

10% of the total value of the Running Account and Final Bill will be deducted and retained by the Owner as retention money on account of any damage/defect liability that may arise for the period covered under the defect liability period clause of the Contract free of interest. Any damage or defect that may arise or lie undiscovered at the time of issue of completion certificate connected in any way with the equipment or materials supplied by contractor or in workmanship shall be rectified or replaced by the contractor at his own expense failing which the Owner shall be entitled to rectify the said damage/defect from the retention money. Any excess of expenditure incurred by the Owner on account of damage or defect shall be payable by the Contractor. The decision of the Owner in this behalf shall not be liable to be questioned but shall be final and binding on the Contractor.

Thus, deduction towards retention money is applicable only in case of job/works contracts (civil, mechanical, electrical, maintenance etc.) where any damage or defect may arise in future (i.e. within 12 months from the date of completion of job) or lie undiscovered at the time of issue of completion certificate.

7.d. STATUTORY LEVIES

7.d.1 The Contractor accepts full and exclusive liability for the payment of any and all taxes, duties, cess, levies and statutory payments payable under all or any of the statutes etc.

Variations of taxes and duties arising out of the amendments to the Central / State enactments, in respect of sale of goods / services covered under this bid shall be to HPCL's account, so long as :

They relate to the period after the opening of the price bid, but before the contracted completion period (excluding permitted extensions due to delay on account of the contractors, if any) or the actual completion period, whichever is earlier; and

The vendor furnishes documentary evidence of incurrance of such variations, in addition to the invoices/documents for claiming Cenvat /Input Tax credit, wherever applicable.

All contributions and taxes for unemployment compensation, insurance and old age pensions or annuities now or hereafter imposed by Central or State Governmental authorities which are imposed with respect to or covered by the wages, salaries or other compensations paid to the persons employed by the Contractor and the Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance with all obligations and restrictions imposed by the Labour Law or any other law affecting employer-employee relationship and the Contractor further agrees to comply and to secure the compliance of all sub-contractors with all applicable Central, State, Municipal and local laws, and regulations and requirements of any Central, State or Local Government agency or authority.

Contractor further agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless from any liability or penalty which may be imposed by the Central, State or Local authorities by reason of any violation by Contractor or sub-contractor of such laws, regulations or requirements and also from all claims, suits or proceedings that may be brought against the Owner arising under, growing out of, or by reasons of the work provided for by this contract by third parties, or by Central or State Government authority or any administrative sub-division thereof. The Contractor further agrees that in case any such demand is raised against the Owner, and Owner has no way but to pay and pays/makes payment of the same, the Owner shall have the right to deduct the same from the amounts due and payable to the Contractor. The Contractor shall not raise any demand or dispute in respect of the same but may have recourse to recover/receive from the concerned authorities on the basis of the Certificate of the Owner issued in that behalf.

7.d.2. The rates quoted should be inclusive of all taxes. However, wherever a tax to be deducted at source the same will be deducted from the bills of the Contractor and paid to the concerned authorities. The proof of such payments of tax on works contract will be furnished to the contractor.

The vendor shall comply with all the provisions of the
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Act/Rules/requirements like providing of tax invoices, payment of taxes to the authorities within the due dates, filing of returns within the due dates etc. to enable HPCL to take Input Tax Credit. In case of imports, vendor shall provide import documents and invoice fulfilling the requirement of Customs Act and Rules. Vendor will be fully responsible for complying with the Customs provisions to enable HPCL to take Input Tax Credit.

In case, HPCL is not able to take Input Tax Credit due to any noncompliance/default/negligence of the seller of goods/service provider, the same shall be recovered from the pending bills/dues (including security deposit, BG etc.)

Vendor shall be responsible to indemnify the Corporation for any loss, direct or implied accrued to the Corporation on account of supplier/service provider failure to discharge his statutory liabilities like paying taxes on time, filing appropriate returns within the prescribed time etc.

7.d.3. Income tax will be deducted at source as per rules at prevailing rates, unless certificate, if any, for deduction at lesser rate or nil deduction is submitted by the Contractor from appropriate authority.

7.d.4 The contractor shall provide accurate particulars of PAN number as required, under Section 206AA of Income Tax Act 1961.

7.d.5 The contractors having their tax residency status outside India shall provide Tax Residency Certificate (TRC), issued by Government of the Country or the specified territory where the Contractor is a Resident. Rule 21AB of the Income Tax Rules, 1962 has prescribed the contents of a TRC. This would enable the Corporation to deduct tax at source by duly considering the treaty relief, if any, under Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) entered into between GOI and the respective country/specified territory in which the Contractors tax residency status is currently in force.

7.d.6 Anti-Profiteering Clause GST Act anti-profiteering provisions mandates that any reduction in tax rates or benefits of input tax credits be passed on to the consumer by way of commensurate reduction in prices. Vendors to take note of the same and pass such benefits while quoting their price.

