Contract Data as forming part of the Contract.

3. Language and Law

- 3.1 The language of the Contract and the law governing the Contract are stated in the Contract Data.

4. Engineer's Decisions

- 4.1 Except where otherwise specifically stated, the Engineer will decide contractual matters between the Employer and the Contractor in the role representing the Employer.

5. Delegation

- 5.1 The Engineer may delegate any of his duties and responsibilities to other people except to the Adjudicator after notifying the Contractor and may cancel any delegation after notifying the Contractor.

6. Communications

- 6.1 Communications between parties which are referred to in the conditions are effective only when in writing. A notice shall be effective only when it is delivered (in terms of Indian Contract Act).

7. Subcontracting

- 7.1 The Contractor may subcontract with the approval of the Engineer but may not assign the Contract without the approval of the Employer in writing. Subcontracting does not alter the Contractor's obligations.

8. Other Contractors

- 8.1 The Contractor shall cooperate and share the Site with other contractors, public authorities, utilities, and the Employer between the dates given in the Schedule of Other Contractors. The Contractor shall as referred to in the Contract Data, also provide facilities and services for them as described in the Schedule. The employer may modify the schedule of other contractors and shall notify the contractor of any such modification.

9. Personnel

- 9.1 The Contractor shall employ the key personnel named in the Schedule of Key Personnel as referred to in the Contract Data to carry out the functions stated in the Schedule or other personnel approved by the Engineer. The Engineer will approve any proposed replacement of key personnel only if their qualifications, abilities, and relevant experience are substantially equal to or better than those of the personnel listed in the Schedule.
- 9.2 If the Engineer asks the Contractor to remove a person who is a member of the Contractor's staff or his work force stating the reasons the Contractor shall ensure that the person leaves the Site within seven days and has no further connection with the work in the Contract.

10. Employer's and Contractor's Risks

- 10.1 The Employer carries the risks which this Contract states are Employer's risks, and the Contractor carries the risks which this Contract states are Contractor's risks.

11. Employer's Risks

- 11.1 The Employer is responsible for the excepted risks which are (a) in so far as they directly affect the execution of the Works in the Employer's country, the risks of war, hostilities, invasion, act of foreign enemies, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power, civil war, riot commotion or disorder (unless restricted to the Contractor's employees), and contamination from any nuclear fuel or nuclear waste or radioactive toxic explosive, or (b) a cause due solely to the design of the Works, other than the Contractor's design.

12. Contractor's Risks

- 12.1 All risks of loss of or damage to physical property and of personal injury and death which arise during and in consequence of the performance of the Contract other than the excepted risks are the responsibility of the Contractor.

13. Insurance

- 13.1 Deleted

14. Site Investigation Reports

- 14.1 The Contractor, in preparing the Bid, shall rely on any site Investigation Reports referred to in the Contract Data, supplemented by any information available to the Bidder.

15. Queries about the Contract Data

- 15.1 The Engineer will clarify queries on the Contract Data.

16. Contractor to Construct the Works

- 16.1 The Contractor shall construct and install the Works in accordance with the Specification and Drawings, and as per instructions of Engineer.

17. The Works to Be Completed by the Intended Completion Date

- 17.1 The Contractor may commence execution of the Works on the Start Date and shall carry out the Works in accordance with the program submitted by the Contractor, as updated with the approval of the Engineer, and complete them by the Intended Completion Date.

18. Approval by the Engineer

- 18.1 The Contractor shall submit Specifications and Drawings showing the proposed Temporary Works to the Engineer, who is to approve them if they comply with the Specifications and Drawings.

- 18.2 The Contractor shall be responsible for design of Temporary Works.

- 18.3 The Engineer's approval shall not alter the Contractor's responsibility for design of the Temporary Works.
- 18.4 The Contractor shall obtain approval of third parties to the design of the Temporary Works where required.
- 18.5 All Drawings prepared by the Contractor for the execution of the temporary or permanent Works, are subject to prior approval by the Engineer before their use.

19. Safety

- 19.1 The Contractor shall be responsible for the safety of all activities on the Site.

20. Discoveries

- 20.1 Anything of historical or other interest or of significant value unexpectedly discovered on the Site is the property of the Employer. The Contractor is to notify the Engineer of such discoveries and carry out the Engineer's instructions for dealing with them.

21. Possession of the Site

- 21.1 The Employer shall give possession of all parts of the Site to the Contractor. If possession of a part is not given by the date stated in the Contract Data the Employer is deemed to have delayed the start of the relevant activities and this will be Compensation Event.

22. Access to the Site

- 22.1 The Contractor shall allow the Engineer and any person authorized by the Engineer access to the Site, to any place where work in connection with the Contract is being carried out or is intended to be carried out and to any place where materials or plant are being manufactured/fabricated/assembled for the works.

23. Instructions

- 23.1 The Contractor shall carry out all instructions of the Engineer which comply with the applicable laws where the Site is located.

B. Time Control

24. Program

- 24.1 Within the time stated in the Contract Data the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer for approval a Program including Environmental Management Plan showing the general methods, arrangements, order, and timing for all the activities in the Works along with monthly cash flow forecast.
- 24.2 An update of the Program shall be a program showing the actual progress achieved on each activity and the effect of the progress achieved on the timing of the remaining work including any changes to the sequence of the activities.
- 24.3 The Contractor shall submit to the Engineer, for approval, an updated Program at intervals no longer than the period stated in the Contract Data. If the Contractor does not submit an updated Program within this period, the Engineer may withhold the

amount stated in the Contract Data from the next payment certificate and continue to withhold this amount until the next payment after the date on which the overdue Program has been submitted.

- 24.4 The Engineer's approval of the Program shall not alter the Contractor's obligations. The Contractor may revise the Program and submit it to the Engineer again at any time. A revised Program is to show the effect of Variations and Compensation Events.

25. Extension of the Intended Completion Date

- 25.1 The Engineer shall extend the Intended Completion Date if a Compensation Event occurs or a Variation is issued which makes it impossible for Completion to be achieved by the Intended Completion Date without the Contractor taking steps to accelerate the remaining work and which would cause the Contractor to incur additional cost.
- 25.2 The Engineer shall decide whether and by how much to extend the Intended Completion Date within 21 days of the Contractor asking the Engineer for a decision upon the effect of a Compensation Event or Variation and submitting full supporting information. If the Contractor has failed to give early warning of a delay or has failed to cooperate in dealing with a delay, the delay by this failure shall not be considered in assessing the new Intended Completion Date.

26. Delays Ordered by the Engineer

- 26.1 The Engineer may instruct the Contractor to delay the start or progress of any activity within the Works.

27. Management Meetings

- 27.1 Either the Engineer or the Contractor may require the other to attend a management meeting. The business of a management meeting shall be to review the plans for remaining work and to deal with matters raised in accordance with the early warning procedure.
- 27.2 The Engineer shall record the business of management meetings and is to provide copies of his record to those attending the meeting and to the Employer. The responsibility of the parties for actions to be taken is to be decided by the Engineer either at the management meeting or after the management meeting and stated in writing to all who attended the meeting.

28. Early Warning

- 28.1 The Contractor is to warn the Engineer at the earliest opportunity of specific likely future events or circumstances that may adversely affect the quality of the work, increase the Contract Price or delay the execution of works. The Engineer may require the Contractor to provide an estimate of the expected effect of the future event or circumstance on the Contract Price and Completion Date. The estimate is to be provided by the Contractor as soon as reasonably possible.
- 28.2 The Contractor shall cooperate with the Engineer in making and considering proposals for how the effect of such an event or circumstance can be avoided or reduced by anyone involved in the work and in carrying out any resulting instruction of the Engineer.

C. Quality Control

29. Identifying Defects

- 29.1 The Engineer shall check the Contractor's work and notify the Contractor of any Defects that are found. Such checking shall not affect the Contractor's responsibilities. The Engineer may instruct the Contractor to search for a Defect and to uncover and test any work that the Engineer considers may have a Defect.
- 29.2 The contractor shall permit the Employer's Technical auditor to check the contractor's work and notify the Engineer and Contractor of any defects that are found. Such a check shall not affect the Contractor's or the Engineer's responsibility as defined in the Contract Agreement.

30. Tests

- 30.1 If the Engineer instructs the Contractor to carry out a test not specified in the Specification to check whether any work has a Defect and the test shows that it does, the Contractor shall pay for the test and any samples. If there is no Defect the test shall be a Compensation Event.

31. Correction of Defects

- 31.1 The Engineer shall give notice to the Contractor of any Defects before the end of the Defects Liability Period, which begins at Completion and is defined in the Contract Data. The Defects Liability Period shall be extended for as long as Defects remain to be corrected.
- 31.2 Every time notice of a Defect is given, the Contractor shall correct the notified Defect within the length of time specified by the Engineer's notice.

32. Uncorrected Defects

- 32.1 If the Contractor has not corrected a Defect within the time specified in the Engineer's notice, the Engineer will assess the cost of having the Defect corrected, and the Contractor will pay this amount.

Note: Where in certain cases, the technical specifications provide for acceptance of works within specified tolerance limits at reduced rates, Engineer will certify payments to Contractor accordingly.

D. Cost Control

33. Bill of Quantities

- 33.1 Deleted
- 33.2 Deleted

34. Changes in the Quantities

- 34.1 If the final quantity of the work done differs from the quantity in the Bill of Quantities for the particular item by more than 25 percent, provided the change exceeds 1% of Initial Contract Price, the Engineer shall adjust the rate to allow for the change.

34.2 The Engineer shall not adjust rates from changes in quantities if thereby the Initial Contract Price is exceeded by more than 15 percent, except with the Prior approval of the Employer.

34.3 If requested by the Engineer, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a detailed cost breakdown of any rate in the Bill of Quantities.

35. Variations

35.1 All Variations shall be included in updated Programs produced by the Contractor.

36. Payments for Variations

36.1 The Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a quotation (with breakdown of unit rates) for carrying out the Variation when requested to do so by the Engineer. The Engineer shall assess the quotation, which shall be given within seven days of the request or within any longer period stated by the Engineer and before the Variation is ordered.

36.2 If the work in the Variation corresponds with an item description in the Bill of Quantities and if, in the opinion of the Engineer, the quantity of work above the limit stated in Sub Clause 38.1 or the timing of its execution do not cause the cost per unit of quantity to change, the rate in the bill of Quantities shall be used to calculate the value of the Variation. If the cost per unit of quantity changes, or if the nature or timing of the work in the Variation does not correspond with items in the Bill of Quantities, the quotation by the Contractor shall be in form of new rates for the relevant items of work.

36.3 If the Contractor's quotation is unreasonable (or if the contractor fails to provide the Engineer with a quotation within a reasonable time specified by the engineer in accordance with Clause 40.1), the Engineer may order the Variation and make a change to the Contract Price which shall be based on Engineer's own forecast of the effects of the Variation on the Contractor's costs.

36.4 If the Engineer decides that the urgency of varying the work would prevent a quotation being given and considered without delaying the work, no quotation shall be given and the Variation shall be treated as a Compensation Event.

36.5 The Contractor shall not be entitled to additional payment for costs that could have been avoided by giving early warning.

37. Cash flow forecasts

37.1 When the Program is updated, the contractor is to provide the Engineer with an updated cash flow forecast.

38. Payment Certificates

38.1 The Contractor shall submit to the Engineer monthly statements of the estimated value of the work completed less the cumulative amount certified previously along with details of measurement of the quantity of works executed in a tabulated form as approved by the Engineer.

38.2 The Engineer shall check the details given in the Contractor's monthly statement and within 14 days certify the amounts to be paid to the Contractor after taking into

account any credit or debit for the month in question in respect of materials for the works in the relevant amounts and under conditions set forth in sub-clause 46.4 of the Contract Data (Secured Advance).

- 38.3 The value of work executed shall be determined by the Engineer after due check measurement of the quantities claimed as executed by the contractor.
- 38.4 The value of work executed shall comprise the value of the quantities of the items in the Bill of Quantities completed.
- 38.5 The value of work executed shall include the valuation of Variations and Compensation Events.
- 38.6 The Engineer may exclude any item certified in a previous certificate or reduce the proportion of any item previously certified in any certificate in the light of later information.

39. Payments

- 39.1 Payments shall be adjusted for deductions for advance payments, retention, other recoveries in terms of the contract and taxes, at source, as applicable under the law. The Employer shall pay the Contractor the amounts certified by the Engineer within 28 days of the date of each certificate. If the Employer makes a late payment, the Contractor shall be paid interest on the late payment in the next payment. Interest shall be calculated from the date by which the payment should have been made up to the date when the late payment is made at 8% per annum.
- 39.2 If an amount certified is increased in a later certificate or as a result of an award by the Adjudicator or an Arbitrator, the Contractor shall be paid interest upon the delayed payment as set out in this clause. Interest shall be calculated from the date upon which the increased amount would have been certified in the absence of dispute.
- 39.3 Items of the Works for which no rate or price has been entered in will not be paid for by the Employer and shall be deemed covered by other rates and prices in the Contract.

40. Compensation Events

- 40.1 The following are Compensation Events unless they are caused by the Contractor:
 - (a) The Employer does not give access to a part of the Site by the Site Possession Date stated in the Contract Data.
 - (b) The Employer modifies the schedule of other contractors in a way which affects the work of the contractor under the contract.
 - (c) The Engineer orders a delay or does not issue drawings, specifications or instructions required for execution of works on time.
 - (d) The Engineer instructs the Contractor to uncover or to carry out additional tests upon work which is then found to have no Defects.
 - (e) The Engineer unreasonably does not approve for a subcontract to be let.

(f) Ground conditions are substantially more adverse than could reasonably have been assumed before issuance of Letter of Acceptance from the information issued to Bidders (including the Site Investigation Reports), from information available publicly and from a visual inspection of the Site.

(g) The Engineer gives an instruction for dealing with an unforeseen condition, caused by the Employer, or additional work required for safety or other reasons.

(h) Other contractors, public authorities, utilities or the Employer does not work within the dates and other constraints stated in the Contract, and they cause delay or extra cost to the Contractor.

(i) The advance payment is delayed.

(j) The effect on the Contractor of any of the Employer's Risks.

(k) The Engineer unreasonably delays issuing a Certificate of Completion.

(l) Other Compensation Events listed in the Contract Data or mentioned in the Contract.

40.2 If a Compensation Event would cause additional cost or would prevent the work being completed before the Intended Completion Date, the Intended Completion Date shall be extended. The Engineer shall decide whether and by how much the Intended Completion Date shall be extended.

40.3 As soon as information demonstrating the effect of each Compensation Event upon the Contractor's forecast cost has been provided by the Contractor, it is to be assessed by the Engineer and the Intended Completion Date shall be extended accordingly. If the Contractor's forecast is deemed unreasonable, the Engineer shall adjust the Intended Completion Date based on Engineer's own forecast. The Engineer will assume that the Contractor will react competently and promptly to the event.

40.4 The Contractor shall not be entitled to compensation to the extent that the Employer's interests are adversely affected by the Contractor not having given early warning or not having cooperated with the Engineer.

41. Tax.

41.1 The rates quoted by the Contractor shall be deemed to be inclusive of the sales and other taxes that the Contractor will have to pay for the performance of this Contract. The Employer will perform such duties in regard to the deduction of such taxes at source as per applicable law.

42. Currencies

42.1 All payments shall be made in Indian Rupees.

43. Price Adjustment

43.1 Contract price shall not be adjusted for increase or decrease in rates and price of labour, materials, fuels and lubricants during the tenure of the contract.

43.2 To the extent that full compensation for any rise or fall in costs to the contractor, the unit rates and prices included in the contract shall be deemed to include amounts to cover the contingency of such other rise or fall in costs.

44. Retention

- 44.1 The Employer shall retain from each payment due to the Contractor the proportion stated in the Contract Data until Completion of the whole of the Works.
- 44.2 On Completion of the whole of the Works half the total amount retained is repaid to the Contractor and half when the Defects Liability Period has passed and the Engineer has certified that all Defects notified by the Engineer to the Contractor before the end of this period have been corrected.
- 44.3 On completion of the whole works, the contractor may substitute retention money (*balance half*) with an “on demand” Bank guarantee.