7.e. MATERIALS TO BE SUPPLIED BY CONTRACTOR

7.e.1. The Contractor shall procure and provide the whole of the materials required for construction including tools, tackles, construction plant and equipment for the completion and maintenance of the works except the materials viz. steel and cement which may be agreed to be supplied as provided elsewhere in the contract. The contractor shall make arrangement for procuring such materials and for the transport thereof at their own cost and expenses.

7.e.2. The Owner may give necessary recommendation to the respective authority if so desired by the Contractor but assumes no responsibility of any nature. The Contractor shall procure materials of ISI stamp/certification and supplied by reputed suppliers borne on DGS&D list.

7.e.3. All materials procured should meet the specifications given in the tender document. The Engineer-in-charge may, at his discretion, ask for samples and test certificates for any batch of any materials procured. Before procuring, the Contractor should get the approval of Engineer-in-Charge/Site-in-Charge for any materials to be used for the works.

7.e.4. Manufacturer's certificate shall be submitted for all materials supplied by the Contractor. If, however, in the opinion of the Engineer-in-Charge/Site-in-Charge any tests are required to be conducted on the material supplied by the Contractor, these will be arranged by the Contractor promptly at his own cost.

7.f. MATERIALS TO BE SUPPLIED BY THE OWNER

7.f.1. Steel and Cement may be supplied by the Owner to the contractor against payment by Contractor from either godown or from the site or within work premises itself and the contractor shall arrange for all transport to actual work site at no extra cost.

7.f.2. The contractor shall bear all the costs including loading and unloading, carting from issue points to work spot storage, unloading, custody and handling and stacking the same and return the surplus steel and cement to the Owner's storage point after completion of job.

7.f.3. The contractor will be fully accountable for the steel and cement received from the Owner and contractor will give acknowledgement/receipt for quantity of steel and cement received by him each time he uplifts cement from Owner's custody.

7.f.4. For all computation purposes, the theoretical cement consumption shall be considered as per CPWD standards.

7.f.5. Steel and Cement as received from the manufacturer/stockists will be issued to the contractor. Theoretical weight of cement in a bag will be considered as 50 Kg. Bags weighing upto 4% less shall be accepted by the contractor and considered as 50 Kg. per bag. Any shortage in the weight of any cement bag by more than 4% will be to the Owner's account only when pointed out by the Contractor and verified by Engineer-in-Charge/Site in Charge at the time of Contract or taking delivery.

7.f.6. The contractor will be required to maintain a stock register for receipt, issuance and consumption of steel and cement at site. Cement will be stored in a warehouse at site. Requirement of cement on any day will be taken out of the warehouse. Cement issued shall be regulated on the basis of FIRST RECEIPT to go as FIRST ISSUE.

7.f.7. Empty cement bag shall be the property of the Contractor. Contractor shall be penalised for any excess/under consumption of cement. The penal rate will be twice the rate of issue of cement for this work.

7.f.8. All the running bills as well as the final bills will be accompanied by cement consumption statements giving the detailed working of the cement used, cement received and stock-on-hand.

7.f.9. The Contractor will be fully responsible for safe custody of cement once it is received by him and during transport. Owner will not entertain any claims of the contractor for theft, loss or damage to cement while in their custody.

7.f.10. The contractor shall not remove from the site any cement bags at any time.

7.f.11. The Contractor shall advise Engineer-in-charge/Site-in-charge in writing atleast 21 days before exhausting the Cement stocks already held by Contractor to ensure that such delays do not lead to interruptions in the progress of work.

7.f.12. Cement shall not be supplied by the Owner for manufacturing of mosaic tiles, precast cement jali and any other bought out items which consume cement and for temporary works.

7.f.13. Cement in bags and in good usable condition left over after the completion of work shall be returned by the contractor to the Owner. The Owner shall make payment to the Contractor at the supply rate for such stocks of cement they accept and receive. Any refused stock of cement shall be removed by the Contractor from the site at his cost and expenses within 15 days of completion of the work.

8. PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND DAMAGES

8.1. Should the Owner have to pay money in respect of claims or demands as aforesaid the amount so paid and the costs incurred by the Owner shall be charged to and paid by the Contractor and the Contractor shall not be entitled to dispute or question the right of

the Owner to make such payments notwithstanding the same may have been without his consent or authority or in law or otherwise to the contrary.

8.2. In every case in which by virtue of the provisions of Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923, or other Acts, the Owner is obliged to pay Compensation to a Workman employed by the Contractor in execution of the works, the Owner will recover from the Contractor the amount of compensation so paid and without prejudice to the rights of Owner under the said Act. Owner shall be at liberty to recover such amount or any part thereof by deducting it from the security deposit or from any sum due to the Contractor whether under this contract or otherwise. The Owner shall not be bound to contest any claim made under Section 12 sub section (1) of the said Act, except on the written request of the Contractor and upon his giving to the Owner full security for all costs for which the owner might become liable in consequence of contesting such claim.