45. Liquidated Damages

- 45.1 The Contractor shall pay liquidated damages to the Employer at the rate per day stated in the Contract Data for each day that the Completion Date is later than the Intended Completion Date (for the whole of the works or the milestone as stated in the contract data). The total amount of liquidated damages shall not exceed the amount defined in the Contract Data. The Employer may deduct liquidated damages from payments due to the Contractor. Payment of liquidated damages does not affect the Contractor's liabilities.
- 45.2 If the Intended Completion Date is extended after liquidated damages have been paid, the Engineer shall correct any overpayment of liquidated damages by the Contractor by adjusting the next payment certificate. The Contractor shall be paid interest on the overpayment calculated from the date of payment to the date of repayment at the rates specified in Sub Clause 43.1.

46. Advance Payment

- 46.1 Deleted.
- 46.4 **Secured Advance:**
Deleted.

47. Securities

- 47.1 The Performance Security shall be provided to the Employer no later than the date specified in the Letter of Acceptance and shall be issued in an amount and form and by a bank or surety acceptable to the Employer, and denominated in Indian Rupees. The Performance Security shall be valid until a date 28 days from the date of expiry of Defects Liability Period and the additional security for unbalanced bids shall be valid until a date 28 days from the date of issue of the certificate of completion. The performance security of a joint venture shall be in the name of the joint venture.

48. Cost of Repairs

- 48.1 Loss or damage to the Works or Materials to be incorporated in the Works between the Start Date and the end of the Defects Correction periods shall be remedied by the Contractor at the Contractor's cost if the loss or damage arises from the Contractor's acts or omissions.

E. Finishing the Contract

49. Completion

49.1 The Contractor shall request the Engineer to issue a Certificate of Completion of the Works and the Engineer will do so upon deciding that the Work is completed.

50. Taking Over

50.1 The Employer shall take over the Site and the Works within seven days of the Engineer issuing a certificate of Completion.

51. Final Account

51.1 The Contractor shall supply to the Engineer a detailed account of the total amount that the Contractor considers payable under the Contract before the end of the Defects Liability Period. The Engineer shall issue a Defect Liability Certificate and certify any final payment that is due to the Contractor within 56 days of receiving the Contractor's account if it is correct and complete. If it is not, the Engineer shall issue within 56 days a schedule that states the scope of the corrections or additions that are necessary. If the Final Account is still unsatisfactory after it has been resubmitted, the Engineer shall decide on the amount payable to the Contractor and issue a payment certificate, within 56 days of receiving the Contractor's revised account.

52. Operating and Maintenance Manuals

52.1 If "as built" Drawings and/or operating and maintenance manuals are required, the Contractor shall supply them by the dates stated in the Contract Data.

52.2 If the Contractor does not supply the Drawings and/or manuals by the dates stated in the Contract Data, or they do not receive the Engineer's approval, the Engineer shall withhold the amount stated in the Contract Data from payments due to the Contractor.

53. Termination

53.1 The Employer or the Contractor may terminate the Contract if the other party causes a fundamental breach of the Contract.

53.2 Fundamental breaches of Contract include, but shall not be limited to the following:

(a) The Contractor stops work for 28 days when no stoppage of work is shown on the current program and the stoppage has not been authorized by the Engineer;

(b) The Engineer instructs the Contractor to delay the progress of the Works and the instruction is not withdrawn within 28 days;

(c) The Employer or the Contractor is made bankrupt or goes into liquidation other than for a reconstruction or amalgamation;

(d) A payment certified by the Engineer is not paid by the Employer to the Contractor within 56 days of the date of the Engineer's certificate;

(e) The Engineer gives Notice that failure to correct a particular Defect is a fundamental breach of Contract and the Contractor fails to correct it within a reasonable period of time determined by the Engineer;

(f) The Contractor does not maintain a security which is required;

(g) The Contractor has delayed the completion of works by the number of days for which the maximum amount of liquidated damages can be paid as defined in the Contract data; and

(h) If the Contractor, in the judgment of the Purchaser has engaged in fraud and corruption, as defined in GCC Clause 57, in competing for or in executing the Contract.

53.3 When either party to the Contract gives notice of a breach of contract to the Engineer for a cause other than those listed under Sub Clause 53.2 above, the Engineer shall decide whether the breach is fundamental or not.

53.4 Notwithstanding the above, the Employer may terminate the Contract for convenience.

53.5 If the Contract is terminated the Contractor shall stop work immediately, make the Site safe and secure and leave the Site as soon as reasonably possible.

54. Payment upon Termination

54.1 If the Contract is terminated because of a fundamental breach of Contract by the Contractor, the Engineer shall issue a certificate for the value of the work done less advance payments received up to the date of the issue of the certificate, less other recoveries due in terms of the contract, less taxes due to be deducted at source as per applicable law and less the percentage to apply to the work not completed as indicated in the Contract Data. Additional Liquidated Damages shall not apply. If the total amount due to the Employer exceeds any payment due to the Contractor the difference shall be a debt payable to the Employer.

54.2 If the Contract is terminated at the Employer's convenience or because of a fundamental breach of Contract by the Employer, the Engineer shall issue a certificate for the value of the work done, the reasonable cost of removal of Equipment, repatriation of the Contractor's personnel employed solely on the Works, and the Contractor's costs of protecting and securing the Works and less advance payments received up to the date of the certificate, less other recoveries due in terms of the contract and less taxes due to be deducted at source as per applicable law.

55. Property

55.1 All materials on the Site, Plant, Equipment, Temporary Works and Works are deemed to be the property of the Employer, if the Contract is terminated because of a Contractor's default.

56. Release from Performance

56.1 If the Contract is frustrated by the outbreak of war or by any other event entirely outside the control of either the Employer or the Contractor the Engineer shall certify that the Contract has been frustrated. The Contractor shall make the Site safe and stop

work as quickly as possible after receiving this certificate and shall be paid for all work carried out before receiving it and for any work carried out afterwards to which commitment was made.

57 Fraud & Corruption

57.1 If the Employer determines that the Contractor has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive coercive or obstructive practices, in competing for or in executing the Contract, then the Employer may, after giving 14 days notice to the Contractor, terminate the Contractor's employment under the Contract and expel him from the Site, and the provisions of Clause 53 shall apply.

Should any employee of the Contractor be determined to have engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practice during the execution of the works, then that employee shall be removed in accordance with Clause 9 (Personnel). For the purposes of this Sub-Clause:

(i) "Corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party*;

(ii) "Fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation**;

(iii) "Collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including influencing improperly the actions of another party#;

(iv) "Coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party\$;

(v) "Obstructive practice" is

(aa) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation, or

(bb) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of GMC's inspection rights.

** For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, "another party" refers to a public official acting in relation to the procurement process or contract execution. In this context, "public official" includes GMC staff and employees of other organizations taking or reviewing procurement decisions.*

*** For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, "party" refers to a public official; the terms "benefit" and "Obligation" relate to the procurement process or contract execution; and the "act or omission" is intended to influence the procurement process or contract execution.*

For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, "parties" refers to participants in the procurement process (including public officials) attempting either themselves, or through another person or entity not participating in the procurement or selection process, to simulate competition or to establish bid prices at artificial, non competitive levels, or are privy to each other's bid prices or other conditions.

\$ For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, "party" refers to a participant in the procurement process or contract execution.

F. Special Conditions of Contract

1. LABOUR:

The Contractor shall, unless otherwise provided in the Contract, make his own arrangements for the engagement of all staff and labour, local or other, and for their payment, housing, feeding and transport.

The Contractor shall, if required by the Engineer, deliver to the Engineer a return in detail, in such form and at such intervals as the Engineer may prescribe, showing the staff and the numbers of the several classes of labour from time to time employed by the Contractor on the Site and such other information as the Engineer may require.

2. COMPLIANCE WITH LABOUR REGULATIONS :

During continuance of the contract, the Contractor and his sub contractors shall abide at all times by all existing labour enactments and rules made there under, regulations, notifications and bye laws of the State or Central Government or local authority and any other labour law (including rules), regulations, bye laws that may be passed or notification that may be issued under any labour law in future either by the State or the Central Government or the local authority. Salient features of some of the major labour laws that are applicable to construction industry are given below. The Contractor shall keep the Employer indemnified in case any action is taken against the Employer by the competent authority on account of contravention of any of the provisions of any Act or rules made there under, regulations or notifications including amendments. If the Employer is caused to pay or reimburse, such amounts as may be necessary to cause or observe, or for non-observance of the provisions stipulated in the notifications/bye laws/Acts/Rules/regulations including amendments, if any, on the part of the Contractor, the Engineer/Employer shall have the right to deduct any money due to the Contractor including his amount of performance security. The Employer/Engineer shall also have right to recover from the Contractor any sum required or estimated to be required for making good the loss or damage suffered by the Employer.

The employees of the Contractor and the Sub-Contractor in no case shall be treated as the employees of the Employer at any point of time.

SALIENT FEATURES OF SOME MAJOR LABOUR LAWS APPLICABLE TO ESTABLISHMENTS ENGAGED IN BUILDING AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION WORK

- a) Workmen Compensation Act 1923: The Act provides for compensation in case of injury by accident arising out of and during the course of employment.
- b) Payment of Gratuity Act 1972: Gratuity is payable to an employee under the Act on satisfaction of certain conditions on separation if an employee has completed 5 years service or more or on death the rate of 15 days wages for every completed year of service. The Act is applicable to all establishments employing 10 or more employees.
- c) Employees P.F. and Miscellaneous Provision Act 1952 (*since amended*): The Act Provides for monthly contributions by the employer plus workers @ 10% or 8.33%. The benefits payable under the Act are :
 - (i) Pension or family pension on retirement or death, as the case may be.
 - (ii) Deposit linked insurance on the death in harness of the worker.

- (iii) Payment of P.F. accumulation on retirement/death etc.
- d) Maternity Benefit Act 1951: The Act provides for leave and some other benefits to women employees in case of confinement or miscarriage etc.
- e) Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act 1970: The Act provides for certain welfare measures to be provided by the Contractor to contract labour and in case the Contractor fails to provide, the same are required to be provided, by the Principal Employer by Law. The Principal Employer is required to take Certificate of Registration and the Contractor is required to take license from the designated Officer. The Act is applicable to the establishments or Contractor of Principal Employer if they employ 20 or more contract labour.
- f) Minimum Wages Act 1948: The Employer is supposed to pay not less than the Minimum Wages fixed by appropriate Government as per provisions of the Act if the employment is a scheduled employment. Construction of Buildings, Roads, and Runways are scheduled employments.
- g) Payment of Wages Act 1936: It lies down as to by what date the wages are to be paid, when it will be paid and what deductions can be made from the wages of the workers.
- h) Equal Remuneration Act 1979: The Act provides for payment of equal wages for work of equal nature to Male and Female workers and for not making discrimination against Female employees in the matters of transfers, training and promotions etc.
- i) Payment of Bonus Act 1965: The Act is applicable to all establishments employing 20 or more employees. The Act provides for payments of annual bonus subject to a minimum of 8.33% of wages and maximum of 20% of wages to employees drawing Rs.3500/-per month or less. The bonus to be paid to employees getting Rs.2500/- per month or above up to Rs.3500/- per month shall be worked out by taking wages as Rs.2500/-per month only. The Act does not apply to certain establishments. The newly set-up establishments are exempted for five years in certain circumstances. Some of the State Governments have reduced the employment size from 20 to 10 for the purpose of applicability of this Act.
- j) Industrial Disputes Act 1947: The Act lays down the machinery and procedure for resolution of Industrial disputes, in what situations a strike or lock-out becomes illegal and what are the requirements for laying off or retrenching the employees or closing down the establishment.
- k) Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Act 1946: It is applicable to all establishments employing 100 or more workmen (employment size reduced by some of the States and Central Government to 50). The Act provides for laying down rules governing the conditions of employment by the Employer on matters provided in the Act and gets the same certified by the designated Authority.
- l) Trade Unions Act 1926: The Act lays down the procedure for registration of trade unions of workmen and employers. The Trade Unions registered under the Act have been given certain immunities from civil and criminal liabilities.
- m) Child Labour (Prohibition & Regulation) Act 1986: The Act prohibits employment of children below 14 years of age in certain occupations and processes and provides for

regulation of employment of children in all other occupations and processes. Employment of Child Labour is prohibited in Building and Construction Industry.

- n) Inter-State Migrant workmen's (Regulation of Employment & Conditions of Service) Act 1979: The Act is applicable to an establishment which employs 5 or more inter-state migrant workmen through an intermediary (who has recruited workmen in one state for employment in the establishment situated in another state). The Inter-State migrant workmen, in an establishment to which this Act becomes applicable, are required to be provided certain facilities such as housing, medical aid, travelling expenses from home up to the establishment and back, etc.
- o) The Building and Other Construction workers (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act 1996 and the Cess Act of 1996: All the establishments who carry on any building or other construction work and employs 10 or more workers are covered under this Act. All such establishments are required to pay cess at the rate not exceeding 2% of the cost of construction as may be modified by the Government. The Employer of the establishment is required to provide safety measures at the Building or construction work and other welfare measures, such as Canteens, First-Aid facilities, Ambulance, Housing accommodations for workers near the work place etc. The Employer to whom the Act applies has to obtain a registration certificate from the Registering Officer appointed by the Government.
- p) Factories Act 1948: The Act lays down the procedure for approval at plans before setting up a factory, health and safety provisions, welfare provisions, working hours, annual earned leave and rendering information regarding accidents or dangerous occurrences to designated authorities. It is applicable to premises employing 10 persons or more with aid of power or 20 or more persons without the aid of power engaged in manufacturing process.

3. SUB-CONTRACTING (GCC Clause 7)

Please add the following as Clause 7.2:

The contractor shall not be required to obtain any consent from the employer for:

- a) The sub-contracting of any part of the Works for which the Sub-contractor is named in the contract;
- b) The provision of labour; and
- c) The purchase of materials which are in accordance with the standards specified in the Contract.

Beyond this if the contractor proposes sub-contracting any part of the work during execution of works, because of some unforeseen circumstances to enable him to complete the work as per terms of the contract; the Engineer will consider the following before according approval:

- The contractor shall not sub-contract the whole of the Works. The limit for sub-contracting shall be 25% of the Contract price. Proposal for sub contracting shall contain detailed experience, equipment and personnel for sub-contractor along with items and quantities to be sub contracted.
- The contractor shall not sub-contract any part of the Work without prior consent of the Engineer. Any such consent shall not relieve the contractor from any liability or obligations under the contract and he shall be responsible for the acts, defaults and

neglects of any subcontractor, his agents or workmen as fully as if they were the acts, defaults or neglects of the contractor, his agents or workmen.

- The Engineer should satisfy whether (a) the circumstances warrant such sub-contracting; and (b) the sub-contractors so proposed for the Work possess the experience, qualifications and equipment necessary for the job proposed to be entrusted to them in proportion to the quantum of work to be sub-contracted.
- If payments are proposed to be made directly to that sub-contractor, this should be subject to specific authorization by the prime contractor so that this arrangement does not alter the contractor's liability or obligations under the contract.

(Note: 1. All bidders are expected to indicate clearly in the bid, if they proposed sub-contracting elements of the works amounting to more than 20 percent of the Bid Price. For each such proposal the qualification and the experience of the identified sub-contractor in the relevant field should be furnished along with the bid to enable the employer to satisfy himself about their qualifications before agreeing for such subcontracting and include it in the contract. In view of the above, normally no additional sub-contracting should arise during execution of the contract.