8.a. ACTION AND COMPENSATION IN CASE OF BAD WORK

If it shall appear to the Engineer-in-Charge/Site-in-Charge that any work has been executed with bad, imperfect or unskilled workmanship, or with materials, or that any materials or articles provided by the Contractor for execution of the work are not of standards specified/inferior quality to that contracted for, or otherwise not in accordance with the contract, the CONTRACTOR shall on demand in writing from the Engineer-in-Charge/Site-in-Charge or his authorised representative specifying the work, materials or articles complained of, notwithstanding that the same may have been inadvertently passed, certified and paid for, forthwith rectify or remove and reconstruct the work so specified and at his own charge and cost and expenses and in the event of failure to do so within a period of 15 days of such intimation/information/knowledge, the Contractor shall be liable to pay compensation equivalent to the cost of reconstruction by the Owner. On expiry of 15 days period mentioned above, the Owner may by themselves or otherwise rectify or remove and re-execute the work or remove and replace with others, the materials or articles complained of as the case may be at the risk and expenses in all respects of the Contractor. The decision of the Engineer-in-Charge/ Site-in-Charge as to any question arising under this clause shall be final and conclusive and shall not be raised as a dispute or shall be arbitrable.

8.b. INSPECTION AND AUDIT OF CONTRACT AND WORKS

This project is subject to inspection by various Government agencies of Government of India. The contractor shall extend full cooperation to all the Government and other agencies in the inspection of the works, audit of the Contract and the documents of Contract Bills, measurements sheets etc. and examination of the records of works and make enquiries interrogation as they may deem fit, proper and necessary. Upon inspection etc. by such agencies if it is pointed out that the contract work has not been carried out according to the prescribed terms and conditions as laid down in

the tender documents and if any recoveries are recommended, the same shall be recovered from the contractors running bills/final bill/from ordered/suggested Security Deposit/retention money. The Contractor shall not rise any dispute on any such account and the same shall not be arbitrable.

9. CONTRACTOR TO INDEMNIFY THE OWNER

The Contractor shall indemnify the Owner and every member, officer and employee of the Owner, also the Engineer-in-Charge/Site-in-Charge and his staff against all the actions, proceedings, claims, demands, costs, expenses, whatsoever arising out of or in connection with the works and all actions, proceedings, claims, demands, costs, expenses which may be made against the Owner for or in respect of or arising out of any failure by the Contractor in the performance of his obligations under the contract. The Contractor shall be liable for or in respect of or in consequence of any accident or injury to any workmen or other person in the employment of the Contractor or his sub contractor and Contractor shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Owner against all such damages, proceedings, costs, charges and expenses whatsoever in respect thereof or in relation thereto.

10. Price reduction

i) In case of any delay in completion of the work beyond the CDD, the Owner shall be entitled to be paid Price Reduction by the Contractor. The price reduction shall be initially at the rate of 0.5% (half percent) of the total contract value for every week of the delay subject to a maximum of 5% of the total contract value. The price reduction shall be recovered by the Owner out of the amounts payable to the Contractor or from any Bank Guarantees or Deposits furnished by the Contractor or the Retention Money retained from the Bills of the Contractor, either under this contract or any other contract.

ii) The Contractor shall be entitled to give an acceptable unconditional Bank Guarantee in lieu of such a deduction if Contractor desires any decision on a request for time extension.

iii) Once a final decision is taken on the request of the Contractor or otherwise, the price reduction shall be applicable only on the basic cost of the contract and on each full completed week(s) of delay (and for part of the week, a pro-rata price reduction amount shall be applicable).

iv) This final calculation of price reduction shall be only on the value of the unexecuted portion/quantity of work as on the CDD.

v) Contractor agrees with the Owner, that the above represents a genuine pre- estimate of the damages which the Owner will suffer on account of delay in the performance of the work by Contractor. The Contractor further agrees that the price reduction amount is over and above any right which owner has to risk purchase under Clause 12.4 and any right to get the defects in the work rectified at the cost of the contractor.

11. DEFECTS AFTER TAKING OVER OR TERMINATION OF WORK CONTRACT BY OWNER

The Contractor shall remain responsible and liable to make good all losses or damages that may occur/appear to the work carried out under this Contract within a period of 12 months from date of issue of the Completion Certificate and/or the date of Owner taking over the work, whichever is earlier. The Contractor shall issue a Bank Guarantee to the Owner in the sum of 10% of the work entrusted in the Contract, from any Scheduled Bank (other than a Co-Operative Bank) acceptable to the Owner and if however, the Contractor fails to furnish such a Bank Guarantee the Owner shall have right to retain the Security Deposit and Retention Money to cover the 10% of the Guarantee amount under this clause and to return/refund the same after the expiry of the period of 12 months without any interest thereon. (Please refer to clause 4. Deposits)

12. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

12.1 The owner may terminate the contract at any stage of the construction for reasons to be recorded in the letter of termination.

12.2 The Owner inter alia may terminate the Contract for any or all of the following reasons that the contractor

a) has abandoned the work/Contract.