2. However, [a] sub contracting for certain specialized elements of the work is not unusual and acceptable for carrying out the works more effectively; but vertical splitting of the works for subcontracting is not acceptable. [b] In any case, proposal for subcontracting in addition to what was specified in bid and stated in contract agreement will not be acceptable if the value of such additional sub-contracting exceeds 25% of value of work which was to be executed by Contractor without sub-contracting.

3. Assignment of the contract may be acceptable only under exceptional circumstances such as insolvencies/liquidation or merger of companies etc.

4. ARBITRATION

The procedure for arbitration will be as follows:

- a) In case of Dispute or difference arising between the Employer and a domestic contractor relating to any matter arising out of or connected with this agreement, such disputes or difference shall be settled in accordance with the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.
- b) Arbitration proceedings shall be held at Guwahati, India, and the language of the arbitration proceedings and that of all documents and communications between the parties shall be English.
- c) The disputes or differences arising shall be referred to a Sole Arbitrator. The Sole Arbitrator should be appointed by agreement between the parties; failing such agreement, by the appointing authority, namely the Indian Council of Arbitration.
- d) Performance under the contract shall continue during the arbitration proceedings and payments due to the contractor by the owners shall not be withheld, unless they are the subject matter of the arbitration proceedings.

5. PROTECTION OF ENVIRONMENT:

Add the following as GCC Clause 16.2:

The contractor shall take all reasonable steps to protect the environment on and off the Site and to avoid damage or nuisance to persons or to property of the public or others resulting from pollution, noise or other causes arising as a consequence of his methods of operation. During continuance of the contract, the contractor and his sub-contractors shall abide at all times by all existing enactments on environmental protection and rules made there

under, regulations, notifications and bye-laws of the State or Central Government, or local authorities and any other law, bye-law, regulations that may be passed or notification that may be issued in this respect in future by the State or Central Government or the local authority.

Salient features of some of the major laws that are applicable are given below:

The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, this provides for the prevention and control of water pollution and the maintaining and restoring of wholesomeness of water.

'Pollution' means such contamination of water or such alteration of the physical, chemical or biological properties of water or such discharge of any sewage or trade effluent or of any other liquid, gaseous or solid substance into water (whether directly or indirectly) as may, or is likely to, create a nuisance or render such water harmful or injurious to public health or safety, or to domestic, commercial, industrial, agricultural or other legitimate uses, or to the life and health of animals or plants or of aquatic organisms.

The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, this provides for prevention, control and abatement of air pollution. 'Air Pollution' means the presence in the atmosphere of any 'air pollutant', which means any solid, liquid or gaseous substance (including noise) present in the atmosphere in such concentration as may be or tend to be injurious to human beings or other living creatures or plants or property or environment.

The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. This provides for the protection and improvement of environment and for matters connected therewith, and the prevention of hazards to human beings, other living creatures, plants and property. 'Environment' includes water, air and land and the interrelationship which exists among and between water, air and land, and human beings, other living creatures, plants, micro-organism and property.

The Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991, This provides for public liability insurance for the purpose of providing immediate relief to the persons affected by accident occurring while handling hazardous substances and for matters connected herewith or incidental thereto. Hazardous substance means any substance or preparation which is defined as hazardous substance under the Environment (Protection) Act 1986, and exceeding such quantity as may be specified by notification by the Central Government.

6. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:

Sub-clause 44.1:

Please substitute the last sentence with the following:

“Time is the essence of the contract and payment or deduction of liquidated damages shall not relieve the contractor from his obligation to complete the work as per agreed construction program and milestones or from any other of the contractor’s obligations and liabilities under the contract.”

7. PRIORITY OF DOCUMENTS:

Sub-clause 2.3:

Please substitute sub paragraphs (a) to (j) with the following:

- a) Agreement,
- b) the Letter of Acceptance,

- c) Contractor's Bid,
- d) the addenda (if any)
- e) Special Conditions of Contract
- f) Contact Data;
- g) General Conditions of Contract
- h) Specifications
- i) Part-II-Supplementary Technical Specifications including additional Technical Specifications.
- j) Part-I General Specifications
- k) Part-III- Environmental Management Plan
- l) Drawings
- m) Any other documents forming part of the Contract.

8. Safety & Welfare Provisions for labour to be employed by the Contractor

All necessary personal safety equipment as considered adequate by the Engineer shall be available for use of persons employed on the Site and maintained in a condition suitable for immediate use; and the Contractor shall take adequate steps to ensure proper use of such equipment by those concerned.

1. Safety Provisions:

The Contractor shall comply with all the precautions as required for the safety of the workmen.

- i. All workmen at site shall be provided with safety helmets and yellow/orange jackets. Workmen required on site during night hours shall be provided with fluorescent yellow jackets with reflective lopes.
- ii. Workers employed on mixing asphaltic materials, cement, lime mortars, concrete etc. shall be provided with protective footwear, protective goggles.
- iii. Those engaged in handling any material, which is injurious to the eyes, shall be provided with protective goggles protective goggles.
- iv. Those engaged in welding works shall be provided with welder's protective eye-shield.
- v. Stone breakers shall be provided with protective goggles and protective clothing and seated at sufficiently safe intervals.
- vi. Suitable scaffolds shall be provided for workmen for all work that cannot safely be done from the ground, or from solid construction except for such short period work as can be done safely from ladders. When a ladder is used, an extra labourer shall be engaged for holding the ladder and if the ladder is used for carrying materials as well, suitable foot-holds and hand-holds shall be provided on the ladder, which shall be given an inclination not steeper than 1/4 to 1.
- vii. Scaffolding or staging more than 3.25 metres above the ground or floor, swung or suspended from an overhead support or erected with stationary support, shall have a guard rail properly attached, bolted, braced and otherwise secured at least 1 metre high above the floor or platform of such scaffolding or staging and extending along the entire length of the outside and ends thereof with only such openings as may be

necessary for the delivery of materials. Such scaffolding or staging shall be so fastened as to prevent it from swaying from the support or structure.

- viii. Working platforms, gangways, and stairways shall be so constructed that they do not sag unduly or unequally, and if the height of any platform or gangway or stairway is more than 3.25 metres above ground level or floor level, it shall have closely spaced boards, have adequate width and be suitably provided with guard rails as described in (vii) above.
- ix. Every opening in the floor of a structure or in a working platform shall be provided with suitable means to prevent fall of persons or materials by providing suitable fencing or railing with a minimum height of one metre.
- x. Safe means of access and egress shall be provided to all working platforms and other working places. Every ladder shall be securely fixed. No portable single ladder shall be over 9 metres in length. The width between side rails in a rung ladder shall in no case be less than 30 cm for ladders up to and including 3 metres in length. For longer ladders the width shall be increased at least 6 mm for each additional 30 cm of length. Spacing of steps shall be uniform and shall not exceed 30 cm.
- xi. Adequate precautions shall be taken to prevent danger from electrical equipment. No materials on any of the sites shall be so stacked or placed as to cause danger or inconvenience to any person or the public. The Contractor shall provide all necessary fencing and lights to protect the public from accidents and shall be bound to bear the expenses of defending every suit, action or other proceedings at law that may be brought by any person for injury sustained owing to neglect of the above precautions and to pay any damages and costs which may be awarded in any such suit, action or proceedings to any such person or which may with the consent of the Contractor be paid to compromise any claim by any such person.
- xii. Excavation and Trenching: All trenches, 1.5 metres or more in depth shall at all times be supplied with at least one ladder for each 20 metres in length or fraction thereof. Ladders shall be extended from the bottom of the trench to at least 1 metre above the surface of the ground. The sides of a trench, which is 1.5 metres or more in depth shall be stepped back to provide a suitable slope, or be securely held by timber bracing so as to avoid the danger of side collapse. Excavated material shall not be placed within 1.5 metres of the edge of any trench or half the depth of the trench, whichever is more. Excavation shall be made from the top to the bottom. Under no circumstances shall undermining or undercutting be done.
- xiii. When workers are employed in sewers and manholes, which are in use, the Contractor shall ensure that manhole covers are open and manholes are ventilated at least for an hour before workers are allowed to go into them. Manholes so open shall be cordoned off with suitable railing and provide warning signals or boards to prevent accidents to the public.
- xiv. Demolition: Before any demolition work is commenced and also during the process of the work:
 - a) All roads and open areas adjacent to the work site shall either be closed or suitably protected.
 - b) No electric cable or apparatus, which is liable to be a source of danger other than a cable or apparatus used by operators, shall remain electrically charged:

- c) All practical steps shall be taken to prevent danger to persons employed by the Employer, from risk of fire or explosion, or flooding. No floor, roof or other part of a building shall be so overloaded with debris or materials as to render it unsafe.
- xv. When work is performed near any place where there is risk of drowning all necessary equipment shall be provided and kept ready for use and all necessary steps taken for prompt first aid treatment of all injuries likely to be sustained during the course of the work.
- xvi. Use of hoisting machines and tackle including their attachments, anchorage and supports shall conform to the following:
- (a) These shall be of good mechanical construction, sound material and adequate strength and free from patent defects and shall be kept in good working order be regularly inspected and properly maintained.
 - (b) Every rope used in hoisting or lowering materials or as a means of suspension shall be of durable quality and adequate strength, and free from defects.
 - (c) For every hoisting machine and every chain hook, shackle, swivel and pulley block used in hoisting, lowering or as means of suspension, safe working load shall be ascertained by adequate means. Every hoisting machine and all gear referred to above shall be plainly marked with safe working load. In case of a hoisting machine or a variable safe working load, each safe working load and conditions under which it is applicable shall be clearly indicated. No part of any machine or any gear referred to in the paragraph above shall be loaded beyond safe working load except for the purpose of testing
- xvii. Motors, gearing, transmission, electric wiring and other dangerous parts of hoisting appliances shall be provided with efficient safeguards; hoisting appliances shall be provided with such means as will reduce the risk of accident during descent of load to the minimum. Adequate precautions shall be taken to reduce to the minimum risk of any part of a suspended load becoming accidentally displaced. When workers are employed on electrical installations which are already energised, insulating mats, working apparel such as gloves, sleeves and boots, as may be necessary, shall be provided. Workers shall not wear any rings, watches and carry keys or other material which are good conductors of electricity.
- xviii. All scaffolds, ladders and other safety devices mentioned or described herein shall be maintained in a safe condition and no scaffold, ladder or equipment shall be altered or removed while it is in use. Adequate washing facilities shall be provided at or near places of work.
- xix. These safety provisions shall be brought to the notice of all concerned by displaying on a notice board at a prominent place at the work location. Persons responsible for ensuring compliance with the Safety Code shall be named therein by the Contractor.
- xx. To ensure effective enforcement of the rules and regulations relating to safety precautions, arrangements made by the Contractor shall be open to inspection by the Engineer or his Representative.

- xxi. Notwithstanding anything contained in condition (i) to (xv) above, the Contractor shall remain liable to comply with the provisions of all acts, rules, regulations and bylaws for the time being in force in India and applicable in this matter. The Contractor shall be responsible for observance, by his sub-contractors, of the foregoing provisions.

2. Labour Welfare Provisions:

i. First Aid:

At every workplace, there shall be maintained in readily accessible place first aid appliances including an adequate supply of sterilised dressings and sterilised cotton wool as prescribed in the Factory Rules of the State in which the work is carried on. The appliances shall be kept in good order and, in large work places; they shall be placed under the charge of a responsible person who shall be readily available during working hours.

ii. Accommodation for Labour:

The Contractor shall during the progress of the work provide, erect and maintain necessary temporary living accommodation and ancillary facilities for labour at his own expense to standards and scales approved by the Engineer.

iii. Drinking Water:

In every workplace, there shall be provided and maintained at suitable places easily accessible to labour, a sufficient supply of cold water fit for drinking.

Where drinking water is obtained from an intermittent public water supply each workplace shall be provided with storage tanks where drinking water shall be stored.

Every water supply storage shall be at a distance of not less than 15 metres from any latrine, drain or other source of pollution. Where water has to be drawn from an existing well, which is within such proximity of any latrine, drain or any other source of pollution, the well shall be properly chlorinated before water is drawn from it for drinking. All such wells shall be entirely closed in and be provided with a trap door, which shall be dust proof and waterproof. A reliable pump shall be fitted to each covered well. The trap door shall be kept locked and opened only for cleaning or inspection, which shall be done at least once a month.

iv. Washing and Bathing Places:

Adequate washing and bathing places shall be provided separately for men and women. Such places shall be kept in clean and drained condition.

v. Scale of Accommodation in Latrines and Urinals:

There shall be provided within the precincts of every workplace, latrines and urinals in an accessible place, and the accommodation, separately for each for these, shall not be less than at the following scale:

No. of Seats

(a) Where number of persons does not exceed 50 2

(b) Where number of persons exceed 50 but does not exceed 100 3

(c) For additional persons per 100 or part thereof 3

In particular cases, the Engineer shall have the power to increase the requirement, wherever necessary.

vi. Latrines and Urinals:

Except in work places provided with water-flushed latrines connected with a water borne sewage system, all latrines shall be provided with dry-earth system (receptacles) which shall be cleaned at least four times daily and at least twice during working hours and kept in a strictly sanitary condition. Receptacles shall be tarred inside and outside at least once a year.

If women are employed, separate latrines and urinals, screened from those for men and marked in the vernacular in conspicuous letters "For women only", shall be provided. Those for men shall be similarly marked "For men only". A poster showing the figure of a man and a woman shall also be exhibited at the entrance to latrines for each sex. There shall be adequate supply of water, close to latrines and urinals.

vii. Construction of Latrines:

Inside walls shall be constructed of masonry or other non-absorbent material and shall be cement- washed inside and outside at least once a year. The dates of cement washing shall be noted in a register maintained for the purpose and kept available for inspection. Latrines shall have at least a thatched roof.

viii. Disposal of Excreta:

Unless otherwise arranged for by the local sanitary authority, arrangement for proper disposal of excreta by incineration at the workplace shall be made by means of a suitable incinerator approved by the local medical health and municipal or cantonment authorities. Alternatively, excreta may be disposed of by putting a layer of night soils at the bottom of a pucca tank prepared for the purpose and covering it with a 15 cm layer of waste or refuse and then covering it with a layer of earth for a fortnight (when it will turn into manure).

The Contractor shall, at his own expense, carry out all instructions issued to him by the Engineer to effect proper disposal of soil and other conservancy work in respect of Contractor's work-purpose or employees on the site. The Contractor shall be responsible for payment of any charges, which may be levied by municipal or cantonment authority for execution of such work on his behalf.

ix. Provisions of shelters during rest:

At every workplace, there shall be provided, free of cost, four suitable sheds, two for meals and two others for rest, separately for use of men and women labour. The height of each shelter shall not be less than 3metres from floor level to lowest part of roof. Sheds shall be kept clean and the space provided shall be on the basis of at least 0.5 sq.m. per head.

x. Crèches:

At a place where women are ordinarily employed, there shall be provided at least one hut for use of children under the age of 6 years belonging to such women. Huts shall not be

constructed to a standard lower than that of thatched roof, mud floor and wall with wooden planks spread over mud floor and covered with matting.

Huts shall be provided with suitable and sufficient openings, for light and ventilation. There shall be adequate provision of sweepers to keep the places clean. There shall be a maidservant in attendance.

Sanitary utensils shall be provided to the satisfaction of local medical, health a municipal or cantonment authorities. Use of huts shall be restricted to children, their attendants and mothers of children.

xi. **Canteen:**

A cooked food canteen on a moderate scale shall be provided for the benefit of workers wherever it is considered necessary.

- xii. **Planning**, setting and erection of the above mentioned structures shall be approved by the Engineer or his Representative and the whole of such temporary accommodation shall at all times during the progress of the Works be kept tidy and in a clean and sanitary condition to the satisfaction of the Engineer or his representative and at the Contractor's expense. The Contractor shall conform generally to sanitary requirements of local medical, health and municipal or cantonment authorities and at all times adopt such precautions as may be necessary to prevent soil pollution of the Site.

On completion of the Works, the whole of such temporary structures shall be cleared away, all rubbish burnt, excreta or other disposal pits or trenches filled in and effectively sealed off and the whole of the site left clean and tidy, at the Contractor's expense, to the entire satisfaction of the Engineer.

xiii. **Anti-malarial precautions:**

The Contractor shall, at his own expense, conform to all anti malarial instructions given to him by the Engineer, including filling up any borrow pits which may have been dug by him.

xiv. **Awareness and Education of HIV/AIDS**

The contractor shall provide/carryout HIV/AIDS awareness and training programme to its labour and management, at least twice per year during the construction period.

xv. **Child Labour Prohibition**

The contractor shall not employ Child Labour for any works or in any manner under the Contract at anytime. In the event that the Contractor uses child labour, the Employer shall terminate the Contract.

xvi. **Amendments:**

The Employer may, from time to time, add to, or amend these Rules and issue such directions as it may be considered necessary for the proper implementation of these Rules or for the purpose of removing any difficulty, which may arise in the administration thereof.

SECTION 4: CONTRACT DATA

Contract Data

Items marked "N/A" do not apply in this Contract.

The following documents are also part of the Contract:

**Clause Reference with
respect to Section 3**

The Employer is

Name: Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation (1.1)
Address: Panbazaar, Guwahati-781001, Assam, India

The Site is located at **Kamrup (M) District** [1.1]

The Engineer is [1.1]

Name: Chief Engineer, Guwahati Municipal Corporation,
Address: Panbazaar, Guwahati-781001, Assam, India

Name of Authorized Representative: The Executive Engineer, GMC Division No.

The name and identification number of the Contract is

The Works consist of _____;
all aspects of quality assurance of various components of works; rectification of the defects in the completed works during the Defect Liability Period; submission of "As Built" drawings and any other related documents; and other items of works as may be required to be carried out for completing the works in accordance with the drawings and provisions of the Contract to insure safety. (1.1)

The Start Date shall be the date of issue of notice to proceed with the work. [1.1]

The following documents also form part of the Contract: [2.3]

Document	Description of the document
Construction Methodology	Construction methodology in bid amended as per comments of employer given in letter of acceptance.

The language of the Contract documents is English [3]

The law which applies to the Contract is the laws of Union of India [3]

Schedule of other contractors Nil [8.1]

Site investigation reports- As indicated in the drawings

[14] Deleted

The intended completion date for the whole of the works shall be as specified months from the date of commencement.

The Site Possession Dates shall be within seven days from the date of issue of Notice to Proceed with Work: [21]

The Employer may require suggesting the contractor to submit revised program in accordance with an agreeable alternate schedule of handing over of site for which no compensation events hold good.

The Contractor shall submit a revised Program including Environmental Management Plan for the Works (in such form and detail as the engineer shall reasonably prescribe) within 14 days of delivery of the Letter of Acceptance. [24]

[This program should be in adequate detail and generally conform to the program submitted along with bid in response to ITB Clause 4.3

(k). Deviations if any from that should be clearly explained and should be satisfactory to the Engineer]

The period between Program updates shall be 30 days. [24]

The amount to be withheld for late submission of an updated Program shall be Rs. 5 Thousand [24]/per day

The Defects Liability Period is 180 days from the date of certification of completion of works. (Where sectional completion certificate is issued this will apply from those dates for those sections). [1.1, 31]

The following events shall also be Compensation Events: [39]

1. _____ Nil_3_____
2. _____

The currency of the Contract is Indian Rupees. [42]

The proportion of payments retained (retention money) shall be 8% from each bill subject to a maximum of 8% of final contract price [44]

Amount of the liquidated damages per day for non completion of the section/total work as per the completion date specified in 1.1 are as under: [45]

For: Milestone -I **Rs. 0.05% of Bid value per day**

For: Milestone -II **Rs. 0.5% of Bid value per day**

The maximum amount of liquidated damages for the whole of the works is ten percent of final contract price.

The amounts of the advance payment are [46]:

Deleted

The Securities shall be for the following minimum amounts equivalent as a percentage of the Contract Price:

Performance Security for 2 per cent of contract price plus additional security for unbalanced bids [*in terms of ITB Clause 28.5*].

The standard form of Performance Security acceptable to the Employer shall be an unconditional Bank Guarantee of the type as presented in Section 6 of the Bidding Documents or Call Deposit/Term Deposit in favour of the Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, payable at Guwahati

The following events shall also be fundamental breach of contract:

1. The Contractor has contravened Sub-clause 7 of GCC read with SCC and Clause 9.0 of GCC
2. The contractor does not adhere to the agreed construction program and agreed environmental management plan (Clause 24 of GCC) and also fails to take satisfactory remedial action as per agreements reached in the management meetings (Clause 27) for a period of 30 days.
3. The contractor fails to carry out of the instructions of Engineer within a reasonable time determined by the Engineer in accordance with GCC Clause 16.1 and 23.1.

The percentage to apply to the value of the work not completed representing the Employer's additional cost for completing the Works shall be **20** percent.

SECTION 5: TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

1. PREAMBLE

1.1 The Technical Specifications contained herein shall be read in conjunction with the other bidding documents as specified in Volume I.

1.1.1 General

The Technical Specifications covering the materials and the workmanship aspects as well as method of measurements and payments are included in this section. These specifications cover the items of civil and non-civil works coming under scope of this document. All work shall be carried out in conformity with the same. These specifications are not intended to cover the minute details. The works shall be executed in accordance with good practices followed for achieving high standards of workmanship, thus ensuring safety and durability of the construction. All codes and standards referred to in these specifications shall be the latest thereof, unless otherwise stated.

1.1.2 Inclusive Documents

The provisions of particular conditions of contract, those specified elsewhere in the tender document, as well as execution drawings and notes, or other specifications issued in writing by the Engineer shall form part of the technical specifications of this project.

1.1.3 The attention of the Contractor is drawn to those clauses of codes which require supporting specification either by the Engineer or by 'Mutual agreement between the supplier and purchaser'. In such cases, it is the responsibility of the bidder/contractor to seek clarification on any uncertainty and obtain prior approval of the Engineer before taking up the supply/construction. In absence of such prior clarification, the Engineer's choice/design will be final and binding on the contractor without involving separately any additional payment.

1.1.4 Measurement and Payment

Should there be any detail of construction or materials which has not been referred to in the Specification or in the Bill of Quantities and Drawings but the necessity for which may be implied or inferred there-from, or which is usual or essential to the completion of the work in the trades, the same shall be deemed to be included in the rates and prices entered by the contractor in the Bill of Quantities.

1.1.5 Defective Works

All defective works are liable to be demolished, rebuilt and defective materials replaced by the Contractor at his own cost and without involving any time extension.

1.2 Site Information

1.2.1 The information given hereunder and provided elsewhere in these documents is given in good faith by the 'Employer', but the Contractor shall satisfy himself regarding all aspects

of site conditions and no claim will be entertained on the plea that the information supplied by the Employer is erroneous or insufficient.

1.2.2 In general, the topography of the road can be classified as plain terrain.

1.2.3 General Climatic Conditions

1.2.3.1 The temperature in the region fluctuates from 22° C to 38° C in summer and from 5° C to 27° C in winter.

1.2.3.2 Average annual rainfall in the project area is about 3000 mm. Most of it occurs during the monsoon months of April to September.

1.2.4 Seismic Zone

The works are located in Seismic Zone-V as defined in IRC: 6-2000.

2. General Requirements

The Technical Specifications, in accordance with which the entire work described hereinafter shall be constructed and completed by the Contractor, comprise of the following:

2.1 PART - I: General Technical Specifications

The General Technical Specifications shall be the “SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE WORKS” (FOURTH REVISION - August 2001), along with other addendum/corrigendum/issued up to 28 days before the final date of submission of bid, issued by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Government of India and published by the Indian Roads Congress (IRC), New Delhi, with a cross reference to relevant Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) for materials or other aspects not covered by the IRC.

2.2 PART- II: Supplementary Technical Specifications

The Supplementary Technical Specifications shall comprise various Amendments/Modifications/Additions to the “SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE WORKS” referred to in PART – I above, Specification for miscellaneous and also **Additional Specifications** for particular item of works not already covered in PART-I.

2.2.1 When an Amended/Modified/Added Clause supersedes a Clause or part thereof in the said Specifications, then any reference to the superseded Clause shall be deemed to refer to the Amended/Modified/Added Clause or part thereof.

2.2.2 In so far as Amended/Modified/Added Clause may come in conflict or be inconsistent with any of the provisions of the said Specifications under reference, the Amended/Modified/Added Clause shall always prevail.

2.2.3 The Additional Specifications shall comprise specifications for particular item of works not already covered in PART-I.

2.2.4 The Sub-Clauses of the following Sections in the “Specifications for Road and Bridge Works (Fourth Revision - August 2001, Reprinted - March 2002) have been Amended/Modified/Added upon:

Sl. No.	Section No.	Title	Clause no.
1.	100	General	102, 103, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111,112, 114, 115, 121
2.	200	Site Clearance	201, 202
3.	300	Earthwork, Erosion control and Drainage	301, 304, 305, 309
4.	400	Sub-bases, Bases (non bituminous) and Shoulders	401, 406, 409
5.	500	Bases and Surface Courses (bituminous)	501, 502, 503, 507, 509
6.	800	Traffic Signs, Marking and Other Road Appurtenances	801, 803, 804, 805, 806, 808
7.	900	Quality Control for Road Works	901, 902, 903
8.	1000	Materials for Structures	1001, 1002, 1006, 1007, 1008, 1009, 1010,1012, 1014, 1015
9.	1500	Formwork	1501, 1502, 1503, 1505, 1506, 1508, 1509,1510, 1513,
10.	1600	Steel Reinforcement (Untensioned)	1602, 1604, 1605, 1606, 1607
11.	1700	Structural Concrete	1703, 1704, 1705, 1706, 1707, 1709, 1712,1713, 1715
12.	2000	Bearings	2001, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2009, 2011
13.	2200	Sub-structure	2204, 2210
14.	2700	Wearing coat and Appurtenances	2702, 2703, 2704, 2706, 2708, 2709
15.	3000	Maintenance of Road	3002, 3003, 3004
16.	2101	Open Foundations	2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107,2108
17.	2300	Concrete Superstructure	2301, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2306, 2308, 2309

2.2.5 Additional Technical Specifications

The following Clauses have been added to the 'SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE WORKS (Fourth Revision - August 2001, Reprinted - March 2002)'.

- A-1 Curing using liquid membrane forming compound
- A-2 Diversion and filling of existing water courses along the road alignment
- A-3 Plantation of trees and low height shrubs
- A-4 Rumble strips
- A-5 Raised Pedestrian Crossing
- A-6 Utility pits and ducts
- A-7 Control blasting
- A-8 Tubular Gantry mounted overhead/cantilever signs
- A-9 Interlocking concrete Pavement Block
- A-10 Passenger Pick-up shed
- A-11 Vetiver Plantation

2.2.6 In the absence of any definite provisions on any particular issue in the aforesaid Specifications; reference may be made to the latest codes and specifications of IRC and BIS in that order. Where even these are silent, the construction and completion of the works shall conform to sound engineering practices as approved by the Engineer. In case of any dispute arising out of the interpretation of the above, the decision of the Engineer shall be final and binding on the Contractor.

2.3 The latest editions, till 28 days before the final date of the submission of the bid of specifications/standards shall be applicable.

3.0 Quality Control on Works & Materials

Quality control on materials and execution remains the primary responsibility of the contractor. Nevertheless, the Engineer will inspect the work from time to time during and after construction and get the quality of the work tested (by him/herself, by his/her Testing & Quality Control Units and/or by any other agency deemed fit by him/her) generally as per the requirements of the Handbook of Quality Control for Construction of Roads & Runways (IRC Special Publication No. 11 & Section-900 of MORTH Specifications).

4.0 Surveying & Measuring Equipments

Equipments for surveying and measurement of the work shall be procured by the Contractor for site use. The same shall also be made available at site for use by the Engineer for any work connected with the Contract without any Charge.

SECTION 6: FORMS OF SECURITIES

Forms of Securities

Acceptable forms of securities are annexed. Bidders should not complete the Performance and Advance Payment Security forms at this time. Only the successful Bidder will be required to provide Performance and Advance Payment Securities in accordance with one of the forms, or in a similar form acceptable to the Employer.

Annex I: Bid Security (Bank Guarantee)

Annex II: Performance Bank Guarantee

BID SECURITY (BANK GUARANTEE)

WHEREAS, _____ [name of Bidder] (hereinafter called "the Bidder") has submitted his Bid dated _____ [date] for the " _____"; Package No. - _____ (hereinafter called "the Bid").

KNOW ALL PEOPLE by these presents that We _____ [name of bank] of _____ [name of country] having our registered office at _____ (hereinafter called "the Bank") are bound unto Commissioner, Guwahati Municipal Corporation, Panbazaar, Guwahati – 781001, Assam (hereinafter called "the Employer") in the sum of _____¹ for which payment well and truly to be made to the said Employer the Bank binds itself, his successors and assigns by these presents.

SEALED with the Common Seal of the said Bank this _____ day of _____.

THE CONDITIONS of this obligation are:

- 1) If after Bid opening the Bidder withdraws his bid during the period of Bid validity specified in the Form of Bid; or
- 2) If the Bidder having been notified of the acceptance of his bid by the Employer during the period of Bid validity:
 - (a) Fails or refuses to execute the Form of Agreement in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders, if required; or
 - (b) Fails or refuses to furnish the Performance Security, in accordance with the Instruction to Bidders; or
 - (c) does not accept the correction of the Bid Price pursuant to Clause 27; we undertake to pay to the Employer up to the above amount upon receipt of his first written demand, without the Employer having to substantiate his demand, provided that in his demand the Employer will note that the amount claimed by him is due to him owing to the occurrence of one or any of the three conditions, specifying the occurred condition or conditions.

This Guarantee will remain in force up to and including the date _____² days after the deadline for submission of Bids as such deadline is stated in the Instructions to Bidders or as it may be extended by the Employer, notice of which extension(s) to the Bank is hereby waived. Any demand in respect of this guarantee should reach the Bank not later than the above date.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE OF THE BANK _____

WITNESS _____ SEAL _____

[Signature, name, and address]

¹ The Bidder should insert the amount of the guarantee in words and figures denominated in Indian Rupees. This figure should be the same as shown in Clause 16.1 of the Instructions to Bidders.

² 45 days after the end of the validity period of the Bid.

PERFORMANCE BANK GUARANTEE

To: _____ [name of Employer]
 _____ [address of Employer]

WHEREAS _____ [name and address of Contractor] (hereinafter called "the Contractor") has undertaken, in pursuance of Contract No. _____ dated _____ to execute _____ [name of Contract and brief description of Works] (hereinafter called "the Contract");

AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you in the said Contract that the Contractor shall furnish you with a Bank Guarantee by a recognized bank for the sum specified therein as security for compliance with his obligations in accordance with the Contract;

AND WHEREAS we have agreed to give the Contractor such a Bank Guarantee;

NOW THEREFORE we hereby affirm that we are the Guarantor and responsible to you, on behalf of the Contractor, up to a total of _____ [amount of guarantee]¹ _____ [in words], such sum being payable in the types and proportions of currencies in which the Contract Price is payable, and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand and without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of _____ [amount of guarantee]¹ as aforesaid without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your demand for the sum specified therein.

We hereby waive the necessity of your demanding the said debt from the Contractor before presenting us with the demand.

We further agree that no change or addition to or other modification of the terms of the Contract or of the Works to be performed there under or of any of the Contract documents which may be made between you and the Contractor shall in any way release us from any liability under this guarantee, and we hereby waive notice of any such change, addition or modification.

This guarantee shall be valid until (i.e.) 28 days from the date of expiry of the Defects Liability Period.

Signature and seal of the guarantor _____

Name of Bank _____

Address _____

Date _____

¹ An amount shall be inserted by the Guarantor, representing the percentage of the Contract Price specified in the Contract and denominated in Indian Rupees.